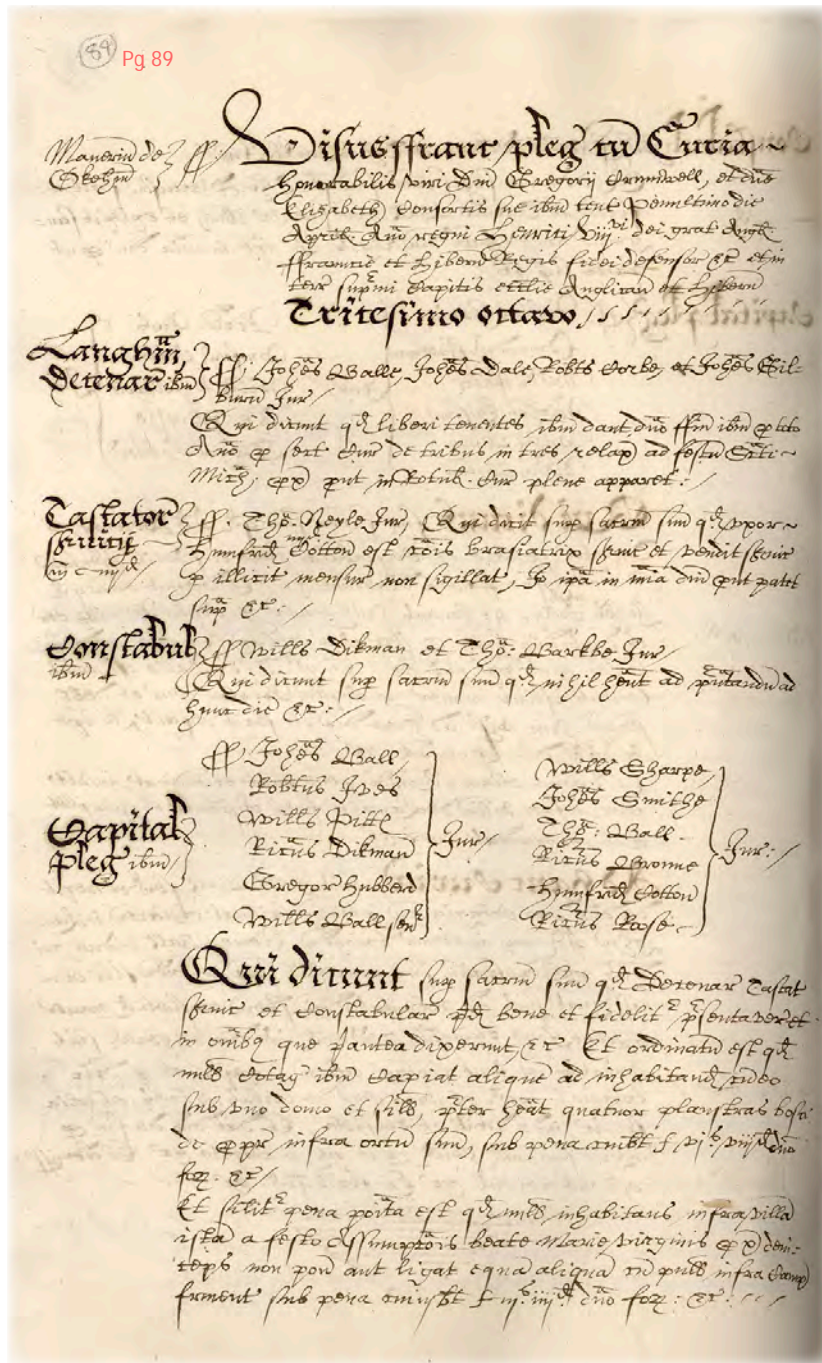


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Okeham - 1486

Great court of the Lord King Henry VII by reason of the underage of Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham, held in the same place on the feast of Saint Luke the Evangelist in the second year of the reign of the aforesaid Lord King [18th October 1486].

Langham

Homage in the same place: William Neell; Thomas Ball; Thomas Brocfour; John Bolymer; Thomas Smith junior; William Ball; Henry Smith; William Brush; John Wyllowes; William Hichecok; John Pyttes and William Bell.

Amercements xviiiid

Which jurors say upon their oath that the Prior of Brooke (iiiid), William Villers (iid), Thomas Hall (iid), Thomas Berckley knight (iid) owe suit to this court and have not appeared. Therefore they are each in mercy. Also they say that William Kelson (iid) is a trespasser on the common with his pigs in the corn of the tenants. Therefore he is in mercy. They say also that William Watson (iiiid) did not place his pigs with the common swineherd according to the ordinance then made. Therefore he is in mercy. Also they say that John Pittes (iid) was a trespasser with pigs in the corn of the tenants. Therefore he is in mercy.

Fine vid

To this court came Alice Parke and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham to the use and profit of James Taylor and Agnes his wife and in accordance with this the aforesaid James and Alice came and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage with its appurtenances to be held by them and Thomas the son of the same to the end of their lives and whichever of them lives the longer according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services formerly owed and lawfully accustomed in respect thereof. And they give to the Lord as a fine entirely as is manifest in the heading and they made fealty and they hold seisin saving right etc. And Thomas Adam senior and John Taylor found surety about the cottage being well and sufficiently repaired and the fine, rent and services being faithfully paid.

Renting of mills

To this court came William Tavernor and received from the Lord two mills in Langham to wit one wind and one water both in good repair and they were granted to him to hold for himself and his assignees from the feast of Saint Michael the Archangel [29th September] last past right to the end of the term of six years then next following by paying annually iiiis xxd at the usual periods. And the aforesaid William will repair the said two mills well and sufficiently at his own expense and costs while the aforesaid term is lasting. And he will surrender and demise those two mills, each in good repair at the end of the said term provided always that the Lord will find for him timber and stones with carriage for repairing the same when it was necessary. And the aforesaid William will find surety about the said mills being well and sufficiently repaired and the rent and services being paid faithfully.

Okeham - 1487

Court held in the same place on Wednesday next after the feast of Saint Dunstan the Bishop in the above said year [24th May 1487]

Homage in the same place came fully from those who are placed in fine for one whole year, the names of whom follow to wit: William Smith (iiiiid); John Neell (iiiiid); John Beeston (iiiiid); Thomas Adam (iiiiid); Thomas Phelipott; John Willowes (iiiiid); John Bonifaunt (iiiiid); Thomas Pittis (iiiiid); William Bury (iiiiid); John Dickman (iiiiid); William Neell (iiiiid); John Rowe (iiiiid); William Keston (iiiiid); Thomas Smith (iiiiid); William Mey (iiiiid); John Synne (iiiiid); Roberte Atwelle (iiiiid); Thomas Ball; Thomas Dykman (iiiiid); Richard Busshe (iiiiid); John Bolymere (iiiiid); William Sloce (iiiiid); John Pyttis (iiiiid); Thomas Harres (iiiiid); Thomas Proctour (iiiiid); John Derby (iiiiid); William Ball (iiiiid); John Cooke (iiiiid); John Bury (iiiiid); William [Pg 2] Watson (iiiiid); Robert Watson; John Watson give to the Lord as a fine for releasing them from suit of court this year every three weeks as above.

Okeham

Great court held in the same place on Monday the next after the feast of the invention of the sacred cross in the second year as above written [7th May 1487]

Langham

Homage in the same place to wit: Henry Smith; Thomas Vellam; William Hichcocke; Robert Watson; John Beston; John Bolyvaunt; John Dickman; Thomas Smith; John Mey; William Kyngeston; John Derby; John Bolymer

Amercements xd

Which jurors say upon their oath that the Prior of Broke (iiiiid); Bartholemew Villers (iid); Thomas Hall (iid); Thomas Berckley knight (iid) owe suit of court on this day and have not appeared. Therefore they are each in mercy.

Penalty imposed

And in the same place it is ordained that nobody henceforth should ride upon Le Eastmore with any horse or mare or more led in his hand, until the meadow has been mown under pain of xiid for any infringement whatsoever For the use of the Lord.

Okeham

The Great Court of the Lord King Henry VII by reason of the under age of Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham held in the same place on Tuesday next after the feast of Saint Luke the Evangelist in the third year of the reign of the aforesaid King [23rd October 1487]

Langham Amercements xvid

Homage in the same place to wit: John Rowe, Thomas Ball, John Willoes, Robert Hoberd, John Pittis, William Hychecok, John Hoberd, Henry Smith, William Watson, William Ball, Thomas Proctour and William Bussh who say upon their oath that Thomas Berckley knight (iiiiid) owes suit to this court and has not come so he is in mercy. Also they say that William Smith (iid) and John Pittes (iid) are common trespassers with their chickens in the autumn in the corn of the tenants. Therefore they are each in mercy. Also they say that John Dickman (iiiiid) is a trespasser on the common and has placed his coves amongst the horses in the meadow of the tenants. Therefore he is in mercy. Also they say that Thomas Pittes (iid) was a trespasser in Le Eastmore with his plough. Therefore he is in mercy.

Also they say that John Coke (iid) is a trespasser on the common with his cows upon the fallow land of the tenants. Therefore he is in mercy.

Okeham - 1488

Court held in the same place on Wednesday next after the feast of the Invention of the Sacred Cross in the third year of the reign of the Lord King aforesaid [7th May 1488]

Langham - Fines for suit of court every three weeks: Xls IIIId

Homage came fully from those who are placed on fine for the whole year, the names of whom follow to wit: John Neell (iiiid), John Beeston (iiiid), Thomas Adam (iiiid), Thomas Phelipott (iiiid) John Willowes (iiiid), John Bonifaunt (iiiid), Thomas Pittes (iiiid), William Bury (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), William Neell (iiiid), John Rowe (iiiid), William Kelston (iiiid), Thomas Smithe (iiiid), William Mey (iiiid), John Symmes (iiiid) Robert Acwell (iiiid), Thomas Ball (iiiid) Thomas Dickman (iiiid), Richard Bussh (iiiid), John Bolymere (iiiid), William Slote (iiiid), John Pittes (iiiid), Thomas Harris (iiiid), Thomas Proctour (iiiid), John Derby (iiiid), William Ball (iiiid), John Cooke (iiiid), John Bury (iiiid), William Watson (iiiid), Robert Watson (iiiid), Agnes Pittes (iiiid), Henry Smith (iiiid), Thomas Vellam (iiiid) and William Hichecok (iiiid) give to the Lord as a fine for releasing them from suit of court this year every three weeks as above.

[Pg3] Great Court held in the same place on Monday next after the feast of Saint George the Martyr in the third year above written [28th April 1488]

Langham Fine IId

Homage in the same place, to wit: William Neell, William Slote, Thomas Hoberd, Thomas Proctour, John Hoberd, Thomas Ball, Robert Hoberd, John Pittes, John Bolymere, Thomas Vellam, William Hichecok, William Ball, who say upon their oath that William Villers (iid) owes suit to this court and has not come. Therefore he is in mercy.

Penalty imposed

And in the same place there is an ordinance that nobody henceforth should depasture the grass of any of the tenants with his livestock or whosoever depastures his own grass whilst the common shepherd of the town is able to enter with his flock for agisting the common herd should be under penalty of xiid for whosoever offends for whatsoever default.

Renting of a cottage - Fine viid

To this court came Thomas Phelipot and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham to the use and benefit of John Herberd and concerning this the aforesaid John came and received the aforesaid cottage from the Lord and it was granted to him to hold it for himself and Alice his wife and his assignees at the will of the Lord according to the custom of the manor in return for the accustomed rent and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in chief. And he made fealty.

Renting of a message - Fine viiid

To this court came Thomas Phelypot and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one message and one virgate of land in Langham to the use and benefit of Robert Hoberd. And concerning this the aforesaid Robert came and received from the Lord the message and aforesaid land and it was granted to him to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the Lord according to the custom of the manor in return for the accustomed rent and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in chief. And he made fealty.

Renting of a cottage - Fine iiiid

To this court came William Mabley and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham To the use and benefit of William Taverner And concerning this the aforesaid William came and received from the Lord in the same court the aforesaid cottage. And it was granted to him to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the Lord according to the custom of the manor in return for the accustomed rent and the services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in chief, and he made fealty.

Renting of a cottage - Fine vid

To this court came Agnes Frannce is and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham to the use and benefit of Richard Chapman. And concerning this the aforesaid Richard came and received the aforesaid cottage from the Lord. And it was granted to him to be held for himself and his assignees at the will of the Lord according to the customs of the manor in return for the rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in chief and he made fealty.

Renting of a cottage - Fine iiiid

To this court came Alice Bocher and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham To the use and benefit of William Slote. And concerning this the aforesaid William came and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage. And it was granted to him to be held for himself and his assignees at the will of the Lord according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in chief and he made fealty.

[Pg 4] Langham

Revenue and profits of the brewhouses and other things relevant to the office of bailiff from the feast of St. Michael the Archangel in the third year of the reign of Henry VII right up to the same feast of St. Michael in the fourth year of the same Lord King to wit for one whole year:

Fines for brewing from Langham - iis iiiid

Thomas Smith (xvid), Isabella Taylour (viiiid) and Thomas Chancelor (xvid) give to the Lord as a fine for a licence for brewing in this year as above. . .

Tollsilver from Langham - ix

In this year within the time of the account he received through the hands of the bailiff in the same place ix

Total xiis iiiid

Okeham - 1489

Great Court of the Lord King Henry the seventh by reason of the minority of Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham held in the same place on Thursday next before the feast of Saint Luke the Evangelist in the fifth year of the reign of the Lord King aforesaid [15th October 1489]

Langham Amercements iis

Homage in the same place to wit Thomas Ball, John Willowes, John Symme, John Mey, William Hichcok, John Hoberd, Thomas Trafford, William Ball, John Derby, Robert Hoberd, William Bussh and Robert Watson Which jurors say that the Prior of Brooke (iiiid), William Villers (iid), John Beeston (iid), William Tomson (iid), William Dikman (iid), William Grant (iid), William Osen (iid), William Clerke (iid), Thomas Adam (iid), John Cooke (iid) and Nicholas Widerley (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy.

Penalty Imposed

Also they present that Thomas Adam holds one tenement called Welles place and it is exceedingly ruinous both in walls and timbers and in roof. Therefore it is ordered that he should sufficiently repair that tenement before the next great court under penalty of paying to the Lord xls

Fine for suit of court twice a year viiid

And at the same time Thomas Hall (viid) gives to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court twice a year as the heading reveals above.

Okeham

Court held in the castle in the same place on Wednesday next after the feast of Saint Luke the evangelist in the fifth year above written [21st October 1489]

Langham - Fines for suit of court every three weeks viis viiid

Homage in the same place came with those men excepted who are placed at the end for a whole year, the names of whom follow to wit: Thomas Adam (iiiid), John Beeston (iiiid), John Willowes (iiiid), John Garland (iiiid), William Bury (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), William Neell (iiiid), Thomas Smith (iiiid), John Symme (iiiid), Thomas Ball (iiiid), John Bussh (iiiid), John Bullimer (iiiid), William Slote (iiiid), John Derby (iiiid), William Ball (iiiid), John Cooke (iiiid), John Watson (iiiid), John Hoberd (iiiid), Henry Smith (iiiid), Thomas Velam (iiiid), John Hichcok (iiiid), John Pittes (iiiid) and Robert Watson (iiiid), all these men gave to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court this year every three weeks as above.

[Pg 5] Okeham - 1490

Great Court held in the same place on Monday the next after the feast of Easter in the fifth year above said [12th April 1490]

Langham Amercements - vid

Homage in the same place to wit William Neell, William Bury, William Ball, William Hychecok, John Hoberd, Thomas Velam, Thomas Stable, John Derby, John Bullimeer, John Symme, John Pyttes and Thomas Smith. Which jurors say that the prior of Brooke (iiiiid), William Villers (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore they are each in mercy.

Renting of a cottage - Fine iiiid

To this court came Maurice Barkeley knight and surrendered into the hands of the Lord three cottages formerly in the tenure of Thomas Berkeley knight to the use and benefit of John Clerke. And concerning this the aforesaid John came and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottages and they were granted to him to be held for himself and his assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid John will repair and maintain the said three cottages well and sufficiently at his own cost and expense. And he gives to the Lord as a fine as is revealed in the heading and he made fealty.

Renting of a cottage - Fine iiiid

To this court came Nicholas Widerley and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham to the use and benefit of John Neell. And concerning this the aforesaid John came and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage and it was granted to him to be held for himself and Isabell his wife and Thomas their son to the end of their life and of whosoever lives longer in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid John, Isabell and Thomas will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at their own cost and expense while the term lasts. And they give to the Lord as a fine as is revealed in the heading and made fealty.

Renting of a cottage - Fine iiiid

To this court came William Dikman villein of the Lord and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham to the use and benefit of John Warde. And concerning this the aforesaid John came and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage and it was granted to him to be held for himself and Johanna his wife to the end of their life and of whichever lives longer in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid John and Johanna will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at their own cost and expense while the aforesaid term lasts. And they give to the Lord as a fine as is revealed in the heading and made fealty.

Furthermore the homage of Langham say that at the last court here it was presented that Thomas Adam held one tenement called Welles place and that tenement was exceedingly ruinous both in walls and timber and in roof and [Pg 6] on account of this he was ordered in the same court that he should correct and repair the aforesaid tenement before this great court under penalty of paying to the Lord xls. And now at this court it is witnessed by the aforesaid homage that the aforesaid tenement is ruinous and has not been repaired nor corrected. Therefore that Thomas incurs the aforesaid penalty. Therefore it is ordered to raise it etc.

Renting of a cottage - Fine iiiid

To this court came Thomas Herberd through John Clerke his substitute and attorney and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage with appurtenances in Langham to the use and benefit of Henry Sandell. And concerning this the aforesaid Henry came and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage and it was granted to him to be held for himself and his assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid Henry will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at his own cost and expense. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in the heading and he made fealty.

Okeham

Great Court of the Lord King Henry the seventh by reason of the minority of Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham held in the same place on Monday next after the feast of Saint Denis in the sixth year of the reign of the aforesaid Lord King [11th October 1490]

Langham

Homage in the same place to wit John Symme, Thomas Hoberd, John Derby, William Ball, Henry Smith, John Pittys, John Willowes, William Slote, Thomas Ball junior, John Hoberd, John Mey and William Bury Which jurors present that the prior of Brooke (iiiid), William Villers (iid), John Vyllam (iid) and William Eson owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore they are each in mercy

Penalty imposed

They say also that John Fole has one ditch not flowing and does not clear it out through which the rain water floods the land and grass of the tenants as a serious nuisance. Therefore it is ordered that he should sufficiently correct it before the feast of Saint Martin in hyeme [11th November] next under penalty of paying to the Lord xld

Okeham

Court held in the castle in the same place on Wednesday next after the feast of All Saints in the sixth year aforesaid [3rd November 1490]

Langham

Homage in the same place came with those men excepted who are placed at the end for one year whose names follow: Thomas Adam, (iiiid), John Beeston (iiiid), John Willowes (iiiid), John Garland (iiiid), William Bury (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), William Neell (iiiid), Thomas Smith (iiiid), John Symmes (iiiid), Thomas Ball (iiiid), John Bussh (iiiid), John Bollimere (iiiid), William Slote (iiiid), John Derby (iiiid), William Ball (iiiid), John Cooke (iiiid) John Watson (iiiid), John Hoberd (iiiid), Henry Smith (iiiid), Thomas Velam [iiiid-crossed out] (none dead), John Hichecoke (iiiid), John Pittes (iiiid) and Robert Watson (iiiid). All these men give to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court this year every three weeks as in their heading above.

[Pg 7] Okeham

Great Court held in the same place on the Thursday next after the octave of Easter in the sixth year as within written [22nd April 1490]

Langham Amercements xiid

Homage in the same place to wit John Symme, William Slote, John Wylowes, William Bury, John Pittes, William Ball, John Mey, Thomas Velam, Thomas Smith, William Hichecoke, Robert Watson and Thomas Stable. Which jurors present that the prior of Brooke (iiiid), William Villers (iid), John Pittes (iid), John Garland (iid) and Thomas Prouctour (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore they are each in mercy.

Revenue and profits from brewhouses and toll booths from the feast of Saint Michael Archangel in the sixth year of the reign of the said King right up to the same feast of St. Michael in the seventh year of the reign of the same Lord King, to wit for one whole year

Fines of brewhouses of Langham vs

Thomas Chancelor (xvid), Thomas Harris (xvid), William Mable (xiid) and William Christpofer (xvid) give the Lord in return for a licence for brewing in this year as above in the heading.

Tollsilver from Langham

In this year within the time of the account there was received through the hands of the Bailiff in the same place ix s iid

Total xiiiis iid

Okeham - 1491

Great Court of the Lord King Henry the seventh by reason of the minority of the Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham held in the same place on Thursday next after the feast of St. Luke the evangelist in the seventh year of the reign of the aforesaid Lord [20th October 1491]

Langham Amercements xxd

Homage in the same place to wit John Symme, William Bury, John Hoberd, John Derby, John Bollymere, John Wyllowes, John Neell, John Mey, John Pittes, William Ball, John Egilton, John Chancelour. Which jurors say that the prior of Brooke (iiiid), William Villes (iid), Henry Glover (iid), John Vyrlam (iid), Henry Sandell (iid), Thomas Prouctour (iid), John Foole (iid) and Thomas Adam (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore they each are in mercy. They say also that John Derby (iid) felled and carried off the common bush growing in the common pasture. Therefore he is in mercy.

Penalty vis viiid - Also penalty remaining

They say also that Thomas Adam incurred a penalty of vis viiid because he has not sufficiently repaired a certain tenement called Welles howse before the day set for him. And also it is ordered that he should sufficiently correct and repair the aforesaid tenement before the next under penalty of xxs.

Fines of the lord for suit of court twice a year as is clear below

Langham

Sir Thomas Hall (viiid) gives to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court twice a year this year as above in the heading.

[Pg 8] Renting of a messuage - Fine xiid

To this court came William Neell also called William Okeham and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one messuage and one virgate of land in Langham to the use and benefit of John Ball and concerning this the aforesaid John came and received from the Lord the messuage and virgate of land aforesaid and they were granted to him to be held through the compass of the King's court according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid John will repair and maintain well and sufficiently the said messuage with its appurtenances at his own expenses and costs. And he gives to the Lord as a fee at entry just as in the heading and he made fealty.

Okeham

Court held in the same place in the castle on Wednesday next after the feast of St. Martin in Hyeme in the seventh year aforesaid [16th November 1491]

Langham - Fines for suit of court every three weeks viiis

Homage in the same place: Agnes Pittes (iiiid), John Beeston (iiiid), Thomas Harris (iiiid), Robert Hoberd (iiiid), John Bury (iiiid), Thomas Pyttis (iiiid), William Bury (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), William Mably (iiiid), John Ball (iiiid), Thomas Ball (iiiid), William Kelson (iiiid), Thomas Smith (iiiid), John Mey (iiiid), John Symme (iiiid), Henry Glover (iiiid), William Bushe (iiiid), Thomas Stable (iiiid), William Hychcoke (iiiid), Thomas Phelipot (iiiid), Thomas Hoberd (iiiid), John Derby (iiiid), Thomas Adam (iiiid) and Thomas Trafford. All these give to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court every three weeks this year as is clear in the heading.

Okeham - 1492

Great court held in the same place on Thursday next after the feast of the invention of the sacred cross in the seventh year above written [10th May 1492]

Langham Amercements vid - Penalty xxs

Homage in the same place to wit John Wyllowes, John Derby, William Bury, Henry Smith, William Bussh, Robert Hoberd, John Watson, Thomas Trafford, William Smith, William Hychcok, William Ball and William Slote Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiid) and William Villers (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them are in mercy. They say also that Thomas Adam incurred a penalty because he did not repair a certain home called Welleshouse before the day set for him as in the heading.

Renting of a cottage - Fine xvid

To this court came Roger Dalby through John Clerke his attorney and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham to the use and benefit of Thomas Wayte. And concerning this the aforesaid Thomas came and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage and it was granted to him to be held for himself and Agnes his wife and his assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid Thomas and Agnes will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at their own costs and expenses. And they give to the Lord as a fine just as in the heading and he made fealty.

Renting of a cottage - Fine iiiid

To this court came Thomas Bradmere through John Clerke his attorney and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham to the use and benefit of John Virlam. And concerning this the aforesaid John came and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage and it was granted to him to be held for himself and his assignees according [Pg 9] to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid John will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at his own cost and expense. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in the heading and he made fealty.

Renting of a message - Fine viiid

To this court came Johanna formerly wife of John Bullyvaunt widow, through John Clerke her attorney and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one message and one virgate and a half of arable land and pasture in Langham formerly in the tenure of Henry Lynde, to the use and benefit of John Garland. And it was granted to her to be held both for Johanna his wife and William the son of the same to the end of their life and of whichever of them lives longer in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid John, Johanna and William will repair and maintain the said message with appurtenances well and sufficiently at their own cost and expense whilst the said term lasts. And they give to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in the heading and made fealty.

Okeham

Great Court of the Lord King Henry the seventh by reason of the minority of Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham held in the same place on the Tuesday next before the feast of St. Luke the evangelist in the eighth year of the reign of the Lord King aforesaid [16th October 1492]

Langham - Amercements viiid

Homage in the same place to wit John Neell, William Hichecok, John Bury, Thomas Ball, Thomas Smith, John Mey, John Derby, Thomas Hoberd, John Bollimere, William Ball, John Watson and Henry Smith. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiid), William Villers (iid) and Henry Sandell (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore they are each in mercy

Fines of the Lord for suit of court twice a year in this year as is clear below

Langham Fines viiid

Thomas Hall (viiid) gives to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court twice a year in this year as is clear above in the heading.

Renting of a messuage - Fine xxd

To this court came Isabell Pittys widow one time daughter of Thomas Greene and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one messuage with garden lying in Langham opposite the church there between the messuage of Thomas Pittis also called Thomas Dobbis on the west part and the tenement formerly of Thomas Malkinson on the east part to the use and benefit of William Palmer and his wife Isabell. And concerning this the aforesaid William and Isabell his wife came and received from the Lord the messuage and garden aforesaid and it was granted to them to be held for them and their assignees according to the custom of the manor by paying annually one penny at the usual periods there and other services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid William and Isabell will repair and maintain the said messuage well and sufficiently at their own cost and expense. And they give to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in the heading and they made fealty.

[Pg 10] Okeham

Court held in the same place in the castle on Wednesday next after the feast of St. Luke the evangelist in the eighth year within written [24th October 1492]

Langham - Fines viiis

Homage in the same place came fully with those men excepted who are placed at the end for one whole year the names of whom follow to wit: Agnes Pittis (iiiiid), John Beeston (iiiiid), Thomas Harris (iiiiid), Robert Hoberd (iiiiid), John Bury willowes (iiiiid), Thomas Pittys (iiiiid), William Bury (iiiiid), John Dikman (iiiiid), William Mabley (iiiiid), John Ball (iiiiid), Thomas Ball (iiiiid), William Kelston (iiiiid), Thomas Smith (iiiiid), John Mey (iiiiid), John Symmes (iiiiid), Henry Glover (iiiiid), William Busshe (iiiiid), Thomas Stable (iiiiid), William Hichecok (iiiiid), Thomas Phelypot (iiiiid), Thomas Hoberd, John Derby (iiiiid), Thomas Trafford (iiiiid) and Thomas Adam. All these men give to the Lord as a fine as above just as in their heading.

Okeham - 1493

Great Court held in the same place on Thursday the next before the feast of St. Margaret the virgin in the eighth year above said [18th July 1493]

Langham - Amercements vid

Homage in the same place to wit John Chace, John Neell, John Bolymere, John Virlam, John Byrmicham, John Slote, William Bury, Henry Sandell which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiid) and William Villers (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy.

Penalty imposed

And in the same place it was ordered by the homage aforesaid that no man henceforth should agist his livestock upon any pasturage of any of the tenants unless upon his own pasturage ----- under penalty for any one admitting the fault to the Lord for whatsoever fault xiid

Renting of a cottage - Fine xxd

To this court came Margery Chamberlyn through John Clerke her attorney and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham to the use and benefit of William Taylour. And concerning this the aforesaid William came and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage. And it was granted to him to be held for himself and his assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid William will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at his own cost and expense. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in the heading and was admitted as a tenant and he made fealty.

Fines of brewhouses and Tollsilver for this year

Langham Fines for brewhouses in the same place iiiis

Thomas Chancelor (xvid), Thomas Ball (xvid) and Thomas Trafford (xvid) give to the Lord as a fine for a licence for brewing this year as above in their heading

Langham vis viiid

Tollsilver in the same place this year within the time of the account received through the hands of the baillif in the same place just as in the heading

Total xs viiid

[Pg 11]Okeham

Great Court of the Lord King Henry the seventh by reason of the minority of Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham held on Monday next after the feast of St. Michael the Archangel in the ninth year of the reign of the aforesaid King [30th September 1493]

Langham - Amercements iis vid

Homage in the same place to wit: Thomas Harres, John Chace, Thomas Ball, John Mey, Thomas Wyllowes, Thomas Hoberd, John Symme, John Pittys, William Hychecok, John Hoberd, Thomas Trafford and Robert Watson. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiid), William Villers (iid), Henry Sandell (iid), William Osen owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy. Also they say that Thomas Adam over grazes the pasture of the tenants with his sheep because he has one hundred sheep more than those which he ought to have according to the quantity of his tenancy. Therefore he is in mercy. And that the aforesaid Thomas (iiiid) is a trespasser on the common in Estmore with his cattle. Therefore he is in mercy. Also they say that Robert Hoberd (iid) and John Pittys (iid) are trespassers on the common with their cattle in 'le comon moore'. Therefore they are each in mercy

Penalty imposed

And in the same place it is sufficiently witnessed that Thomas Adam has all these houses in ruin to wit: one cottage (xiid) now in the tenure of Richard Taylor, and another cottage (viid) called the Kirke howse, one tenement (viid) called Sir Robert howse, and another tenement (viid) called welles howse totally thrown down to the ground. And Thomas Prouctour (vs) has another tenement exceedingly in ruin and thrown down to the ground. Therefore each are instructed to repair sufficiently and each of them should repair his aforesaid holdings under penalty of paying to the Lord for whichever cottage and tenement just as in the heading.

Fines of the Lord for suit of court twice a year this year as is clear below.

Langham - Fines viiid

Thomas Hall (viid) gives as a fine to the Lord for being released from suit of court this year as is clear in the heading above

Okeham

Court held in the same place on Wednesday next before the feast of Saint Luke the evangelist in the ninth year above said [16th October 1493]

Langham - Fines viiis

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year, the names of whom follow: John Beeston (iiiiid), Thomas Harres (iiiiid), Robert Hoberd (iiiiid), William Bury (iiiiid), Thomas Pittys (iiiiid), John Bury (iiiiid), John Dikman (iiiiid), William Mabley (iiiiid), John Ball (iiiiid), William Kelston (iiiiid), Thomas Smith (iiiiid), John Mey (iiiiid), John Symme (iiiiid), Henry Glover (iiiiid), William Bussh (iiiiid), Thomas Stable (iiiiid), William Hichcok (iiiiid), Thomas Phelypot (iiiiid), Thomas Hoberd (iiiiid), John Derby (iiiiid), Thomas Trafford (iiiiid), Thomas Adam (iiiiid), John Chace (iiiiid) and Thomas Ball (iiiiid). All these give to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court every three weeks this year as above in their headings.

[Pg 12]Okeham - 1494

Great Court held in the same place on Monday next after the feast of St. Mark the evangelist in the ninth year aforesaid [28th April 1494]

Langham - Amercements xviiiid - Penalty forfeited iiis

Homage in the same place to wit: Thomas Harres, John Chace, Thomas Ball, Thomas Wyllowes, William Hichecok, John Hoberd, John Bolymere, John Symme, Henry Smithe, John Mey, John Pittes and John Neell. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiid), William Villers (iid), John Pittes (iid) John Bussh (iid) Thomas Bussh (iid), Richard Sclater (iid), Thomas Phelypot (iid) and Thomas Chancelor (iid) owe suit and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy. Also they say that Thomas Adam has incurred various penalties imposed upon him at the last great court because he has not repaired various cottages and tenements before this court as he was instructed, to wit: xiid for one cottage recently in the tenure of Richard Taylor, viiid for one cottage called le kirk howse, viiid for one tenement called le welles howse, viiid for one tenement called Sir Robert howse. Also they say that Thomas Prouctour incurred a penalty imposed at the last great court because he has not repaired his tenement before this court as he was instructed [written above line-cancelled by advice of the lord because he has nothing]

Fines for brewhouses and Tollsylver this year

Fines for brewhouses in the same place iiiis

Thomas Chancelor (xvid), Thomas Ball (xvid) and Thomas Trafford (xvid) All these men give to the lord as a fine for a licence for brewing this year just as above in their headings.

Langham vis xd

Tollsilver in the same place within the time of the account received through the hands of the bailiff in the same place this year as in the heading

Okeham

Great Court of the Lord King Henry the seventh by reason of the minority of Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham held in the same place on Thursday next after the feast of St. Michael the Archangel in the tenth year of the reign of the aforesaid King [2nd October 1494]

Langham - Amercements xiiiid

Homage in the same place to wit: William Hichecok, John Pittes, Henry Smith, John Hoberd, Thomas Willowes, Thomas Trafford, John Bollimere, John Chace, William Bury, Thomas Harres, Thomas Smith and John Dikman. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiid), William Villers (iid), Henry Sandell (iid), William Osen (iid), Richard Chapman (iid), John Slote (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy.

Langham Fine - viiid

Thomas Hall (viid) gives to the lord as a fine for being released from suit of court twice a year this year just as above in his heading.

[Pg 13]Renting of cottage - Fine vid

To this court came William Fletcher and Agnes his wife and received from the Lord one cottage in Langham recently in the tenure of John Pittes and it was granted to them to be held for them and the assignees of the same Agnes according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And they give to the Lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading. And they made fealty.

Renting of messuage - Fine iiiid

To this court came Thomas Ball of Langham freeman and of the free condition and received from the Lord one messuage and one virgate of land and two meynes in Langham recently in the tenure of William Dikman and they were granted to him to be held for him and Elena his wife and their assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And they give to the Lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading. And they made fealty.

Okeham

Court held in the same place in the castle on Wednesday next before the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the tenth year with written [22nd October 1494]

Langham - Fines vs

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year, the names of whom follow: John Beeston (iiiiid), Thomas Harres (iiiiid), Robert Hoberd (iiiiid), John Bury (iiiiid), Thomas Pittes (iiiiid), William Bury (iiiiid), John Dikman (iiiiid), William Mabley, John Ball, John Mey (iiiiid), Henry Glover, William Bussh, Thomas Stable, William Hichecok (iiiiid), Thomas Phelipot (iiiiid), Thomas Hoberd, John Derby (iiiiid), Thomas Trafford (iiiiid), Thomas Adam (iiiiid), John Chace (iiiiid) and Thomas Ball. All these men give to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court every three weeks this year as above in their headings.

Okeham - 1495

Great Court held in the same place on Thursday next after the feast of the invention of the Holy Cross in the tenth year above said [7th May 1495]

Langham - Amercements viis iiiid

Homage in the same place to wit: John Chace, Thomas Harres, Thomas Ball, Thomas Willowes, William Hichecok, John Hoberd, John Bolymer, John Neell, John Beeston, Robert Watson, John Watson and William Mabley. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiiid), William Villers (iid), William Taylor (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy. They say also that Thomas Adam (xld) made an illegal recovery from John Beeson because he took sheep from the custody of the same John against his will. Therefore he is in mercy. And that Thomas (xld) servant of the same Thomas Adam broke the common fold and took and led away the sheep of the aforesaid Thomas Adam placed in the same place for damage inflicted in the corn and pasturage of the tenants. Therefore he is in mercy.

Stray forfeited iis

And the bailiff presents that he himself seized one male chicken (xiid) of the black colour and one calf (xiid) of the black colour at Langham before the feast of All Saints in the tenth year of the present King as strays and nobody came within a year and a day to claim them as his property. Therefore they are forfeit to the Lord and they have been valued over and above the deduction as in the heading.

[Pg 14]Okeham

Great Court of the Lord King Henry the seventh by reason of the minority of Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham held in the same place on Thursday next before the feast of Saint Edward King and Confessor in the eleventh year of the reign of the aforesaid Lord King [8th October 1495]

Langham - Amercements xd

Homage in the same place to wit: John Bury, John Willowes, John Hoberd, John Neell, Henry Smith, John Mey, John Symme, John Watson, Thomas Smith, Thomas Harres, John Bolymere junior and Thomas Trafford. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiiid), William Villers (iid) and Thomas Whewefall (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy. Also they say that Robert Chaloner (iid) is a trespasser on the common with his sheep. Therefore he is in mercy.

Langham - Fines viiid

Nicholas Wodeward (viiiid) chaplain gives to the Lord as a fine for suit of court as above as is clear in his heading.

Renting of messuage and land

To this court came Alice Slote through John Clarke her attorney and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one messuage and one virgate and a half of land with appurtenances in Langham recently in the tenure of William Slote to the use and benefit of John Thorpe. And on account of this the aforesaid John came and received from the Lord the messuage and aforesaid land and they were granted to him to be held for himself and his assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent and custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid John will repair and maintain the said messuage with its appurtenances well and sufficiently at his own expense and costs. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in the heading. And he made fealty.

Okeham

Court held in the same place in the castle on Wednesday next before the feasts of All Saints in the eleventh year within written [28th October 1495]

Langham Fines - vs

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year, the names of whom follow: John Beeston (iiiiid), Robert Hoberd (iiiiid), John Bury (iiiiid), Thomas Pittes (iiiiid), William Bury (iiiiid), John Dikman (iiiiid), John Mey (iiiiid), William Hychecok (iiiiid), Thomas Phelipot (iiiiid), John Derby (iiiiid), Thomas Trafford (iiiiid), Thomas Adam (iiiiid), John Chace (iiiiid), Thomas Ball (iiiiid) and John Bolymere. All these men give to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court every three weeks this year as above in their heading.

Okeham - 1496

Great Court held in the same place on Tuesday on the feast of the invention of the sacred cross in the eleventh year above written [3rd May 1496]

Langham - Amercements xviiiid

Homage in the same place to wit: John Willowes, John Bolymere, Thomas Smith, William Hichecok, William Bury, Thomas Ball, Robert Hoberd, John Mey, Thomas Willowes, Thomas Trafford, John Neell and John Pittes. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiiid), William Villers (iid) John Fletcher (iid), William Osen (iid), Thomas Nicholson (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy. Also they say that Thomas Pittes junior (iiiiid) overturns the boundaries in Cleygate with his ploughs. Therefore he is in mercy. Also they say that Thomas Pittes overturns the common with his plough at milne leyes. Therefore he is in mercy.

[Pg 15] Renting of cottage Fine iiiid

To this court came William Lane through John Clarke his attorney and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham to the use and benefit of John Pittes. And on account of this the aforesaid John came and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage and it was granted to him to be held for himself and his assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid John will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at his own expense and costs. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in the heading. And he made fealty.

Stray forfeited iis viiid

Also they present that one mare (iis iiiid) of the colour sorell called 'a filly' was seized at Langham on the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the eleventh year above written and one skin (xvid) of a black cow now dead was seized at Langham on the feast of the purification of the blessed Mary in the tenth year of the present King as a stray. And it was sufficiently proclaimed and noone came within a day and a year to claim it as their property. Therefore they are forfeit to the Lord and each of them is valued as in the heading above.

Fines of brewhouses and tollsylver this year

Langham iis iiiid

Thomas Chaunceler (xvid), Richard Sherp (iiiiid ?a day), Thomas Trafford (viiiid). All these men give to the Lord as a fine for brewing this year as above in their headings.

Langham vis xd

Tolsylver in the same place within the time of the account received through the hands of the bailiff in the same place just as in the heading.

Okeham

Great Court of the Lord King Henry the seventh by reason of the minority of Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham held in the same place on Monday next before the feast of Saint Edward King and Confessor in the twelfth year of the reign of the aforesaid Lord King [10th October 1496]

Langham - Amercements iis iid

Homage in the same place to wit: John Chace, John Neell, John Willowes, John Pittes, John Bollimere, John Watson, Thomas Ball, John Hoberd, Thomas Smith, Thomas Trafford, William Smith and William Mable. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiid), William Rivers (iid), Henry Sandell (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy. They say also that John Pittes junior (iiid), Thomas Pittes (iiid), Agnes Bury (iiid), William Hudelston (iid), Thomas Busshe (iid) and Robert Hoberd (iid) are trespassers on the common with pigs in the corn of the tenants. Therefore each of them is in mercy.

Langham viiid

Nicholas Wodewarde (viiid) chaplain gives to the Lord as a fine for suit of court this year as is clear above in his heading.

Okeham

Court held in the same place in the castle on Wednesday next before the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the twelfth year within written [26th October 1496]

Langham Fines vs iiid

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year the names of whom follow: John Beeston (iiid), Robert Hoberd (iiid), John Bury (iiid), Thomas Pittes (iiid), John Dikman (iiid), John Mey (iiid), William Hichecok (iiid), Thomas Phelypott (iiid), John Derby (iiid), Thomas Trafford (iiid), Thomas Adam (iiid), John Chace (iiid), John Thorpe (iiid), Thomas Ball (iiid), John Neell (iiid) and John Watson (iiid). All these men give to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court every three weeks this year as above in their headings.

[Pg 16] Okeham

Great court held in the same place on Tuesday next after the feast of St. Ambrose in the twelfth year within written

Langham Amercements vs Forfeiture iiid

Homage in the same place to wit: John Neell, John Wyllowes, John Ball, Thomas Pittes, Thomas Smith, John Meye, John Symme, John Thorpe, Thomas Wyllowes, John Bollymere, John Watson and John Smith. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiid), William Villers (iid), William Osen (iid), Robert Croweston (iid) and Robert Byfeild (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy. Also they say that Thomas Adam (iiid) has committed an affray upon Richard Alleyn with one 'pykfork'. It is ordered that iiid should be forfeit. And that the same Thomas (xld) drew blood from the said Richard. Therefore he is in mercy. Also they present that John Slote (iid) has committed an affray upon William Wever. Therefore he is in mercy.

Renting of cottage - Fine xld

To this court came Robert Gruggefeld and received from the Lord one cottage in Langham recently in the tenure of Alice Bother and afterwards of William Slote after whose death the said cottage was seized in the hands of the Lord by default in the surrender of the said cottage into the hands of the Lord by the same William in his own life time, to the use of each one. And it was granted to him to be held for himself and his wife Johanna and William their son and their assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid Robert, Johanna and William will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at their own expense and costs. And they give to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in the heading. And they made fealty

Renting of cottage - Fine vid

To this court came William Thomson through John Clarke his attorney and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham to the use and benefit of William Hadelston. And on account of this the aforesaid William came and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage and it was granted to him and his wife Isabella to be held for himself and his assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid William will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at his own expense and costs. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in the heading. And he made fealty.

Renting of land - Fine iiiid

To this court came William Smith through John Clarke his attorney and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one messuage and a half virgate of land in Langham recently in the tenure of Thomas Harres to the use and benefit of Stephain Hoberd. And on account of this the aforesaid Stephan came and received from the Lord the aforesaid messuage and land and it was granted to him to be held for himself and his assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid Stephan will repair and maintain the said messuage well and sufficiently at his own expense and costs. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in the heading. And he made fealty.

Renting of cottage - Fine iis

To this court came Richard Chapman through John Clarke his attorney and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham to the use and benefit of Robert Crowston. And on account of this the aforesaid Robert came and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage and it was granted to him to be held for himself and his assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid Robert will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at his own expense and costs. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in the heading. And he made fealty.

[Pg 17] Renting of land - Fine iiiid

To this court came Robert Watson through John Clarke his attorney and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one messuage and one virgate of land in Langham to the use and benefit of Thomas Hoberd. And on account of this the aforesaid Thomas came and received from the Lord the aforesaid messuage and land and they were granted to him to be held for himself and his assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and accustomed by right. And the aforesaid Thomas will repair and maintain the said messuage well and sufficiently at his own expense and costs. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry just as in the heading. And he made fealty.

Valuation of sheep

And in the same place there were lxxxiii sheep from the goods and chattels of Thomas Adam of Langham and they were seized by John Clerk reeve in the same place in return for rent in arrears and various amerancements as is clear in the roll of the court. And they were valued by John Bayley, William Neuton, John Dikman to wit at xiid per head.

Okeham - 1497

Great court of the most excellent Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Wednesday next after the feast of St. Dionysius in the thirteenth year of the reign of King Henry the seventh [11th October 1497]

Langham - Amercements vid - Penalty forfeit xiid

Homage in the same place to wit: John Neell, John Wyllowes, John Ball, John Bury, Thomas Ball, John Symme, John Thorpe, John Pittes, Thomas Smithe, William Smith, Thomas Trafford and Thomas Pittes. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiid), William Villers owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy. Also they present that John Catherins (xiid) has incurred a penalty just as in the heading because he placed a canvas in the water above his house against the ordinance then made and polluted the waters.

Penalty imposed

And further they present that Thomas Hoberd (iis), William Wever (xld), Thomas Adam (xld) through Sir Roberts howse, Thomas Trafford (vis viiid) through Camppys howse and Thomas Adam through Pagys howse: all these men have their holdings in ruin indeed in walls and timbers and indeed in 'wattell' and roof. Therefore it is ordered that this should be corrected before the next court under penalty for each as in their headings.

Renting of land - Fine xiid

To this court came Robert Hoberd freeman and of the free condition and received from the Lord half a virgate of land recently in the tenure of Thomas Harres and it was granted to him to be held for him and Elizabeth his wife and their assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry as in the heading. And they made fealty.

Langham - Fine viiid

Nicholas Wodeward (viiid) cleric gives to the Lord as a fine for suit of court as above as is revealed in his heading

[Pg 18]Okeham

Court held in the same place in the castle on Wednesday next after the feast of Edward the king and confessor in the thirteenth year within written [18th October 1497]

Langham

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for this year for being released from suit of court every three weeks, the names of whom follow: John Beeston (iiiid), Robert Hoberd (iiiid), John Bury (iiiid), Thomas Pittes (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), John Mey (iiiid), William Hichecok (iiiid), Thomas Phelypott (iiiid), John Derby (iiiid), Thomas Trafford (iiiid), Thomas Adam (iiiid), John Chace (iiiid), John Thorpe (iiiid), Thomas Ball (iiiid), John Neell (iiiid), John Watson (iiiid), John Wyllowes (iiiid). All these men give to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court this year as above in their headings.

Okeham - 1498

Great court held in the same place on Monday next before the feast of the apostles Philip and James in the xiii year within written [30th April 1498]

Langham - Amercements vs

Homage in the same place to wit: John Wyllowes, John Dikman, John Mey, Thomas Smith, William Ball, John Thorpe, Thomas Wyllowes, John Bullymere, John Watson, John Hoberd, William Hychecok, John Symme. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (vid), William Villers (iid), William Fletcher (iid), Thomas Hoberd (iid), Thomas Adam (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy. Also they present that Nicholas Taverner (nothing because he fled) committed an affray upon Thomas Hoberd and drew blood. Therefore he is in mercy. They say also that Thomas Hoberd (iid) committed an affray upon Nicholas Taverner and drew blood (iiiid). And also that Thomas Adam (xld) made an illegal recovery upon the reeve acting in his official capacity and broke the padlocks which the reeve was hanging upon his doors, in the name of distraint. Therefore he is in mercy.

Penalty forfeit xvis

And in the same place it is sufficiently witnessed that Thomas Hoberd (iis), William Wever (iis), Thomas Adam (xld) for Sir Roberts howse, Thomas Trafford (vis viiid) for Campys howse and Thomas Adam (iis) for Page howse - all these men have incurred a penalty just as in the heading because they have not repaired their holdings before the day fixed for them.

Another penalty forfeit vis viiid

And further it is testified that Thomas Pittes (vis viiid) prosecuted Robert Hoberd in the county of Rutland and not in the court of the Lord against an ordinance of that Lord made anciently. Therefore he incurred a penalty just as in the heading.

Chattels of a felon iis iiiid

And in the same place it is testified that Robert Brace recently of Langham committed a felony for which he fled and he held one mare (iis iiiid) and one sheep (xiid) which are forfeit to the Lord on account of the aforesaid reason and have been valued faithfully by trustworthy men as above in their heading.

Renting of cottage Fine viiid

To this court came Thomas Nicholson and received from the Lord one cottage in Langham recently in the tenure of William Neell and it was granted to him to be held for him and his wife Agnes and their assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid Thomas and Agnes will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at their own costs and expenses. And they give to the Lord as a fee at entry as is clear in the heading. And they made fealty.

Stray forfeit xiid

And in the same place the bailiff presents that one sheep (xiid) called 'a sherehogge' was seized at Langham coming as a stray and it was proclaimed and no body came within a year and a day to claim it as their property. Therefore it has been forfeit to the Lord and it is valued just as in the heading.

[Pg 19]Okeham

Great court of the most excellent Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham, Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Thursday next after the feast of St. Michael the Archangel in the fourteenth year of the reign of King Henry the seventh. [4th October 1498]

Langham Amercements iis vid

Homage in the same place to wit: John Wyllowes, John Ball, John Dikman, Thomas Ball, Thomas Smith, John Symme, John Thorpe, Thomas Wyllowes, John Bolymere, John Pittes, William Hichecok, William Ball. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiid) owes suit to this court and has not come. Therefore he is in mercy. Also they say that John Pittes (iiiid), Isabell Chace (iid), Thomas Busshe (iid), John Watson (xiid) and William Smith (vid) - all these are trespassers on the common with their pigs and horses in the corn and pasture. Therefore each of them is in mercy. They say also that Thomas Norton (xiid) committed an affray upon Robert Croweston and drew blood. Therefore he is in mercy.

Penalty imposed

And in the same place there is an ordinance that any tenant henceforth should not hold more than two cows in the summer and four pigs to wit two for his 'larder' and another two for his store and [no] goslings except one gander and one goose under penalty for each cow more assessed at xiid and for each pig vid and for each goose iiiid. And each tenant henceforth should not hold more than xl sheep per virgate of land under penalty of xld. And that no one should protect his sheep with an enclosure but among his neighbours under penalty of vis viiid.

Fines viiid

Nicholas Wodeward (viid) cleric gives to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court this year as is clear above in his heading.

Okeham

Court held in the same place in the castle on Wednesday next after the feast of St. Luke the evangelist in the xiiii year of the reign of King Henry the seventh [24th October 1498]

Langham Fines vs viiid

Homage in the same place came fully except for those who are placed on fine for the whole year for being released from suit of court every three weeks, the names of whom follow: John Beeston (iiiid), Robert Hoberd (iiiid), John Bury (iiiid), Thomas Pittes (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), John Mey (iiiid), William Hichecok (iiiid), Thomas Phelypott (iiiid), John Derby (iiiid), Thomas Trafford (iiiid), Thomas Adam (iiiid), John Thorpe (iiiid), Thomas Ball (iiiid), John Neell (iiiid), John Watson (iiiid), John Wyllowes (iiiid) Thomas Smith (iiiid). All these men give to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court this year as above in their headings.

Okeham

Great court held in the same place on the feast of St. George the martyr in the xiiii year above said [23rd April 1498]

Langham - Amercements xiid

Homage in the same place to wit: John Wyllowes, John Ball, John Bury Taylor, Thomas Smith, John Mey, John Symme, John Bolymere, William Hichecok, William Ball, John Dikman senior, John Dikman junior and Thomas Hoberd. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (vid) owes suit to this court and has not come. Therefore he is in mercy. Also they say that William Palmer (vid) is a trespasser on the common with his sheep in le Eastmore. Therefore he is in mercy

[Pg 20] Penalty forfeit vs iiiid

They also say that Thomas Adam incurred a penalty to wit xld for Sir Roberts howse, and iis for Pagys howse because he did not repair the aforesaid holdings before the day set for him.

In respite until court to be held in the Easter term for me to inquire into the matter better - supervisor.

Also they present that Thomas Adam made waste and destruction to wit in cutting eight ash trees recently growing above the field and holding where he now lives and two ash trees recently growing above the holding called Sir Roberts howse and sold them without a licence from any official of the Lord. Therefore he is in mercy.

Renting of cottage Fine viiid

To this court came John Innocent and received from the Lord one cottage in Langham recently in [blank] and it was granted to him to be held for him and his wife [blank] and their assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid John and [blank] will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at their own costs and expenses. And they give to the Lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading. And they made fealty.

Langham brewhouses in the same place vs iiiid

Thomas Chauncelor (xvid), Thomas Balle (xvid), Thomas Trafford (xvid) and John Thorpe (xvid), all these give to the Lord as a fine for a licence for brewing this year as above in their headings.

Langham viis

Tollsylver in the same place within the time of the account through the hands of the bailiff in the same place this year just as in the heading.

Okeham - 1500

Great court of the most excellent Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham, Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Thursday next after the feast of St. Michael the Archangel in the sixteenth year of the reign of King Henry the seventh. [1st October 1500]

Langham - Amercements xviiiid - Strays remaining

Homage in the same place to wit: John Wyllowes, John Balle, Thomas Pittes, Thomas Bury, John Symme, Thomas Dikman, John Mey, John Hoberd, John Dikman, John Thorpe, William Wylliams and John Gilborne, who say upon their oath that the prior of Brooke (viiiid), William Villers (iid), John Innocent (iid), John Slote (iid), William Egilton (iid) and Ralph Heywode (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them is in mercy. Also they present that there is in the same place one heifer of black colouring, two years old, coming as a stray and it was seized at the feast of St. Peter, called 'ad vincula', and one sheep of white colouring as a stray and it was seized at the feast of St. Martin 'in hieme' last past. And it was sufficiently proclaimed and as yet they have not outrun a year's time limit. Therefore they remain etc.

Langham Fine viiid

Nicholas Wodeward (viiiid) chaplain gives to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court this year as is clear in his heading.

[Pg 21]Okeham

Court held in the same place in the castle on Wednesday next before the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the sixteenth year of the reign of King Henry the seventh. [28th Oct. 1500]

Langham Fines vis

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year as above, the names of whom follow: John Beeston (iiiid), Robert Hoberd (iiiid), Thomas Pittes (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), John Mey (iiiid), William Hichecok (iiiid), Thomas Trafford (iiiid), Thomas Bury (iiiid), John Thorpe (iiiid), Thomas Ball (iiiid), John Neell (iiiid), John Watson (iiiid), John Wyllowes (iiiid), John Bullymere (iiiid), John Gilborne (iiiid), John Symme (iiiid), John Ball (iiiid), Thomas Willowes (iiiid)

Okeham - 1501

Great Court in the same place held on Tuesday next after the Sunday after Easter in the xvi year above said [20th Apr. 1501]

Langham Amercements xd

Homage in the same place to wit: John Wyllowes, John Ball, John Gylburn, Thomas Bury, John Mey, John Thorpe, John Symme, Thomas Wyllowes, John Bollymere, John Watson, John Hoberd, William Hychecok which jurors present that the Prior of Broke (vid), William Villers (iid), John Vyrlam and the wife of Thomas Wayte (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them are in mercy.

Penalty imposed

And in the same place there is an ordinance by the homage that no one henceforth should agist his cows in the common pasture unless those who have a right to pasture in the same pasture for the same cows under penalty of paying iis of which one half is for the use of the church and one half for the use of the Lord.

Renting of a cottage Nothing as a fine because very ruinous

To this court came Henry Toky and received from the Lord one cottage in Langham recently in the tenure of Thomas Adam between the tenements of Isabell Chaunceler and the tenement of Thomas Trafford. Which cottage in fact was seized in the hands of the Lord through defect of repair and is granted to him to be held for him and Nicholas Taverner and Elizabeth his wife and their assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid Henry, Nicholas and Elizabeth will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at their own expenses and costs. And they give nothing as a fine because it was exceedingly ruinous. And they were admitted then as tenants. And made fealty.

Langham Fines for brewing in the same place iiiis

Isabell Chauncelor (xvid), Thomas Trafford (xvid), John Thorpe (xvid). All these give to the Lord as a fine for a licence for brewing this year as above in their headings.

Langham viis

Tollsilver in the same place within the time of the account received through the hands of the bailiff this year as is revealed in the heading

[Pg 22] Okeham

Great court of the most excellent prince Lord Edward Duke of Buckingham, Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Tuesday next after the feast of St. Luke the evangelist in the seventeenth year of the reign of Henry the seventh [19th Oct. 1501]

Langham - Amercements iis iiiid

Homage in the same place to wit: John Wyllowes, John Balle, John Guilborne, Thomas Bury, John Symme, John Thorpe, Thomas Wyllowes, John Bullymere, William Craskill, John Pittes, William Balle and William Dykman. Which jurors present that the Prior of Brooke (iiiid), William Villers (iid), Robert Egilton (iid), William Pittes owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them are in mercy. Also they present that John Pittes (viid) is a trespasser on the common with his horses in Eastmoore. Therefore he is in mercy. Also they present that William Pittes (iid), Thomas Hoberd (iid), Thomas Bury (iid) are trespassers on the common with their draught animals in Grindlesyke. Therefore each of them are in mercy. They say also that Robert Hoberd (iid) and William Beell (iid) broke the [drought] and took away the whole crop of one half acre of barley contrary to the instruction of the reeve. Therefore each of them is in mercy.

Okeham

Court held in the same place in the castle on Wednesday next after the feast St. Edward the King and Confessor in the seventeenth year within written [20 Oct. 1501]

Langham - Amercements vs

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year as above, the names of whom follow: John Beeston, Robert Hoberd, Thomas Pittes, John Dikman, John Mey, William Hichecok, Thomas Trafford, Thomas Bury, John Thorpe, Thomas Ball, John Neell, John Watson, John Willowes, John Egilton, John Gylburn. All these men give to the Lord as a fine for suit of court as above just as in their heading.

Okeham - 1502

Great court held in the same place on Monday next before the feast of St. George the martyr in the xvii year above said [18th Apr. 1502]

Langham Amercements iiiid iid

Homage in the same place to wit: John Wyllowes, John Ball, Thomas Ball, John Mey, John Symme, John Dikman, Thomas John Bollimere junior, John Watson, John Pittes senior, William Hichecok and Thomas Bury. Which jurors present that the Prior of Broke (iiiid), William Villers (iid), John Bayly (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore each of them are in mercy. Also they present that William Smithe (xiid) committed an affray and assault ['?honiesoken'] upon Thomas Hoberd. Therefore he is in mercy. Also they say that William Bury (iiiid) and William Palmer (iid) have dung heaps in the King's highway as a nuisance [Pg 23] to the tenants. Therefore they are in mercy. Also they say that Nicholas Pittes (iiiid) and Thomas Pittes (iiiid) have and hold twenty sheep more than those assigned for their tenancy. Therefore they are in mercy. And that Thomas Pittes (iid) is a trespasser on the common with his chickens in the seeded field. Therefore he is in mercy. And they present that William Smith (iid) did not place his pigs with the common shepherd as he ought. Therefore he is in mercy.

Stray forfeit vs

And in the same place there is a stray to wit one horse (vs) called a 'bay gelding' seized at Langham and it was sufficiently proclaimed and no one came within a year and a day to claim it as their property. Therefore it is forfeit to the Lord and is valued by the tenants just as in the heading.

Langham brewhouses in the same place vs iiiid

Isabell Chauncelor (xvid), Thomas Trafford (xvid), Thomas Ball (xvid), John Thorpe (xvid). All these give to the Lord as a fine for a licence for brewing this year as above in their headings.

Langham viis

Tollsylver in the same place within the time of the account received through the hands of the bailiff in the same place this year just as in the heading.

Okeham

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Monday next after the feast of St. Luke the Evangelist in the eighteenth year of the reign of King Henry the seventh [24th Oct. 1502]

Langham

Homage in the same place to wit: Nicholas Coldale, John Wyllowes, William Williams, John Mey, John Symme, Thomas Dikman, John Thorpe, John Dikman, Thomas Wylliams, John Egilton alias Bollymere, John Pittes senior and John Hoberd. Which jurors present that the Prior of Broke (iiiid), William Villers (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore they are in mercy. Also they present that John Pittes (iiiid) husbandman junior, Robert Hoberd (iiiid), Agnes Bury (iiiid), John Ball (iiiid) and William Bollymere (iiiid) are trespasser on the common with their pigs. Therefore each of them are in mercy. And that Thomas Pittes (vid) and William Francklyn did not place their pigs with the common shepherd as they ought. Therefore they are in mercy. Also they say that Thomas Pittes (iiiid), John Bollymere (iiiid) and Ralph Haywood (iiiid) have their chickens running after their carts in the summer time. Therefore they are each in mercy. Also they present that John Pittes (iiiid) junior is a trespasser on the common with his horses in Grescrofte. Therefore he is in mercy. And that John Kilburn (iiiid) and William Bollymere (iiiid) Junior took their livestock from the common fold without licence. Therefore they are in mercy.

Renting of messuage and cottage

To this court came Johanna widow of John Underwoode and received from the Lord one messuage and three cottages in Langham recently in the tenure of John Glover and afterwards of the aforesaid John Underwoode. And one cottage recently in the tenure of Richard Nunton, and afterwards of the same John Underwoode to have and to hold the aforesaid messuage and four cottages of the aforesaid John Underwoode [Pg 24] and his assignees in return for rent, custom and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid Johanna and her assignees will repair and maintain the said messuage and cottages well and sufficiently at their own expenses and costs. And she gives to the Lord as a fine nothing as the said messuage and cottages are exceedingly ruinous and as if collapsed. And she was admitted then as a tenant.

Langham

To the final account of John Clerke, reeve in the same place for the year ending at the feast of St. Michael the Archangel in the xviii year of the reign of King Henry the seventh, put before Master William Gibbys receiver general and John Gouter auditor of the prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Lord in the same place came Johanna relict of John Underwoode and surrendered into the hands of the said Lord through the hands of the said John Clerke reeve in the same place and of Robert Bury of Langham one messuage and three cottages in the same place recently in the tenure of John Glover and afterwards of the aforesaid John Underwoode and one cottage recently in the tenure of Richard Nunton and afterwards of the same John Underwoode. To the use and benefit of John Wigste and Thomas Colles and his assignees.

Stray forfeit iis iiiid

And in the same place there was one heifer (iis iiiid) coming as a stray seized at Langham at the feast of the nativity of the blessed Mary in the xviii year of the present King and it is over a year. Therefore it is forfeit to the Lord.

Okeham

Court held in the same place in the castle on Wednesday next before the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the xviii year above said. [26th Oct. 1502]

Langham - Fines vs iiiid

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year in return for being released from suit of court every three weeks, the names of whom follow: John Wyllowes (iiiid), John Balle (iiiid), William Wylliams (iiiid), John Mey (iiiid), John Symme (iiiid), Thomas Dikman (iiiid), John Thorpe (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), Thomas Wyllowes (iiiid), John Bolymer (iiiid), John Watson (iiiid), John Pittes senior (iiiid), John Hoberd (iiiid), John Beeston (iiiid), John Neelle (iiiid), John Guilburn (iiiid). All these give to the Lord as a fine as above just as in their headings.

Okeham - 1503

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Thursday next after the feast of pentecost in the eighteenth year of the reign of king Henry the seventh [8th June 1503]

Langham - Amercements xxd

Homage in the same place to wit: John Wyllowes, Thomas Trafford, John Mey, John Symme, Henry Hichecok, John Thorpe, Thomas Wyllowes, John Watteson, John Pittes senior, Robert Hoberd, John Bullimere alias Egilton junior, John Mey, William Wylliams. The jurors present that the Prior of Broke (vid) made a default in the court. Therefore he is in the mercy of the Lord. Also they present that the tenement of Thomas Egiston is ruinous in its roofing because of the straw. Therefore the same is instructed to repair it before the next court under penalty as is revealed in the heading. And [they present] that the tenement in the tenure of Thomas Pittes, Robert Egilton, Thomas Hoberd by advice [is ruinous]. Therefore the same are instructed to repair those tenements before the next court under penalty as aforesaid. And [they present] that the tenement of William Wellam by advice [is ruinous] and he has the aforesaid day to repair it under penalty aforesaid. And [they present] that William Ball (vid), Roger Wells (iiiiid) are trespassers with their sheep in the corn in the same place. Therefore they are in mercy of the Lord. And that Thomas Phelypott (iiiiid) refuses to place his beasts with the common keeper in the same place. Therefore he is in mercy of the Lord. Also they present that one barn called Armyss and one messuage called Cokes howse are devastated and the timber then thrown to the ground was taken away before the aforesaid time and it is not known when.

Ordinance

There is an ordinance that whosoever holds a cottage should keep two cows in the summer time and in winter four and not more under penalty aforesaid in the heading. And that no cottager should keep more than six pigs to wit: iii for the household and iii for stock under penalty aforesaid. And that whichsoever tenant who has enclosed any of the croft annexed to him in the same place, that he should make the common way next to the said croft sufficiently good under penalty of forfeit of the fencing of the said croft.

Renting of a messuage Fine postponed

To this court came Stephen Hoberd and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one messuage with half a virgate of land appertaining to the same place to the use of Thomas Stanncheon. And concerning this the aforesaid Thomas came and received from the Lord the aforesaid messuage with the aforesaid half virgate of land to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the Lord according to the custom of the manor in the same place by paying to the Lord there rent, custom and services then formerly owed. And the aforesaid Thomas will repair and maintain well and sufficiently the aforesaid messuage, in all repairs at his own costs. And he gives to the Lord as a fine as is revealed in the heading. And he was admitted and he made fealty.

Renting of a messuage Fine postponed

To this court came William Osen and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage to the use of Roger Wellys to be held by the same Roger and his assignees at the will of the Lord according to the custom of the manor in the same place by paying to the Lord there per year rent, custom and services then formerly owed. And the aforesaid Roger will repair and maintain well and sufficiently the aforesaid cottage, in all repairs at his own costs. And he gives to the Lord as a fine as is revealed in the heading. And he was admitted as a tenant and he made fealty.

Langham brewhouses iiis

Elizabeth Chaunceler (xiid), Agnes Thorpe (xiid), Isabell Ball (vid), John Warde (vid). All these give to the Lord as a fine for a licence for brewing this year.

Langham viis

Tollsylver in the same place within the time of the account received through the hands of the bailiff this year as is revealed in the heading.

[Pg 26]Okeham

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Thursday next before the feast of Simon and Jude in the nineteenth year of the reign of king Henry the seventh [26th Oct. 1503]

Langham Amercements xxiid

Homage in the same place to wit: Thomas Welowes, Thomas Trafford, John Dobbis, John Mey, Henry Hichecok, John Thorpe, John Wyllowes, John Watson, Robert Hobberd, John Egeton alias Bullymere, William Bullimere alias Wylliams, Thomas Christopfer alias Ball, John Dikman alias Clerk, Thomas Dikman. The jurors present that the prior of Broke (iid), Simon Wynter (iid), Thomas Adam (iid), Richard Head (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore they are in the mercy of the Lord. And that Nicholas Pittes (iid), John Pittes (iid), Thomas Pittes (iid), William Hubberd (iid), Thomas Hubberd (iid) are trespassers on the common with their beasts. Therefore he[sic] is in the mercy of the Lord. And that William Smith (iiiid), because he ploughed the land of the Lord in the furlong called Milforlong. And that the tenement in the tenure of John Kilburne, the tenement of Nicholas Coldale, the tenement of Thomas Colles, the tenement of John Clerke, the tenement of Thomas Stanchon, the tenement of Thomas Adam - all these to wit are exceedingly ruinous in defect of the roofing of straw, and they have a day [fixed] for this to be repaired to wit: the feast of St. Michael the Archangel next coming, under penalty for what ever deficiency of vis viiid. Also it is instructed that Thomas Pittes, Robert Egeton, William Velom will not repair their tenements. Therefore a penalty is incurred, as is revealed, in the aforesaid court. And that the said Thomas, William and Robert will repair their said tenements before the feast of St. Michael the Archangel next coming under penalty of vis viiid.

Fine vs id for licence for marrying

To this court came Alice Okeham daughter formerly of John Okeham villein of the Lord and sought a licence from the Lord so that she should be able to marry within or outside of the demesne to whosoever or whenever she would wish and it was granted in return for a fine as is clear in the heading.

Okeham

Court held in the same place on Monday next after the feast of St. Martin in the above said year every three weeks [13th Nov. 1503]

Langham - Fine for suit of court vs iiiid

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine as aforesaid the names of whom follow: John Wyllowes (iiiid), John Balle (iiiid), William Wylliams (iiiid), John Mey (iiiid), John Syme (iiiid), Thomas Dikman (iiiid), John Thorpe (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), Thomas Willowes (iiiid), John Bullimere (iiiid), John Watson (iiiid), John Pittes senior (iiiid), John Hoberd (iiiid), John Beeston (iiiid), John Neell (iiiid), John Gylburn (iiiid) -all these give to the Lord as a fine as is revealed above in their headings.

Langham

Renting of messuage and land Fine iis

To this court came John Dikman and received from the Lord one messuage and one virgate of land in the same place recently in the tenure of Thomas Proctour to have and hold the aforesaid messuage with virgate of land for himself and his assignees at the will of the Lord according to the custom of the manor in the same place by paying to the Lord there rent and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid John will repair and maintain well and sufficiently the aforesaid messuage with its appurtenances, at his own [Pg 27] costs and expenses. And he gives to the Lord as a fine as is revealed in the heading. And he was admitted as a tenant and he made fealty.

Langham

Fine iis

To this court came John Welowes and received from the Lord one cottage in the same place recently in the tenure of Agnes Wayte to have and hold the aforesaid cottage for himself and his assignees at the will of the Lord according to the custom of the manor in the same place by paying to the Lord there rent and services then formerly owed and accustomed. And the aforesaid John will repair and maintain well and sufficiently the aforesaid cottage with its appurtenances, at his own costs and expenses. And he gives to the Lord as a fine as is revealed in the heading. And he was admitted as a tenant and he made fealty.

Okeham - 1504

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Thursday next before the feast of St. George the Martyr in the nineteenth year of the reign of king Henry the seventh [18th Apr. 1504]

Langham - Amercements xiiiid

Homage : John Welowes, Thomas Trafford, John Mey, Henry Hychecok, John Thorpe, Thomas Welowes, John Watson, John Egeton alias Bolymere, Thomas Bery, John Clerke alias Dikman, Thomas Dikman, John Ball, John Kilburn, William Smith alias Frannklyn. The jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiid), Thomas Pyttes senior (iid), William Mabley (iid), William Ball (iid) owe suit of court and have not come. Therefore they are in the mercy of the Lord. And that Robert Egeton, Henry Smith, Thomas Busshe, William Egeton, Thomas Gylburn, Thomas Stancheon, Nicholas Coldale have ditches on the highway leading to Oakham obstructed as a nuisance on the common highway. The same are instructed to cleanse them before the feast of pentecost under penalty for whatever deficiency of xiid and that James Taylor, John Bullymere, Thomas Phelipott have a common sewer in the same place to the detriment of the tenants there. They are instructed to correct it before the aforesaid day under penalty as is aforesaid. And that Thomas Welowes (iid) because he committed an affray upon Robert Bury. Therefore he is in mercy. And that Agnes Warde (iid) received from the servants of the tenants in the same place amongst various things to wit both meat and cheese and by theft.

Langham - Fine vs id

To this court came Agnes Bery daughter of William Bery villein of the Lord and sought a licence from the Lord so that she should be able to marry within or outside of the demesne to whosoever or whenever she would wish and it was granted to her in return for a fine as is clear in the heading.

Fine vs id

To this court came [blank] Grigge daughter of William Grigge villein of the Lord and sought a licence from the Lord so that she should be able to marry within or outside of the demesne to whosoever or whenever she would wish and it was granted to her in return for a fine as is in the heading.

[Pg 28]Chevage

Also they present that John Okeham alias Richardson stays at Grimston without licence, Thomas Watson alias Wattes stays at Nottingham without licence and that [blank] Watson stays at Ingersby without licence. Therefore they are in the mercy of the Lord. The bailiff is instructed to distrain.

Langham Fine

To this court came Ralph Haywode and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage to the use of Thomas Pittes. And concerning this the aforesaid Thomas came to court and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the Lord according to the custom of the manor by paying to the Lord there rent and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid Thomas will repair and maintain well and sufficiently the aforesaid cottage, at his own costs and expenses. And he gives to the Lord as a fine as is revealed in the heading. And he was admitted as a tenant and he made fealty.

To this court came John Lynde and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage to the use of John Midilton. And concerning this the aforesaid John came to court and received from the Lord the aforesaid cottage to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the Lord according to the custom of the manor in the same place by paying to the Lord there rent and services then formerly owed and accustomed. And the aforesaid John will repair and maintain well and sufficiently the aforesaid cottage, at his own costs and expenses. And he gives to the Lord as a fine as is revealed in the heading. And he was admitted as a tenant and he made fealty.

Langham brewhouses iiis

Elizabeth Chauncelor (xiid), Agnes Thorpe (xiid), Isabell Ball (vid), John Warde (vid). All these give to the Lord as a fine for a licence for brewing this year.

Langham viis

Tollsilver in the same place within the time of the account received through the hands of the bailiff this year as is clear in the heading.

[Pg 29] Okeham

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Wednesday next after the feast of St. Michael the Archangel in the twentieth year of the reign of king Henry the Seventh [2nd Oct. 1504]

Langham - Amercements xiiiid

Homage: John Welowes, John Dikman, John May, Thomas Balle, Thomas Wellowes, Ralph Haywode, William Pittes, John Balle, John Watson, Henry Hoberd, Thomas Trafford, Henry Hechecoke, William Smith and John Thorpe, the jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiid), Richard Flore (iiiid), John Dikman (iid), John Thorpe (iid), Thomas Adam (iid) owe suit of court and have not come. Therefore they are in the mercy of the Lord.

Penalty forfeit

And that Nicholas Coldale has not cleansed his part of the ditch which leads to Okeham. Therefore a penalty is forfeit as is clear in the last court- xiid. And therefore he is instructed to purge the said ditch before the feast of All Saints next coming under penalty of xld. And that Nicholas Coldale also has not repaired his tenements as is clear in the last court. Therefore a penalty is forfeit - vis viiid. And they present that the repair should be made before the next great court under penalty of vis viiid. And that Thomas Colle, Thomas Adam, John Clarke alias Dikman, Thomas Pittes, Robert Egilton, William Velum have houses in ruin, not competently repaired. Therefore they are instructed to repair them before the next great court under penalty for whatever deficiency of vis viiid.

Amercements xxd

And they present that Nicholas Pittes (iiiid), John Pittes (iiiid), Robert Huberd (iiiid), Thomas Huberd (iiiid), Thomas Bery are trespassers on the common with their beasts.

Okeham - 1505

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Thursday next before the feast of St. Barnabas the Apostle in the twentieth year of the reign of king Henry the seventh [11th June 1505]

Langham - Amercements iiiis iiiid

Homage in the same place: John Welowes, John Ball, John Dobbes alias Pittes, William Bury, Nicholas Coldale, Thomas Bale, John Symmes, Thomas Willowes, John Watson, Henry Hichecok, Henry Hubberd, John Thorpe, John May. Which jurors present that the prior of Broke (vid), William Villers (iid), Richard Flore (iid) [owe] suit of court and have not come. Therefore they are in the mercy of the Lord as is clear above in their headings. They also say that John Pittes alias Dobbes (iid) made a default with his cow in the common pasture. Also Roger Willowes (viiid) by advice, John Dikman (xiid) by advice. Also they present that the same John Dikman broke 'le ponde' without licence. Also John Clerke alias Dikman (iiiid) made a default in the sowing field with his livestock. Therefore they are each in mercy as is clear above in their headings. A penalty is made that nobody should keep [anything] except four pigs who stays [Pg 30] in a cottage. This is two for 'the larder' and two for stock in the summer time to wit those who do not have rights of common in the fields in the same place under penalty for whatever - xiid. All observe the said penalty except Robert Bury (xiid). He has broken it and a penalty is forfeit. Therefore he is in mercy as is clear above in the heading.

Okeham

Court of tenants in the same place on Monday next after the feast of St. Peter 'Ad Vincula' in the year of the reign of King Henry the seventh as above [3rd Aug. 1505]

Langham Fines vs

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for being released from suit of court every three weeks as above: John Wellowes (iiiid), John Ball (iiiid), [Stephan Boning crossed out], John Pittes alias Dobbes (iiiid), William Bury (iiiid), Nicholas Coldale (iiiid), Thomas Balle (iiiid), John Willowes (iiiid), Thomas Symme (iiiid), John Watson (iiiid), Henry Hychecok (iiiid), Henry Hubberde (iiiid), John Thorpe (iiiid), John May (iiiid), Robert Hubberd (iiiid), Thomas Hubberd. All these give to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court every three weeks as is clear above in their headings.

Fine xiid

Thomas Trigg villein of the Lord stays outside the demesne at Burley and gives to the Lord per year for being released just as in the heading of the book.

Okeham - 1506

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Thursday next before the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the twenty-first year of the reign of king Henry the seventh [22nd Oct. 1506]

Langham - Amercements iis viiid

Homage in the same place to wit John Thorpe, Thomas Trafford, Thomas Wylloes, John Egilton, John Watson, Robert Huberde, William Pittes alias Dobbes, Thomas Huberde, John Bale, John Mey, John Symes, Thomas Bale, John Pittes alias Dobbes. Which jurors say that the prior of Broke (iiid), Richard Flore (iiid), William Smith (iid), Thomas Bagott (iiid) [owe] suit of court and have not come. Therefore they are each in mercy as is clear above in their headings. Also they say that Thomas Nicholson [owes] suit of court and has not come. Therefore he is in mercy. And all others came fully except for those who are placed on fine. Also they say that John Clerk (viiid), also John Dikman are trespassers on the common with their cattle and herd of sheep in the autumn time. Therefore they each are in mercy as is clear above in their headings.

xls forfeit

Also they say that John Dikman (xls) made a default because he was present at the sessions of the Lord King and made an assault against John Bale and made an injury against the lordship of the Duke of Buckingham. Therefore he is in mercy as is clear above in his heading and thus far he stands in the pardon of the Lord aforesaid.

xiid

Also they present that William Bury (xiid) drew blood upon Richard Coldale. Therefore he is in mercy as is clear. Also they present [Pg 31] that whosoever of the tenants opens his enclosures on the south part of the town in the same place before the feast of St. Martin in Hyeme is under penalty for whatever as is clear in the heading of the book.

xiid

Also they present that the common sewers [are at fault]. Also John Clerke and Isabell Wyllyams and the common sewer called 'Adam Ponde' and the sewer of Thomas Filipott are to be corrected and scoured before the feast of St. Martin aforesaid under penalty for whatever as is clear - iiis. Also they present that William Dikman (iiid), John Chapman (iiid), John Clerke (iiid) made a default with their livestock in 'le weste more'. Therefore. . .

Okeham

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton of the tenants in the same place on Thursday before the day of St. George in the twenty first year of the reign of the same King [16th Apr. 1506]

Langham

Homage in the same place John Thorpe, Thomas Wylloes, Thomas Balle, John Watson, William Dobbes, Henry Hichecok, Robert Huberde, John Symes, William Bale, William Pittes alias Dobbes, William Bury, John Bale, Thomas Dikman, Thomas Bury.

xs

Which jurors present that Isabell Neell, William Beson, Thomas Bolymer, Thomas Stanncheon, Thomas Pittes alias Dobbes, Agnes Kingston, Thomas Adam, Nicholaus Coedale have homes in ruin not built in roofing. Therefore they are instructed to correct them before the feast of St. Michael the Archangel under penalty for whatever - xs.

viid[sic]

Also they say that Thomas Slote (viiid) made an assault and drew blood upon Bartholomew Taylor. Therefore he is in mercy as is clear above in his heading. Also a penalty has been made that Robert Bickerstaff and Margery his wife and Margery Griffin together that they should go and reside outside the town before the feast of the nativity of St. John the Baptist under penalty for whatever - xs. Also they say that Thomas Wylforde (iiid) is a trespasser on the common with his livestock in the seeding fields. Therefore he is in the mercy of the Lord.

Penalty

Also a penalty has been made that no tenant should place upon the common pasture more beasts than are valued for his land under penalty for whatever - iiis iiid.

Sale of houses

Also they present that Isabell Pittes alias Dobbes sold to Robert Hunt one cottage in the same place. Also the bailiff Henry Jarvis sold to William Bale one house with half a virgate of land. Also Agnes Kingston sold to Thomas Wilforde one messuage with half a virgate of land. Also John Egilton sold to Isabell Chauncelor one half virgate of land.

Okeham

Court of the tenants in the same place on Monday next after the feast of St. Jerominus in the twenty first year of the reign of Henry the seventh [? error for 22nd year? 2nd Nov. 1506]

Langham vis

Homage in the same place came with those men excepted who are placed on fine the names of whom are: John Willos (iiiiid), John Bale (iiiiid), John Dobbes alias Pittes (iiiiid), William Bury (iiiiid), Nicholas Coldale (iiiiid), Thomas Bale (iiiiid), John Willos (iiiiid), Thomas Symes (iiiiid), John Watson (iiiiid), Henry Hichecok (iiiiid), Henry Huberd (iiiiid), John Thorpe (iiiiid), John Mey (iiiiid), Robert Hoberd (iiiiid), Thomas Hoberd (iiiiid), Thomas Pittes (iiiiid), John Symes (iiiiid), Thomas Willos (iiiiid). All these give to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court every three weeks this year.

[Pg 32]Langham brewhouses

Johanna Bury (xvid), Agnes Thorpe (viiiid), Isabell Chauncelor (xvid), Agnes Bale (none). These give to the Lord as a fine as is clear above in their headings.

Tollsilver

Of Langham (vis viiiid) as is clear above in their headings.

Okeham

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward the Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton of the tenants in the same place on Thursday next after the feast of St. Andrew in the twenty second year of the reign of king Henry the seventh after the conquest [3rd Dec. 1506]

Langham - Customary penalty

Homage in the same place to wit John Thorpe, John Willos, Henry Smith, John Watson, Robert Hoberde, John Dobbes alias Pittes, Thomas Hubberd, John Balle, John Mey, Thomas Bale senior, Henry Hichecok, John Willos. Which jurors present upon their oath that all suits of this court have come fully except those men who are placed on fine. Also they say that Thomas Dobbes alias Pittes villein, Nicholas Coldale, Thomas Wilforde, Nicholas Dobbes alias Pittes villeins have their homes in ruin in default of their roofing of straw. Therefore they are instructed to correct and roof them before the feast of St. Michael next following under penalty for each payng to the Lord xxd

Okeham - 1507

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham, Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton of the tenants in the same place on Monday next after the feast of St. Mark the evangelist in the year of the reign of King Henry the seventh as above [26th April 1507]

Langham - Amercements iiiid

Homage in the same place: John Willos, Nicholas Dobbes alias Pittes, John Bale, Henry Huberde, John Mey, John Symmes, John Thorpe, Thomas Willos, Henry Hichecok, Nicholas Coldale, John Dikman, Thomas Dikman. Which jurors say upon their oath that all of the tenants and homage came fully except for those men who are placed on fine as is clear below. Also they say that the holding with one virgate of land recently in the tenure of Robert Egilton is exceedingly ruinous in default of the Lord.

To this court came John Dikman [and - crossed out] ? with John Clerke reeve in the same place and they present that William Craskill sold one cottage to John Bayly. Also Thomas Stanncheon sold one holding with half a virgate of land to Henry Glover. Also the jurors present that John Hubberd (iiiid) made an assault upon William Fillipott. Therefore he is in mercy.

Langham Amercements viiid

Homage and the jurors present that the prior of Broke (iiiid), William Villers (iid), Richard Flore (iid) are suiters of the court and have not come. Therefore in mercy.

[Pg 33]Okeham

Court of the tenants in the same place on Tuesday next after the feast of St. Mathew the evangelist on the twenty second year of the reign of king Henry the seventh [28th Sep. 1507]

Langham - Fines vs

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for suit of court every three weeks the names of whom follow: John Wellos (iiiid), John Bale (iiiid), John Dobbes alias Pittes (iiiid), William Bury (iiiid), Nicholas Coldale (iiiid), Thomas Bale (iiiid), John Welos (iiiid), Thomas Symes (iiiid), John Watson (iiiid), Henry Hychecok (iiiid), Henry Huberde (iiiid), Thomas Huberd (iiiid), Thomas Dobbes alias Pittes (iiiid), John Symes (iiiid), Thomas Wyllos (iiiid). All these give to the Lord as a fine for being released from suit of court every three weeks at the will of the Lord this year.

Fines of villeins staying outside vs - Chevage

To wit Thomas Gregg (xiid) villein stays at Burlye, he gives to the Lord as a fine in return for a licence to be held for staying outside this demesne as is clear above in his heading.

Also John Dobbes alias the said Pittes villein of the Lord stays at Grantham, he gives to the Lord as a fine in return for a licence to be held for staying in the same place outside the demesne for three years of chevage - iiiis as is clear in the heading.

Langham - Fine xxd

To this court came Henry Sendale through the attorney John Thorpe and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham To the use and benefit of mistress Agnes Warren. And on account of this the aforesaid Agnes Warren came and received from the Lord the said cottage with appurtenances. And it was granted to her to be held for her and her assignees according to the custom of the manor by paying then to the Lord per year at the usual terms in the same place - xxd and other services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid Agnes and her assignees will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at their own expenses and costs. And she gives to the Lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading And she made fealty.

Fine xiid

To this court came Henry Jarvis and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage situated in Langham To the use of William Bale. And it was granted to him to be held for him and his assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid William Bale will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at his own expenses and costs. And he gives to the Lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading And he was admitted as a tenant and made fealty.

Fine xxd

To this court came William Beson through the attorney John Clerke and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage to wit in Langham To the use and benefit of Cecelia his wife and Thomas their son. And on account of this the aforesaid Cecelia and Thomas their son came and received from the Lord the said cottage according to the custom of the manor in return for rent and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid Cecelia and Thomas will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at their own expenses and costs. And she gives to the Lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading.

Fine xiid

To this court came Thomas Phillipott through his attorney of John Clerke and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage in Langham To the use of Alice his wife. And on account of this the aforesaid Alice came and received from the Lord the said cottage to be held by her and her assignees according to the custom of the manor in return for rent and services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed. And the aforesaid Alice his wife [Pg 34] will repair and maintain the said cottage well and sufficiently at her own expense and costs. And she gives to the Lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading. And she was admitted then as a tenant and thus made fealty to the Lord saving the right of each.

Fines for brewhouses of Langham

Thomas Smith (xvid), Isabella Taylor (xvid), Thomas Trafford (xvid), Thomas Chanceler (xvid), William Mabley (xvid) give to the Lord as a fine for a licence for brewing this year as above in their headings

Tollsilver of Langham

This year within the time of the account received through the hands of the bailiff in the same place xs iid

End of the courts in the time of King Henry the seventh

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[Pg 35]Okeham - 1509

Great Court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Thursday next after the feast of St. Michael in the first year of the reign of King Henry the eighth [4th Oct. 1509]

Presentation of the Frankpledge of Langham

Nicholas Coldale	John Ball	Thomas Wyllons
John Mey	John Bullimere	Henry Hichcok - jurors

Who say upon their oath that William Phillipott committed an affray upon John Laurens, and they say that Robert Hubberd, Thomas Ball, Thomas Dikman, John Thorpe, Thomas Hubberd and Thomas Pittes are chosen as Frankpledge for the coming year.

Presentation of the great inquest

John Wyllons	Thomas Bullimere	Thomas Hubberd
Nicholas Pittes	Thomas Bury	Richard Hubberd
John Pittes	John Thorpe	Robert Pittes
Robert Hubberd	John Watson	William Balle - Jurors

Who say upon their oath that the frankpledge was loyally presented in every respect by those present. And further they say that William Ball Junior (iid), Bartholomew Taylour (iid) made a default in laying hempe in the common sewers. And they say that William Hilton (iid), William Bullymer (iid), Robert Bullyvaunt (iid), John Laurence and Thomas Pittes (iiiid) are common players for money at 'trigobet'. Therefore they are in the mercy of the Lord.

Oakham 1510

Great Court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Thursday next before the feast of St. George in the first year of the reign of King Henry the eighth [18th April 1510]

Presentation of the Frankpledge of Langham Amercements iis

Thomas Ball	Thomas Pittes	Thomas Dikeman - Jurors
John Thorpe	Robert Hubbard	Thomas Hubberd - Jurors

Who say upon their oath that the miller made a default in taking 'excessive toll.' Therefore he is in mercy.

Presentation of the great inquisition Amercements iis xd

John Ball	John Syme	John Watson
William Bury	Thomas Buche	Nicholas Pittes
John Gilburn	Henry Hubberd	Thomas Willons
William Ball junior	John Dikman	Thomas Trafford - Jurors

Who say upon their oath that the frankpledge was loyally [presented] in every respect by those present and further they say that Nicholas Coldale (xiid) encroached upon the demesne in the same place two selions and pasturage for two cows. And William Smith likewise. Therefore etc. Also they say that the prior of Brooke (iiiid), Richard Flore (iiiid), William Villers (iiiid) and Nicholas Coldale (iid) owe suit of court and have not come. Therefore they are in mercy etc.

[Pg 36]Okeham

Court held on Wednesday next before the feast of the apostles Simon and Jude in the first [sic] year of the reign of King Henry viii [24th Oct. 1509]

Langham

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year for suit of court as above, the names of whom follow: John Wyllons (iiiid), John Cobbys (iiiid), John Ball (iiiid), William Bury (iiiid), Nicholas Coldall (iiiid), Thomas Ball (iiiid), Thomas Watson (iiiid), Henry Hychecoke (iiiid), Henry Hubberd (iiiid), Thomas Dobys alias Pittes (iiiid) and John Symmes. These give to the Lord as a fine for suit of court as above just as in their headings above etc.

Oakham 1510

Great Court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Monday next after the feast of St. Edward the king in the second year of the reign of King Henry the eighth etc. [19th Mar. 1510]

Presentation of the Frankpledge of Langham Amercements xiiiid

John Thorpe

Robert Hubberd

Thomas Pyttes

Thomas Hubberd - Jurors

Who say upon their oath that Robert Ive (iiiid) committed an affray upon Thomas Taylour and Thomas Hyeway (iid) supported him in doing it.

Also they say that Thomas Bury (iid) committed an affray upon Thomas Mody. Therefore etc. Also John Hunt (iiiid) committed an affray upon Thomas Pyttes. Therefore etc. Also John Hubberd committed an affray upon Robert Hubberd. Therefore etc.

Presentation of the great inquisition

William Benson

John Mody

Thomas Bullymer

Henry Hubberd

John Gilborn

John Dykman

Gregory Smith

Thomas Wyllons

William Balle

John Watson

Thomas Balle

Henry Hychcok - Jurors

Who say upon their oath that the prior of Brooke (xiid) and William Villers (iiiid) owe suit of court and have not come. Therefore etc. Also they say that Robert Bury (iiiid) made a default in the keeping of his beasts upon 'le hyd gress'. Therefore etc. Also they say that Thomas Miller (iiiid) defaulted in keeping his beasts upon 'le hyd grasse'. Therefore etc.

[Pg 37]Okeham - 1511

Great Court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on the day of the invention of the Holy Cross in the third year of the reign of King Henry viii [3rd May 1511]

Presentation of the frankpledge of Langham

Nicholas Pyttes	Thomas Dobys
Nicholas Coldale	Thomas Wylford - Jurors

Amercements xxd

Who say upon their oath that Thomas Hubberd (xxd) committed an affray upon Johanna female servant of Robert Bury. Therefore he is at the mercy of the Lord etc.

John Balle	John Thorpe
William Bell	Henry Hubberd
William Bury	John Dikman
Thomas Balle	Thomas Wyllons
John Symme	John Watson
Thomas Dykman	Henry Hychcok - Jurors

Who say upon their oath that the home called Pypp is in ruin in the default of Isabell Okeham. Also they say that the home of Thomas Egilton is in ruin in timber in default of the Lord. Also they say that the home of Thomas Adam is in ruin in timber and in roofing in default of the Lord. Therefore the tenants are instructed to repair their homes sufficiently before the feast of St. Michael next coming under penalty for which ever of them is at fault of vis viiid. On which day they say upon their oath that the penalty of the last court has not been paid etc.

Okeham

Court held in the same place on Wednesday next before the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the second[sic] year of the reign of king Henry viii [23rd Oct. 1510]

Langham Fines iiiis viiid

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year for suit of court as above, the names of whom follow: John Wyllons (iiid), John Dobys (iiid), John Balle (iiid), William Bury (iiid), Nicholas Coldale (iiid), Thomas Balle (iiid), Thomas Watson (iiid), Henry Hychecok (iiid), Henry Hubberd (iiid), Thomas Dobys alias Pyttes (iiid), John Syms (iiid). All these give to the Lord as a fine for suit of court as above just as in their heading etc.

[Pg 38]Okeham

View of frankpledge with great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on the day of St. Luke the evangelist in the third year of the reign of Henry viii [18th Oct. 1511]

Langham Frankpledge in the same place

Nicholas Pyttes	Thomas Dawes
Nicholas Coldale	John Bayly
Thomas Wylford	Thomas Ball - Jurors

Amercements iiid

Who say upon their oath that William Rossell (iiid) committed an affray upon Robert Walker. Therefore he is in the mercy of the Lord

Also they elect into the office of frankpledge John Middleton, Thomas Hubberd, Robert Hunt, Thomas Bulliner, John Gilborn and John Syms for the following year and they were sworn

[crossed out- Great inquisition: Nicholas Pyttes, Nicholas Coldale, Thomas Wilford, Thomas Dawes, John Bayly, Thomas Ball]

Great inquisition - Amercements xxiid

William Franklyn	William Ballsemor
Thomas Dykman	Henry Hubberd
John Syme	John Gilburn
John Watson	John Dykman
Henry Hychecok	Thomas Bury
Richard Hubberd	Thomas Wyllons - Jurors

Who say upon their oath that the prior of Broke, Nicholas Coldale owe suit of court and have not come. Therefore they are in mercy.

Also they say that William Phillipott (iid) is a trespasser on the common with his beasts in the separate pasture. Therefore he is in mercy. Also Cecilia Beson (iid) and Robert Hunt (iid) by advice. Also Nicholas Pyttes (iid) he tethered his horses above 'le hyd grasse'. Also they say that William Hubberd (iid), Thomas Dawes (iid), William Ball Junior (iid) John Pittes (iid) and Thomas Trafford are trespassers on the common in 'le little thorne' with their horses. Therefore they are in mercy.

[Pg 39] Okeham - 1512

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Wednesday in the Close of Easter in the third year of the reign of King Henry viii [14th Apr. 1512]

Frankpledge of Langham

John Middleton	Thomas Bolymer
Thomas Hubard	John Gilborn
Robert Hunte	John Symes- Jurors

Who say upon their oath that they have nothing to present

Great inquisition

William Benson	Richard Hubberd
Thomas Wyllons	Henry Hychcoke
John Thorpe	Nicholas Pittes
Henry Hubberd	John Ball
John Dikman	Thomas Dawes
John Watson	Thomas Dikman - Jurors

Amercements iid

Who say upon their oath that Nicholas Coldale (iid) owes suit of court and has not come. Therefore he is in mercy.

Okeham

Court in the same place on Wednesday before the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the third [sic] year of the reign of king Henry viii [22nd Oct. 1511]

Langham Fines iiiis

Homage in the same place came fully except for those who are placed on fine for the whole year for suit of court as above, the names of whom follow: John Wyllons (iiiid), John Dobbys (iiiid), John Balle (iiiid), William Bury (iiiid), Nicholas Coldale (iiiid), Thomas Balle (iiiid), Thomas Watson (iiiid), Henry Hychecok (iiiid), Henry Hubberd (iiiid), Thomas Dobbys alias Pyttes (iiiid), John Symes (iiiid) and William Franklyn (iiiid). All these give to the Lord as a fine for suit of court as above just as in their headings etc.

Langham Fines iis viiid

Johanna Bury (viiid), Agnes Thorpe (viiid), Isabell Chauncelor (viiid), Agnes Ball (viiid) give to the Lord as a fine for brewing this year as is clear in their headings above.

Tollsylver of Langham

For this year within the time of the accounts received through the hands of the bailiff in the same place vis.

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on the twelfth day of October in the fourth year of the reign of king Henry viii [1512]

Frankpledge of Langham

John Myddleton	Thomas Bullimer
Thomas Hubberd	John Gylborn
Robert Hunte	John Symes - Jurors

Who say upon their oath that the wind mill and the malt mill are not well repaired in default of the lord. Also they elect Thomas Buche, William Balle senior, William Bury, John Dikman senior, John Watson and William Pyttes in the office of frankpledge for this year.

Also they say that Thomas Hardy (vid) of Langham committed an affray upon the wife of Thomas Beymond. Therefore he is in the mercy of the Lord etc.

Names of the jurors

Gregory Smith	Thomas Abury
Nicholas Pyttes	Thomas Dykman
Henry Hychcok	Thomas Wellom
John Balle	Richard Hobberd
William Bury	Henry Hubberd
William Balle senior	William Beyle - Jurors

Amercements vid

Who say upon their oath that the frankpledge was loyally presented in every respect by those present. And further they say that John Watson (iid), Thomas Hubberd (iid) and William Hubberd (iid) made a default with their pigs before 'le herde'. Therefore they are in mercy of the lord etc. Also they say that Nicholas Coldale keeps one acre of land at Rankesborowe. Therefore he is instructed by the court that he will show how he holds it before the feast of the resurrection of the Lord or otherwise surrender it into the hands of the lord until etc. Also they say [that] the home of Thomas Adam is in ruin in roofing in timber and in all repairs in default of the lord etc.

1514

Great court of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on 5th day of April in the fourth year of the reign of king Henry viii [1514]

Frankpledge of Langham

Thomas Buche	John Watson
William Balle senior	John Dikman
William Bury	William Pittes - Jurors

[Pg 41]Who say upon their oath that they have nothing to present but just as was presented at the last court etc.

Great inquisition

John Balle	Nicholas Pyttes
William Beyle	Henry Hubberd
Thomas Bury	William Dykman
Thomas Trafford	Thomas Dawys
Thomas Wyllows	Thomas Dikman
Richard Hubberd	John Symmes - Jurors

Who say upon their oath that they present the frankpledge in every respect to be presented as was presented at the last court etc.

Okeham

Court held in the same place on Wednesday before the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the fourth year of the reign of the King Henry viii [27th Oct. 1512]

Langham - Fines iiiis

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year as above, the names of whom follow: Nicholas Coldale (iiiid), Henry Hychecoke (iiiid), William Bury (iiiid), Thomas Balle (iiiid), Thomas Bury (iiiid), Thomas Dikman (iiiid), Thomas Wyllons (iiiid), Richard Hubberd (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), Thomas Dawys (iiiid), John Symes (iiiid) and Henry Hubberd (iiiid). All these give to the lord as a fine for suit of court as above just as is clear in their headings etc.

Langham - Amercements iiis iid

Johanna Bury (viiiid), wife Cotton (viiiid), wife Wilsforth (viiiid), wife Benson (viiiid), Agnes Balle (vid), give to the Lord for a licence for brewing this year as is clear in their headings etc.

Tollsyilver of Langham

This year within the time of the account received through the hands of the bailiff in the same place - vis

Langham Fine iis

To this court came John Clerke and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage situated in Langham between the holding of Thomas Buche on the west part and the holding formerly of Armyng on the east part with its appurtenances. To the use and benefit of Thomas Cotton and Isabell his wife and their assignees. And on account of this the aforesaid Thomas and Isabell his wife came and received from the lord the said cottage with its appurtenances to be held by them and their assignees according to the custom of the manor, by paying then to the lord annually twenty pennies at the usual terms and the services then formerly owed and accustomed by right. And the aforesaid Thomas and Isabell his wife will well and [Pg 42] sufficiently repair, support and maintain at their own costs and expenses. And they give to the lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading and they made fealty to the lord. And they were admitted as tenants etc.

Fine iis

To this court came John Akered and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage situated in Langham formerly in the tenure of John Innocens to the use of William Wrighte and Isabell his wife and their assignees. And on account of this the aforesaid William and Isabell his wife came and received from the lord the said cottage with its appurtenances to be held by them and their assignees according to the custom of the manor, by paying then annually two shillings at the usual terms in the same place and the services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed by right. And the aforesaid William and Isabell his wife will well and sufficiently repair, support and maintain at their own costs and expenses. And they give to the lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading. And they made fealty to the lord and they were admitted as tenants.

To this court came John Bayly and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage situated in Langham To the use and benefit of William Wells and his assignees. And on account of this the aforesaid William Wells came and received from the lord the said cottage with its appurtenances to be held by him and his assignees according to the custom of the manor, by paying then annually two shillings and three pennies at the usual terms in the same place and the services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed by right. And the aforesaid William will well and sufficiently repair, support and maintain at his own cost and expense. And he gives to the lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading. And he made fealty to the lord and was admitted as tenant etc.

[Pg 43] Okeham 1513

View of Frankpledge with Great Court of William Archbishop of Canterbury, Richard Bishop of London, Thomas Earl of Surrey, Henry Earl of Wiltshire, Thomas Lord Haward, John Bouchier, Lord Barnes, John Fineux Chief Justice of the King's Bench, Robert Rede Chief Justice of the Common Bench, Maurice Barklye knight, Hugh Conwey knight, John Collett cleric, deacon of St. Paul's, London, Edward Knyvet, Richard Pole, John Skott, Robert Bronn and John St. George held in the same place on Thursday next after the feast of All Saints in the fifth [sic] year of the reign of King Henry viii etc [3rd Nov. 1513]

Frankpledge of Langham

John Bouche	John Dikman senior
William Balle senior	John Watson
William Bury	William Pittes - Jurors

Who say upon their oath that Nicholas Pittes broke 'le common Byelawe' with his sheep. Therefore etc. And they say that Bartholomew Taylor, John Webster, Thomas Dikman, John Gibson, William Hubberd and William Welham have been elected as frankpledge for the coming year and sworn etc.

Presentation of the great inquisition - Amercements nothing

John Ball	William Wellome
William Bale	Henry Hichecok
William Dikman	Henry Hubberd
Gregory Smith	Thomas Bullimer
Thomas Abury	Thomas Balle
Thomas Dikman	Thomas Adawes - Jurors

Who say that the frankpledge above named present everything as was presented. And further they say that William Villers and the prior of Broke owe suit of court as is clear afterwards in the roll.

Okeham

View of Frankpledge with great court of William Archbishop of Canterbury, Richard Bishop of London and others etc held in the same place on Tuesday next after the feast of Corpus Christi in the fifth year of the reign of King Henry viii [31st May 1513]

Presentation of the frankpledge of Langham

Bartholomew Taylour	John Gibson
John Webster	William Hubberd
Thomas Dikman	William Wellome

[Pg 44] Who say upon their oath that Nicholas Coldale (iid) and William Sharpe (iid) owe attendance at this court and made a default. Therefore they are in the mercy of the lord.

Thomas Balle	Henry Hichecok
William Balle	John Hubberd
Thomas Dawes	Thomas Hubberd
John Balle	Richard Hubberd
Thomas Buche	John Pyttes- Jurors
Thomas Coton	Thomas Wyllowes

Who say that the frankpledge above named was loyally presented in every respect as was presented etc.

Langham Fines viiid

The Prior of Broke (iiid), William Villers (iiid) give to the lord as a fine for being released from suit of court this year etc.

Okeham

Court held in the same place on Wednesday next after the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the fifth year of the reign of King Henry viii [2nd Nov. 1513]

Langham Fines iiiis iiiid

Homage in the same place came fully except for those who are placed on fine for the whole year as above, the names of whom follow: John Balle (iiiid), William Bele (iiiid), William Dikman (iiiid), Thomas Abury (iiiid), Thomas Dikman (iiiid), Henry Hichecok (iiiid), Henry Hubberd (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), Thomas Willons (iiiid), William Balle (iiiid), John Pittes (iiiid), Thomas Balle (iiiid) and John Symmes (iiiid). All these give to the lord as a fine for suit of court as above just as is clear in their headings etc.

Langham - Fines iis viiid

Johanna Bury (viiid), Isabell Chauncelor (viiid), Agnes Dobbys (viiid) and wife Cotton give to the lord for a licence for brewing this year as is clear in their headings etc.

[Pg 45]Okeham 1514

View of Frankpledge with great Court of William Archbishop of Canterbury, Richard Bishop of London, Thomas Earl of Surrey, Henry Earl of Wiltshire, Thomas Lord Haward, John Bouchier Lord Barnes, John Fineux Chief Justice of the King's Bench, Robert Rede Chief Justice of the Common Bench, Maurice Barklye knight, Hugh Conwey knight, John Collett cleric, deacon of St. Paul's, London, Edward Knyvett, Richard Poole, John Skott, Robert Bowring and John St. George held in the same place on 10th Oct. in the sixth year of the reign of King Henry viii etc. [1514]

Presentation of the frankpledge of Langham

Bartholomew Taylor	John Gybson
John Webster	William Hubberd
Thomas Dikman	William Wellom - Jurors

Amercements iid

Who say upon their oath that John Webster is a fisher of the common and ?digs out the ?loach of the lord. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord etc.

Presentation of the great inquisition

John Balle	Thomas Bische
Nicholas Pittes	John Spenninge
William Bury	Henry Hubberd
John Gylburn	Thomas Hubberd
Thomas Dawes	Henry Hychcok
John Symme	William Bele

Who say upon their oath that the frankpledge above named loyally present every thing which is presented etc.

Okeham 1515

View of Frankpledge with great court of William Archbishop of Canterbury and others etc. held in the same place on the nineteenth day of April in the sixth year of the reign of King Henry the eighth. [1515]

Presentation of the Frankpledge of Langham

John Hubbard	John Spennyng
Thomas Abury	Thomas Trafford
John Hunt	William Sharpe - Jurors

Amercements iiiid

Who say upon their oath that William Balle (iid) and John [Pg 46] Cotton (iid) make a default in fishing in the common water without a licence and ?dig out the ?loach of the lord. Therefore they are in the mercy of the lord.

Presentation of the great inquisition - Penalty imposed

Who say upon their oath that the frankpledge above named loyally present everything presented by them. And further they say that the house of Isabell Okeham is in ruin in timber in default of the lord. Also it is instructed by the court that no tenant in the same place should place their cows before 'le Neatheard' unless he has his own pasture in the same pasture for pasturing under penalty for whosoever of them defaults of iis iiiid

Langham fines viiid

The Prior of Broke (iiiid), William Villers (iiiid) give to the lord as a fine for being released from suit of court this year etc.

Okeham

Court held in the same place on Wednesday next after the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the sixth[sic] year of the reign of king Henry viii etc. [1st Nov. 1514]

Langham fines iiiis iiiid

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year as above, the names of whom follow: John Balle (iiiiid), William Bele (iiiiid), William Dikman (iiiiid), Thomas Abury (iiiiid), Thomas Dikman (iiiiid), Thomas Wyllons (iiiiid), John Hubberd (iiiiid), William Balle (iiiiid), John Pittes (iiiiid), Thomas Balle (iiiiid), Henry Hichecoke (iiiiid), John Dikman (iiiiid) and Henry Hubberd. All these give to the lord as a fine for suit of court as above as is clear in their headings above etc.

Langham fine iiis iid

Johanna Bury (viiiid), Elizabeth Chanceler (viiiid), Agnes Balle (vid), Wife Cotton (viiiid), Wife Sharpe (viiiid). These give to the lord for a licence for brewing this year as is clear in their headings above etc.

Tollsylver of Langham vis viiid

This year within the time of the account received through the hands of the bailiff in the same place - vis viiid

[Pg 47]Okeham - 1515

View of Frankpledge with great Court of lord William Archbishop of Canterbury and other restorers etc. held in the same place on the day of Luke the Evangelist in the seventh year of the reign of King Henry viii [18th Oct. 1515]

Langham

Nothing because there was a plague

Okeham 1516

View of Frankpledge with Great Court of Lord William Archbishop of Canterbury, Richard Bishop of London, Thomas Earl of Surrey, Henry Earl of Wiltshire and other restorers as above held in the same place on Thursday next after the feast of the first Sunday after Easter in the seventh year of the reign of king Henry the eighth etc. [3rd April 1516]

Frankpledge of Langham

John Hunte	William Sharpe
John Spening	Thomas Bury
Thomas Trafford	John Hubberd - Jurors

Who say upon their oath that they have nothing to present etc.

Names of the Jurors

John Balle	Thomas Hubberd
Thomas Bullimere	Richard Hubberd
John Gylburn	Henry Hubberd
William Balle Senior	John Symme
Thomas Wyllons	John Pittes
John Watson	William Dikman - Jurors

Amercements iiiid

Who say upon their oath that John Wryghte [iiiiid] son of William Wryghte made a default in breaching an arrest made by 'le Reve'. Therefore he [sic]

Langham - fines viiid

Prior of Broke (iiiiid) and William Villers (iiiiid) for their land in Langham give to the lord as a fine for being released from suit of court this year etc.

[Pg 48]Okeham

Court held in the same place on Wednesday next after the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the seventh[sic] year of the reign of King Henry viii [31st Oct. 1515]

Langham - fines vs

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year as above, the names of whom follow: John Balle (iiiid), William Bele (iiiid), William Dikman (iiiid), Thomas Bury (iiiid), Thomas Dikman (iiiid), Henry Hichecok (iiiid), Henry Hubberd (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), Thomas Wyllons (iiiid), William Balle (iiiid), John Pittes (iiiid), Thomas Balle (iiiid), John Symms (iiiid), Thomas Byllymer (iiiid) and John Watson. All these give to the lord as a fine for suit of court as above just as is clear in their headings above etc.

Langham fines iiis

Wife Bury (viiid), Wife of Thomas Balle (viiid), Wife of William Coton (viiid), Wife of William Sharpe (viiid) and Wife Smith (iiiid) give to the lord for a licence for brewing this year as is clear in their headings above etc.

Tollsylver of Langham

This year within the time of the Account received through the hands of the bailiff in the same place - vis iid

[Pg 49]Okeham 1516

View of Frankpledge with Great Court of Lord William Archbishop of Canterbury, Richard Bishop of London and other restorers etc held in the same place at the Castle on Thursday next after the feast of St. Luke the Evangelist in the eighth year of the reign of King Henry viii etc. [23rd Oct. 1516]

Frankpledge of Langham - Amercements iis

John Hunte	William Sharpe
John Speninge	Thomas Bury
Thomas Trafford	John Hubberd - Jurors

Who say upon their oath that William Chaplain (xxd) committed an affray upon John Fayer White and drew blood. Therefore etc. Also Robert Mody (iid) committed an assault upon William Franklyn and the aforesaid William Franklyn (iid) gave words of abuse to the said Robert Mode. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord.

Also they elect in to the office of Frankpledge for the following year William Ball junior, William Bendowe, William Abury, Thomas Gilborn, John Speninge and William Sharpe and they were sworn.

Names of the jurors

Nicholas Coldale	John Symme
Thomas Wyllons	William Balle Junior
Thomas Hubberd	Thomas Cotton
Richard Hubberd	Thomas Gilburn
William Beson	William Wrighte
John Gilborn	John Webster - Jurors

Amercements iis ixd

Who say upon their oath that the frankpledge was well presented by them etc and further they say that John Pytt (iiiid) made a default in keeping his horses untethered. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord. Also they say that Bartholomew Taylour (iiid) made a default with his carts in 'le olde haye'. Therefore etc. Also the same Bartholomew (iid) in keeping his horses [not tethered - crossed out] with [no ties?] about their feet. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord. Also John Balle (iid) because he placed his horses untethered at Salforth. Therefore etc. Also Henry Hichecok (iid) and William [Agnes - crossed out] Hubbard [iid - omitted] because they placed their horses untethered in the field of separation. Therefore they are in mercy. Also Robert Abury (xiid) defaulted in forfeiture of the penalty of the last Court for keeping more than eight pigs and he keeps eighteen. Therefore he is in mercy etc. Also they say that Thomas Cotton (iid) made a default likewise. Also John Busshell (iiiid) committed an affray upon Thomas Busch Junior. Therefore etc.

[Pg 50]Okeham 1517

View of Frankpledge with great Court of Lord William Archbishop of Canterbury, Richard Bishop of London, Thomas Earl of Surrey, Henry Earl of Wiltshire and other restorers as above held in the same place on Monday next after the first Sunday after Easter in the eighth year of the reign of king Henry the eighth etc. [20th April 1517]

Frankpledge of Langham

William Ball Junior	Thomas Gylborn
William Bendowe	John Speninge
William Bury	William Sharpe - Jurors

Amercements xd

Who say upon their oath that the Prior of Broke (iid), William Villers (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore they are in the mercy of the lord. Also they say that Thomas Pittes (iid), William Pittes (iid) and Robert Hunt (iid) owe suit to this court and have not come. Therefore they are in the mercy of the lord.

Names of the Jurors

Nicholas Coldale	John Gylborn
Thomas Willons	John Symmes
Thomas Hubberd	Thomas Cotton
Richard Hubberd	William Wrighte
Gregory Smithe	John Webster
William Bele	William Wells- Jurors

Who say upon their oath that the frankpledge was loyally presented in every respect by those present. And further they say that Bartholomew Taylour (iid), William [blank] (iid), Thomas Ball (iid), John Hunt (iid), William Ball Senior (iid), Henry Hichecok (iid) made defaults in making one common way with their carts at penson. Therefore they are in the mercy of the lord. Also they say that Thomas Cotton (vid) John Fayer White (iiiid) and Robert Bury (vid) because they keep pigs over and above 'le stintte'. Therefore they are in mercy. Also they say that John Pyttes (xxd), Nicholas Pittes (xiid), Bartholomew Taylour (xiid), William Ball Junior (xiid), Robert Bury (xiid), John Fayr Whyte Junior (iid) and John Ball (iiiid) because they keep their horses untethered in the Seperate Field. Therefore they are in the mercy of the lord etc. Also they say that Bartholomew Taylour (viiid) ploughed a [?]strip with his plough above 'le East moore'. Therefore they are in mercy etc. Also John Watson (vid) for tethering his beasts at Burley dyke. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord etc.

[Pg 51]Okeham

Court held in the same place on Wednesday next before the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude, in the eighth[sic] year of the reign of King Henry the eighth [22nd Oct. 1516]

Langham - Fine vs

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year for suit of court as above, the names of whom follow: Thomas Bury (iiiid), Thomas Dikman (iiiid), Henry Hichecok (iiiid), Henry Hubberd (iiiid), John Dikman (iiiid), John Balle (iiiid), William Bele (iiiid), William Dikman (iiiid), Thomas Willons (iiiid), William Balle (iiiid), John Pittes (iiiid), Thomas Balle (iiiid), John Symes (iiiid), Thomas Bullimer (iiiid) & John Watson (iiiid). All these give to the lord as a fine for suit of court as above just as is clear above in their headings etc.

Langham - Fines iis viiid

Johanna Bury (viiid), Wife of Thomas Balle (viiid), Wife of Thomas Cotton (viiid) and Wife of William Smith (viiid) - all these give to the lord as a fine for a licence for brewing this year as is clear above in their headings etc.

Tollsylver of Langham

This year - vis iid

Fine xxd

To this court came Isabell Grene, formerly wife of William William of Langham and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one messuage with half a virgate of land situated in Langham. To the use and benefit of Thomas Ball of Langham a freeman and of the free condition. And on account of this the aforesaid Thomas Ball came and received from the lord the said messuage with half a virgate of land aforesaid with its appurtenances and it was granted to him to be held by him and his assignees according to the custom of the manor, by paying then to the lord annually Rent at the two usual terms in the same place and the other services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed by right. And the aforesaid Thomas and his assignees will well and sufficiently repair, support and maintain the said messuage with its half virgate of land at their own costs and expenses. And he gives to the lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading and he made fealty to the lord. And he was admitted as a tenant etc.

[Pg 52]Langham Fine xxd

To this court came Robert Ive and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage situated in Langham. To the use and benefit of John Bayly of Burley. And on account of this the aforesaid John Bayly came and received from the lord the said cottage with appurtenances and it was granted to him to be held by him and his assignees according to the custom of the manor, by paying then to the lord annually two shillings at the two usual terms in the same place and the other services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed by right. And the aforesaid John and his assignees will well and sufficiently repair, support and maintain the said cottage at their own costs and expenses. And he gives to the lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading and he made fealty to the lord. And he was admitted as a tenant etc.

Langham Fine xxd

To this court came John Thorpe of Langham and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one messuage with one virgate and a half of land situated in Langham. To the use and benefit of John Spenninge. And on account of this the aforesaid John Spenninge came and received from the lord the said messuage with one virgate and a half of land aforesaid with its appurtenances and it was granted to him to be held by him and his assignees according to the custom of the manor, by paying then annually Rent at the two usual terms in the same place and the other services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed by right. And the aforesaid John Spenninge and his assignees will well and sufficiently repair, support and maintain the said messuage with its one virgate and a half of land at their own costs and expenses. And he gives to the lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading and he made fealty to the lord. And he was admitted as a tenant etc.

Langham Fine xxd

To this court came Elizabeth Chauncelor of Langham and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage situated in Langham formerly in the tenure of Thomas Chauncelor. To the use and benefit of John Fayer White of the same. And on account of this the aforesaid John came and received from the lord the said cottage with its appurtenances and it was granted to him to be held by him and his assignees according to the custom of the manor, by paying then to the lord annually Rent at the two usual terms in the same place to wit xviiiid and the other services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed by right. And the aforesaid John and his assignees will well and sufficiently repair, support and maintain the said cottage at their own costs and expenses. And he gives to the lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading and he made fealty to the lord. And he was admitted as a tenant etc.

[Pg 53] Okeham - 1518

View of frankpledge with great Court of Lord William Archbishop of Canterbury and the other Restorers of the most excellent Prince Edward Duke of Buckingham, Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Monday next before the feast of St. Edward the king in the ninth year of the reign of King Henry viii etc [15th Mar. 1518]

Frankpledge of Langham - Amercements xid

William Balle Junior	Thomas Gylborn
William Bendowe	John Spenninge
William Abury	William Sharpe - Sworn

Who say upon their oath that Thomas Pittes(iiid) is a common player at the gaming board for money as a bad example to his neighbours. Therefore he is in mercy etc. Also they say that Thomas Taylour(iid), John Clapham (iid), John Dyng (iid) and Thomas Harding (iid) owe suit of court and have not come. Therefore etc.

Names of the Jurors - Amercements xiid

Thomas Balle	William Pittes
Henry Hichecoke	Nicholas Pittes
William Balle Senior	John Watson
John Hunte	William Wellons
Thomas Busche	Thomas Bolymer
Robert Pittes	Thomas Hubberd

Who say upon their oath that the frankpledge above named presented everything as it should be presented by them etc. And further they say that Thomas Hubberd (xiid) committed a 'bonnde breache'. Therefore he is in mercy etc.

Okeham

View of frankpledge with great Court of Lord William Archbishop of Canterbury and the other Restorers of the most excellent Prince Edward Duke of Buckingham, Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton held in the same place on Monday next after the Sunday after Easter in the ninth year of the reign of King Henry viii etc [12th Apr. 1518]

Frankpledge of Langham - Amercements xd

William Balle Junior	Thomas Gilborn
William Bendowe	John Spenninge
William Abury	William Sharpe - Sworn

Who say upon their oath that William Wells (iid) committed an affray upon William Dikman. And the aforesaid William Dikman (iid) gave him words of abuse. Therefore etc. Also they say that John Hunt (iid), Thomas Slott (iid) and Nicholas [Pg 54] Wells owe suit of court and have not come. Therefore etc. Also they say that the house of Nicholas Pittes is in ruin. Therefore he is placed in the advice of the lord etc.

Names of the Jurors

William Balle Senior	William Bele
Thomas Buche	Thomas Hubberd
John Watson	John Gilborn
Thomas Trafford	William Pittes
John Symmes	Robert Pittes
Richard Hubberd	Thomas Wyllons - sworn

Who say upon their oath that the frankpledge present everything which is to be presented to this court etc.

Langham - Fine viiid

The Prior of Broke (iiid), and William Villers (iiid) for their land in Langham give to the lord as a fine for being released from suit of court this year etc.

Okeham

Court held in the same place on Wednesday next after the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the ninth[sic] year of the reign of King Henry the eighth etc. [4th Nov. 1517]

Langham

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year as above the names of whom follow: Thomas Balle, William Bele, Thomas Gilborn, William Dikman, Thomas Bury, Thomas Dikman, Henry Hichecok, Henry Hubberd, John Dikman, William Balle, John Pittes, John Symmes, Thomas Bullimer, John Watson. All these give to the lord as a fine for suit of court as above just as is clear in their headings. [sic]

Langham - Fines iis viiid

Johanna Bury (viiid), Wife of Thomas Balle (viiid), Wife of William Coton (viiid), Wife of William Sharpe (viiid). All these give to the lord for a licence for brewing this year as is clear in the their headings etc.

Tollsilver of Langham

This year within the time of the account received through the hands of the bailiff in the same place - vis iid

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[Pg 55]Okeham

At the Court of Lord William Archbishop of Canterbury and the other restorers of the most excellent prince Edward Duke of Buckingham Earl of Stafford, Hereford and Northampton in the same place on the day of St. Luke the Evangelist in the tenth year[sic] of the reign of King Henry viii etc. [18th Oct. 1518]

Langham - Fine xxd

To this court came William Hichecok and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage situated in Langham. To the use and benefit of John Ball. And on account of this the aforesaid John Ball came and received from the lord the said cottage with its appurtenances and it was granted to him to be held by him and his assignees according to the custom of the manor, by paying then to the lord annually xvid and the other services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed by right. And the aforesaid John and his assignees will well and sufficiently repair and maintain the said cottage at their own costs and expenses. And he gives to the lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading and he made fealty to the lord. And he was admitted as a tenant. . .

Langham - Fine xiid

To this court aforesaid came Robert Gringfeild and Johanna his wife and William the son of the same and the aforesaid Johanna was questioned alone by the steward as is the custom and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage situated in Langham recently in the tenure of Alice Bocher and afterwards William Sclote. To the use and benefit of Gregory Smithe. And on account of this the aforesaid Gregory came and received from the lord the said cottage and it was granted to him to be held by him and Ellen his wife and their assignees according to the custom of the manor, by paying then to the lord annually xvid and the other services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed by right. And the aforesaid Gregory and Ellen his wife and their assignees will well and sufficiently repair and maintain the said cottage at their own costs and expenses. And they give to the lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading and they made fealty to the lord. And they were admitted as tenants etc.

Langham - Fine iis

To this court came John Bolimer and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage situated in Langham to the use and benefit of Thomas Hardinge. And on account of this the aforesaid Thomas Hardinge came and received from the lord the said cottage with appurtenances and it was granted to him to be held by him and his assignees according to the custom of the manor, by paying then to the lord annually xxd and the other services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed by right. And the aforesaid Thomas will well and sufficiently repair and maintain the said cottage at his own costs and expenses. And he gives to the lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading and he made fealty to the lord. And he was admitted as a tenant etc.

Langham - Fine xxd

To this court aforesaid came Isabell Grene of Denton and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage situated in Langham towards the east boundary of the aforesaid town. To the use and benefit of Thomas Balle and Isabell his wife. And on account of this the aforesaid Thomas and his wife Isabell came and received from the lord the said cottage with appurtenances and it was granted to them to be held by them and their assignees according to the custom of the manor, by paying then to the lord annually iis and the other services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed by right. And the aforesaid Thomas Ball and Isabell his wife will well and sufficiently repair and maintain the said cottage at their own costs and expenses. And they give to the lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading and they made fealty to the lord. And they were admitted as tenants etc

Langham - Fine iis

To this court came William Hosen and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage situated in Langham to the use and benefit of Nicholas Wells. And on account of this the aforesaid Nicholas came and received from the lord the said cottage with appurtenances and it was granted to him to be held by him and his assignees according to the custom of the manor, by paying then to the lord annually twenty pennies and the other services then formerly owed and anciently accustomed by right. And the aforesaid Nicholas will well and sufficiently repair and maintain the said cottage at his own costs and expenses. And he gives to the lord as a fine at entry as is clear in the heading and he made fealty to the lord. And he was admitted as a tenant etc

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[Pg 57] Okeham - 1520

View of frankpledge with great Court of Lord William Archbishop of Canterbury, Richard Bishop of London, Thomas Earl of Surrey, Henry Earl of Wiltshire, Thomas Lord Haward and the other Restorers of Edward Duke of Buckingham held in the same place on Thursday next after the feast of St. Michael the Archangel in the twelfth year of the reign of King Henry the eighth etc [4th Oct. 1520]

Frankpledge of Langham - Amercements iiiid

Henry Hichecok	John Hunte
Thomas Trafford	John Gylborn
John Dikman	Robert Ives - Sworn

Who say upon their oath that the Prior of Broke(iid) and William Vyllers (iid) owe suit of court and have not come. Therefore etc.

Names of the Jurors

Thomas Balle	Thomas Bullimer
Thomas Aburye	William Welles
Thomas Wyllons	John Watson
Henry Hubberd	William Abury
John Hubbard	Thomas Beson
Thomas Hubbard	William Sharpe - sworn

Who say upon their oath that the frankpledge loyally present everything to be presented by them etc.

To this Court came John Fayert whyt and surrendered into the hands of the Lord one cottage situated in Langham to the use of Edmund Freeman and Rent then to the lord annually - xviiid

Okeham - 1521

View of frankpledge with great Court of Lord William Archbishop of Canterbury and the other Restorers as above held in the same place on Tuesday after the Sunday after Easter in the twelfth year of the reign of King Henry viii etc [9th Apr. 1521]

Frankpledge of Langham

Henry Hichecok	John Hunte
Thomas Trafford	John Gilborn
John Dikman	Robert Ives - Sworn

Who say upon their oath that every thing is well.

[Pg 58] Names of the Jurors

Thomas Abury	Thomas Bullimer
Thomas Wyllons	William Welles
Thomas Ball	John Watson
Henry Hubberd	William Abury
John Hubbard	Thomas Beson
Thomas Hubbard	William Sharpe - sworn

Who say upon their oath that the frankpledge loyally present etc. And further they say that John Pittes sold one cottage situated in Langham between the land of Thomas Nicolson on the east part and the land of John Balle on the north part. And Rent to the lord per year - xiiid

Okeham

Court held in the same place on Wednesday next before the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the twelfth year of the reign of King Henry viii etc. [24th Oct. 1520]

Langham - Fine vs

Homage in the same place came fully except for those men who are placed on fine for the whole year as above, the names of whom follow: Thomas Balle (iiid), William Belle (iiid), Thomas Gilborn (iiid), William Dikman (iiid), Thomas Abury (iiid), Thomas Dikman (iiid), Henry Hichecok (iiid), Henry Hubbard (iiid), John Dikman (iiid), Thomas Wyllons (iiid), William Balle (iiid), John Pyttes (iiid), Thomas Symmes (iiid), Thomas Bullimer (iiid) and John Watson (iiid). All these give to the lord as a fine for suit of court as above just as is clear in the heading etc.

Langham - Fines xiid

Wife Bury (vid), and Wife William Sharpe (vid). These give to the lord as a fine for a licence for brewing this year as is clear above in their headings etc.

Tollsilver of Langham

This year ---- iiis viiid

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[Pg 59] Manor of Okeham - 1522

View of Frankpledge with Court of the most excellent King Henry viii in the same place held on the seventh day of October in the fourteenth year of the reign of the same lord King [1522]

Langham - Amercements xd[sic]

Tithingmen in the same place to wit: John Thissilton, John Willons, Thomas Bushe, William Pittes, John Hubberd and William Dikman Sworn Who say upon their oath that Bartholomew Taylour (iid), John Ball Junior (iid), Thomas Taylour (iid), John Clapham (iid), Thomas Slott (iid), and Thomas Nicholson (iid) owe suit of this view at this day and have made a default. Therefore they are in the mercy of the lord just as is clear etc.

Headboroughs

Henry Hubberd	John Hunte
John Ball	William Bury
John Symmes	Henry Longfote
Thomas Trafford	Gregory Smith
Richard Hubberd	William Beyll
John Gilbert	Thomas Willons
William Ball Senior	John Watson
Thomas Hubberd	

Who say upon their oath that the tithingmen in the same place well and loyally have presented and have made no concealment. Therefore they are quiet and without mercy etc.

Langham - Fine iis iiiid

To this Court came John Clerke and acknowledged a certain surrender made outside the court by John Pittes of Langham into the hands of the lord King of one cottage lying near the bridge in the same place on the east part. To the use of Richard Wrighte of Stamford. And on account of this the aforesaid Richard came and sought that he should be admitted to the aforesaid cottage with appurtenances since the lord granted seisen to him through his steward by jurisdiction of this court to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor saving each right, by paying then to the lord and his heirs rent and services formerly owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord a fine at entry to be held by them just as is clear in the heading. And he made fealty to the lord. And then he was admitted as a tenant etc.

Langham - Fine xxd - In possession on account of decay

To this Court came John Wildman in his own [Pg 60] person and sought that he should be admitted to one cottage with appurtenances near the holding of James Waren on the west part since the lord granted seisen to him through his steward by jurisdiction of this court to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor saving each right, by paying then to the lord annually xxd and other customs. And he gives to the lord a fine at entry to be held by him just as is clear in the heading. And he made fealty to the lord. And then he was admitted as a tenant etc. In decay and was in possession of the lord king.

Langham - Fine viiid

To this Court came Thomas Wilhowse and acknowledged a certain surrender made to him by Robert Bolton Chaplain of one cottage lying in Langham. To the use of John Clerke. And on account of this the aforesaid John Clerke came and sought that he should be admitted to the aforesaid cottage with appurtenances since the lord granted seisen to him through his steward by jurisdiction of this court to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor saving each right, by paying then annually to the lord and his heirs rent and services formerly owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord a fine at his entry to be held just as is clear in the heading. And he made fealty to the lord. And then he was admitted as a tenant etc.

Manor of Okeham - 1524

View of Frankpledge with Court of the most excellent Henry viii King of England and France, defender of the faith, Lord of Ireland, held in the same place on the first day of April in the fifteenth[sic] year of the reign of the same King [1524]

Langham

Tithingmen in the same place to wit John Gybson, Thomas Wyllysford, William Stephens, Nicholas Pittes, John Ball Junior, and William Bronne Sworn

Fines xiid - Amercements xiid

Who say upon their oath that the Prior of Broke (vid), Richard Flower (iid), William Villers (iid), Richard Fracy (iid) and William Sharpe give to the lord a fine for being released from suit of court just as is clear above in their headings above etc. Also they say that John Hubberd (iid), [Pg 61] Thomas Taylour (iid), Isabella Dawes (iid), Thomas Dikman (iid), Thomas Harding (iid), William Hunt and Thomas Nicholson owe suit to this view on this day and have made a default. Therefore they and each of them are in mercy just as is clear etc.

Fines iis iiiid

And further the jurors aforesaid say that the wife of John Gibson (iiiid), wife of Thomas Willifford (iiiid), wife of William Kellis (iiiid), wife of William Sharpe (iiiid), wife of Richard Andrew (iiiid), wife of Robert Bury (iiiid) and wife of Henry Longfoote (iiiid) are common brewers of ale and give to the lord a fine for a licence for brewing this year just as is clear above in the headings above etc

Amercement iid

And likewise they say that the wife of John Gibson (iid) is a common baker of human bread and has broken the assize. Therefore she is in mercy etc.

Amercement iid

Also they say that Thomas Water (iid) is a common miller and has taken tolls excessively. Therefore he is in mercy etc.

Fines iiiis iiid

Also they say that Henry Hubberd (iiid), William Beyle (iiid), Thomas Gylborne (iiid), William Dikman (iiid), Thomas Bury (iiid), Thomas Dikman (iiid), Henry Hychecoke (iiid), John Dikman (iiid), Thomas Wyllons (iiid), William Ball (iiid), John Pittes (iiid), Thomas Symmes (iiid) and Thomas Bullymer give to the lord a fine for being released from suit of court this year just as is clear above in their headings above etc.

Headboroughs

Richard Fracy	William Beyle
Henry Hubbard	John Gilborn
John Balle	William Wells
Thomas Willhowse	Thomas Beston
William Balle Senior	John Watson
Thomas Bury	Thomas Trafford
John Symmes	John Middleton
William Maye	Henry Hichcok- Sworn

Who say upon their oath that the tithing men aforesaid well and loyally presented etc. And further they say that Robert Hunte after the last Court transferred by sale to John Balle one cottage situated in Langham near the holding of Robert Pittes on the west part and the enclosure of William Vellham on the east part. And he paid to the lord for the year xxd. Therefore he is distrained that he should be at the next Court to be answerable to the lord about the fine etc.

Amercements viiid

Also they say that John Hunte (iiid) made an assault upon John Laurence contrary to the peace of the lord King. And that the same John Laurence (iiid) made an assault [Pg 62] upon the aforesaid John Hunte contrary to the peace etc. Therefore they and each of them are in mercy etc.

Penalty

It is ordained by the Court that all tenants of this town of Langham should well and sufficiently make repairs to wit in timber, roofings, walls 'straw' and other necessary things pertaining to them before the feast of St. Michael the Archangel [29th Sep.] next coming under penalty for each default of - xld

It is ordained that each tenant of this town should well and sufficiently scour his ditches and correct the common ways before the feast of the Holy Trinity next coming under penalty for each default of - xiid

Outgoings and profits etc of the xv year of Henry viii

Langham - Fines vs

Thomas Cantinge of Barlythorpe because he gives to the lord for a licence for marrying a certain Ellen Dikman daughter of a certain William Dikman of Langham villein of the lord, a fine just as is clear in the heading etc.

Manor of Okeham - 1523

View of Frankpledge with Court of the Lord King Henry viii King of England and France, (defender of the faith and Lord of Ireland held in the same place on Tuesday next after the feast of St. Michael the Archangel, (in the fifteenth year of the reign of the same Lord King [1st Oct. 1523])

Langham

Tithingmen in the same place to wit John Gybson, Thomas Willifford, William Stephens, Nicholas Pittes, John Ball Junior and William Broun Jurors. Who say upon their oath that the Prior of Broke owes suit to this court and has made a default. Therefore he is in mercy.

Amercement xiid

Also they say that Nicholas Pittes (xiid) is a common trespasser in the separte Fields with his cattle. Therefore he is in mercy etc just as is clear.

Amercements xiid

Also they say that Richard Hubberd (iiiid), William Sharpe (iiiid) and Thomas Hubbard (iiiid) are common trespassers in the Fields with their pigs and sheep. Therefore they and each of them are in mercy etc of the lord just as is clear above in their headings above.

Amercement vid

Also they present William Brownwynde Chaplain (vid) for making an assault upon Nicholas Taverner and [Pg 63] he drew blood. Therefore he is in mercy etc.

Amercement vid

Also they say that Nicholas Taverner (vid) made an assault upon the aforesaid William Brownwynde. Therefore he is in mercy.

Amercement vid

Also they say that William Sharpe (vid) made an assault upon William Broune. Therefore he is in mercy just as is clear etc.

Headboroughs

Henry Hubberd	John Gilborn
John Balle Senior	Thomas Wells
Thomas Willhowse	Thomas Beeston
William Balle Senior	John Watson
Thomas Bury	Thomas Trafford
John Symmes	John Middleton
William Maye	Henry Hychecok - Sworn
William Beyle	

Who say upon their oath that the tithingmen in the same place well and loyally presented and made no concealment. Therefore etc.

Langham

To this Court came William Wells and acknowledged that a surrender had been made to him outside the Court into the hands of the lord by Thomas Slott of one cottage with appurtenances in Langham. To the use of Henry Horn and his assignees in perpetuity to which the lord through his steward granted seizen for him, to have for himself and his assignees in perpetuity at will according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each. By paying then to the lord and his heirs rent and services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry to be held just as is clear in the heading. And he made fealty and then was admitted as a tenant etc.

Langham

To this Court came John Hunt and acknowledged that a surrender had been made to him outside the Court into the hands of the lord by Robert Hunt of one cottage with adjacent garden with appurtenances in Langham. To the use of John Ball and his assignees in perpetuity. And on account of this the aforesaid John came and sought to be admitted to the aforesaid cottage and garden with appurtenances, to which the lord through his steward granted seizen for him, to have for himself and his assignees in perpetuity at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each. By paying annually rent and services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading. And he made fealty to the lord and then was admitted as a tenant etc.

[Pg 64] **Langham**

To this Court came Henry Hubberd and acknowledged that a certain surrender had been made to him outside the Court into the hands of the lord by Richard Wright of one cottage lying near the holding formerly of Thomas Nicolson. To the use of John Hubberd and his assignees in perpetuity. And on account of this the aforesaid John Hubberd came and sought to be admitted to the aforesaid cottage with appurtenances, to which the lord through his steward granted seizen for him, to be held for himself and his assignees in perpetuity at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each. By paying annually to the lord and his heirs rent and services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine to be had for his entry then just as is clear in the heading. And they [sic] made fealty to the lord and then he was admitted as a tenant etc.

Langham

At this Court it was discovered by the homage that a certain Henry Chissilton after the last court surrendered into the hands of the lord one cottage lying near Okeham Lane Ende on the north part of the town. To the use of John Michell and his assignees in perpetuity. And on account of this afterwards in full Court the aforesaid John Michell came and sought that he should be admitted to the aforesaid cottage with appurtenances To which the lord through his steward granted seizen for him, to be held by him and his assignees in perpetuity at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each. By paying then annually rent and services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine to be held for his entry then just as is clear in the heading. And he made fealty to the lord and was admitted then as a tenant etc.

Langham

To this Court came John Middleton in his own person and surrendered in to the hands of the lord one cottage lying between the holding of Thomas Slott and the holding of the Prior of Broke. To the use of William Grene and his assignees in perpetuity. And on account of this the aforesaid William Grene came and sought that he should be admitted to the aforesaid cottage with appurtenances To which the lord through his steward granted seizen for him, to be held by him and his assignees in perpetuity at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each by paying then annually to the lord and his heirs rent and services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine to be held for his entry then just as is clear in the heading. And he made fealty to the lord and was admitted then as a tenant etc.

[Pg 65] **Manor of Okeham - 1525**

View of Frankpledge with Court of the most excellent King Henry the eighth of England and France and Lord of Ireland and defender of the faith, held in the same place on Friday within the Sunday after Easter in the sixteenth year of the reign of the same Lord King [21st Apr. 1525]

Langham Amercement iiiid

Tithingmen in the same place: Robert Ives, Henry Hichecok, John Laurence, William Pittes, William Bendowe and Henry Longefoote Jurors Who say upon their oath that William Villers (iiiiid) owes suit to this view on this day and has made a default. Therefore he is in mercy just as is clear etc.

Fines iiis vd

Also they say that the wife of Thomas Willefford (vid), wife of William Wells (vid), wife of Robert Bury (vid), wife of John Michell (iiiiid), wife of William Sharpe (vid), wife of John Hubberd (iiiiid), wife of Richard Andrew (iiid) and wife of John Gibson (vid) are common brewers of ale and give to the lord a fine for a licence for brewing this year as is clear etc.

Amercements vid

Also they say that the wife of John Gybson (iid), wife of Thomas Willefford (iid), wife of William Wells [sic] and wife of John Michell (iid), are common bakers of human bread and have broken the assize. Therefore they are in mercy just as is clear etc

Amercements vid.

Also they say that William Dikman (iid), Henry Chissilton (iid) and Thomas Niccolson (iid) owe suit of this view on this day and have made a default. Therefore they are in mercy etc.

An order is made for William Dikman, Richard Hubberd, Robert Pittes, Thomas Gilburn that they should make their repairs sufficiently before the next Court under penalty for each of them - iiis iiiid etc.

Langham

To this Court came John Clerke and acknowledged that a certain surrender had been made to him outside the Court into the hands of the lord by Henry Chissilton of one cottage with appurtenances in Langham. To the use of John Parr. And on account of this the aforesaid John Parr came and sought that he should be admitted to the aforesaid cottage with appurtenances, to which the lord through his steward granted seizen for him, to have for himself and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each. By paying then to the lord annually rent and services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry to be held just as is clear in the heading. And he made fealty to the lord and then was admitted as a tenant etc.

[Pg 66]Headboroughs

Richard Fracy	William Beyle
Henry Hubbard	John Watson
John Ball	John Middleton
William Ball senior	John Wilhowse
Thomas Bury	Gregory Smith
John Gilborn	Richard Hubbard
John Symes	Thomas Crane - Sworn

Who say upon their oath that they presented well and loyally and they made no concealment. Therefore in mercy etc.

Langham

View of Frankpledge with Court of Ellianore recently relict of Edward Duke of Buckingham held in the same place on Monday to wit before the next feast (of St Martin the Bishop in the seventeenth year of the reign of Henry viii by the grace of God King of England and France, defender of the faith and Lord of Ireland [6th Nov. 1525]

Essoins

None None None

Tithingmen in the same place

Bartholomew Tylour, Thomas Gilborn, William Wells, Richard Andrewe and William Tylour Jurors

Amercement viiid

Who say upon their oath that William Bendowe (viiid) committed an assault upon Thomas Goodred and drew blood contrary to the Lord King's peace. Therefore he is in mercy just as is clear etc.

Stray vid

Also they say that there is a certain sheep of white colour which came as a stray within this demesne and it has been proclaimed and valued at - vid etc.

Amercements iiiid

Also they say that James Warren (iid) and Thomas Niccolson (iid) owe suit to this Court on this day and have made a default. Therefore they and each of them are in the mercy of the lord just as is clear etc.

Ale Tasters - Amercements xiid

To wit Robert Ives and Henry Horn - Sworn who say upon their oath that the wife of John Michell (iid), wife of William Sharpe (iid), wife of John Hubberd (iid) wife of Thomas Wilfford (iid) and wife of Robert Bury (iid) are common brewers of ale and did not wish to allow the tasters to exercise their duty. Therefore they and each of them are in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above in their headings above etc.

Also they say that the wife of John Michell (iid) is a common brewer of ale and sells ale by an illegal measure unsealed. Therefore she is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear etc.

Headboroughs

John Ball Senior	John Symmes
William Balle	Thomas Waters
Henry Hubberd	John Wylliams
Gregory Smith	Thomas Trafford
John Broun	Richard Hubberd
William Maye	John Middleton - Sworn

Who say upon their oath that the Tithing men and tasters of ale have well and loyally presented and have made no concealment etc.

[Pg 68] Amercements xxiid

Also they further say upon their oath that Robert Bury (iid) has not come on this day when it was demanded. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord etc

And they also say that William Sharpe (xiid) and William Stephens (viid) are common trespassers in the grain and sheaves of corn in the night with their cows. Therefore they are in the mercy of the lord just as is clear etc.

Amercements xiiid

Also they say that John Watson (vid) and Thomas Hubberd (viid) had an instruction at the last view that following thereafter they should not keep at home in the day the pigs and sheep if they should be one year and a quarter or more as a nuisance to the corn of the other tenants under penalty etc. And they have not done so. Therefore they and each of them are in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

Also they say upon their oath that John Preston had an instruction at the last view to repair or make his ruinous home in roof and wall before the feast of St. Martin the Bishop [11th Nov.] next coming. And he did not do it. Therefore there is a penalty etc. and as yet the aforesaid feast has not come. Therefore it is postponed until etc.

Fine iiis iiiid

To this Court came John Clerke and acknowledged that a certain surrender had been made to him outside the Court into the hands of the lord by John Wildeman of one cottage in Langham. To the benefit and use of Edward Freman. And on account of this the aforesaid Edward came and sought that he should be admitted to the aforesaid cottage with appurtenances, to which the lady through her steward granted seizen for him, to have for himself and his assignees according to the custom of the manor aforesaid, saving the right of each. By paying then to the lord and his heirs annually rent and services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry to be held just as is clear in the heading. And he made fealty to the lord and then was admitted as a tenant etc.

Fine iiis iiiid

To this Court came John Clerke and acknowledged that a certain surrender had been made to him outside the Court into the hands of the lord by John Fayerwhit of one cottage situated in Langham formerly in the tenure of Nicholas Tanner. To the use of Edward Freman. And on account of this the aforesaid Edward came and sought that he should be admitted to the aforesaid cottage with appurtenances, to which the lord through his steward granted seizen for him, to have for himself and his assignees according to the custom of the manor aforesaid, having the right of each. By paying then to the lord and his heirs annually rent and services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry to be held just as is clear in the heading. And he made fealty to the lord and then was admitted as a tenant etc.

Langham - 1526

View of Frankpledge with Court of Elianore recently relict of Edward Duke of Buckingham held in the same place on Monday next before the feast (of the Apostles Phillip and James in the eighteenth year of the reign of Henry viii by the grace of God King of England and France and Lord of Ireland [30th Apr. 1526]

Essoins

None None None

Tithingmen in the same place

Bartholomew Taylour, Thomas Gilborn, William Wells and William Taylour Jurors

Who say upon their oath that the Prior of Broke (appeared at court), Jerus Flower esquire, William Villers (iiiid), Richard Fracy (iiiid) and William Sharpe (appeared at court) are free tenants and owe suit to this court and each of them give to the lord a fine for being released from suit of court this year passed just as is clear above in their headings above etc.

Amercements viiid

Also they say that Hugh Baker (iid), wife of John Michell, wife of John Hubberd (iid), wife of Thomas Willifford (iid) and wife of Nicholas Gilborn (iid) are common bakers of human bread and have broken the assize. Therefore they and each of them are in the mercy of the lord just as is clear etc

Tasters of Ale - Amercements iis viiid

Henry Horn and Robert Ives Sworn

Who say upon their oath that the wife of William Sharpe (iid), wife of John Michell (iid) and wife of John Hubberd (iid) are common brewers of ale and sell ale by an illegal measure unsealed. Therefore they and each of them are in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above in their headings above etc. And that the wife of John Michell (iiid), wife of Thomas Wyllefford, wife of John Hubberd (iiid), wife of William Sharpe (iiid) and wife of Robert Bury (iiid) are common brewers of ale and give to the lord a fine for brewing for this last year passed just as is clear above etc. And also they say that the wife of John Michell (iid), wife of Thomas Willefford and wife of [Pg 70] Robert Bury (iid) are common brewers of ale and did not wish to allow the tasters of ale to practice their duty. Therefore they and each of them are in the mercy of the lord just as is clear etc.

Headboroughs

Richard Fracy	John Broune
Henry Hubberd	Robert Bury
John Ball senior	William Maye
Gregory Smith	Thomas Waters
Nicholas Pittes senior	John Symmes
Thomas Trafford	William Beyle - Sworn
John Middleton	

Amercement iid

Who say upon their oath that the tithingmen and tasters of ale have presented well and loyally and made no concealment. Also they say that Nicholas Gilborn (iid) broke the common pound in the same place and took twelve sheep, held in the same place in the name of a distraint imposed for trespass, outside the aforesaid pound and led them away contrary to the peace etc. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear etc.

Amercement iid

Also they say that James Warren (iid) owes suit to this Court on this day and made a default. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord etc.

Amercements xxd

Also they say upon their oath that John Preston (received an instruction at the view of Frank pledge held in the same place in the xvii year of the aforesaid King in the term of St. Michael that he should make repairs to his certain barn which is ruinous in roofing and wall before the feast of St. Martin [11th Nov.] then next following under penalty of xxd. And he has not made them. Therefore that penalty should be forfeit to the lord - xxd

Fines for suit of court iiis

Also they say that John Ball senior (iiid), John Middelton (iiid), William Beyle (iiid), William Dikman (iiid), Thomas Bury (iiid), Henry Hubberd (iiid), William Ball (iiid), John Dikman (iiid), John Hubberd (iiid), Thomas Ball (iiid), John Broune (iiid) and William Maye (iiid) give to the lord a fine for this year last passed for being released from suit of court, each just as is clear above in their headings above etc.

And likewise an instruction has been given to all tenants within this demesne who have houses in ruin in roofing and wall and timber that they should correct this before the feast of St. Andrew the Apostle [30th Nov.] next coming under penalty for each of - xld

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[Pg 71] Manor of Okeham 1543

View of Frankpledge with Court of the honourable gentleman Lord Gregory Crumwell and of Lady Elizabeth his consort held in the same place on the eleventh of April in the thirty fourth year of the reign of King Henry viii by the grace of God King of England, France and Ireland defender of the faith and on earth Supreme Head of the English and Irish church [1543]

Langham

The tithing men in the same place: Henry Horn, William Dikman, Thomas Vellham, William Sharpe, Henry Phillipott, Edward Bury, Jurors

Who say upon their oath that John Clark (iid) also called Dikman is one tenant of this manor and he owes suit to this view on this day and has made a default. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord etc. And that William Clerke (iiiid), Laurence Sharpe (iiiid) and John Burton (iiiid) are free tenants and owe suit to the Court and give a fine to the lord for being released from suit of Court this year at the feast of St. Michael the Archangel next: each just as is clear above etc.

And they present John Clerke (iid) because he stopped up the road in the same place to wit in breaking a certain bridge to the detriment of the neighbours contrary to the peace of the lord King. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc. And that John Fyndern (iid) committed an assault against William Broun in the common enclosure in the same place contrary to the peace of the lord king. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc. And indeed the same John Findern (iid) committed an assault and broke the common pound in the same place and entered and took his cattle which had been taken in the name of distraint for different offences and placed in the same place and in the enclosure took those cattle and fled and led them away contrary to the peace of the lord King. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc. And also they present the wife of Thomas Swarte (iid) because she bought fraudulently various grain of English 'molter corn' from a certain Ralph Fowler a servant of John Barkbe the miller in the same place in deception of this John contrary to the peace of the lord king. Therefore she is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc. And they say also that Johanna Gilborn (iid) was in the advice of the same and gave advice to the same Ralph etc.

Therefore she is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc. And they present Henry Sclott (iid) for an assault made against John the servant of Nicholas Taylour contrary to the peace of the lord King. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc. And that the same John(iid) servant made an assault against the aforesaid Henry contrary to the peace of the lord King. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear etc above in their headings above etc.

[Pg 72] Tasters of ale

John Neyle, William Wyldman Sworn

Who say upon their oath that the wife of Richard Fracy (iiiid), the wife of William Dikman (iiiid), the wife of Laurence Bagley (iiiid), the wife of John Clerke (iiiid), the wife of Robert Corby (iiiid), the wife of Laurence Sharpe (iiiid), the wife of Thomas Bagley (iiiid), the wife of William Sharpe(iiiiid) and the wife of Thomas Smart (iiiid) are common brewers of ale and give a fine to the lord for a licence to be held for brewing this year to be paid at the feast of St. Michael the Archangel next coming: each just as is clear above etc.

And that the wife of William Dikman (iid) is a common brewer of ale and did not wish to affix the mark 'le Ale pole' just as the other brewers do and use. Therefore she is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

Headborough

Thomas Hubbard	John Raynes
William Wells	William Beyle
Thomas Bussh	Richard Dikman
William Bury Junior	Edward Freman
John Mabley	William Pittes
Richard Rose	Thomas Ball
Gregory Hubbard	John Smith -Sworn

Who say upon their oath that the Tithing men and ale tasters have well and loyally presented in every thing which they said etc. And they present John Fyndern (iiiid) because he is a common trespasser in driving with his cart above in and through the middle of his neighbours to their detriment and against the peace of the lord king. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc

Fine vs

To this Court came Thomas Beyle and received from the lord one messuage, one virgate and a half of land called 'Tom yeomans halfe yard land' and half of one barn and half of one enclosure with appurtenances situated in Langham and now in the tenure of William Beyle. To whom the lord through his steward yielded siesen to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs rent and services then owed and accustomed, to wit xxxviis viid of rent. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as a tenant etc. And made fealty etc.

And that John Gollyn (iiiid) is a tenant by copy of the Court Roll and gives to the lord a fine for being released from suit of court this year just as is clear above in his heading above etc.

Manor of Okeham

View of Frankpledge with Court of Lord Gregory Crumwell and of Lady Elizabeth his consort held in the same place on Monday next after the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the thirty fifth year of the reign of King Henry viii by the grace of God King of England, France and Ireland defender of the faith etc. and on earth Supreme Head of the English and Irish church [29th Oct. 1543]

[Pg 73]Langham

On this day nothing from the 'inhabitants' in the same place because a plague of pestilence has returned. May the mercy of God bring them help and remedy etc.

But however concerning William Clerke because he is a farmer and tenant in the same place by Copy of the Court and he owes suit to this Court etc and he made a default on this day. Therefore he is in mercy as above. And concerning Simon Digby gent. John Gollen and Thomas Ball chaplain.

Manor of Okeham - 1544

View of Frankpledge with Court of Lord Gregory Crumwell and of Lady Elizabeth his consort held in the same place on Thursday within the week after Easter in the thirty fifth year of the reign of King Henry viii by the grace of God King of England, France and Ireland defender of the faith and on earth Supreme Head of the English and Irish church [17th Apr. 1544]

Langham

Henry Horn, Thomas Vellam, William Sharpe, Henry Phillipott, John Hycklyn and Henry Hill Jurors

Amercement vid

Who say upon their oath that Laurence Sharpe (iiiid) committed an assault against Thomas Barkbe contrary to the peace of the lord King. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc. And that the same Thomas (iid) committed an assault against the aforesaid Laurence contrary to the peace of the lord King. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord.

A penalty is imposed upon William Clark, John Smith, Robert Hyves and John Nix that they should flush out their ditches sufficiently before the feast of Pentecost under penalty for each of xiid

Tasters of ale - Amercements iiiid

William Wyldman Sworn. Who says upon his oath that the wife of Richard Fracy (iid) and wife of Thomas Suart (iid) [sic] are common brewers of ale and have broken the assize. Therefore they are in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

[Pg 74]Amercement iid

And the wife of Nicholas Gibbon (iid) is a common baker of human bread and has broken the assize. Therefore she is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

Headborough

William Wells	Thomas Ball
Thomas Barkbe	John Ball
William Dikman	John Gilborn
John Egiston	John Nix
William Beyle	Richard Roos
William Pittes	Thomas Trafford
Thomas Hubbard	Thomas Dicconson - Sworn

Who say upon their oath that John Reynes (iid) and Robert (iid) [blank] are tenants of this manor and owe suit to this Court on this day and have made a default. Therefore they are in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

Penalty forfeit - iis viiid

And that John Fyndern had an instruction at the last Court for keeping the cows in the pasture until the day assigned under penalty of iis iiiid and he has not done it. Therefore the penalty is forfeit to the lord etc. There is an ordinance that no one from this manor should keep or exercise dogs that hunt by smell to wit a layman unless he is able to spend out in value for the year xls from his lands and holdings and a priest or chaplain unless he should be in a benefice of xl according to the statute under penalty for each of xxs forfeit to the lord. And they say also that the Tithingmen and tasters aforesaid well and loyally presented in everything which they said etc.

Fine xiiis iiiid

To this Court came William Dikman and Richard Roos two tenants of this and acknowledged a certain surrender made to them outside the Court into the hands of the lord by Thomas Trafford of one cottage and a half virgate of land with appurtenances formerly in the tenure of the same Thomas. To the benefit and use of Agnes Trafford formerly the wife of the same Thomas and Richard Trafford. And on account of this the aforesaid Agnes and Richard came and sought that they should be admitted into the aforesaid cottage and a half virgate of land with appurtenances, to whom the lord through his steward yielded seisen, to be held by them and their assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually for the aforesaid cottage xxd and for the half virgate of land xiis ixid and other services then owed and accustomed. And they give to the lord as a fine for their entry to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And they were admitted then as tenants. And they made fealty etc.

[Pg 75] Fine vs

To this Court came John Mabley and received from the lord one cottage with appurtenances situated in Langham recently in the tenure of William Beyle. To whom the lord through his steward yielded seisen, to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord annually xxd and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he made fealty etc. And he was admitted then as a tenant etc

Fine iis iiiid

To this Court came William Clarke in his own person and surrendered into the hands of the lord four cottages now constructed together into one situated in Langham formerly in the tenure of Thomas Bussby. To the benefit and use of the same William and Elizabeth his wife. And on account of this the aforesaid William and Elizabeth came and sought that they should be admitted into the aforesaid cottages with appurtenances, to whom the lord through his steward yielded seisen, to be held by them and the assignees of the same Elizabeth, at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually seven shillings and eight pence together with suit of court every three weeks and other services then owed and accustomed etc. And they give to the lord as a fine for their entry to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And they were admitted then as tenants etc.

Fine iis iiiid

To this Court came William Clarke in his own person and surrendered into the hands of the lord one cottage with appurtenances situated in Langham formerly in the tenure of Ellen Bendave. To the benefit and use of the same William and Elizabeth his wife. And on account of this the aforesaid William and Elizabeth came and sought that they should be admitted into the aforesaid cottage with appurtenances, to whom the lord through his steward yielded seisen, to be held by them and their assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually two shillings and other services then owed and accustomed. And they give to the lord as a fine for their entry to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And they made fealty etc. And they were admitted then as tenants etc.

[Pg 76] Fine iis iiiid

To this Court came William Clarke in his own person and surrendered into the hands of the lord one virgate of land called 'Cokes yarde land' with appurtenances. To the benefit and use of the aforesaid William and Elizabeth his wife. And on account of this the aforesaid William and Elizabeth came and sought that they should be admitted into the aforesaid virgate of land with appurtenances, to whom the lord through his steward yielded seisen, to be held by them and the assignees of the same Elizabeth, at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually twenty five shillings and one penny, suit of court every three weeks and other services then owed and accustomed etc. And they give to the lord as a fine for their entry to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And they were admitted then as tenants etc. and they made fealty.

Election of Constables

William Dikman and Thomas Trafford have been elected into the office of Constables in the same place in place of John Ball and Robert Ives. Sworn.

Manor of Okeham

View of Frankpledge with Court of Lord Gregory Crumwell and of Lady Elizabeth his consort held in the same place on the feast of the Apostles Simon and Jude in the thirty sixth year of the reign of King Henry viii by the grace of God King of England, France and Ireland defender of the faith and on earth Supreme Head of the English and Irish church [28th Oct. 1544]

Langham

Tithing men in the same place: Thomas Vellham, Henry Phillipot, John Hicklynges, Henry Hill and William Sharpe Sworn.

Who say upon their oath that Henry Horn (iid) is one tithingman. He owes suit of Court to this view on this day and has not come when he has been charged to do his duty. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above in his heading above etc. And that the heirs of the former Richard Flower [are placed] into the hands of the lord because of minority age. William Clark (iiiid), Thomas Busbe (iiiid) and Laurence Sharpe (iiiid) are free tenants and owe suit to this Court on this day and give to the lord a fine for being released from suit of court for the whole year just as is clear above in each of their headings etc. And they present John Broun (iiiid) because he made an assault against John Hiklynge contrary to the peace of the lord king. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc. And that the same John Hickling (vid) made an assault against the aforesaid John Broun contrary to the peace of the lord king just as is clear above etc.

Penalty forfeit xiid

And they present William Clark because he received a mandate at the last Court to scour and flood a certain ditch in Langham before the feast of Pentecost then next following under penalty of xiid and he did not do it. Therefore that penalty is forfeit to the lord.

Election of tithingmen

John Bale, John Beyle, Nicholas Watson, William Sharpe 'husbandman', Cristofer Allen, William Sharpe, -- [sic] Smith : sworn.

Tastors of ale xxiid

William Wyldman, John Neyle: sworn. Who say upon their oath that the wife of Humfrey Cotton (iiiid), wife of William Dikman (iiiid), wife of Robert Corby (iiiid), wife of Thomas Bagley (iiiid) and wife of William Sharpe (iiiid) are common brewers of ale and each of them gives to the lord a fine for a licence to be held for brewing within this demesne for the whole year just as is clear above etc. And that the wife of William Dikman (iid) is a common brewer of ale and has broken the assize. Therefore she is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

Constables

William Dikman and Thomas Trafford : sworn

Who say upon their oath that Simon Digby (iiiid) made an assault against William Shortred deputy of the lord and exercising his duty as is said contrary to the peace of the lord. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

Headborough

John Ball	Humfrey Coton
William Pittes	William Phillipott
Richard Dikman	William Wells
Nicholas Egiston	John Egyston
John Smith	Richard Roose
John Mabley	John Fyndern - Sworn
William Bery Junior	

Who say upon their oath that the Tithingmen, Tasters of ale and constables aforesaid well and loyally presented in everything which they said previously.

[Pg 78] **Fine xls**

To this Court came Thomas Sharpe of Burley and by the consent of the lord received from the lord one messuage, one virgate and a half of land with appurtenances situated in Langham now in the tenure of John Fyndern. To whom the lord through his steward yielded siesen to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually xxxviis viid in equal portions and other services then owed and accustomed etc. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as a tenant etc. And made fealty etc.

At this Court the aforesaid Headborough sought a day at the next view for considering a sworn statement in various penalties imposed at the last Court concerning those things which they did not know whether they had been done or not, on account of which petition a Court of consideration has been granted to them. Therefore etc.

Manor of Okeham - 1546

View of Frankpledge with Court of the honourable gentleman Lord Gregory Crumwell and of Lady Elizabeth his consort held in the same place on the fifteenth day of April in the thirty seventh year of the reign of King Henry viii by the grace of God King of England, France and Ireland defender of the faith and on earth Supreme Head of the English and Irish church [1546]

Tithing men of Langham

John Bale, John Beyle, Nicholas Watson, William Sharpe, Christofer Allen and William Sharpe Smith Sworn.

Who say upon their oath that William Clarke has a certain ditch blocked. A penalty was imposed upon the same to correct the said ditch sufficiently before the feast of St. John the Baptist next under penalty of viiid forfeit. And a penalty was imposed upon William Broune, William Bere, Robert Ives, Thomas Bushe, John Egiston and William Dikman to scour their ditches sufficiently before the said feast under penalty for each of them of viiid forfeit to the lord. And they say also that there is the skin of one chicken which came as a stray and is dead. Therefore the lord is to be answered from the bailiff because it remains in his hands.

[Pg 79] **Tasters of ale - iid**

Thomas Neyle, William Beyle Sworn. Who say upon their oath that the wife of Humfrey Cotton (iid) is a common brewer of ale and sells ale by a measure unsealed contrary to the form of the statute. Therefore she is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

Constables in the same place

Thomas Trafford and William Dikman: sworn

Who say upon their oath that on this day they have nothing to present etc.

Headborough

John Balle	Thomas Barkbe
Edmund Freeman	Richard Broune
William Berry Junior	William Wells
Thomas Busshe	John Freeman
John Bawle Junior	John Smith
Richard Roose	William Pyttes - Sworn
Humfrey Cotton	

Who say upon their oath that the Tithingmen, Tasters of ale and Constables in the same place well and loyally presented in everything which they said.

vid

And they say also that John Thissilton (iid), Robert Pittes (iid) and Thomas Sharpe (iid) are tenants and owe suit to this view on this day and have made a default. Therefore they are in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc. And they say also that there is a certain mare of black colour, in English 'black baye' which came within this demesne as a stray before the feast of the Nativity of the lord next passed and it is in the custody of the bailiff in the same place.

And a penalty has been imposed upon John Findern, John Mabley, John Writte, John Nykes, Henry Horn, Thomas Bullivaunt, William Sharpe, Thomas Dikman, Thomas Hubbard and John Neyle to correct and repair their holdings now ruinous in roofing before the feast of St. Michael the Archangel next coming under penalty for each of vs forfeit to the lord. And that each should make their fences sound before the feast of Pentecost next under penalty for each of xxd forfeit to the lord.

Fine viiis

To this Court came William Clarke and received anew one cottage with small enclosure annexed to the same, with appurtenances situated in Langham and now in the tenure of John Bretfeilde, to whom the lord through his steward yielded seisen, to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually xxd and suit of court every three weeks and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as tenant etc.

And he made fealty etc.

Fine iis vid

To this Court came John Hunt in his own person and surrendered into the hands of the lord one cottage with appurtenances situated in Langham formerly in the tenure of a certain John Clapham. To the benefit and use of Thomas Ireland. And on account of this the aforesaid Thomas came and sought that he should be admitted into the aforesaid cottage with appurtenances, to whom the lord through his steward yielded seisen, to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually twenty pennies and suit of court every three weeks, and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as tenant etc. And he made fealty etc.

Fine xls

To this Court came Thomas Barkbe of Langham, miller and received from the lord one half virgate of land with appurtenances lying in Langham, formerly in the tenure of William Sharpe with one parcel of land called 'furlond'. To whom the lord through his steward yielded seisen, to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually for the said half virgate of land twelve shillings and vii pennies and for the said parcel called 'a furlond' ten pennies and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he made fealty etc. And he was admitted then as a tenant etc

Fine vis viiid

To this Court came William Clarke and received anew from the lord one cottage with appurtenances situated in Langham, now in the tenure of the same William, to whom the lord through his steward yielded seisen, to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs [Pg 80] annually xxd and suit of court every three weeks and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as tenant etc.

And he made fealty etc.

Fine iis

To this Court came William Phillipott and received anew from the lord one cottage with appurtenances situated in Langham, now in the tenure of the same William, to whom the lord through his steward [Pg 81] yielded seisen, to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually two shillings and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as tenant etc. And he made fealty etc.

Fine iiis iiiid

To this Court came Nicholas Bery through William Dikman his attorney and acknowledged a certain surrender made to him outside the Court into the hands of the lord by the same Nicholas, of one cottage with appurtenances situated in Langham. To the use of John Smith. And on account of this the aforesaid John came and sought to be admitted to the said cottage with appurtenances. To whom the lord yielded seizen through his steward, to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each. By paying then to the lord and his heirs annually twenty pennies and other services then owed and accustomed together with suit of Court every three weeks. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading. And he was admitted then as a tenant etc. And he made fealty etc.

Fine xxvis viiid

To this Court came William Clerke and received from the lord one virgate of land with appertenances recently in the tenure of Thomas Trafford, situated in Langham, with one parcel of land called 'a meyne'. To whom the lord yielded seizen through his steward, to be held by him and his assignees and Elizabeth his wife, at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each. By paying then to the lord and his heirs annually for the said virgate of land xxvs iid and for the aforesaid parcel of land called 'ye meyne' iis and suit of Court every three weeks and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And they made fealty etc. And they were admitted then as tenants etc.

Fine xxvis viiid

To this Court came Robert Ives and received from the lord one cottage with one half virgate of land with two parcels of land called 'meynes and a halfe' situated in Langham now in the tenure of Gregory Hubberd. To whom the lord yielded seizen through his steward, to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each. By paying then to the lord and his heirs annually for the cottage and half virgate of land with appurtenances twelve shillings and seven pennies and for the said two 'meynes' and a half five shillings with suit of Court [Pg 82] and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as a tenant etc. And he made fealty etc

Okeham - 1545

View of Frankpledge with Court of the honourable gentleman Lord Gregory Crumwell and Lady Elizabeth his consort held in the same place on the fourth day of October in the thirty seventh year of the reign of Henry viii by the grace of God King of England, France and Ireland, defender of the faith and supreme head on earth of the English and Irish Church [1545]

Tithingmen of Langham - Amercements vs

John Bale, John Beyle, Nicholas Watson, William Sharpe, Christopher Allen and William Sharpe Smith: Sworn

Who say upon their oath that John Flower esquire under age and in the wardship of the lord King, Francis Warren gent. (iiiid), William Dikman (iiiid) also called William Clarke, Thomas Busby gent. (iiiid) and Laurence Sharpe (iiiid) are free tenants within this demesne and give to the lord a fine for being released from suit of Court every three weeks for the passed year, each just as is clear above in their headings above etc. And they also say that the wife of Nicholas Gilbert (iiiid) is a common baker of human bread and has broken the assize. Therefore she is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc. And they present William Dikman (xxd) alias Clerk for a assault made against Thomas Bussby gent. contrary to the peace of the lord King. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear etc. And they present Thomas Busbe gent. for an assault made against the aforesaid William Clarke contrary to the peace of the said lord King etc. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above, above his heading etc.

Tasters of ale in the same place iis iiiid

Thomas Neyle and William Ball: Sworn

Who say upon their oath that the wife of William Sharpe, wife of Thomas Busshe, wife of Robert Corby, wife of Nicholas Gilborn, wife of Humfrey Cotton, wife of William Dikman and wife of William Sharpe Smith are common brewers of ale and each of them give to the lord a fine for a licence for brewing within this manor for this year passed now discharged as is clear above in their headings etc.

[Pg 83] Constables in the same place - iiiid

William Dikman and Thomas Barkbe: Sworn

Who say upon their oath that Thomas Dicconson made an assault against Thomas Ball, the common swineherd in the same place and drew blood contrary to the peace of the lord king. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

Headboroughs

Robert Ives	Richard Roos
Edmund Freeman	Humfrey Cotton
William Pittes	William Phillipott
Nicholas Egiston	Thomas Busshe
William Bury	Gregory Hubberd- Sworn
Richard Broun	

Who say upon their oath that the tithingmen, Tasters of ale and Constables well and loyally presented in everything which they said previously etc. And they say also that John Collyn (iiiid) is a tenant of this manor by Copy of the Court Rolls and they [sic] give to the lord a fine for being released from suit of court this year now passed just as is clear above etc. And that Thomas Balle (iid) is one tenant of this manor by Copy of the Court Rolls and owes suit to this view on this day and has made a default. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear etc.

And they say also that almost all the things done and arranged in the last Court within the town of Langham have been stopped up and completed just as they were instructed etc.

Fine viiis

To this Court came John Ball senior and received from the lord two cottages with appurtenances situated and lying in Langham aforesaid recently in the tenure of a certain Ellen Ball widow, to whom the lord yielded seizen through his steward, to be held by him and his assignees at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually for one cottage of the same xvid and for the said cottage xxd and suit of Court every three weeks and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as a tenant etc. And he made fealty etc.

[Pg 84]Manor of Okeham

View of Frankpledge with Court of the honourable gentleman Lord Gregory Crumwell and Lady Elizabeth his consort held in the same place on the penultimate day of April in the thirty eighth year of the reign of Henry viii by the grace of god King of England, France and Ireland, defender of the faith etc. and supreme head on earth of the English and Irish Church [1546]

Tithingmen of Langham in the same place

John Balle, John Dale, Robert Corbe and John Gilborn Jurors.

Who say that the free tenants in the same place give to the lord a fine in the same place for the whole year for being released from suit of Court every three weeks to the feast of St. Michael next just as appears fully in the Rolls of the Court.

Tasters of ale - Amercements iiiid

Thomas Neyle: sworn. Who says upon his oath that the wife of Humfrey Cotton (iiiid) is a common brewer of ale and sells ale by an illegal measure unstamped. Therefore she is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

Constables in the same place

William Dikman and Thomas Barkbe: Sworn

Who say upon their oath that they have nothing to present on this day etc.

Headboroughs in the same place

John Ball	William Sharpe
Robert Ives	John Smithe
William Pittes	Thomas Ball
Richard Dikman	Richard Broune
Gregory Hubberd	Humfrey Cotton
William Ball Senior	Richard Roose

Who say upon their oath that the Tithingmen, Tasters of ale and Constables aforesaid well and loyally presented in every thing which they said previously etc. And there is an ordinance that no cottager in the same place should take anyone to live with him under one house and beams unless he should have four wagon-loads of firewood of his own within his garden, under penalty for each of vis viiid forfeit to the lord etc.

And likewise a penalty is imposed that no inhabitant within this town from the feast of the Assumption of the blessed virgin Mary next thenceforward should not place or tether any mare with colt within the Field of corn under penalty for each of iis iiiid forfeit to the lord etc.

[Pg 85]Also that no one henceforth should place more cows upon the cow pasture unless each according to the ordinance then made and his tenancy unless there has been a request from another under penalty for each of iis iiiid

And that no one should place any colts called 'yearlinges' within the separation field in the same place, to wit from the feast of the Apostles Philip and James [1st May] next until that of St. Peter which is called 'ad vincula' [1st Aug.] next under penalty for each of iis

And that each should make his enclosures with hedges and other ?fencing used from ancient custom in enclosure sufficiently according to custom in the same place, under penalty for each of vis viiid forfeit to the lord before the feast of St. John the Baptist etc.

Fine iis

To this Court came William Clerk and received outside the hands of the lord a new, one toft with appurtenances situated in Langham near and close to the holding now in the tenure of Nicholas Watson. To whom the lord yielded seizen through his steward, to be held by him and his at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each. By paying then to the lord and his heirs annually rent and services then owed and accustomed. And they give to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear etc.

Fine vs

To this Court came the reeve of the same and acknowledged a certain surrender made to him outside the Court into the hands of the lord by Thomas Bushebe gent. of one messuage and a half virgate of land with appurtenances situated in Langham, recently in the tenure of John Ball. To the benefit and use of William Freman. And on account of this the aforesaid William came and sought to be admitted to the said messuage and half virgate of land with appurtenances. To whom the lord yielded seizen through his steward, to be held by him and his at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each. By paying then to the lord and his heirs annually twelve shillings and five pennies, suit of court every three weeks and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as a tenant etc. And he made fealty etc.

Election of the Tasters of ale

Edward Freeman and John Smith were elected a new into the office of Tasters of ale in the same place and were sworn etc.

[Pg 86] Manor of Okeham

View of Frankpledge with Court of the honourable gentleman Lord Gregory Crumwell and Lady Elizabeth his consort held in the same place on Monday next before the feast of St. Michael the Archangel in the thirty eighth year of the reign of Henry viii by the grace of god King of England, France and Ireland, defender of the faith etc. and supreme head on earth of the English and Irish Church [27th Sep. 1546]

Tithingmen of Langham - xvid - Strays

John Ball, John Dale, Robert Corbe, John Gilborn Jurors. Who say upon their oath that Francis Warren gent. (iiid) heir formerly of Richard Flower, under age and in the wardship of the king, William Clarke (iiid), Laurence Sharpe (iiid) and Thomas Busby gent. (iiid) are free tenants and owe suit to this Court and give to the lord a fine for being released from suit of Court this year every three weeks just as is clear above in their headings above etc. And that there are two sheep which came as strays within this demesne to wit mother sheep and lambs at the feast of St. Martin the bishop last and they are in the custody of William Shortred, bailiff.

Tasters of Ale - iis

Edmund Freeman and John Smith: Sworn

Who say upon their oath that the wife of Humfrey Cotton (iiid), wife of William Dikman (iiid), wife of Robert Corbe (iiid), wife of Nicholas Gilburn (iiid), wife of Thomas Bagley (iiid) and wife of William Sharpe (iiid) because they are common brewers of ale and give to the lord a fine for the whole year last elapsed from ancient custom for a licence for brewing, each just as is clear above in their headings above etc.

Constables in the same place

William Dikman and Thomas Barkbe: Sworn

Who say upon their oath that Robert Ives (iid) made an accusation against Laurence Sharpe contrary to the peace of the lord King. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above in their headings above etc. And that Laurence Sharpe (iid) made an accusation against the aforesaid Robert Ives contrary to the peace of the same lord King. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

Headboroughs

Robert Ives

Thomas Vellam

Nicholas Egiston

[Pg 87] Thomas Busshe

William Wells

William Beyle

Gregory Hubberd

Thomas Ball

William Bery

John Egiston

Nicholas Watson

Richard Broun - Sworn

Who say upon their oath that the aforesaid Tithingmen, Tasters of ale and Constables well and loyally presented in everything which they said above etc.

Amercements ixv viiid

And they say also that Thomas Busby gent. (iiid), John Was (iid), Henry Dynge (iid), William Bayly (iid) - all these are inhabitants within this town and owe suit to this view on this day and have made a default. Therefore they and each of them are in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above in their headings above etc.

And further they say upon their oath that Richard Dikman (xxd), John Hicklynge (xxd), William Bery gent. (xxd) and William Phillipott (xxd) had an instruction at the last view that they should not tether nor any of them tether any mare which has a colt within the Field of corn to wit between the feast of St. Peter which is called 'Ad Vincula' and before the feast of the assumption of the blessed virgin Mary in this year now elapsed under penalty for each of them of iiis and iiid. And they have not done it. Therefore that penalty should be forfeit to the lord. And afterwards here in Court the aforesaid penalty should be brought by Briann Cave steward and Henry Dowes general supervisor of the lord to the totals above and in their headings above etc.

Also they present Humfrey Coton (iiid) because he is a common trespasser in the grain and corn of the tenants with his pigs in this year passed contrary to the peace of the lord King. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear.

Also they present William Sharpe Junior (iiid) because he is a common trespasser with his horse in the private holdings in the same place contrary to the peace of the lord King. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

And that Henry Phillipott (iiid) makes his livestock be guarded above 'little hill gate forthe' in the night in the private holding in the same place to the detriment of the others contrary to the peace of the said lord king. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

And they say also that William Sharpe (vid) 'laborer' placed his horses above the cow pasture to the detriment of the tenants, contrary to the peace of the said lord King. Therefore he is in mercy just as is clear above etc.

[Pg 88] And that Richard Roose (iiid) likewise placed his livestock above the cow pasture to the detriment of the tenants in the same place contrary to the peace of the same lord king. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above in his heading above etc.

And they present Nicholas Gilburn (iid) because he entertained a vagabond and vagrant and kept evil order without rule within his guesthouse contrary to the peace of the said lord king. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above etc.

And that the same Nicholas (iid) withdrew himself from the horse mill at one time in grinding malt, in injustice to his lord, because all tenants in the same place, since the time when there is no contrary memory of men, do and ought to grind their corn at the mill and have been used to. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above in his heading above etc.

And that John Dale (iid) is a common trespasser with his horses and chicken in the corn of the tenants in the same place contrary to the peace of the said lord king. Therefore he is in the mercy of the lord just as is clear above in his heading above etc.

Fine iis iiid

To this Court came Henry Horn in his own person and received a new outside the hands of the lord one cottage with small garden adjacent situated in Langham near the cottage of William Clarke, to whom the lord yielded seizen through his steward, to be held by him and his at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually xxd, suit of Court every three weeks and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as a tenant etc. And he made fealty etc.

Fine xvid

To this Court came Humfrey Cotton and received from the lord outside his hands one cottage with garden adjacent situated in Langham, recently in the tenure of William Wildman, to whom the lord yielded seizen through his steward, to be held by him and his at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually xvid and suit of Court every three weeks and other services then owed and accustomed etc. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as a tenant etc. And he made fealty etc.

[Pg 89]Fine iis vid

To this Court came William Sharpe Smithe in his own person and surrendered into the hands of the lord one cottage with appurtenances situated in Langham formerly in the tenure of John Preston. To the benefit and use of Nicholas Taylour. And on account of this the aforesaid Nicholas came and sought to be admitted into the aforesaid cottage with appurtenances, to whom the lord through his steward yielded seisen, to be held by him and his assignees, at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually two shillings, suit of court every three weeks and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as tenant etc. And he made fealty etc.

Fine iiiis

To this Court came John Gollyn[sic] and in his own person received a new outside the hands of the lord one cottage, with enclosure adjacent thereto, situated at the east end of the town of Langham, to whom the lord yielded seizen through his steward, to be held by him and his at the will of the lord according to the custom of the manor, saving the right of each, by paying then to the lord and his heirs annually two shillings, suit of Court every three weeks and other services then owed and accustomed. And he gives to the lord as a fine for his entry then to be held just as is clear in the heading etc. And he was admitted then as a tenant etc. And he made fealty etc.

Seized into the hands of the lord

Also it was discovered by the homage that a certain John Writte transferred by sale one Cottage with appurtenances, held of the lord by Copy of the Rolls of Court according to the custom of the manor situated in Langham, to a certain Gregory Phillipott after the last Court etc. And because the same Gregory nor anyone on his behalf did not come to this Court to seek this Cottage for himself and his own according to the custom of the manor just as he ought to do and is usual from ancient custom, therefore this Cottage has been seized by the bailiff of the lord into the hands of the lord together with the outgoings and profits then issuing from the said sale by transfer. So that then the said man is able to respond until etc.

Final Concord, September 1565

This is the final concord made in the court of the Lady Queen at Westminster in the octave of St Michael in the seventh year of the reigns of Elizabeth after the conquest by the grace of god Queen of England, France and Ireland, Defender of the faith etc. [1565] in the presence of James Dyer, Anthony Broun, Richard Weston and John Walshe Justices and other faithful subjects of the Lady Queen then there present, between Henry Presgrave, complainant and Gilbert Burye gent., deforciant concerning one messuage, three tofts, one dovecote, one garden, sixty acres of land, twenty acres of meadow, and thirty acres of pasture with appurtenances in Langham and Barleythorpe concerning which a plea of covenant has been summoned between them in the same court. To wit that the aforesaid Gilbert has recognised the aforesaid holdings with appurtenances to be the right of the same Henry and has granted on behalf of himself and his heirs that the aforesaid holdings with appurtenances which Brigitt Warren, widow, holds to the end of her life as an inheritance of the aforesaid Gilbert on the day on which this final concord was made and which after the decease of the same Brigitt ought to revert to the aforesaid Gilbert and his heirs, should pass entirely after the decease of the same Brigitt to the aforesaid Henry and his heirs. To be held of the Chief Lords of that fee in return for the services which appertain to the aforesaid holdings for ever and the aforesaid Gilbert and his heirs will warrant to the aforesaid Henry and his heirs the aforesaid holdings with appurtenances as is aforesaid against all men for ever and in return for this acknowledgement, grant, warrant, fine and concord the same Henry has given to the aforesaid Gilbert forty pounds sterling.

At a special Court Baron of the aforesaid Manor held on the twenty-fifth day of September in the thirteenth year of the reign of our Lord Charles the second by the grace of god King of England, Scotland and Ireland, Defender of the faith etc. and in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and sixty one In the presence of Samuel Clarkeson Esq. Steward in the same place.

First it was revealed by the aforesaid homage that after the last Court and before this Court William Havens Tenant in Custom of this Manor, who held of the Lord twelve acres of Wood and two and a half acres of Meadow called Leeches and Mill Acre and another Half Acre of Meadow lying and being in the East Meadow in the aforesaid Manor by Copy of the Rolls of the aforesaid Manor, died then thus seized of that estate. And that Thomas Havens is the son and next Heir of the aforesaid William according to the Custom of the aforesaid Manor and is of full age. **Now** the aforesaid Thomas Havens has come to this Court and humbly sought from the Lord through his aforesaid Steward to be admitted to the said premises according to the aforesaid presentation of the homage Which Lord through his aforesaid Steward in full Court gave seisin to him then out of his hands **to have and to hold** the aforesaid premises to the same Thomas Havens his Heirs and Assignees for ever, of the Lord by jurisdiction of the court at the will of the lord according to the custom of the aforesaid Manor through rent and services then formerly owed and accustomed by right (saving the right of each) **And he gives to the Lord as a fine and made fealty and was then admitted tenant**

Examined by Samuel Clarkeson Steward in the same place

Glossary

Admittance (or admission)	ceremony by which a new tenant gained entry to a customary holding, by paying a fine; usually preceded by a surrender
Affeerer	person chosen to assess the level of a fine
Amercement	a penalty, or fine
Assize of bread and ale	system regulating the price and quality of bread and ale
Bailiff	oversaw day-to-day running of a manor
Bovate	measurement of land
Burgage	a freehold property
Commutation of services	replacement of labour services owed with a money payment
Copyhold	form of holding land, marked by the fact that the tenant would have a copy of the court roll recording his admission
Court baron	court held by the lord of the manor for his local tenants to administer the customs of the manor and enforce payment of dues and services
Court leet	of the frankpledge and dealt with the administration of local justice for common offences
Curtilage	a piece of ground attached to a house
Customary tenant	tenants holding land according to the customs of the manor
Customs of the manor	the set of rules by which manors were governed/administered
Demesne	the property held by the lord of the manor himself
Distrain	impounding of goods/chattels until a payment is made
Enfranchise	convert copyhold land into freehold tenure
Entry fine	a payment due when a new customary tenant entered land
Essoin	payment made in lieu of attending court in person
Estreat	collective term for fines and ameracements imposed in the manorial court
Fealty	allegiance or fidelity
Frankpledge	see view of frankpledge
Freeholder	tenants who paid a money rent to the lord of the manor
Hayward	oversaw the making of hay and harvesting
Heriot	payment made on the death of a tenant
Homage	the tenants who attended a manor court
Leasehold	land let out in a way which was not restricted or governed by the custom of the manor
Merchet	payment made for obtaining permission for a daughter to marry
Pain	a rule/regulation of the manor
Pinder	kept the manorial pound/pinfold
Precept	order issued to the bailiff of the manor for the holding of a court
Presentment	a statement by the jury of matters to be dealt with by the manorial court
Reeve	the Lords Manager of the manor
Resiant	resident of a manor
Rood	a measurement of land
Seisin	possession of land or other property
Steward	chief officer of a manor
Suit of court	attendance at the manor court
Suit service	service rendered by attendance at the manor court
Surrender	ceremony by which an existing tenant gave up a customary holding; usually followed by an admission
Tenant at will	tenants who paid a rent and whose tenure was entirely dependent on the good will of the lord
Tithingman	one of a group of ten men with a mutual responsibility for their good behaviour
View of frankpledge	a system of mutual responsibility for the maintenance of law and order, usually consisting of around ten households
Villein	tenants who occupied lands on condition of performing services for the lord of the manor
Virgate	a measurement of land

Latin	English	Latin	English
Admitto/ere	to admit	Hereditatio/onis	inheritance
Afferator/oris	assessor/affeerer	Heres/edis	heir
Amerciamentum/i	amercement	Homagium/i	homage(s)
Annuatim	annually	Honor/oris	honour
Arreragium/i	arrears	Ingressus/us	entry(ies)
Assisa/ae	assize(s)	Inquisitio/onis	inquiry
Attornatus/i	attorney(s)	Jurator/oris	juror
Baillivus/i	bailiff (s)	Magister/i	master(s)
Bedellus/i	hayward(s)	Manerium/i	manor(s)
Bovata/ae	bovate	Manus/us	hand(s)
Burgagium/i	burgage	Merchetum/i	merchet(s)
Communis/e	common	Messor/oris	hayward(s)
Compotus/i	account(s)	Misericordia/ae	amercement(s)
Concedo/ere	to grant	Obolus/i	halfpenny(ies)
Coram	before	Onus/eris	charge(s) [in accounts]
Curia baronis	court baron	Pena/ae	pain/penalty
Curia leta	court leet	Pertinentia/ae	appurtenance(s)
Curia magna	court leet	Perquisitum/i	profit(s)
Curia parva	court baron	Peto/ere	to claim
Curtilagium/i	curtilage	Prepositus/i	reeve(s)
Custumarius/a/um	customary	Presentatio/onis	presentment(s)
Dampnum/i	damages	Recepta/ae	money(ies) received
Debeo/ere	to owe	Roda/ae	rood(s) [measure of land]
Decenna/ae	tithing(s)	Seisina/ae	possession
Decennarius/i	tithingman(men)	Senescallus/i	steward
Defalta/ae	default	Servicium/i	service(s)
Defectus redditum	defect of rent	Solidus/i	shilling(s)
Dimitto/ere	to demise/lease	Solvo/ere	to pay
Districtio/onis	distrain(s)	Tenens/entis	tenant
Distringo/ere	to distrain	Teneo/ere	to hold
Do/dare	to give	Tenura/ae	tenure(s)
Dominium/i	lord	Vendico/are	to claim
Dominus/i	lord	Vendo/ire	to sell
Essonia/ae	essoins(s)	Veredictum/i	verdict(s)
Exitus/us	issue/revenue/profit(s)	Villanus/i	villein(s)
Extenta/ae	survey(s)	Virgata/ae	virgate(s)
Firmarius/i	farmer/renter(s)	Visus franciplegii	view of frankpledge

Latin Phrases

Petivit admitti tenens
 Fregerunt assisiam panis et cervisie
 Fecit finem pro ingressu
 Secundum consuetudinem manerii
 In manus domini
 Omnia bene
 Ad opus et usus
 De placito debiti
 De placito transgressionis
 In plena curia
 In propria persona sua
 In respectu ad proximam curiam
 Summa totalis

English

he petitioned to be admitted tenant
 they broke the assize of bread and ale
 he paid an entry fine
 according to the custom of the manor
 into the hands of the lord
 all is well
 to the use and behoof
 in a plea of debt
 in a plea of trespass
 in open court
 in his own person
 adjourned until the next court
 sum of the total

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