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## The Court Roles of Baslow, Derbyshire Commencing Anno 13 Ed. 11, (1319-20).

By the Rev. C. Kerry.

(By the kind permission of His Grace the Duke of Rutland, Lord of the Manor.)

HETHER any earlier rolls for this Manor ever existed it is impossible to say, but if this roll is the earliest, it commences, as we might naturally expect, with a list of the Tenants with their respective holdings and their obligations.

Of Richard de Ryele for j mess. & j bov. of land xiiij<sup>s</sup>... by foreign service... Of the same Rich<sup>d</sup> for j mess. iij and a half acres of the gift of Richard son of Rich<sup>d</sup> de Vernon iij<sup>s</sup>... foreign service & suit of court.

Of the same Richard for ij parcels in Depedale clife which he holds at will,  $iiij^d$  . . . . . . . . .

Of William de Boterhales for j mess. & j bovate of land iij<sup>s</sup> and one iron shoe p cartam dni Willm F<sup>a</sup>nceis.

Of Will, de Calvore for divers tenements xij<sup>s</sup>.

Of Rob. de Calvore for ij bovates of land i<sup>d</sup>. He holds by charter for foreign service & suit of court.

Of Roger North for j mess. & j bovate of land vj<sup>s</sup>. He holds by suit of court & mill duty & by foreign service.

Of the Same Roger for the liberty of having quit claim of lord Richard son of lord William de Vernon ij<sup>d</sup>.

Of Thomas Swan for j mess. & j bovate of land  $v^s$ ; of which iiij. s. at the Feast of Mich., and  $xij^d$  at the Annunciation.

Of the heirs of William Wyne for j mess. & j bovate of land V<sup>s</sup>. He holds by suit of court & mill duty.

Of Galfrid le Leche for j mess. & j bovate of land vij<sup>s</sup>. He holds by suit of court & mill duty, by homage & foreign service, by charter of Richard son of lord Rich. Vernon.

Of William del Hawe for j mess. & half a virgate of land in Boterhales iiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup>, measuring

or mete-ing for one day at the great price with • • He will grind to the xvj<sup>th</sup> grain.\* He holds by charter of lord Richard (*sic*) of Richard de Vernon the father of Richard who died.

Of William le Leche for j mess, containing iiij acres of land which Geoffrey Maycer held for xij<sup>d</sup> for all things save foreign service.

Of the same William who holds at will ij acres of land in Bronlleie &c, iij places of meadow near Tozeshurst  $v^s vj^d$ .

Of the same William who holds at will viij acres of land in divers places.

Of William le Leche for a proportion of the wood of Tozer-hurst, land & meadow within the bounds of the same wood, with j acre which once Ralph Brun held, with five acres of land upon Bronile, with a portion of a certain place of land which is called ' *The Grene'* in Basselowe lying between Olveston and the vill of Basselowe vij<sup>s</sup> iij<sup>d</sup>. He holds by charter of Richard son of lord Richard de Vernon, doing suit to the mill to the xx<sup>th</sup> grain\*\*, & suit of court. He holds by foreign service.

Of ...... for a portion of a certain place of land and meadow called j *Gryseclif* between the bounds of the aforesaid place of Gryseclif iij<sup>s</sup> v<sup>d</sup> for all things.

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He holds by charter of lord Richard de Vernon.

Of Robert le Leche for one mess, lying between the water (sic) xij<sup>d.</sup>

" Hawis del Shawe & Robertus de Fryggecote & . . his wife "

—(written above the following entry)—

Adam del Shawe for j mess. & vj acres of land in ffroggecote ij<sup>5</sup> iij<sup>d</sup>, & suit of the mill. He holds by charter of lord Richard de Vernon Knight, & by foreign service.

The Inquest said that Gattescroft is outside the bounds of Griseclosfeld, and that thirteen acres of land and one rood are in Bromley, of which two acres & j rood of land Richard de Ruley claimed to hold by charter: and one acre of ground lies . . . and that one acre of land is in Pippe grenis and the Buttes at the Boles. They said also that four acres of land are outside the wood of Corshurst which Philip le Leche claimed to hold by charter. They said also that one acre of land is at the entrance to Torhurst lying near the meadow. They said also that Richard de Ruley holds at will two acresi' of land in Depedale clif (see first entry). Mem<sup>d-</sup> that iij acres are upon the mulnehull & ½ acre beyond j acre near Oskelmedewe side. The above-mentioned acre Philip le Leche claimed ba a charter which makes no mention of them. If he claims to hold v acres of land in Bromlei no mention is made of Overby . . . nor of Nether Bromley, of which in Bromleyovere & Offechere are xiij acres & j rood, of which the same Philip claims v acres by charter as his, & Richard de Ruyle claims to hold ij acres & j rood. And Philip & William his father claim to hold the whole of the remainder.

(The particulars of this inquest are written in another and a larger hand. The following is by the former scribe):—

<sup>\*</sup> The toll to consist of a sixteenth of the whole.

<sup>\*\*</sup> The toll to form 1/20 of the corn brought to the ground.

Richard de Vernon who last died gave to William le Leche & his heirs all my portion of a certain wood which is called Tozeshurst, and all my land and my meadow, four measures of the same wood with j acre of land which Ralph Brun once held in Bobenhull, lying between the Stone cross (" *crucem lapideam"*) upon Astly fege in length on one part, and the tenement of John de Calvore on the other.

And in breadth between Rymeles on one part and the landof the said John de Calvore. I have given and granted to the same William five acres of land upon Brumleie together with part of a certain place of land called the "*Grene*" in Basselowe, lying between Olveston & the vill of Basselowe. Holding to him & to his heirs of the same & his heirs for ever by the service of vij<sup>s</sup> & iij<sup>d</sup> for all things save foreign service, suits of court and multure.

Richard de Vernon son of William de Vernon gave to William son of Hugo de Stokis, this Hugo was father of Richard de Ruyle, for homage and his service the whole of Mutland with toft and croft in the vill and territory of Bobenhull,- that viz. which Jordan son of Matthew de Stanedon once held with the appurts. and w<sup>t</sup> the assart which Roger de Griseclif once held in divers places in the two Bromeleies and in Pipegrenes holding of me & my heirs to himself & his heirs by the accustomed services, paying iij<sup>4</sup> for all things, foreign service excepted.

It is agreed by Matilda de Vernon that none of her tenants shall leave her manor without any intimation of the same under penalty of half a mark for each desertion.

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Temp. Edwd. II.

Richard de Riley did fealty - a free-tenant.

Will de Boterhales holds by fealty j mess. & j bovate of land by the service of iij<sup>d</sup> per ann. paying at Michaelmas. He has a charter of lord Gilbert Franceys and renders one pair of iron horse shoes.

Will de Calvour holds divers tenements by payment of xii<sup>s</sup> per ann. by equal portions, and he holds a mess. and a bovate by the service of v<sup>s</sup> per ann. with suit of court and of mill.

Roger North did fealty & holds j mess. & j bovate of land by the service v<sup>s</sup> per ann.with suit of court and of mill.

Robert de Calvour holds two bovates by the service of i<sup>d</sup> -at Michaelmas, with suit of court, homage, & fealty, and by foreign service.

Thomas Swan did fealty; & holds a mess, and one bovate of land by the service of v<sup>s</sup> per ann. at Michaelmas and xij<sup>d</sup> at the Feast of the B. Mary.

John le Wyne (this name covers the name of John de Corde burgh) holds a free tenement formerly held by Will le Wyne. He holds a mess. & a bovate for a term of years, and pays v<sup>s</sup> per ann., with suit of court and of mill.

Elias son of Rich<sup>d</sup> le Fox of Basselow a "native" *(a son of the soil and alienable with it)* resides near Clerkenwelle and is named there "Elias the Mele-maker." He is a "native."

Geoffry le Leche holds a mess & a bov. of land by vij<sup>s</sup> and suit of court and mill. He did not render fealty. He has a charter of lord Richard son of lord Will de Vernon; & holds by homage, & fealty, & foreign service.

Philip le Leche holds a mess. & a bov. of land by the service of iij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> p<sup>r</sup> ann. by equal portions.

Hugh de Piwewrthe holds a mess. & half a bov. of land by the service of  $v^s$  per ann. and  $j^d$ , and suit of court and mill. He holds also j mess. & iij acres of land by the service of  $xij^d$  halfpenny, with suit of court and mill.

William son of Geoffry le Leche did fealty and holds i mess. & iij acres of land by xij<sup>d</sup> per ann., with suit of court and mill.

Robert le Leche did fealty, & holds a mess, by the service of xij<sup>d</sup> per ann.

Robert le Froggote did fealty, and holds a certain place of land in the Linleye by the service of a farthing per ann. at Michaelmas.

Rob. de Froggote and Avice his wife (Adam del Shawe is here inserted, as though her second husband) holds j mess. & vj acres of land by the service of ii<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup>, and by homage & fealty, multure of mill, and foreign service.

William Pope did fealty, & holds one mess, by reason of a bovate & ij acres of land, by the service of viij  $xj^d$  and. J "bonepenny," and other services, as suit of mill to the  $xvi^{th}$  grain. He makes suit to court and also to the mill.

William le Marescall did fealty for one mess. by reason of a bovate of land held by service of vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> & other services.

Ralph Pras did fealty for a messuage and half a bovate; to plough by service of iij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup>; with j bonepenny p. ann. & other services.

Will. Jeke did fealty. He holds a mess. & a bov. of land by service of vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> and other services.

Robert in the Wro did fealty. He holds a mess. & a half, and a bov. and a half of land by serv. of xij<sup>s</sup> ix<sup>d</sup>, & bonepenny & other services.

William son of Geoffry le Leche did fealty and holds a moiety of a mess., and half a bovate of land by serv. of vij<sup>s</sup> iij<sup>d</sup> per ann. w' bonepenny & other services.

John Wryat did fealty. He holds a mess. & a bovate & one heriot - land by  $xij^s$   $ix^d$  p. a. & bonepenny & other services.

Roger le Leche did fealty and holds xvij<sup>s</sup> in rental. j mess. & a half, and a bovate & a half, by serv. of xiij<sup>s</sup>, by reason of another half bovate & bonepenny p.a. & other services.

Richard son of Henry holds a mess. & a bovate & in rents  $xij^d$  . . . .  $viij^s$   $vj^d$  & bonepenny & other services.

Robert le Leche did fealty, and holds half a bovate at a rental of iiij<sup>s</sup> iij<sup>d</sup> by the service of iiij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>!</sup> p. a. and bonepenny & other services.

John de Boterhales did fealty. He holds vj<sup>s</sup> ix<sup>d</sup> in rental, and a mess. & half a bovate of land by the service of iiij<sup>s</sup> & bonepenny p. a., & other services.

Geoffry, son of Geoffry le Leche did fealty, and holds a mess. & half a bovate of land by the service of iiij<sup>s</sup> p. a. & bonepenny.

William Cademan did fealty, and holds a mess. & half a bovate of land by the service of if  $vj^d$  & bonepenny & other services.

Robert Atteford did fealty, & holds a mess. & vj acres of land by the service of xxj<sup>d</sup> halfpenny, and bonepenny & other services.

Will del Hache did fealty, & holds a mess. & half a bov. of land by the service of ij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> *ob.* & bonepenny and other services.

William le Tasker did fealty, & holds a mess. & two acres of land by serv. of xv<sup>d</sup> & bonepenny & other services.

Will le Tasker Will del Le did fealty, and hold one mess, "togeder" one bovate by service of iiij<sup>s</sup> p. a. and bonepenny & other services.

Henry son of Alan did fealty, & holds a message & four acres of land by the service of  $ij^s \ vj^d$ .

Robert Hayward *{erased}* "William Tagler in his place" *(written above)* holds one mess. & ij acres & a half by the service of if vj<sup>d</sup> per ann.

John le Writhe (junior) holds a mess. & ij acres & j rood by the service of xxj<sup>d</sup> & bonepenny & other services.

Agnes le Mason holds a mess. & an acre & a rood.

sic.

Richard de Vernon who last died gave to William le Boole & his heirs the whole of his part of a certain wood which is called "Corpshurste," and the whole of my land & meadow within the bounds of the same wood, with one acre of land which Ralph Brun once held lying between the stone cross (crucem lapideam) upon Lachynegge (the Chine Edge) in length on one part: and the tenement of John de Calvere on the other part: and in breadth between Runeles on one part, and the land of the said John on the other. I have given & granted to the same William five acres of land upon Bromele ("he hath the same vij acres" - written above) with my portion of a certain place of land which is called 'Le Grene' in Basselowe lying between

Olveston & the vill of Basselowe, Holding to him and his heirs, paying thence per annum vij<sup>s</sup> iij<sup>d</sup> and suit of court, and of mill to the xx (sixtieth) grain, & suit of court, and foreign service. Given on Wednesday next before the feast of St Dionis in the 4<sup>th</sup> year of the reign of K. Edward II. Foreign service excepted."

Richard de Vernon who last died gave to William le Leche the whole apportion of a certain place of land (Philip le Leche is tenant) and meadow which is called "Brise-clif," in length and breadth between the bounds of the aforesaid place of Brise-clif (it is outside the bounds of Brise-clyf) paying per annum iij<sup>s</sup> & v pence for all services.

Richard de Vernon son of Gilbert Frances (Philip is tenant) gave to William (Tite?) one of those said bovates of land which Nicholas de Boterhales held, paying thence yearly four shillings, and suit of court, and foreign service.

Richard de Vernon son of Gilbert Frances (Philip is tenant) gave to William (Tite or Tice) one mess. and an acre and a rood of land which Robert son of Nicholas held, (paying yearly fourteen pence, and suit of court,) by foreign service.

Richard le Crouder did fealty. He holds one acre by the service of ix<sup>d</sup> per ann. & bonepenny, & does other services.

Henry son of Richard did fealty. He holds a cot and land at 11<sup>d</sup> p. a. and bonepenny. Robert son of Richard did fealty. He holds a mess. & a bovate of land, & ij acres by

the service of ix<sup>s</sup> p. a., & bonepenny, & other services.

Peter Flote did fealty, & holds a mess. & a bovate of land by the service of ix<sup>s</sup> and bonepenny, & other services.

John Flote did fealty. He holds a mess. & a bovate & ij acres of land by the serv: of ix<sup>s</sup> p. a., & bonepenny, & other services.

William de Begeley ("Rich. Flote" written above) did fealty & holds a mess. & a bovate & ij acres of land by the serviceof ix & bonepenny, & other services.

Richard Flote did fealty & holds a cot & a croft at xvj<sup>d</sup> p. a. with bonepenny, & other services.

John de Ry(?)burgh did fealty, & holds a cot & a croft at ix<sup>d</sup> & ij<sup>d</sup> p. a. with bonepenny, & other services.

Joan de Cast: (? Caster ? Chester) did fealty, & holds a place & half a bovate of land, & pays iiij<sup>s</sup> p. a. & other services.

William Eliot of Bobenhull holds a mess. & half a bovate of land and renders iiij<sup>s</sup> p. a. with other services.

William Gregori did fealty. He holds a mess, and half a rood of land at xii p. a. & bonepenny, & other services.

Peter Flote holds a garden & renders x<sup>d</sup> p. a, and other sevices.

William le Leche (not yet paid for his ingress) holds at will three places of meadow, ij acres of land in Bromlei near Tozer-hurst & renders v<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup>.

The same William holds at will viij acres of land in diveffi places, & pays ij<sup>s</sup>. he has not paid for his ingress.

Philip le Leche holds a part of Vernon meadow of the Old & pays iij<sup>d</sup>. He holds at will.

Richard de Ruyle says that he holds at will ij parcels of land in Depedale clif but he knows not how much land lies there. He pays iiij<sup>d</sup> p. annum.

Md. That ij acres of land lie above Basselowe Barre which was accustomed to yield vj<sup>d</sup> per ann. It is in the hands of the lord.

Richard de Vernon who last died alienated to Richard de Ruyle & Margaret his wife & their heirs and assigns one messuage with the croft adjacent, and iij acres of land & one acre of meadow which is called *Le Presteffloke* in Bobenhull holding to himself & his heirs of him & his heirs for ever by the service' of iii<sup>s</sup> to the end of the statute for all things except foreign service, suit of court, & mill.

The jury said that the lady had in her hands one place of land formerly enclosed containing j bovate of land called *Vernoneslege* 

The jury said that the lady had after the death . . . after the church, and if not had, j beast due . . . between the lady & holy church by lot.\*

They said that the lady ought . . . of a certain place of land which is called *Pegcrofleg* which Geoffry del Hakemon of Chatsworth holds.

They said that- a certain place of land which is called Gotescroft which Philip le Leche holds of the feofment of William de . . . . which R. Vernon who last died demised.

Robert le Leche exhibited a charter of one messuage (held) by feofment of lord Richard

Vernon between the waters (sic) at xij<sup>d</sup> per ann.

Adam del Schawe exhibited a charter of Rich. de Vernon Knight for one mess. & six acres of land in Froggot by the service of xxviif per ann. & for common multure, except foreign service, & for suit of mill.

Roger North exhibited a charter made by Richard son of William de Vernon holding by the service of  $v^s$  one messuage & a bovate of land for . . . only, foreign service, and multure to the sixteenth grain : and he has Warranty.

The said Roger North exhibited a Quit claim of William de Vernon made to Roger Blund of all kinds of services (the services of natives) and made him free - paying thence yearly to himself & his heirs one penny for ever.

William le Leche of Basselowe exhibited a charter of Richard de Vernon of a moiety of land which Geoffry Martel held, paying thence yearly xii<sup>d</sup> for all things foreign service excepted.

William del Hache shewed a charter of Richard de Vernon (leasing?) land in Boterhales which Walkelin Pellipar held at the rent of xv<sup>s</sup> & four pence half penny except once in fowling at the great price, and to the mill to the sixteenth grain. And the said William agreed to one price each year for xx years.

\* NOTE. - The meaning of this defective passage seems to be: That after the death of a tenant, the lady had the choice of a heriot after the church, but if there was only one beast, then it should fall to the lady or holy church by lot.

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(Al this point there is a gap in the Baslow Rolls from 1320 to 1346 - i.e., 26 years.)

Baslow Court held Wednesday the feast of the Conception of the B. V. Mary Dec. 8 Anno 20 Ed. III. (1346).

Jury:-- Rog. de Boterales John Bagard

Will, de Ffalowe Will, le Webster John Oforpins Will, le Milner

Nich. Dawson John Taillour of Quord-burgh

Hen. Taillows Will Pope

Will. de Ffryth
John Grymbald

Ralph le Leach or Lech appears somewhat litigious.

The case of Rob. Labbot plaintiff & John Taillows defend was deferred until the next court, for free tenants do not owe suit, neither did the plaintiff nor defendant appear.

John de Penyston had been summoned to respond to Ralph le Lech *Alderman of the Guild of the Blessed F. Mary* (of Baslow) on the plea of debt.

The land which John de Malthus held - now in the tenure of Richard le Taillows - has

deteriated by ij shill.

The house formerly Richard Wastells has been well repaired by John del Malecam.

#### Baslow Great Court, Wednesday next after S. Hilary same year

Ralph le Lech, *Alderman of the Guild of the B. V. Mary, of Baslow* plaintiff against John Taillows of Quordborourgh on the plea of debt.

John de Penyston junior, for detention of vj<sup>5</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> belonging to Ralph le Lech (in mercy). Robert de alsp owed Ralph xviij<sup>d</sup> (in mercy).

The Bailiff complained that he had not (in his custody) John de Penyston senior to respond to the same Ralph on the plea of debt. Ordered to make further distraint.

John de Grymball was another debtor; in mercy.

Will, le Clerke &c, plaintiffs against Will. le Milner & John son of Henry le Taillows on the plea of debt; also against Rob Cudy; also against John North & Hen. le Taillows.

#### Baslow Court, Wednesday next after the feast of Purification, 20 Edw. III. 1345-6.

Magota Basset (her absence was excused at the last court), now she is not present (in mercy).

Will, le Milner, John Taillows of Querdburg, Nich. Dawson, Thorn Habheson, John Grymbold, Rich Habheson, Will, del Froe, Will. de Chynley & John del Maldane all owe suit.

#### Baslow Court, Wednesday, feast of S.Cedde @ Mar. 2. 20 Edw. III

John Taillows of Quedburgh was presented for detaining iiij $^{s}$   $v^{d}$  belonging to the Guild of the B. V. Mary. In mercy.

The Bailiff was in mercy because he had not William Milner to respond to Will le Clerk & John le Taillows present in court, on the plea of debt. Ordered to make further distraint.

John Taillows of Bubbenhall plaintiff against Ralph Tybboson for detaining his cattle.

(Hiatus of 8 years. Rolls lost.)

## Greast Court of Baslow held Wed. next after the Invention of the Holy Cross (May 3). Anno 28 Ed.III (1354.)

Jury: - Geoffry Leche Ric. De Leche

Steph Cudy Well. Elyot

Ralph Leche John de Sheladon

Rob: Note Will. fil. Roger
Geoffry le Bolar John le Brughe

Ric. Swan Will Spakeman\*

The above named jury said on their oath that John de Edensoure by William de Blithe

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his workman had turned a separate water course of the lord's unto a certain *fulling mill* held by the same John. Wherefore it was ordered to be filled up, and that the said John & William be attached to answer to the lord for their transgression.

The miller presented that Will, le Brenner had withdrawn his suit from the (corn) mill. In mercy.

\* The same name undoubtedly as Spateman, Spademan, and sometimes Spadman. The mother of John Flamstead, the Astronomer Royal, who was born at Denby in 1646, was Mary Spateman.

Great Court of Baslow held Tuesday on the feast (Oct 28th) of the Apostles SS. Simon & Jude. Anno 28 Edwd III

#### **Excused**

William son of Rog. Leche for non appearance.

Robert de Hethcote concerning a case.

Roger North, John Ugas, Giles Leche, John Wright, John Atteyate.

William Leche complained that Geoffry Bolar with his dog had killed his pig worth xld.

Tenants of the Manor of Baslow, A.D. 1355.

## Court of Baslow held Wednesday on the Morrow of the Ascension anno 29 Edward III. 1355

Roger North did fealty, and acknowledged himself to hold a mess. & a bovate by homage & fealty, and for the service of iiij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup>; and one mess. & a bovate of land by fealty by the service of providing a pair of shoes of iij<sup>d</sup>: and ij acres of land, &. iij parcels of meadow at will, by the service of iij<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup>.

Alice, the dau. of Robert the son of Thomas, did fealty

and acknowledged she held iiij ac. of land which Roger North held & concerning which she had a charter by . . . Dionis son of Will. Leche. John de Edinshour nearest uncle acknowledged that he held one messuage & felf a bovate of land, and one bovate of land called Tornshust by the service of vj<sup>s</sup> x<sup>d</sup>.

Giles son of John did fealty & owned that he held of the lord one place of land called Wychefeld, by the service of xv<sup>d</sup> and vij acres of land at will for the service of ij<sup>s</sup>

Stephen Smtt did fealty, & owned he held j mess. & j bov. of land by charter, by homage & by the service of v<sup>s</sup> and also j mess. & half a bov. of land by the service of iij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> ob.

Richard le Leche did fealty, and owned that he held by charter j mess. & j bovate by the service of vij<sup>s</sup>: and half a bovate at will, by the service of ij<sup>s</sup> for bone silver. (i.e., *boon* silver; *a sort of present to the lord*)

Ralph son of Isabel did fealty, and owned that he held by charter one mess. & a  $\frac{1}{2}$  a bov. of land by the service of  $ij^s$   $ij^u$  and  $ij^d$  for multure, and iij acres of land at will by the

service of xij<sup>d</sup>, and it is called "Hogfeld.'|

Lord *(Dns.)* Will de Ruyley did fealty and acknowledged that he held by charter a mess, and a bovate of land, and ij acres and a rood & a half by the service of v<sup>s</sup> ij<sup>d</sup>.

William son of Robert le Leche did fealty, and owned that he held iij messuages and other certain tenements by the service of xviii<sup>d</sup>.

Richard Swan did fealty and owned that he held by charter one mess, and a bovate of land by the service of v<sup>s</sup>.

Roger de Boterhal did fealty, and confessed that he held by charter one mess. & iiij acres of land by the service of xiij<sup>d</sup> *ob*.

William Wyne Knight (chr.) acknowledged that he held of thelord j mess, and j bovate of land by charter, by the service of  $v^s$ . And John son of Robert de Sheldon held the said tenement of the aforesaid William.

Emma de Calvar & Joan de Reyleye free tenants came not; and Robert son of Roger le Leche came not.

John Pope acknowledged that he held a messuage & a bovate of land by the service of viij<sup>s</sup> & vj<sup>d</sup> and j<sup>d</sup> (bonepenny).

Agnes, dau. of Roger did fealty, & owned she held j mess. & half a bov. of land & j acre, by service of vj<sup>s</sup> iij<sup>d</sup> and j. bone penny.

Ralph Leche owned that he held of the said bovate iiij acres & half a rood by the service of ij<sup>s</sup> iij<sup>d</sup>.

William son of Robert le Leche did fealty & owned that he held a mess. & a bovate of land by the service of viij<sup>s</sup>  $vj^d$  and  $j^d$  and held a mess. & half a bov. of land by the service of  $xxj^d$  ob. and  $j^d$ .

Ric. le Ruscher did fealty & confessed that he owned i mess. & j bovate of land by viij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup>, and j<sup>d</sup>.

John de Wrigth holds i cottager & j acre of meadow which was John Machor's, by the service of ij<sup>s</sup>, & that he held half a bovate of land by the service of iij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> p ann.

Robert Eliot did fealty, & owned that he held j mess. & half a bovate of land by the service of iiij<sup>s</sup> iij<sup>d</sup>, and i<sup>d</sup>. And Geoffry le Boler holds another half bovate of land by the service of iiii<sup>s</sup> iii<sup>d</sup>.

The same Geoffry holds a mess. & a bovate of land for viij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> and i<sup>d</sup>, and a cottage which was Richard le Crowder's for ix<sup>d</sup> and i<sup>d</sup> and a piece of land for vj<sup>d</sup>. And he gave for fine xiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup>.

Geoffry de Leche did fealty. He holds a mess, and a bovate of land by the service of viij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> and i<sup>d</sup>.

Richard de Derleye and Alice le Boler did fealty, and owned that they held a mess. & a bovate of land by the service of viij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> and i<sup>d</sup>.

Henry le Hostil & Ralph le Leche (apparently tenants).

William Spakemon did fealty, and acknowledged one cottage & iij acres of land by the service of  $ij^s vj^d$  and  $i^d$ .

Robert le Webster acknowledged j cott. and ij acres of land and a half by the service of

ij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> and i<sup>d</sup>.

Richard Wastel acknowledged j cotage by the services of xij<sup>d</sup> and i<sup>d</sup>.

Henry de Couplond holds j cottag. & ij acres of land by the service of xij<sup>d</sup> and j<sup>d</sup>. (Died 10 Ric. II. -C. K.)

Rob. Pye holds a mess. & half a bov. of land by the service of ix<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> and i<sup>d</sup>.

Robert Note holds a mess. & a bov. of land by the service of ix<sup>s</sup> and i<sup>d</sup>.

Margaret in the Lane.

Robert le Taylour j mess. & half a bovate of land by the service of v<sup>s</sup> and i<sup>d</sup>.

Nicholas Henry owned that he held the other half bovate by the service of  $iiij^s$  and also a cottage by the serv.  $xij^d$  and  $j^d$ .

William Elot holds a mess, and half a bovate of land by the service of iij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> and he holds a cottage at xv<sup>d</sup> and i<sup>d</sup>.

Robert son of Walter (le Hond) holds a cottage & j mess, and half a bovate of land by the service of viij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> and i<sup>d</sup>

. . . de Derley holds a mess. & half a bovate by the service of vijs.

At an inquest the jury said that Rob. de Hethcote came not. That Will. de Eliot had not repaired his house. That Roger le North had brewed & sold ale contrary to the assize.

#### Rent Roll of the Manor of Haddon

Taken at the Court held there on Wednesday the morrow of the Ascension of our Lord Anno 29 Edward III. (1355)

Ralph d Fremon did fealty, and he held of the lord a moiety of a messuage and half a bovate of land by the service of xviij<sup>d</sup>, and suit of Court.

John de Haddon did fealty, and owned that he held of the lord j place being a certain part of one bovate of land: and he and others held for ij parts; paying yearly j lb of pepper at the feast of S. Martin, and j lb of cummin.

Richard son of Philip did fealty, and owned that he held I mess. & i bovate of land by the service of X<sup>s</sup>.

Richd, de la Hel, and Robert Somer.

Geoffry Somer held a cottage by the service of xij<sup>d</sup>.

Roger Colyn held a mess. & a bovate by the serv. of x<sup>s</sup>.

William de Beley held iij acres & a half & a rood of land by the serv. of iij<sup>s</sup> & v<sup>d</sup>.

Hugh son of Geoffry held . . . . and j bov. of land by the serv. of  $x^s$ .

Robert Knyte held i mess. & iij acres of land by the service of iij<sup>s</sup>.

Stephen son of William held j mess. & j bov. of land by the service of x<sup>s</sup>.

Will. Fithel held i cott. by the serv. of ij<sup>s</sup> and he made a heriot, worth xij<sup>d</sup>.

Tilla wife of Ralph holds a cott. & pays xij<sup>d</sup>.

Ralph de Waistowe holds j toft and pays viij<sup>d</sup>.

Roger Scot holds a cott. by the service of ijs.

Thomas Tumour holds a cottage by serv. of xij<sup>d</sup>.

Hugh le Boler holds a cottage by the serv. of xiij<sup>d</sup>.

Robert White holds a certain tenement at xxvij<sup>s</sup>. per ann.

Robert son of Marg. holds a cott. paying xij<sup>d</sup> ob. per ann.

Robert Altus (*High* or *Heugh*) holds a place of land and a pasture called Helleker (*Hillcarr*) paying iij<sup>s</sup> while he holds it.

Geoffry de Haddon holds a mess, and a bovate of land by the service of x<sup>s</sup>.

The inquest jury said that Henry le Pole owed xif rent; vj<sup>d</sup> for a place of land called "*The Held*" and vj<sup>d</sup>. for the Ox-lese. They said that John le Lindop and Rob. de la Croft agisted their sheep in the lord's pasture: in mercy.. Item that Will. le Hoke made a way in the meadows of the lord's tenants through the middle of his garden making egress and ingress).

Sum of the Rents of Haddon xviij<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup>.

## Basselow Court. Wednesday in the Vigil of SS. Simon and jude. Anno R.R. 30 Edw. III (1356)

Excused:—Will de Ruyle, Rob. Pye.

John Fox, plaintiff, against Will. Leche on the plea of trespass. He said that W. Leche had depastured his beasts in his growing corn, who was ordered to recuperate Fox with 10 sheaves of corn. Richard Wastel complained that Henry de Coupland had committed the like offence. Coupland was ordered to compensate Wastel by giving him xxiiij sheaves.

Henry de Hostelar had trespassed with his pigs in corn of Walter de Leche doing injury to the am<sup>t</sup> of vj<sup>s</sup> viiij<sup>d</sup>

Inqusion taken on the oaths of Rog. North, Will fil Rob., Giles de Leche, John de Endessore, Ralph le Leche, John le Wright, Geoffry le Leche, Ric. fil Rob., Ric Swan, John fil Robert, Rob. Taylour, Will. Eliott, who said that Rob.

son of Rog. le Leche who held of the lord half a mess. & another tenement did not come to do fealty. That Rob. de Hethcote made default of court. In mercy.

- + That John de Couston who held an open field called '*Dylfeld'* by military service, and a bovate in 'Grystly-ffeld,' is dead,\* and is dau. Emma is under age, whereupon the land is assumed by the lord in the name of guardian.
- + William de Calvour who held of the lord a mess. & a bovate of land called Stonhall by military service is dead, and his dau. Cecily is under age, wherefore the land is now in the hands of the lord as guardian.

Presented that a place of land called '*Pengersleye'* contains ij acres, parcel of the manor. It is arranged that Alan Foliaumb shall have it at the rent of iij<sup>d</sup> per ann.

+ Geoffry atte Wode who held of the lord one mess. & a bovate & a half of land, and a cottage, is dead, by whose death the lord had a moiety of a vessel – ("vase") value ijs. Whereupon Alice wife of the said Geoffry sought one third part of the said tenement, according to the custom of the manor, & the said cottage and a moiety of a bovate (i.e.,

1/3 of the whole) was assigned to her.

Ralph le Leche came and took up the mess, and the bovate which Geoffry at Wode formerly held, by the service due & accustomed, and gave xx<sup>s</sup> for his admission, and did fealty, and pledged himself to keep the same in good repair, by Richard son of Robert and William son of Robert.

Alice, wife of Geoffry atte Wode paid a fine of iiij<sup>d</sup> for brewing the following year.

(This license seems to have been allowed to widows to form further provision for their support.)

Roger de Wynfeld & John de Crech (probably old neighbours and quarry men from S. Wingfield and Crich) came and took the quarry this year paying lxvj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> at the feasts of S.James and S. Mark by equal portions.

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On a strip attached to the margin of this roll is the following: -

"Memorand. That Richard de Vernon Kt. Iord of Basselow," granted to Robert de Hethcote the custody of the lands and the heir of William de Calvour, viz: of Cecily daughter of the said William, and one bovate of land w<sup>t</sup> the appurts. in Basselowe, having & holding the same until the lawful age of the said heir, save the services due unto the lord. In testimony of which the aforesaid lord has placed his seal to this letter. Given at Haddon on Wednesday next before the feast of Palm Sunday, Anno xxx Edward III.

(Seal strip left, but Seal lost.)

Richard le Leche came & took up one cottage in Cordborgh formerly Legger le Hunte's: held according to the custom of the manor;

John le Skynner came & took up a cottage called 'Holweyrede' in Baslow which Will, le Boler formerly held, & did fealty.

Presented that William le Leche unjustly detained his rent of ix<sup>d</sup> for a field called 'Horseleye' - also he unjustly kept back vj<sup>d</sup> of the rent for dame Susanna Feld, and distrained for the rent of two back years. His arrearage amounts to xij<sup>d</sup>. It is ordered to be paid. Presented that Will. le Leche and John his brother made an assault with a sword and other arms, and with words, upon Roger Barstow clerk to the lord.

Presented that Giles son of John, and Roger North cut down the lord's wood without licence.

- It. Stephen de Ruyler fished the lord's waters with a "Law sper."\*
- It. William son of Robert le Leche injured five houses at the Ford to the damage of xx<sup>s</sup>. Ordered to be distrained until he pay for the waste.

\*(Law spear. Law=lake. Lawsper = Lake spear.)

<sup>\*</sup> In a subsequent entry this tenant termed *Nicholas de Songton*, his daughter '*Emma'* as here.

Margaret de Ruyle came and made satisfaction to the lord for the custody of Joan her daughter who is within age for j messuage held of the lord, and iij acres lying in Bubnell: and she gave to the lord vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> for the wardship of the said Joan. Pledge Richard le Leche. To be paid at Pentecost.

It was granted by the lord that a cottage upon Baslow Green which Geoffry Boler formerly held should be held by the Brethren of Saint Mary's Guild of Saint Mary of Basselowe celebrated in the church, holding the same at will to the lord at the yearly rent of  $xij^d$ , and she did fealty according to custom, and it was accustomed to pay  $x^d$  p ann.

Robert de Hethcote gave to the lord for the marriage and wardship of Cecily daughter & heir of William de Calvour until the full age of the said Cecily, xiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> by pledge of Roger North paving the same at Pentecost next.

In dorso. (Apparently a draft deed.)

Know ye all that we Thomas Symonde of Tamworth, Burgess, and John Symonds of the same are chiefly held and by this present writing are firmly bound to Richard Vernon of Harlaston Knight, in the sum of twenty pounds of good & lawful money - Paying to the same Richard or to his true attorney on the feast of \_\_\_\_\_ without any delay, in regard to that we are bound to pay, doing faithfully and well as we are engaged by these presents, we, our heirs, and our executors. In testimony of which, to this present writing we have affixed our seals.

[The rolls of the next two courts are of paper, about 12 ribs or waves to the inch. The water-mark consists of two circles arranged one above the other and a little apart, with the single stem of a cross passing through the centre of each but terminating at the base of the lower circle. Both sheets are in an almost disintegrated condition; and no wonder, for they have existed 541 years. The cross is quite plain ]

Great Court of Baslow held Wednesday next before the feast of . Barnabas the Apostle. Anno 31 Edw. III.

ESSONA Richard Wastell Rob. de Hethcote

John de Endesore

JURY. Ralph Leche John le Wrighte

John son of Rob Hen. Hosteler
Roger Boterhales Rich<sup>d</sup> le Leche
Will. Eliott Rob. Taillour
Giles son of John Rie. Swan

Will Spakemon John Elott

They said Rob. son of Roger le Lech made default.

Presented that the water was stopped from its right course to the mill.

A place of land called 'Pengerlee' was formerly held of the lord, and now, no rent is paid

for it, although it is occupied by Alan Fuliaumbe. It is ordered to be taken again into the hands of the lord.

Will. de Stafford trespassed with his cattle on the Moor without licence. Agnes del Dale has ij horses there. Richard Clerk has ij "stirkes" there. Stephen of the meadow trespassed with his sheep in the corn, placed his calves at Depedale, and cut down the lord's wood. John Michel did likewise, John de Dylron damaged the fences there to the value of xx<sup>s</sup> and Will. de Pilleslee, Will, son of John, Thomas de Hele, & Agnes his mother, and John de Wyches did similarly. - They are all in Mercy.

## Court held at Haddon by Henry de Applebyon Thursday next after the feast of corpus Christi in the 32<sup>nd</sup> year of Edward III. (1358).

Ralph Ffremon free. John Deweler, Ric. del Hull, Geoffry Senior of Rouleslie, Hugh son of Isold, Ric. son of Philip, Will Walshe, John Hert.

Rob le White, Will Chiel, Rob. Kyte of Alleport, Roger Beumaner, Rog. Colyn, Hugh Gonryg, Will. Bele, Geoff. de Haddon, Matilda Glabour of Haddon, did fealty to the lord.

The jury said that a footpath at the Dedelone was stopped up by Henry de la Pole to the injury of the tenants. John de Waystowe agisted his sheep in the lord's pasture. Rich. Wilmeracre trespassed with his sheep in the same. John Hert one of the lord's natives staid away beyond his time from the lordship, but it was not known where he tarried. Rich. Bergen & Will, de Hull fished in preserved waters. In mercy. Roger Beumanor brewed twice and sold ale contrary to the assize.

## Court of the lord Richard le Vernon Knight held at Baslow on Wednesday next after the feast of the Assumption B.V.Mary. Anno 33 Edw. III. (1359).

The tax collectors *(taxatores)* Will. Helot & Ric. le Rischer presented that Will Spakemon had brewed five times and sold contrary to the assize. In mercy: - x<sup>d</sup>. Numerous others were fined for a similar offence, and charged ij<sup>d</sup> for each brewing or delinquency, but the wife of Roger North was forgiven.

Ralph Leche to repair his house under penalty of xl<sup>d</sup>. Surety Rog. North.

Henry de Couplond to repair his by next court under pain of iij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup>. Surety Will. Leche.

John le Taillour of Cordeburg took up a cottage and half a rood in Cordeburg. Paid xij<sup>d</sup> for his ingress.

The wife of Rich" de Gryndilford agisted iiij animals upon the moor. In mercy.

John le Briche of Midilton cut down the lord's wood in the 'Hawe' in 'Hynechose.'

Richard son of Robert agisted xx animals upon the moor of Cordeburg without licence of the bailiff. In mercy.

## Court of Haddon held there on the Morrow of the Assumption of the B. V. Mary the same year

Hugh de Boler excused.

William Colyn took up a bovate at the yearly rent of x<sup>s</sup> and he paid xij<sup>d</sup> for his ingress.

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The same William brewed, and sold ale contrary to the assize,  $iiij^d$ . Roger Bomar do.  $ij^d$ . Rob Chelon  $iij^d$ . John Dawson  $j^d$ . John de Haddon.

#### Baslow Court. Wednesday next after S. Wistan\* King. Anno R. R. 36 Ed. III

John de Molnere to be distrained to do fealty for the tenement he held in right of his wife.

Will, de Bentleye took up a cottage formerly John le Glover's. Ingress ij<sup>s</sup>. Pledges - Rich. Wastel, and John Pope, for the sustentation of his cottage.

Nicholas Coterell paid vjd yearly for the Fuller's Mill.

John & William Spakemon came & took up a cottage formerly William Spakeman's. Ingress xx<sup>s</sup>. Tenants at will.

Geoffry de Leche took up a messuage & a bovate. Tenants at will. Ingress xiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup>. Fealty, &c.

Baslow Court. Thursday in feast of S. Cedde Bp. (Mar 2) Anno 37 Ed III (1362-3).

Jury: - Will. le Legh Ric. Wastell

John de Edensore John son Robert de Curburg

Steph Cuydy

Will Eliot Ric. Swan
Rich. son of Robert Nich. Hervy
John Wrighte Ric. de Derleie

Geoffry Leche

They said that Emmota de Calvour John son of Giles le Legh Joan dau of Nicholas, & Rob. son of Roger Lech ought to appear, & came not. In mercy.

Robert le Taillour de Curburgh 4<sup>d</sup>, John Taillour 4<sup>d</sup>, Robert son of Walter 4<sup>d</sup>, and Marg' wife of John Retahunt 4<sup>d</sup>, owed suit of mill. In mercy.

[Editor.]	

<sup>\*</sup> S. Wistan does not occur in Butler's Lives of the Saints. His festival was held on June 1st according to the old English Calendar: - " Nor shall my history be wanting in thy praise, Wistan, blessed youth, son of Wimund, son of Withlaf, king of the Mercians, and of Elfleda daughter of Ceolwulf who was the uncle of Kenelm; I will not pass over thee in silence whom Berfert thy relation so atrociously murdered. - A pillar of light sent down from Heaven piercing the sable robe of night revealed the wickedness of the deep cavern and brought to view the crime of the murderer." His body was interred at Repton (Malinsbury). Ingulf says Berfert slew S. Wistan on the vigil of Pentecost with the sanction of K. Bertulph his father. I mention this because I am much inclined to believe that Wessington, anciently "Wistan-ton" or Wistan's-town, was either the birthplace or property of this S. Wistan. -

Agnes dau. of Roger surrendered I mess. And a moiety of bovate and j acre of the other part of the same bovate, upon which of John of Crynne servant of Rog. North came & took it up at the will of the lord paying vj<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> yearly, and a penny called Bonepenny as ancient rent. Ingress fine ij<sup>d</sup>, Roger North being pledge.

Nicholas Hervy gave xx pullets that he might not be elected provost. Richard Rush was removed from that office and William Spakeman was elected in his place, and took the oath.

Robert Taillour, Richard de Derleie, and Will Eliot were elected to the office of Woodward, & took their oath.

The following persons to build & sustain their houses before S. John Baptist's Day, under the several penalties annexed, Will Eliot, xx<sup>s</sup>. Robert le Taillour, xxvj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup>. Margery wife of John, xl<sup>s</sup>.

## Great Court of Baslow. Wednesday, morrow of S. Andrew. Anno. 37 Edwd. III. (1363).

John Taillour surrendered a cottage &c. in Corburgh formerly Roger Hunt's. John Chapman took up the same. Fine of admission xviij<sup>d</sup>.

ohn son of Ric. le Russher took up a cottage formerly Will. de Bentley's.

John de Ruyle, John and Richard Mulner of Midelton, Walter Bosan of Midelton, & Walter Wareyn fished in the preserved waters, and Rob. Taillour had withdrawn his suit to the mill. J

John Chapman took up 'Hoggefeld' in the hands of the lord by the grant of Will de Heleye tenant at will; and did fealty.

John Spateman surrendered a cottage & lands adjacent, & William Spateman took them up, paying 3<sup>s</sup> 4<sup>d</sup> for ingress. A heriot will fall when he dies.

John Webster gave xviij<sup>d</sup> that he might not be provost this year.

## Great Court of Baslow. Thursday next before S. Nicholas Day. Anno 38 Ed. III. (1364).

William de Burgh to be distrained for the water course to the Fulling Mill.

Ralph le Leche surrendered iiij acres & j rood of native-land of a bovate formerly Will. Boterhale's, whereupon Henry Ostyler took up the said native holding at the lord's will, with the remainder of the bovate by the services first due and accustomed, and gave v<sup>s</sup> for his ingress, & did fealty.

Ralph le Leche surrendered into the hands of the lord part of a moiety of a bovate of native-land formerly William Gekyn's; whereupon John of Hervynne took up of the lord the aforesaid part of the moiety of the bovate of land, holding the 'native-land' at the will of the lord, with the rest of the said bovate. He paid iiijs for his fine. Roger North and Stephen Cuydy being his pledges.

The open field called 'Dilfeld' ought to pay i<sup>d</sup> per ann. And this payment is in arrears for 15 years past, and the bone-penny for 'Gristlyffeld' has not been paid for the last 15 years.

Alan Ffuliambe holds a waste piece of land of the lord's called 'Pewgereslye' without rent, and without the lord's licence.

John de Sheladon surrendered a messuage & a bovate of native-land formerly held by John Note senior, whereupon Robert Note took up the said mess. & bovate holding of the lord as a native, at the lord's will, by the accustomed services. Fine of ingress  $x^s$ . Will. Note and Stephen Cuydy pledges.

#### Great Court of Baslow. Held Thursday next after Corpus Christi. 39 Ed. III (1365).

Will. Eliot came & paid a fine to dwell where he pleased in Corburg for x years next future. To sustain the houses upon the holding formerly Will de Bele's in as good condition or better than when he first took it, & to the satisfaction of the lord & to pay a heriot if he should die within the term of x years. And for the observance of these terms he found Stephen Cuydy, Will. Leche, Roger North, & William Spakeman, to be his pledges. Ingress  $V^s$ .

#### Baslow Court (Thursday. Feast of S. Edward King. same year)

Presented that a certain Grange at Basselowe called Tythe-bern is parcel of the holding which Rich<sup>d</sup> Leche alienated by Robert Leche his father, of free land. Wherefore it is commanded to distrain the tenement of the Grange for more defaults of court, & for fealty and for his service acknowledged. (See next court.)

Three Lydyates at Baslow are not repaired.

## Great Court of Baslow. Wednesday next before the feast of S. Dunstan. Anno 40 Edwd. III. (1366).

It is commanded to distrain the tenement of a certain Grange called Tythebern of Baslow for default of suit of court & for fealty and service, and to ascertain what the nature of the ingress is in the said grange. The said Grange is parcel of the holding of Robert le Leche of free land, and was alienated to John de Melburn Canon of the Cathedral Church of Lichfield, his heirs & assigns, - as is said.

The servants of Godfrey Foliaumb made trespass in Hake-wode throwing down the trees there without licence.

Alice formerly wife of William le Boler held of the lord a moiety of a bovate at the will of the lord formerly Richard Bond's. She is now married to Rich<sup>d</sup> Russher a tenant at will of another bovate of land. Wherefore the moiety of the aforesaid bovate of land was seised into the hands of the lord according to the custom, because she ought not to hold of the lord any tenement without his licence.

Upon this came John Cuydy and took up the aforesaid moiety of a bovate, holding the same at the will of the lord by the services, &c. Ingress xi<sup>s</sup>. And he paid the whole rent for this year & did fealty.

#### Baslow Court. Thursday next after S. Andrew's Day. 40 Ed. III. (1366).

+ John le Wright who held a mess. and a bovate & a half of land & a cottage died since last court, and an ox was due for a heriot, but there was no cattle. Alice dau. of the said

John took up the said holding and gave  $x^s$ , and afterwards her father's cottage formerly John Machams was granted to her until another tenant should come to take the said cottage to dwell therein.

#### Baslow Court. Wednesday in the feast of S. Dunstan (1366).

The twelve jurymen presented that Thomas de Womweil, Godfrey ffoliambe, Cecilia dau. of Will de Calvour, John son of Giles le Leche, the heirs of William Wyn were defaulters at the court.

That Lord Thomas de Metham\* held a place called Halle-place near the Bridge of Bobenhull of Lord Richard de Vernon, but by what service they knew not. Wherefore it was commanded to distrain the said Thomas to do fealty, and to acknowledge his service.

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Anno 36 Ed. III., the K. permitted Thorn de Metham to give the "Haye of Walleye" in Sherwood to the Carthusian Priory of Beauvale which was founded by Nicholas de Cantelupe, the said land being held at a yearly rent of £10; but the convent was to hold the same at the increased rent of £13. In another entry dated 47 Ed. III., we are informed that Elizab., wife of Sir Thorn. Metham, was one of the sisters and heirs of Thomas de Stapleton. - [EDITOR.]

## Baslow Great Court. Tuesday next before SS. Simon & Jude's Day. 41 Ed III (1367)

Margery formerly wife of John Pete held a house – ruinous - in Corborough. To be amended by S. James' day.

"Depedale clyf" occurs. .

#### Baslow Court. Wednesday before S. John's Bap 42 Ed. III. (1368).

Sir William Wyn Kt. held an estate and was succeeded by Thomas Wenteneslew in Corbourg.

Will. Spakeman for not repairing a tenement xl<sup>d</sup>; & unless repaired by S. Martin's Day vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup>.

Amongst the fifteen fined for pasturing their cattle on the moor without licence is one "Ralph Jakkeknave"—(probably a nickname descriptive of character).

Roger North, Thorn. de Womwell, Philip Chaplain, Will. Leche, Steph. Cuydy, broke the attachment of the bailiff at Tythebern. (See 40, Ed. III., *ante*)

<sup>\*</sup> Note. - This Thomas de Metham succeeded his father Thomas in his estates on his death, anno 29 Ed. III., when Walter de Montgomery was ordered to accept security for the payment of his 'relief,' and to deliver to him the whole land of the Hay (i.e., the enclosed or fenced land) of Wallay in Sherwood Forest, which he held in capite by the service of £10 a year. The Metham estates lay, however, chiefly in Yorks. See *Inguis. P. Mort.* II. 192b.

David de Dereham, Henry Sotheron and John Mitchell, butchers, sold meat contrary to the assize. They were all presented for blocking up the lord's ground against his will with a table called a "fflesbord"—(clearly a meat stall).

Hugh son of Richard Wastell *alias* Hewet took up a cot. an acre & a rood formerly John Machon's & previously held by Alice wife of John Wright. Ingress xv<sup>d</sup>. House to be rebuilt this year. He gave now a "Hersive" *(a hair seive)* for the lord's use. Pledges R, Wastell, Hen. Hostiler.

Here follows a rather suspicious entry.

Stephen Cuydy gave to the lord four horseshoes for his best horse to obtain consideration of the court concerning a certain way stopped up by John del Stones between the s<sup>d</sup> Stephen & the s<sup>d</sup> John, to determine whether the said John could legally do this or not, and a day was assigned.

+ Will Eliot who held land under two lords - the lord of Baslow, and Thomas de Metham, died this wear. A heriot was incident to each holding, and there were two beasts, one, an ox of burden, and the other a cow. .The respective bailiffs settled the assignments of the two heriots by lot. .In the accounts of John Cuydy, provost of Baslow from Mich., anno 41 & 42 Ed. III., 1368-9, we have-

Of the rent of Thoresthurst which was occupied by Godfrey ffoliambe & Thomas de Womwell, iijs vj<sup>d</sup>.

For a hoop round a millstone, and for the repairs of a spindle, & for the carpenter ij<sup>s</sup>. Robert Ogle (or Cole) bailiff of Haddon.

For a "shroud" for the same mill ijs (probably the wooden cover for the millstones).

## Baslow Great Court. Wednesday next before SS. Simon and Judes Day 42 Ed.III A.D. 1368

The tenants of Middleton & Eyam ordered to be distrained for pasturing their cattle on the moor.

" Medowefurlong."

The tenants of Pillesley distrained for cutting & carrying the heath on the moor.

## Great Court of John de Alrewas, Nich. Seynper, Nich. Inyual, & John de Claston, held at Baslow on Wednesday next before S. George's Day anno 43 Edw. flll (1369)

(Court probably held during the minority of one of the Vernons.)

John Spakeman tenant of a cotage & ij acres of land at the rent of  $xv^d$  and a bone penny, died since last court. A cow was taken for the heriot. Johanna his widow succeeded her husband & paid  $ij^s$  for the Relief.

#### Baslow Great Court. Saturday next after S. Paul's Day, anno 44 Ed. III (A.D. 1370)

- + Geoffry le Leche who held 1 mess. 1 toft, ij half virgates at will is dead. Heriot j ox.
- + Richard de Derleie who held i mess and half a bovate is dead. Heriot a cow.
- + Robert Webster who held a cottage & 3 acres at will isdead. Heriot a cow.

- + William le Leche who held a cottage & iiij acres freely, & a toft & j bovate of land at will, died, by which a calf fell to the lord for a heriot. The free land was given to his wife as in ancient time.
- + Margery wife of John Perkin who held a mess. & a bovate at will is dead, by whose death the moiety of a calf valued at xx<sup>d</sup> fell to the lord, and the other moiety belongs to the church.
- + Thomas son of Rob. le Leche who held a mess. & a bovate and half a bovate is dead. He resides outside the lordship. His widow was ordered to be destrained to account for the heriot & for the custody of the heir, or for relief.
- + John son of Giles who held half a bovate has no chattels for a heriot. His heir to be distrained to do homage, & fealty, & to pay his Relief.
- + John son of Ric. Russher who held a cottage is dead. He has no chattels for a heriot.

#### Bondage Tenure of Harleston. -Staffs.

(circa xxxi. Edw<sup>d</sup>. III.)

Except the details of the Bondage Tenure of the serfs of the Manor of Shillington, related in the Chartulary of Ramsey Abbey, Vol. III., I have seen but few similar accounts: they are somewhat rare. Although it is not our custom to illustrate the records of other counties, the editor feels justified in publishing this account of the Bondage Tenure of Harleston, because it was part of the estate of the Vernons of Haddon, and because the original paper document is in the last stage of tenacity.

"John Ywar came and acknowledged that he held of Sir Richard Vernon Knight son of Gilbert Fraunceys one mess. & one virgate of 'Native' land in Bondage and paid iis viid per annum for it; viz: viij<sup>d</sup> at the feast of S. Martin, vij<sup>d</sup> at the Purific. of B. V. Mary & viij<sup>d</sup> at the Nativ. of S. John Baptist, and ij loaves at Xmas. - price i<sup>d</sup>, and ij hens, price at the same time. He will plough with the lord with one plough at the winter seeding when his lord desires, for one day, without food and drink. And the work of the same plough is worth vid. And he will harrow half an acre of land when the lord wills at the said season to the value of i<sup>d</sup>. He will also plough with the lord at the Lent or spring sowing with one plough for one day without food & drink (i.e., he must provide food, &c., for himself) the value of his ploughing to be vid. He will harrow half an acre of land at the said season when the lord wills, and shall receive id. And he will plough ("Et arrabit War'tabit &r\* rebinabit." Warectare" = to plough up land designed for wheat in the spring, in order to let it lie fallow for better improvement. "Rebinare" - to give a second stirring or ploughing to arable land that lay fallow, to prepare for sowing wheat, or to plough the ground a third time for that purpose." Jacob, Law Dic.) warectate or rebinate with the lord upon the lord's lands with his plough when the lord wills, just as often as may be necessary at the will of the lord or his bailiffs, having one meal every day at his lord's expense. He will hoe (or weed) the lord's corn with one man for ii days without meat or drink in the summer, one day with the hand and another day with the hoe, at the rate of i<sup>d</sup> for each day: and if there be *no* need to plough with his plough, to harrow the seed winter & spring as above said: and to weed with I the hand & with the hoe; then he shall give to the lord the I price for the work (not done) as above. And he shall mow (falcabit) the Brode-madowe and Sondhul until all is cut with the assistance of other natives, and the value of the mowing of the said John reckoned by itself shall be

vjd. And (sparget h'bas) spread herbs (? making hay) in the said

meadow, and turn & cock & load hav in the aforesaid meadows until all shall be carried with the aid of the cattle of the natives, and the work shall be valued at ijd each. And the lord shall give to the aforesaid natives xviij<sup>d</sup> for the aforesaid mowing called 'Mathale' (' Math"=mowing, & 'ale') " excurialitate." And he shall carry the whole hay of the said meadow unto the grange of the manor until all shall be carried with the help of the aforesaid natives, the carts of the lord assisting. And he shall 'pick' the whole of the said hay on to the stack at the grange or elsewhere at the will of the bailiffs, the other natives assisting. And he shall mow the lord's meadow in Goseholm, and a piece of Bolandesmedewe with the aid of the other natives: and the lord shall give the mowers iiis for their mowing, because the said meadow of Goseholm is outside the manor of Horlaston. And he shall carry the whole of the aforesaid hay of Goseholm unto the manor of Horlaston with the aid of the other natives, with the help of the lord's carts. And he shall with the other natives mow all the meadows which the lord will have for store at the manor of Herlaston, as well within the demesne as without, for a satisfactory and reasonable reward. And he shall measure (meter) the whole growing corn of the lord of the manor of Herlaston with the assistance of the other natives without meat or drink at one price, called the Metebene (? meat-boon). Assigned to each dish shall be ij loaves price id and 3 white herrings price one halfpenny and sisezam to drink: and the work of each shall be estimated at ij<sup>s</sup> vj. And he shall bind together the whole of the straw or corn blade with the aid of the natives into sheaves, and shall stack the said sheaves in the field - and he will carry with the help of the natives until all is gathered in during summer, the lord's carts assisting. And he shall fork the blade\* upon

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messes, dum metuntur;

frtiges, dum fruunter;

blada dum in horreis triturantur. (Lindewode.)

Certe apud priscos Saxones *blada* seu blaeda omnem fructum significat etiam arborum et vitis. (*Spelman.*)

The stack while at the grange or elsewhere, and place it at the will of the lord or his bailiff. And he shall carry with other natives of the neighbourhood the whole of the timber stones, trusses, hearths, for all edifices rebuilt, & for all old ones repaired, and make fences to the said manor. With his other neighbours he shall make the pond and the dam head of the water mill of Herlaston of earth-work as often as it shall be necessary. And he shall grind to the xviij<sup>th</sup> grain, and do 'averagium' (an ancient service done by natives of carrying the corn crops of the lord for one day) from Lilleborn, Shyrleye, & Appleby unto Herlaston, and to carry to Lylleborn Appulby & Schyrleye unthreshed corn (bladum) and malt for the advantage or profit of the lord as for them-selves, & the assistance of the families at the aforesaid manors . . . And he finds loaves for (the use) of strangers coming & lodging for the night at the manor; and it is worth vj<sup>d</sup> per annum. And the same John and other of his neighbours of

<sup>\*</sup> Blade—The straw having the corn in the ear

<sup>&</sup>quot;Sunt segetes, dum seminantur;

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the same tenure and condition shall give to the lord from the feast of S. Michael vj to xiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup>, which is called *Le Stouth*, \* *viz.* it is at will (*I suppose at the will of the lord*) whether the serf shall give to the lord 'manus' or 'munus '\*+. And he shall give marchetum for the marriage of his daughter or for the crowning (*sic.*) of his son. And if his daughter commit fornication he shall give *leyrwyt*; *viz.* v<sup>s</sup> & a half penny "p j alb<sup>n</sup> emend' p dcis denar' imponend' " (may j this be interpreted "for the repairs of an *alb* for the imposition of the said penny" as though the church should be entitled to some portion of the fine for the *moral* offence?).

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+ *i.e.*, labour or money.

Here follow the names of 35 Bondage Tenants, *e.g.*:— Rich<sup>d</sup> Wold holds a mess. & a virgate of land in bondage, and performs so much service.

Nicholas Maynard the smith holds a messuage & half a virgate of land in bondage and does so much service according to the quantity of his tenure.

&c. &c &c.

John Swan, Jordan Milner & Milicent de Horsley ordered to repair their houses.

Will. Son of Roger de Alfreton cut off a helve of birch in the lord's wood: in mercy.

Ralph de Leche & Adam de Lymebrenner came and took up a moiety of the quarry for this year, paying thence lx<sup>s</sup> at the usual times, being pledges for each other—at this rate the whole quarry was leased for John Ffrere. Ingress 100<sup>s</sup>.

#### Baslow Court held •Wednesday S. Margaret's Day. Anno 2 Ric. II. (A D. 1378).

Milicent de Horsley for license for an agreement with Matilda le Leche. In mercy.

+ Will Spakeman who held a mess., a bovate, & half a cott. & two acres, died; &c. whence a cow as a heriot fell to the lord. John Perkynson sold it for vij<sup>s</sup>. His widow became tenant. Relief 13<sup>s</sup> 4<sup>d</sup>.

## Great Court of John Wolf & his fellows (probably truste a during a minority) held at Baslow Thursday next after the feast of S. Mark Evan. Anno R R 2 Rich. 11. (1379).

Will. le Chinley fined x<sup>d</sup> for not carrying on his suit against Thomas de Shatton.

Will Spakeman ordered to amend his house by Easter.

<sup>\* &</sup>quot; Le Stouth." I cannot discover any solution of this term. Du Cange has the following :—

<sup>&</sup>quot;Stouth-eres: Among the East-Angles they were so called who were distinguished for *courage*. These they marked from childhood: They were accustomed to place their youths upon the straw roofs of their houses, and he who sat there timidly, or cried out lest he should fall, they pronounced to be I of timid disposition; but he who laid hold of the straw quickly, so as to fl sustain himself bravely, was taken with great applause and acclaimed a future 'Stouther.' Our modern word '*stout*' for '*brave*' or '*strong*' is obviously allied to this early form."

The Ale Taster presented that the foll. persons had broken the assize: Matilda Leche in vi brewings <sup>lsd</sup>, Thomas de Shatton in iiij, <sup>8d</sup> Henry Taillour in iiij, <sup>8d</sup> James North in ij, <sup>4d</sup> Will Spateman in j, <sup>2d</sup> Robert son of Will j, <sup>2d</sup> Robert Eliot j, <sup>2d</sup> Will Eliot j, <sup>4d</sup> Nicholas Hervy ij, <sup>4d</sup>.

Milicent de Horsley, John Bagard Rog. de Boterhales & Henry de Couplond had to repair their houses under various penalties.

John Grymbald took up a place of land called 'Lynlegh'

It was agreed in the Court of Thomas de Metham Kt. that Stephen del Medow, Thom. Son of Will., Alex. de Pillesley had cut wood, as well brushwood as timber, and taken it away.

Baslow Great Court of John Wolf and his fellows, Thursday in the Vigil of SS. Simon & Jude. A° R. R. 3 Ric II (A.D.1380).

It is ordered that the brewers sell with other measures than the "Lagina" & "Pitalfus" (the latter is the greater tagina).\*

John de Crich & Adam Lymbrenner carried (lime?) outside the demesne.

Jordan son of John de Wright took up a mess, and half a bovate. Ingress v<sup>s</sup>.

It is agreed by the inquest in the Court of Sir Thom de Metham, Will that de Huklow <sup>xiid</sup> for unsteady driving - in mercy.

Walter Bosonson for fishing without a license: in mercy.

Elias del Dome for throwing down an oak: in m.

Ric. de Litton, Steph Hikton, John Wass of Grundelford for iii cows. Thom Amot for his horse and sheep. Robert Sklatter, do.

Ralph serv<sup>t</sup> of Ric de Shropshire do. Rog. de Shirley for his horse. Margery de Roucliff for one cow, Thom de Wolley for 3 sheep, Benedict le Chapman for 2 sheep,

See ' *Lagen* j in Jacob's L.D. Compare ' *Lag'* - the stave of a barrel.

Margery Driver do., John de Burton do., Ralph de Gryndelford, do. Will Walweyn for 3 sheep - all in mercy for trespass on the demesne pasture.

Henry Ragged for rooting up heath on the moor.

The wife of Alex, de Bradshagh for the same- - in mercy.

The Great Court of John Wolf & his fellows, Baslow Thursday next before SS.

<sup>\*</sup> Lagena, a kind of measure among the English, thus described in the assize of weights and measures of David, King of Scotland.

<sup>&</sup>quot;The lagena ought to contain 12 lbs. of water; viz. 4 lbs. of sea water 4 lbs. of lake or pond water, and 4 lbs. of clear spring water. It ought to be 6 pollices (thumbs) and a half in depth. In the lower breadth (? diameter) it should be 8 pollices & a half, and with thickness of wood in both parts. The upper part should be 27 pollices round, and the lower 23. (*Du Cange* gloss.) I suppose the breadth of the thumb may be taken for one inch."

Simon & Jude. A° Rich. II. (A.D.1381).

Thorn, de Wombwell & Cecil his dau. absent. Cecil wife Henry Ostiler who held a third part of a mess, burnt a mess. and the straw and corn of Roger de Boterhales by making (? too large) a fire in her own house. The said Cecily was attached by proclamation to make satisfaction to the lord. She appears to have had a chest, 3 sheets, one pot of rice, and a carpet. She broke the attachment by carrying them away.

It was presented by the miller that Roger de Boterhales, John le Taillour, John Cudy, John Bagard, John le Taillour junior, Will, le Chinley, Will, le Boterhales, Will, le Machin, John of Herynne, John Pope & Thom. le Milner had a day appointed to do the millpond of their two mills here, and they have lodgings whilst they do their work. In mercy.

Baslow Court: Wednesday next before SS. Philip and James Day. 5 Rich. II. (1382).

JURY. Rog. de Boterhales Hen. le Tailleur

Ric. Hikdon John of Herymne

Will. Pope Rob. Eliot

Will. Webster Thom. de Maleus

Will. Pope John North
Ric. Swan John Taillour

Henry servant of Ric. de Shropshire took up a mess. and and half a bovate in Bobenhull, which Roger similarly held. Ingr. iij<sup>s</sup>

Thom de Wollow took up a cottage with appurts. in Cordburg which Yvo Tynker formerly held, paying yearly xi<sup>d</sup> and i<sup>d</sup> bonepenny. Ingr. vj<sup>d</sup>.

Milicent de Horsley has a ruinous house and not repaired it. To be done by St. John Bap. Day next, under a pain of xl<sup>d</sup>.

Baslow: Court of John Wolf and his fellows. Thursday next before S. Luke's Day. A° 5 Ric. II (1382).

Felicia wife of Thom. de Milner is a common scold against the peace of the neighbourhood.

John and Will. Pope, John Bagard, Joan Swan, Nich Walker will not close their gaps by which the tenants receive much injury: in mercy. Stephen & Robert Cudy ought to enclose their field at Boterhales and have not. John del Brough dug turves on the moor; in mercy.

Baslow Court. Thursday next after S. James's Day. A° 6 Ric. III (1383)

Adam del Hull for licence to carry millstones over the moor during the past year. In mercy.

Court of John de Herlaston and his companions. Baslow. Tuesday, S. Luke's Day.

A° 8 Ric. II 1384).

Thomas de la Grik gave a fine to carry over the moor with his heifer vj<sup>d</sup>.

Benedict de Chapman surrendered a mess. & a bovate in Corburg.

- + Will Eliot who held a cottage & a croft in Cordburg is dead. Heriot an ox valued at viij<sup>s</sup>. It remains unsold. Roger son of Walter became tenant, & paid xij<sup>d</sup> for his ingress.
- + Nich. Waller who held a mess. & a bovate in Baslow died since last court. His ox of burden taken for his heriot, val. liij<sup>s</sup>. John Couper succeeded & paid vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> for ingress.

John de Ryley & Milicent de Horsley ordered to repair their houses. The tenants of Pillesley committed destruction in Hakkedwod - to be distrained.

Thurstan del Boure\* occupied the ground of the lord yet had no right of common.

#### Baslow Court. Wednesday before S. Valentine's Day. @. 8 Richard II (A.D. 1384-5)

- + John Pope who held a mess. & a bovate died since last court. Heriot an ox value x<sup>s</sup>. Isabel his widow took up the land and gave vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> for admission.
- + John Swan held i cott. 2 acres i rod at her death when her cow became due for a heriot. John Basset became tenant.

Roger Burgon cut an oak in Walclif.

Baslow Court, Wednesday next after the quindene of Easter (fortnight after) Do.8 Ric II (A.D. 1385).

Elena dau. of Will, de Tidd took up a cottage which Yvo de Tynker held, & gave vj pullets for admission.

To this court came John de Criche & Adam Lymebrenner and took up the quarry for stone and millstones of Lady Juliana Vernon at Baslow from this court day until the feast of S. Martin next following, paying yearly 100<sup>s</sup> in equal portions at the feast of S. James & S. Martin. And the said Lady granted for herself and heirs that i. it so happened that the said John & Adam were not able to carry away their millstones then made before

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the feast of S. Martin outside her demesne of Basiow, that then it should be lawful for them to have xxiiij pairs of millstones standing in the said quarry for them to carry away & make their profit within the following year without blame or detriment from the said lady or her bailiffs.

(To be continued.)

<sup>\*</sup> Thurstan del Boure, a wealthy yeoman of Tideswell, worked numerous lead-mines about this period in the Peak. Very much information may be found about him in the Belvoir archives.

#### A Literal Transcript of the earliest register of Dale Abbey, Derbyshire

By the Rev. R. JOWETT BURTON, M.A., Curate of Dale Abbey.

ANCTION for the transcript of the Register has been very kindly given by the Rev. W. Fox, Rector of Stanton-by-Dale, and Chaplain of Dale Abbey. This Register is of greater value than those of most villages, owing to the excessive number of marriage entries it contains. The yearly average of marriages for the past sixty years is about three; but in 1685 there were *thirty-eight*, and in 1686 there were *forty-six*. The first suggestion of the numerous entries is, that the people were not inhabitants of Dale; and this suggestion is made a certainty by such remarkable entries as "One maried Decb ye 4 *there names not knowne."* Why, we may wonder, did strangers come to this remote village to be married? Was there some superstition as to a special blessing on a marriage contracted in the quaint church beside the ruins of an abbey, and under the same roof as an inn? Or was it a local Gretna Green? Whatever it may have been, Burn in his "History of Parish Registers" (p. 127) makes the following remarkable statement:- "The marriages in the parish of Dale Abbey were, until a few years previous to the Marriage Act (*i.e.*, Lord Hardwick's Act, 1754), solemnized by the clerk of the parish, at one shilling each, there being no minister." If this be

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### The Court Rolls of Baslow, Derbyshire Commencing Anno 13 Ed II (1319-20)

[Continued from Vol. xxii., p. 90.]

By the Rev. Chas. Kerry.

(By the kind permission of His Grace the Duke of Rutland, Lord of the Manor.)

HE following Rolls for the 9th, 10th, and 11th years of Richard II. are on paper. The first sheet has a singular paper mark. There are two circles and two crosses arranged horizontally and alternately, the straight line passing through the centre of each: the arms of the crosses, including the line passing through the intersection, form estoiles.

## Great Court of John de Herlaston, held at Baslow on Thursday next after S. Luke's Day 9 Rich<sup>d</sup>. II (1385-6)

Milicent de Horsley owed John Grymbald xxviij<sup>d</sup>.

William Noble and Rob. de Shirbroke cut of "Gogstes" the others before named dug turves and grubbed the heath on the moor,

Will. of Huklow burnt (lead ore) on the common for Thurstan del Bour without licence.

John Smyth fished in the lords waters with an " *Angelyerd*" (Ang. Sax. *Anzel*, a hook, and 'yerd' from A.S. *zerd* from *Gyrdan*, to gird, to surround. An Angelyerd was probably some kind of hook with a girding or protection; -? for concealment.) A *rod* with a *hook*. (ED.)

John Eliot stopped the water with a weir.

+ Henry de Coupland died holding a croft and cottage. Margery Coupland succeeded as tenant.

Baslow Court. Held on behjalf of Juliana de Vernon, on Thursday next before Epiphany. 9 Ric II

Thomas & John de Shatton & Will Smyld plaintiffs concerning the peace against John le Taillour & other tenants under pain of C<sup>s</sup>. Pledges: Rog. Burgoyne & Rob Bolar.

Baslow. Court of John de Herlaston and his companions. Wed. next after the feast of S. John. Ante port Latinam. 9 Ric. II

Inquest Jury: -

Rog. de Boterals

John de Reylow

Thom. de Wollow

Rog. Burgoyne

Will. Webster

Rob. Watson

Rob. Boler

Will Pope

Thom John Bagard

Rob. Notte

Ric. Hicdon

Will Schylley

Milicent de Horsiey had to repair her house against last Easter and has not done. It must be amended by Michaelmas under penalty of vi<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup>.

#### Baslow Court. Wednesday. S. Peter ad Vincula. 10 Ric II

Henry de Coupland held a mess & an acre of land, at his death it was taken by Margery Bele and at her death Raynold Walchemon became tenant at xiij<sup>d</sup> per ann. beginning at Michaelmas next ingress 11<sup>s</sup>.

Robert Watson brewed once and sold in basons and did not send for the taster. James North sold also in "Discis" or bowls not measured.

Will, de ffolow took a mess & a bovate of land called the messuage in Le Woro. Ingress fine 16<sup>s</sup>. 8<sup>d</sup>.

Milicent de Horsley surrendered a cot & a rod of land to the use of Joan, dau. of Thomas.

Every one is ordered to repair his fences and they ought to make " *Ledzates*" against the Feast of Trinity. The horizontal bar of a gate or stile is termed the *ledge*. A "ledzate" may possibly mean a "climb stile" with two or three bars across. Observe, the intimation about making " Ledzates" follows the order for repairing the "prostrate" hedges—inferring that gaps would not be made if stiles were duly provided.

The following appears to be a schedule or "Bill" of the third part of the Haddon or Vernon estate assigned for the dower of *Juliana Vernon*.

#### Baslow. "ijj Bill"

Itm. She shall have the rent and service of the holding v<sup>s</sup> of Sir Thomas de Wennesley, Kt. (Wendesley) and formerly of Sir Will. Wyn Knight.

The holding of Ralph Leche v<sup>s</sup>. The holding of Rob. Sadeler ii<sup>s</sup> x<sup>d</sup>.

The holding of the heirs of Godfrey ffoliambe iis.

Item, called Torshurst of the part of Dionis de Wode.

The holding of Roger de Boterales xiij<sup>s</sup> ob. Of Rob. Jesson ii<sup>d</sup>.

Do. of John le Smyth viij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup>. Do. of Rich<sup>d</sup> Hekedon viij<sup>s</sup> vi<sup>d</sup>.

NOTE. - Sir Thomas Wendesley was killed at the battle of Shrewsbury in 1403, See Cox's "Churches," II.; 18, where are some interesting particulars of him and his turbulent doings.

Do. of Roger de Boterals viij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup>. Do. of Thorn. le Milner ix<sup>s</sup>.

Do. of Richard Hebedon half a bovate of land iiij<sup>s</sup> iij<sup>d</sup>.

Do. of Robert Watson

half a bovate iiij vjd.

Do. of Raynald Machon j. cottage xii<sup>d</sup>.

Do. j. cottage and the Stonyfeld, and one cottage & lands which Robert Webster formerly held lately in the tenure of Milicent de Horsley.

The lands of Rich. Hebedon (xvij<sup>d</sup>) in Henshawe.

Itm. One acre of land and j rood of meadow now in the tenure (xviij<sup>d</sup>) of the s<sup>d</sup> Rich. Hebedon.

For a dungyard in the tenure of John Bagard.

Item. A cottage in the holding of the Guild of S. Mary (of Baslow) vj<sup>d</sup>. It. j. at flat.

Itm. The land of Roger Burgoyne  $xii^d$  called Hogg-feld. It. Half a bovate of land held by lbote Hervy  $v^s$ .

It. A cottage held by Tho. Mulner called Leggerhouse xid.

It. The Bromeclyf formerly in the tenure of Ralph Leche; it renders bonepenny at Michaelmas viz. for Robert Webster's holding. A cottage i<sup>d</sup> of William de ffron. A cott: of Roger Borgoyne and for Thomas Milner's Hoggefeld - and for a cottage ii<sup>d</sup> called Leggerhous. Ibot Hervy holds a cottage formerly Rob. Watson's - Rob. Watson's holding i<sup>d</sup> and William Brough's i".

It. For Lynnlye which formerly paid ij<sup>d</sup>.

Itm. A third part of the profits of the water mill & the fisheries of lord de Vernon. The third part of the quarries there of lord de Vernon. The third part of the profits of Hackedwode, Wolleyschagh, Stonyfeld, Walclyf, Le Held, and Le Haughe, and part of the agistment of the moor, and pannage, and the *bolls* (lead kilns) there of lord de Vernon's.

The following has been crossed through with a line of ink of a rusty brown colour. It. The third part of the fulling mill under the court, with the common fishery.

The third part of the rents and services with the profits of the holding of the Abbot " de Rupe"\* as of his grange in ovage - or egg rent.

And of the holding of the Abbot of Leicester as of his grange of Meduplot

And of the holding formerly William le Wyn's in Nether Haddon

And of the holding of Margaret de Marchinton the daughter and heiress of Hen. de la Pole in Nether Haddon

And of the holding of Ralph ffremer in Rollesley.

It. The third part of the pasture of ffarndale, Pipgrenes and Harthullclif

And the Courtyards on both sides (ex utraque parte) of the Hall are in common to the

use of the said Richard and Juliana

And the third part of Stopping.

Itm. For her dowry is assigned in the middle of the wood of Haddonffrith viz: between two banks

(The MS. ends here.)

The chamber at the end of the hall with the "ffawse" chamber, with all the chambers beneath the said chambers towards the north, together with the Bakehouse and the way and the granary near the kitchen.

It. She will have lix butts of land abutting upon *Harweldale-medewe:* Ten selions of land called Grehulflat: One small culture upon *Grehull-copp*: one culture called *Porterflat*, with a little culture called *The Mulnelandes* near

\* A Cistercian- Monastery in Yorks, founded by Richard de Builli in 1147. in the Soke of Maltby. - *Dugdcde, Mon, Ang.* I., 835

the land of John Basset: Itm. one culture called The Blakeacre, with a culture called Pesegrenes. It. xij selions of land upon the *Bolehull*, with xij selions upon Hangwelldalefflat, with all lands at the end of the same near Hanwelldale. It. one culture of small . . . . ? in Hangwelldale head, with an acre there abutting upon *Rasteres?* Itm. a culture called the Red schethes. It. xviij selions of land upon Wheytleyhull, with xi butts abutting upon Pippegroves. It. one culture called The Stonyflat. Another called Watcroft, one called Cronkes-forland. It. a culture called Nytebuttes.

Itm. Ladyholm & a mead called Mersmedewe. It. An acre of meadow called Vernon's acre in Stantonmedewe. One acre & a half of meadow in iij places in Swetacre medewe divided by an acre called Thomas le Smyth's. One acre of mead called the Swetacre and v roods of mead under Pipgrene called Dodwode.

- It. j mess, of xi<sup>s</sup> and a bovate of land now in the tenure of John le Banford.
- It. jj mess, of x<sup>s</sup> and a bovate in the tenure of Hugh le Smyth.
- It. j Half a cott. of  $v^s$ , and half a bov. of land now 4j| the tenure of Hugh le Ffisher.
- It. j mess. of x<sup>s</sup> and j bov: formerly in the ten. of Will. Gamele.
- It. Will. Russel j cot. of ij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> and i acre of land.
- It. j mess, and iij acres of land formerly in the ten. Of John Shepherd.
- It. I cot. with a curtilege ii<sup>s</sup> now in the tenure of Cecil Clerk.
- It. i mess. of x<sup>s</sup> and a bov. of and now in the ten. Of John le Schether. x<sup>s</sup>.
- It. j mess of x<sup>s</sup> & j bov: of land now in the tenure of John Walche.
- It. j mess, of iiij<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup> now in the ten. of John Athelard with a croft, called Cecily Croft a third part v<sup>s</sup> rent by the service of Ovagium (an egg rent) at Martinmas.
- It. Half a toft, and half a bovaie of land formerly in the tenure "ffithyel."

[? A.S. Fithele, a fiddle. May this have been a musical tenure of minstrelsy? It is more likely to be connected with "Fith," which occurs in the laws of Henry I. "In Fith vel in socna est, quod ab ipsis, qui in domo sunt contubernales. agitur, &c." (Du Cange).]

It. j cotag ij<sup>s</sup> now in the ten. of Elisot Borgone.

It. She will have the third part of all the yearly profits issuing from iij separate pastures called Oxheyes, viz. Ffarnedelves, Pippegrenes, & Harthulclyf: and of a pasture & meadow in Aldeport .which is called The Stokkyng: and from the fishing of the water at the Fulling Mill: Lead mines, & marl pits; and the third part of all the yearly profits issuing from the rents and services of the holding which the Abbot of Leicester holds in the Grange of Medowplet: and the third part of the yearly profits issuing from the holding which Sir Thomas de Marchinton Kt & Sir Will Wyn K<sup>t</sup> formerly held in Nether Haddon: and the third part of the yearly profits arising from the tenement which *James?* ffremon and John Dawson hold.

## An updated rental on two paper sheets apparently coaeval with the preceding dowry assignment.

Of John North for i mess & j. bov: of land with bonepenny iiij<sup>s</sup> ix<sup>d</sup>.

Roger Leche for Stonehallelone v<sup>s</sup> per ann.

Of the same Roger for j mess. & j bov. of land vij<sup>s</sup> per ann.

- Of the same Rog. for v acres of land in Bramley xv<sup>d</sup> per ann.
- Henry Thaylour for j mess & a half bov. of land iijs per ann.
- John North Jun<sup>r</sup> j mess & j bov: of land at iij<sup>d</sup> per ann. "ut unu par saltarum."
- Matilda Leche for a mess. & adjacent land xviij<sup>d</sup> per ann.
- The holding of Godfrey ffoliambe jun<sup>r</sup>, called Torshurst on the part of Dionisius atte Wode ii<sup>s</sup>.

Item. The aforesaid lady will have the third part of the fishery and the third part of the water-mill on the part of the lord Richard Vernon, and the third part of the quarry and the third part of the profits of the woods, viz: Hakedwode, Wollowschaw Stonfeld Wallecliffe Le Held & Le Haugh and the third part of the moor on boll & pannage on the part of lord le Vernon.

Of William Clarke for a mess and a bov. viij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> per ann.

- John Mawe for a mess and a bov. of land viijs vjd p ann.
- John Baggare for a mess & a bov. of land viij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> p ann.
- John Taylor sen. for a mess. & a bov: of land viij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> p ann.
- William Pope, for a toft & half a bov: of land iiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup>. "
- Will Mulner for a mess. & half a boy: of I, v<sup>s</sup>.
- Roger Burgoyn, a mess. & half a bov. of 1. iiij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> "
- Will. Webster for a mess & land adjoining  $\mathbf{x}\mathbf{x}^{\mathrm{d}}$  per ann.
- Will Pope for a cott. and i quarter of land iis xd.
- John sen<sup>r</sup>" for a Forland in Bromley vj<sup>d</sup>.
- Henry Taylour for Forland in divers places ij<sup>d</sup>.

- John Baggar for a Myddingsted (dungyard) i<sup>d</sup>.

#### Cordborgh

John Baguly holds a bovate of land w<sup>t</sup> iij houses paying yearly (at Lady Day & Michaelmas) ix<sup>s</sup> i<sup>d</sup>.

The same John holds a croft there at ix<sup>d</sup> yearly, and he gave viij<sup>s</sup> for his ingress.

Ulmericus Wolstencroft holds half a bovate of land with I houses paying yearly iiij<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup>.

John Mellor holds a bovate of land & two houses at ix<sup>s</sup> & i<sup>d</sup> per ann. Paid vj<sup>s</sup> for his admission.

John Mellor holds half a bov. with one house & pays iiij<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup>. He gave xx<sup>d</sup> for his ingress.

John, youngest son of Thom. Hobson, holds half a bov. of land, with iij houses at  $v^s$   $j^d$  per ann. Paid nothing for his ingress.

John Berdhalgh holds half a bov. of land  $w^t$  ij houses and one little chamber at  $v^s$  i<sup>d</sup> per ann. and  $v_i^s$   $v_i^s$  for his admission.

#### Basselowe.

Roger Pope holds a bov. of land w' ij houses at xii<sup>s</sup> xi<sup>d</sup> and gave xiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> for his admission.

Will. Boterhals holds a bov. of land w' ij houses at viij<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup>., and gave vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> for ingress.

John Clerk holds a bov. of land w' ij houses and pays  $viij^s$   $vij^d$  and gave for ingress  $vj^s$   $viij^d$ .

John, son of Ric. Hobson, holds a bov. w' ij houses and pays viij<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup>.

 $\mathsf{Rich}^\mathsf{d}.$  Penyston holds a bov. w' houses at  $\mathsf{viij}^\mathsf{s} \ \mathsf{vij}^\mathsf{d}$  and gave nothing for ingress.

Will. Baslow holds a bov. & a half of land with a forelond and iij houses and pays xvj i<sup>d</sup> p ann.

Roger Cok holds a bov. & two houses at viij<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup>. He also holds half bov. of land & two cottages with two houses at ix<sup>s</sup> v<sup>d</sup> per ann. And he paid vj viij<sup>d</sup> for his admission.

Roger, son of Will. Jackson, holds a bovate & two cottages with certain lands with three houses for xij<sup>s</sup> v<sup>d</sup> per ann.

Roger Vescy holds a fourth part of a bov. with two houses at ij<sup>s</sup> per ann. He gave vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> for his admission.

Dyoclesian Taylor holds one house w<sup>t</sup> a garden at xij<sup>d</sup> per ann.

#### **Bobenhull**

Henry Wright holds half a bovate of I. with ij houses at iiij<sup>s</sup> j<sup>d</sup> per ann.

John Andrew holds j bov. of land with no edifices at vij<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup>. He offered to the jury . . so that he might not be burdened wiih any buildings. He also holds a parcel of meadow at 3<sup>d</sup>.

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*In dorso* - Thorn. Grygge took up a mess, and half a bovate of land formerly in the tenure of John Cocke at v<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> per ann. And he gave vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> for his admission.

In the accounts of William Ffolowe of 13 & 14 Ric. II. we find that the stone quarry only produced £4 that year, having stood unworked for a time for want of purchasers.

Mention is made of a house formerly the Chapel of the Blessed Mary which was let for vj<sup>d</sup> the half year, but which was in a state of decay.

At the back of the preceding accounts have been copied those of Roger Burgilon for 3 Ric. II.:-

"For parchment purchased for the Rolls for this year iij<sup>d</sup> and for parchment bought for the Roll of Accounts for this year & last, for the manor of Baslow, vj<sup>d</sup>. Delivered to Lady Johanna de Vernon Ixxix<sup>s</sup> by indenture for rents & profits from Lady Day. Altogether xiiij" x<sup>s</sup>."

#### Baslow Court. Thursday next after SS. Pet & Paul. A° XIII Ric. II (1389-90)

The follow persons were-presented for their ruinous tenements &c - William del Burg, John Taillour, Rog. de Butterhales, Rob. Boler, Milicent de Horsley, Will. Pope, Will.

de Folowe & John de Malcome, all to be repaired by a fixed time under penalties of vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup>.

#### Baslow Court. S. Lukes's Day. 14 Ric. II

The jury presented that all the lands & tents which Thomas de Wombwell holds during the life of his wife (besides a bovate of land which was formerly Thomas Smyth's) he holds as that which after the decease of Will. de Calvor fell to Cecily his daughter and next heir.

#### Baslow Court. Wednesday next before Purif. B.V.M. 15 Ric 11 (1391-2)

John Michel and six others were reported for trespass in "Deppedale Wode" throwing down & carrying away the timber and two others for trespassing in Wolleyshawe.

It was ordained as well by the lord's council as by the village community, that if any "labourer" departed from the demesne in summer and did not return by the feast of the Assumption for the measuring\* of the growing crops, in the autumn, he should give  $xj^d$  to the lord for each offence.

The ale taster presented that John Taillour sold ale without the view of the Taster, and all the aforesaid sold by "bolt" & cups, i.e., by false measures.

#### The Jury:-

James North. Rog. Burgon.

Ric. Swan. Rog. de Boterhale.

Will, son of Robt. Thom. Mullener.

Ric. Hykedon. John Taillour.

Henry Taillour. Rob. Saddeler.

John Bagard. John Pope.

#### Baslow Court. Wed. July 16 Anno 16 Ric. II (1392-3)

Sir Thomas de Metham plaintiff, by Ralph his attorney, opposed himself against Will de Ffowlowe on the plea of debt.

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Alice le Wright of Calver sued Thomas le Milner for viij<sup>s</sup>, for wool thread which he owed her. She recovered a pound & a half of thread and iiij<sup>d</sup> damages.

Robert Watson sued Nicholas del Hay because his dog had worried ("momordebat") a pig at his house to the damage of v<sup>s</sup>. The accused denied the charge. In mercy.

Elena, dau. of Will, took up a cottage at Quonborough called Leger-house to hold for life. Ingress xij<sup>d</sup>.

Adam le *Partrykhunter* has a ruinous house. (? A nickname for a poacher.)

#### Baslow Court. S Mark's Day XV1. Ric. II.

Roger Burgon through his attorney Ralph Lech surrendered a mess. & a bovate to the use of John, son of Hen. le Taillour. Yearly rental ix<sup>s</sup> & 1 bonepenny. Ingress vj<sup>s</sup>.

#### Baslow Court. Wednesday next after S. john Bap. A° 16. Ric. II.

Thurstan del Bour paid the sum of xij<sup>d</sup> per ann. for having and burning boles—"habendi & cremendi suos *Boles," i.e., places or mounds for smelting lead ore.* (See Court under S. Luke's Day, 8 Ric. II.; also under the Court of S. Michael, 17 Ric. II.) There are numerous deeds at Belvoir having reference to Thurstan, e.g., Anno 17 Ric. II. - John Yonge and Felica his wife dwelling in Borwe by charter gave & confirmed to *Thurstan del Boure of Tideswell* a mess. in Tideswell between the mess. formerly Henry Dawson's, and the mess, of John Smith "Marchal" with 3 acres in the open fields of "Tydd," which belonged to John son William Hanesone Androwe de Tyddeswell brother of the said Felicia & which descended to Felica by heirship after the death of the said John. Given at Tideswell S. Thomas' Day. Again John le Smyth of Tyddeswell Chaplain & John de Burton Vicar of Bawkewell demised & conf<sup>d</sup>. to *Thurstan del* 

Boure all those lands &c &c which they had of the gift & concession of Thomas Gomfrey & Rich<sup>d</sup> Gomfrey,\* clerks, which they (the Gomfreys) had of the gift & concession of Elizab. dau. of Henry Dawson of Tyddeswell in the fields of Tyddeswell to be held of the chief lords of the fee. Given at Tideswell 13 January Anno 13 Henry IV. (1412).

The following deed (condensed) is more illustrative: —

"Robert 'Ayre' (Eyre) Henry Mapleton parson of the Church of Bonsdale', Thomas Baret & Rich<sup>d</sup> Walkdene, chaplain, deliver concede and by this charter confirm to Robert del Boure son of John del Boure of Qwytfeld (Whitfield) all messuages lands &c in the vill & field of Tyddeswell which they had of the gift and feofment of Thurstan del Boure (except four tents, with their appurts. & buildings adjoining & belonging thereto, viz.; one tenement in which Henry son of Robert dwells, a tenement called Throwley Place and two tenements likewise adjoining in the tenure of John Webster). Having &

<sup>\*</sup> Reaping Assignment, when each man received his allotted task

holding the same of the chief lords of the same by the accustomed services, and if the said Robert del Boure die without lawful heirs of his body, then we will & concede that all the said messuages shall remain to John de Boure & the heirs male of his body: and if the said John should die without lawful male issue, then we will, that all the said estate shall remain to William del Boure of Tatyngton (Taddington) & the heirs male of his body with remainder to the heirs male of the said Thurstan del Boure for ever.+ These

+ In the Charter of the Refoundation of the Foljambe Chauntry in Tides-well Church (vide Cox's "Churches of Derbyshire," II., 287 A.D. 16 Ric. II.) mention is made of "Thurstan o' Boure and Margaret his wife and Margaret mother of the same Thurstan" as having an interest in the prayers of the same Chauntry. It seems that there was a chapel or chauntry also belonging to

witnessing: Edward Ffoliambe Knight, Thomas Ffoliambe Rich<sup>d</sup> de Lytton, Rob. de Mellour, Hugh de Bredbury and others. Given at Tyddeswell on Lord's Day next before the feast of S. James the Apostle, Anno 2 Henry VI.

#### Baslow Court. Wed. after S. John Bap. Day 16 Ric II

Roger Borgoyn has ij "gappes" which require mending. Will. Pope j "gappe". He also cut down ii "*Strangles*" of his Lord's wood.

Great Court of Baslow. Thursday next after All Aaints Day.  ${\rm A^o\,16\,Ric.\,Il^{-}}$ 

+Inq. Jury: -

James le North. John le Taillour. John le North. Will. de Ffroggote.

Rog. Boterhals.

Rog. Burgon.

Hen. le Taillour.

Will. le Pope.

Ric. le Swan.

Will. de ffowlowe.

John de Mulcane.

Nich. del Haye sued Adam le Partr|feex on the plea of trespass because with his horse he had destroyed his barley to the damage of xij<sup>d</sup>, and that with his sheep he had destroyed his growing corn to the val. of ij<sup>s</sup> and with his cows and sheep he had destroyed his barley to the value of xij<sup>d</sup>. The jury declared that the said Nicholas had made an unjust complaint. Wherefore in mercy.

Adam le Patrikhunter, Nich. del Hay, John Taillour had ruinous houses and Rob. le Boler a farmstead out of repair. The jury said the wife of William le Webster

the Bower family. Dr. Cox writes, II., 293, "The parclose of the De Bower Chapel has recently been restored in exactly the same position it previously occupied." The tomb of Thurstan, bearing the recumbent effigies of himself and his wife Margaret, still remains.

<sup>\*</sup> The seal of Richard Gomfrey attached to another deed given at Dronfield 22 Ric II. has a stag's head attired, cabossed, having between the attires the letters "r." 'g." for Rich<sup>d</sup> Gomfrey.

This memorial was replaced in its original position in 1873 at the advent of the present vicar, when it was worthily restored by J. Bower Brown, Esq., J.P., of Woodthorpe Hall, near Sheffield, a descendant of this ancient stock.

had incurred a pain or penalty of xl<sup>d</sup>, in the lord's grace, because she went out of the demesne in Autumn and did not return before the feast of the Assumption; so also did Isolda del Gryffis, and the wife of Robert Cudy, and his daughter Alice, likewise Johanna de Rugeley, Joan de Wheatcroft, Joan le Smylter, and Elena the dau. of William.

# Baslow Court. S. Michael's Day. Anno 17 Ric II

Roger de Boterals took up a mess. formerly Henry le Osteller's at viij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> per ann. & i<sup>d</sup> called Bonepenny. Ingress vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup>.

Rob. le Boler fined  $v^s$  for deterioration of the house held by him, now in the tenure of John del Mulcane.

The jury said that Thurstan del Boure xii<sup>d</sup> for licence to have the Boles within the demesne. Thomas son of Henry de Litton similarly vi<sup>d</sup>. Richard de Litton similarly. Roger de Wormhill iij<sup>d</sup> similarly. Ralph le Barker iij<sup>d</sup> similarly. Here, clearly, we have a company of lead workers all from Tideswell and its immediate vicinity.

The jury presented that Nicholas del Haye did not grind his grain at the lord's mill nor had he paid his multure from Easter until now to the loss of the lord. It was ordained by the lord's advice that the mill roof ought to be repaired by the tenants during the two weeks after the feast of S. Martin next future: everyone in default to pay xij<sup>d</sup> to the lord.

The bailiff presented John Chapman of Calvour for digging turves in The Moss he being an extern and Joan Meveral, Will Hogson, Thomas de Brodbotham for the same fault. Henry Leyr of Midleton had agisted vij sheep.

The jury said that Elena wife of Adam le Partriker is a woman of strife and breaks the appointment of the lord & the tenants. She is amerced  $v^s$ . Elena le Courfur Filota wife of Thomas le Milner, and Adam le Partriker are equally as bad.

Adam de Brometon mowed the lord's common in Leveresfen. In mercy xij<sup>d</sup>. Robert Jeffeson fined xij<sup>d</sup> for fishing in the lord's waters by a weir.

# Baslow Court. Tuesday after S. Mark's Day. 18 Ric II.

It was agreed by the inquest that the whole time of the tenure of Thomas Wombwell in Bobenhull was x years, and they said that Cecilia de Calvour occupied (the same) vij years.

It was ordained by the lord and all the tenants that no tenant in the demesne should keep a pig worth xij<sup>d</sup> un-rung after Michaelmas for a week until the Feast of the Invention of the Holy Cross under a pain of 4<sup>d</sup> for each pig.

Thomas Pope by his attorney Ralph le Lech came & took up a garden called "Le Prestes-zerd" (yard) holding the same for life at the yearly rental of xij<sup>d</sup> with two suits of court. Ingress nil.

## Baslow Court. S. Matthew's Day. A° 18 Ric II

Thomas son of Robert Watson took up a mess. & half a bovate which his father holds in order to help his father, holding according to the custom of the manor, paying yearly iiij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> and bonepenny, the s<sup>d</sup> Thomas to maintain the said mess. & lands at his own expense in all things, timber excepted. Ingress xij<sup>d</sup>.

## Baslow Court. S. Clement's Day. 19 Ric II

+ The inquest jury presented that Will. de Calvour died seised of vj bovates of land in the fee of Baslow of which Emma wife of the said Will. was seised at the end of her life of three bovates & a half which she held of the lord there. And Cecilia dau. of the said William & Emma ought to have had ij bovates of land

of the tenure of Lord le Vernon whence Robert de Hethcote purchased the dower. And they said that she Cecilia entered those two bovates and took seisin as the heir by authority of Lord Richard le Vernon because that Emma mother of the s<sup>d</sup> Cecily wished to make alienation beyond her power for the space of xx years of the land she Cecily occupied & now has held for viij years. And they said that John de Penyston occupied one meadow called Depedale parcel of the said land for a year, after which an arrest was made of the whole land of Will. de Calvour for the arrerages of the s<sup>d</sup> John de Penyston - the arrest extended to half an acre of grain crop.

# Baslow Court. Tuesday after the close of Easter. 19 Ric. II

Jury:-

Rog. de Boterhals. Rich. Hikdon.

John le North. John Grymball.

Robert Labbot.

Hen. le Taillour.

Rob. le Sadler.

Rich. Hobbeson.

John Eliot.

John Taillour.

Will. le Pope.

Will. le Webster.

The house of Thomas Pope to be repaired against next court day, as well as the house of John Taillour of Quordburg, Nich. Dawson, Will, del Fowlowe, Will, le Clerke, Rog. & Will. Pope, Will, de Chinley and others.

Nicholas son of William son of Philip de Grendelford dwells outside the demesne and trespasses in the lord's wood (in mercy). Thomas le Milnour felled trees on his land without licence. William del Pirke felled a tree in le Stonfeld. John del Malcane made a purpresture ploughing the lord's common. He must desist under penalty of half a mark.

# Baslow Court. Wednesday next after Mar. 25 20 Ric. II. (1396-97)

The Bailiff was in mercy, because John de Peniston sen<sup>r</sup> was not present to answer to a plea of debt to the Guild

of the Blessed Mary of Baslow, and he was ordered to distrain.

## Baslow Court. Wed. next after Feast of SS. Phillip & James. Anno 20 Ric. II.

The house of Thomas le Milner was ruinous for want of timber: he was ordered to repair it and the lord would find the material required.

William Pope had a ruinous sheepfold, which he was ordered to repair under penalty of iij<sup>s,</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup>. "Welleyshagh." John de Ruilley occupied the lord's water with a dam or weir (for fishing). John Burgon ground elsewhere without licence: so also did Will, le Milner, Nich. Dawson, Adam le Fowler, Thomas son of Robert, & Rich. Hikden.

## Baslow Court. Wed. in feast of S. Margaret. 21 Ric. II

The jury presented that John de Ruilley occupied the lord's waters with a "leppe" ("Leap" (Ang. Sax.) a weel, a kind of long twiggert basket snare to catch fish), and so did Ralph Tibbeson and Rob. Jeffeson.

## Baslow Court. Tuesday next after S. Hillary. 21 Ric. II

The following persons came and did fealty for the lands and tenements they held in Baslow, Rob'. Labbot, Rog. de Boterhals, Ric. Hebdon, Rog. le Pope, Rich, fil Robert, Will. del Fowlow, John Oserynne, Will, de Chynley, John Grymbald, Thorn, fil Robert, Nich. Dawson, Thom. le Milner, John le Smyth.

Robert Labbot was at the inquest to respond to Ralph le Lech, for Ralph had impounded Labbot's sheep which he had taken in his corn, and the said Labbot had broken the pound by taking his sheep out to the value of 40°. Lech further complained that Labbot had destroyed his corn with his sow and pigs, and his white corn too last year, to the value of iij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> & that no

inquest was taken. Also his pigs had destroyed his corn to the value of  $xx^d$ , and that two cows had destroyed his oats in his croft to the damage of  $xii^d$ , that an ox had destroyed his growing corn to the loss of  $xii^d$  and that eighty of his hog lambs had destroyed his . . . everywhere in his field to the loss of  $xii^d$ .

It was ascertained by the jury that Robert Labbot vj<sup>d</sup> has made a *rescue* upon Ralph le Lech and that Ralph le Lech might recover of the same Robert vij<sup>d</sup>, and a strike of white wheat for the trespass of the sow & pigs in two complaints, and i<sup>d</sup> for trespass on the Rescue. And he might recover ij of oats or vj<sup>d</sup> for two complaints, and he might recover j bushel of oats for the damage done to his oats in the Holme and ij<sup>d</sup> more for the trespass of the sheep and lambs. (*In mercy.*)

Ralph le Lech Alderman of the Guild of the B. Mary complained against William de Chynley on the plea of debt, the latter came & confessed to ij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup>. In mercy. Also against John le Taillour of Quordburg on the same plea. He was summoned but came not, wherefore he was placed under a pain.

# Baslow Court. Tuesday next before S. John Bap. Day. Anno 21 Ric. II (1397.) Jury: -

Rog. de Boterhals. John de Bagshagh.

Hen. Taillour. John Bagard. John Grymbald. Joh. of Eryn.

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Will. Pope. John Taillour. Tho. le Milner. Rog. Pope.

Will. le Milner. Joh. del Malcane.

It was agreed by the tenants that the tenants of the Lord of Metham did not make an arrangement in old times concerning litigation if an affray was made.

Robert Botralles & John Pillesley were the collectors of the Vernon rents in the 13th of Henry IV, (1412) and the

"Chapel of Haddon" occurs in their accounts. William Blackwell, bailiff of Hadon then. Paid to Robert Botralles and Henry Penyston for the carriage of a pair of millstones from Baslow *to* Harleston, in the month of December, x<sup>s</sup>.

John Horsley, collector of rents for Baslow.- 1 Hen. V.

John Taillour, collector of rents in Baslow in the place of John Contasse. Anno 4 & 5 Hen. V.

"Jakflatt" and "Lynelech" names of fields.

### **Basselowe and Bobenbull**

RENTAL renewed upon the oaths of John Taillour, Will. Penyston, Rog. Scotte, Rob. Botralles, John Pillesley John Horsley on Thursday next after the Feast of S. Barnabas Apostle. A<sup>0</sup> R.R. Hen. V., after the conq., the third.

Sir Roger Leche K holds in Bobenhull by military service &c. heriot & two appearances per ann. and other services of court as it appears from the old customary one mess. and a moiety of a bovate formerly Nykke Dawson's, and long since given to the Guild of S. Mary and he pays iij<sup>d</sup> ob per ann. of true rent.

The same Roger holds there a mess, and a bovate of land called Gristelfeld long since given to the said Guild by the same services and  $iij^s v^d$  rent per ann.

The same Roger holds there a mess, and a bovate of land called Stonehall by the same services and v<sup>s</sup> rent per ann.

He also holds there a mess. & a bovate of land formerly Thomas Wombwell's by the same services &  $v^s$  rent per ann.

He also holds there a mess, and half a bovate of land formerly John de Ryley's by the same services and  $v^s$  rent per ann.

The same Roger holds there a piece of land called Bromeclyf at iiij<sup>d</sup> per ann.

Also v acres of land in Bromley of the Gilde land by the same services and pays xv<sup>d</sup> per ann.

Also a mess. & a bovate of land in Basselowe formerly Robert Leche's at viij<sup>s</sup> per ann.

Also a bovate of land called Dyllefeld by the same services at a half-penny per ann.

Roger Swan holds a mess. & a bov. of land by the same service & pays v<sup>s</sup> per ann.

Nich. Dawson holds half a bovate & half a mess. in Froggote by the same service at ij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> per ann.

John Elot holds a mess. & a bovate of land of the land of Will. Wyn K<sup>t</sup> in Curburg by

the same service & vj<sup>s</sup> per ann.

John North senior holds a mess. & a bov. by the same service at iiij<sup>s</sup> ix<sup>d</sup> per ann.

Roger Leche holds half a mess. & a bov. of land by same service and iij<sup>d</sup> per ann.

John North jun<sup>r</sup> holds a mess. & a bov. of land by the same service and renders *one* pair of boots price iiii<sup>d</sup> per ann.

Felicia Penyston holds ij mess, and a bov. & a half of land in Basselow by the same service & pays viij<sup>s</sup> v<sup>d</sup> per ann.

Rob. Sadeler holds a mess. & a bov. of land by the same service & pays xij<sup>d</sup> per ann.

Will. Leche holds a mess. & a bov. &c. & pays xviij<sup>11</sup> per ann.

John Boterhals holds a mess. & half a bov. of land freely called Ffordefeld by the same serv. & pays xiij<sup>d</sup> half-penny per ann.

Isabel, dau. of Giles holds half a bovate of land called Wyfelde by same serv. at  $xv^d$  per ann.

She also holds a parcel of land & meadow in the Greneway by &c. & pays iij<sup>d</sup> per ann.

Robert de Plumpton Knight (miles) holds a parcel of land & wood Toursthurst by the same serv. & pays ij<sup>s</sup> per ann.

The aforesaid John North sen' holds half of Dillefeld as a bovate of land by the same service & pays a half-penny per ann.

John Comitas holds at will one mess & half a bovate o[ land and pays  $v^s j^d$  per ann. with the bonepenny.

Thomas Brodbotham holds a mess, and a bov. of land and pays ix<sup>s</sup> j<sup>d</sup> with the bonepenny.

Thomas Hobson holds a mess. & a bovate of land formerly Thom. Miller's at ix  $j^d$  per ann. with bonepenny. He also holds a cottage formerly his father's and pap  $xvij^d$   $w^t$  the bonepenny.

Thomas Elot holds a mess. & half a bovate of land formerly William Soler's and pays per ann. with the bonepenny  $v^s j^d$ .

Rich. Burgoyne holds a mess. & half a bovate and pays per ann. with the bonepenny iiij<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup>.

John Marshall holds a mess. & half a bovate and pays with the bonepenny iiijs vijd.

John Taillour holds a mess. & half a bovate & pays with the bonepenny iiij<sup>s</sup> j<sup>d</sup>.

Of one -mess. & ij bov. of land now in the tenure of John Meverell in Basselow in exchange for j mess. & half a bovate formerly in the tenure of John Taillour of Bobenhull per ann. with the bonepenny  $iiij^s j^d$ .

Of one field called Hoggefeld which pays with the bonepenny xiij<sup>d</sup>—but nothing now because it is in the hands of the lord.

Of one co'tt. formerly in the tenure of Elena Cosour which used to pay  $xj^d$  w' the bonepenny - but nothing now because in the hands of the lord.

Of one parcel of land called Lynelegh which paid ij<sup>d</sup> but now in the hands of the lord.

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John North jun. holds x acres of land of Forland in Bobenhull feld of which iiij acres lie upon Lomblowe at ij<sup>s</sup> vj<sup>d</sup> per ann.

Roger Pope Custumar of Basselow.

# Baslow Court held 16 Decemb. Anno 19 Henry VI. (1440)

Jury:-

Roger North. Hen. Wright.

Roger Pope. John de Wales.

Rog. Vessy. John Eagyle.

Rog. Wilkenson. John Hendman.

Ric. Paton. John Hogekynson.

John Cok, sen<sup>r</sup>. John Clerk.

Will. Passelew.

Christopher Talbot 4<sup>d</sup>, John Leek 4<sup>d</sup>, John Wylde 4<sup>d</sup>, owe suit.

Oliver Wolstancroft is out of repairs, former pain xld, to be repaired under pain of xxs.

The roof of Will. Passelows house to be amended by S. Hilary under pain of xiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup>.

John Hendman's house roof to be repaired by Xmas next under pain of  $vj^s$   $viij^d$ .

Robert Malderych has a horse & colt feeding on the common without license.

Roger Elleson, Cecil Colyer, Cecil Moteclogh, Will. Gregory, Rog. Mellour, John Meverell.

Roger Boterhales unpleaded Rog<sup>r</sup> Vessy.

# Baslow. Court of Sir William Vernon Jr held on S. James Day. Anno 38 Henry VI (1459)

John de Schawghe (Shaw) of Somersale acknowledged that he held in right of Alice his wife the daughter & heir of Roger de Wodehouse, a croft called The *Weyfeld* at xv<sup>d</sup> per ann. with suit of court only on Lady Day & Michaelmas; and the same Roger as in right of his

wife Alice holds half a bovate called Grenewey in Basselowe at iij<sup>d</sup> per ann. & suit of court and land in socage. Ordered to shew his evidences at the next court-and he did fealty on those conditions.

John Penyston acknowledged that he held of the lord freely a mess, and a bovate & a half of land w\* the appurts, formerly in the tenure of Henry Penyston his father, deceased, at viij\* iiij<sup>d</sup> per ann. with suit of court and military service of Sea-ward, or as "Warden maratime," with relief and heriot when it should fall. Ordered to shew his evidences at the next court.

Roger Boturhales held freely one mess, with the appurts. formerly in the tenure of Robert Boturhales his father, deceased, at xiij<sup>d</sup> per ann. w<sup>l</sup> suit of court. Ordered to produce his title deeds. He did fealty.

William Dawson acknowledged that he held of the lord freely a mess. & a bovate of land formerly his father's, deceased, at if per ann. Did fealty. Ordered to produce his evidences.

William Andrewe acknowledged that he held freely j *mess.* & iij acres of land formerly in the tenure of John.; Northwood at viij<sup>d</sup> per ann. & suit of court. Had 9 day assigned to produce his evidences.

Roger Boturhals holds i mess. & i bov. in the tenure of John Andrewe at viij" vij<sup>d</sup> per ann. viz.—a parcel called The "Old," a piece of arable called Stonfield at iif 'f & a parcel called Welleford at xiij<sup>d</sup>.

William North holds at the will of the lord accord to custom a mess. & a bov. of land formerly in the tenure of John Bagulley at  $ix^s x^d$  and suit of court & repairs.

William Hobson holds a mess. & a bov. at the will of the lord formerly in the ten. of Roger Cobbe at  $ix^*j^d$  He pays suit of court & does repairs & other customs. He did fealty.

John Cootlowe holds j mess. & a virgate of land at the will of the lord formerly John Dale's at v<sup>s</sup> j<sup>d</sup>.

John Hyndemon holds of the lord a mess. & half a virgate formerly John Thomson's at  $v^s j^d$  per ann. He is responsible for repairs. He holds at will an open field called Hogkynfeld *for the church?* & pays xiij<sup>d</sup> per ann.

A mess. & a bovate of larnd of the Duchy of Lancaster is mentioned as being in Corburg which pays v<sup>s</sup> yearly to William Vernon.

Will. Goton holds a mess. & a bovate at will formerly held by Roger Merchelond at iv<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup> per ann. & repairs.

Roger Whetecroft holds a mess, and a bov. at will formerly in the tenure of Will Johnson at  $iv^s$   $vj^d$  and a croft called Hychecroft at  $xviij^d$ .

Roger Basselow holds a mess. & a bov. formerly Rich. Penyston's at viij<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup>—with repairs, fealty & other services.

John Hobson holds a mess & a bovate formerly his father's at viij<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup> with repairs, fealty & other services.

John Clerk holds a mess. & a bov. at viij<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup>.

Robert Hyndeman holds a mess. & a bov. at viij<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup>,

Robert Gloshop a mess. & a bov. formerly Rich<sup>d</sup> Penyston's at xij<sup>s</sup> xj<sup>d</sup>.

Thorn. Paynton holds a mess. & a bov. at the will of the lord formerly Thomas Trygge's at  $v^s$  iiij<sup>d</sup> per ann.

John Basselowe holds a mess. & a bov. at xvj<sup>s</sup> ij<sup>d</sup> with repairs & other services.

Alice Cobb (Thom. Hayward) formerly wife of John Cobbe holds a mess. & a bovate at viij<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup>.

John Penyston holds a mess. & a bov. & ij cottages at xij<sup>s</sup> xj<sup>d</sup> & other services.

Richard Paton holds ij cottages & half a bov. at v<sup>s</sup> ij<sup>d</sup> & other services.

John Rudyard holds at will of lord j mac at ij<sup>s</sup> with j croft at v<sup>d</sup> and half an acre called Abnecote.

Henry & Roger Wright hold a mess. & a bov. at iv<sup>s</sup> j<sup>d</sup>.

+ Presented that Thomas Trygge who held a mess. at will died since last court. A heriot is due of which the provost there had notice.

Thomas Poynton elected Ale-taster for the foil<sup>9</sup> year and sworn.

Mem<sup>d</sup> for the next court concerning xij rents paid by the heirs of Godfrey Foliambe jun<sup>r</sup> who held by charter of Rich<sup>d</sup> Vernon, to and for Thornshurst viz. for the part formerly Dionis at Wode.

Enquire on behalf of the lord whether Robert Barley unjustly occupies & holds a parcel of meadow called Pygge-burgmedew of the lord's land lying in the demesne of Baslow, and if the same Robert unjustly occupies & holds another parcel of meadow in "le Trust" there and at the rent yearly paid from of old - iij<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup>.

# Court of Sir William Vernon at Baslow, Thursday next after S. Mary Magdaline "mlccclxi" (1461)

(No regnal assignment—a critical time.)

The jury presented that John Penyston's house is not sufficiently repaired, and the houses of Tho. Ponnton, Will Andrewe, Rob. Clark, Roger Whetecroft, John Motelow are in the like condition.

John Gugate Innkeeper sells bread and ale contrary to the assize.

Shakespeare makes Jack Cade, when vowing a reeformation, to say, "There shall be in England seven half-penny loaves sold for a penny; the three-hooped pot shall have ten hoops: and I will make it felony to drink small beer." - Hen. VI., pt. 2, Scene II.

Roger Whetecroft broke an arrest made by the 'Headman' regarding a pair of millstones.

# Baslow Court, held Wed. before S. Edward the King's Day. Anno 8 Edward IV (1468-9)

The jury said on their oath that John Earl of Shrewsbury, Thom. Wyld, Rob. Dawson, John Revell, Rich. Leche, & John Wright formerly of the lands of William Wyn Knight now in the hands of the Duke of Clarence being free tenants, owe suit and have not come. In mercy.

Thom. Horseley, John Giles, Will. Staceye, Tho. Gregorye, Henr. Gregorie, John Gregorie Hen. Havringham, Henr. Doume, John Harrison, John Doume, Will. Watkyn, Ric. Brentkoll, John Borough, Rob. Gregorie Tho. Hayward, and Will. Hayward have trespassed on the moor digging turf and carrying it away without licence. In mercy.

John Soller & John & Will, his sons presented for trespass collecting "le Corke."\*

# Baslow Court. Wed after S. Edmund the King. Aº 9 Edward IV.

Roger Whetecroft, John Heit, Ric. Orme, John Soller, John Cooke, Thom. Milner, Henr. Heyward, Rob. Gregory & John Wylde broke down gaps round about the open field.

## Baslow Court. Anno 12 Ed IV Monday after S. Luke's Day.

John Earl of Shrewsbury Sir Will. Plumpton K' Thom Wylde Ric. Leche the heirs of Rog. North Nich. Dallison & John Penyston jun free tenants owe suit, and have not come. In mercy.

\* In Lancashire *cinders* are sometimes called " Corks ": may the word refer to cinders from the bole-hills? or even *bark*? Perhaps, by transposition, the word has evolved from *Croc* from Croy - mud, slime, much used in those days for stopping the chinks in wattle work, of which the houses of the poorer sort was mainly composed.. This is perhaps the true solution, because the burden of house repair fell upon ihe tenants themselves, the lord only providing them with building timber. These " wattle and dab " walls were usually *within* the building, but when employed for outer work, the clay, when dry, was covered with a thin coat of plaisler, which rendered it impervious to rain.

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A pain was imposed by the lord that all the tenants of this Manor holding under Henry Vernon should have

- i. **a** 'Jack' A very strong leather jerkin made of the thickest whit-leather reaching to the thigh.
- 2. a 'Salelt,' or Salate, a kind of helmet which succeeded the bascinet, and specially distinguished by a projection behind to protect the neck: the earlier versions had visors

Cade—"Many a time but for a sallet my brain pas had been cleft with a brown bill, and many a time when I have been dry and bravely marching, it hath served me instead of a quart pot to drink in." - Hen. VI., pt. i. Scene X. - (Shakespeare.)

- 3 "a sword,"
- 4 "a bow & arrows"

Against the feast of Christmas next, under pain of every one of them 40<sup>s</sup>.

# Baslow Court. SS. Simon & Jude's Day. Anno 13 Ed IV.

- + William Horton has died since last court—an ox was seised for a heriot—his house is ruinous: xx<sup>s</sup>.
- + Thomas Shaw of Somervale is dead.

# Baslow Court. Sed 29 May. Anno 16 Edwd IV.

Roger Whetecroft viij<sup>d</sup>, Thom. Pighells xij<sup>d</sup> the two sons of John Seller. The two sons and daughter & servant of Rog. Boterall, the dau. of John Cook, John Hart & his two daughters & wife, John Rudyard. Wife of Thom. Dekon John Elotte xij<sup>d</sup> and the two sons and two servants of Will. Mather collected "*Corkes*" without permission. In mercy.

Rich<sup>d</sup> Basselow has been occupied in the quarry without leave.

Robert Brentknoll v<sup>s</sup> Thom Pighell V<sup>s</sup> and Will Roworthe broke and arrest made there

upon certain millstones. In mercy.

The jury said Hackewode was enclosed and made separate to the prejudice of the lord and the injury of his tenants.

# Baslow. "Visus," Thursday next after feast of Transf. of S. Edward the King. Anno 18 Edward IV.

Roger Wheatcroft complained that Thom. Horton had detained four pairs of millstones to val. of xxvj<sup>s</sup> viijd., He also complained that Rich. Basselow had detained 2 pairs of stones to val. of xiij<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup>.

John Ellott with two servants had collected " le Corke" upon the moor. In mercy.

Alice North iiijd made an assault upon Margery Ragge & drew blood.

John Seler vj<sup>d</sup> & Will Seler made Hue & cry and Home-sokon upon Roger Decon contrary to the peace. In mercy.

Hue & Cry - An outcry or alarm raised to incite to the pursuit and capture of a felon or robber.

Homsoken. - The immunity of a house or habitation: the privilege of the dwelling, so that he who breaks or infringes that security is said to commit Hamsocen. Hamsoken is commonly defined as an invasion of the dwelling, or an assault made on a house. (Vide: Der lange.)

Hackewodde which was enclosed by Rich<sup>d</sup> Eyre and kept separate by him, now ordered to be opened under pain of vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup>.

# Baslow: frank Pledge in festo S. Petroniffe A° 20 Ed. IV.

Christ. Dervyle Roger Northe Ric. Leche John Revell owes suit.

The wife of Geo. Ffyssher is a common trespasser in the

demense "rasyng and pullyng"\* without licence. In mercy.

Henry Doume & John Gregoriecut down the underwood at Utterhagh.

# Baslow: frank Pledge z Court, Wed. after S. George's Day. Anno 22 Edw. IV. (1482-3)

John Penyston jun<sup>r</sup> collected "le Corke," "Russelhedde."

Rob. Shemel for fishing with "Roddenetts," iid.

John Gregorie for fishing with "Troutsperes" iiijd

.Roger Whetecroft against Roger North on the plea of his detention of one horse val. xiij $^s$ , one pair of spurs, one pair of hunting boots, val. ij $^s$  vj $^d$ , one Gorget, val. ij $^s$ , one pair of gauntlets, iij $^s$  iiij $^d$ , one Salade or Salett, val. v $^s$ . Verdict - The said R. North ought to deliver to the aforesaid Roger the Salett, and viij $^s$  at the feast of S. James and S. Michael.

And afterwards they said that they had the driving of the; whole moor of Baslow and had been accustomed to do so once, viz., after the feast of the Invention of Holy Cross (May

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3), and another time at the feast of; S. Michael every year, and to fine all trespassers taken, there according to the number & nature of their offences, within their own court. (See next court.)

Robert Gregorie ploughed a butt-land on the common  $ij^d$ . He placed a "priests weir " (see Court held 1 Ric. III. through the Derwent river which never was there before.

Henry Elotte ploughed from the common to Calvore bridge, which never was done before.

Inquire whether the land Roger Boterals has appropriated at Stokeholes belongs to the lord.

\*Committing small thefts. Raise=a robbery *N. - syn - "*lifting;" pulling=picking.

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Baslow: frank Pledge. SS. Egb. & Daler: A.D. 1483.

Roger Dervyle made an attack upon Rog. Whetecroft, John Hobbeson and Will Selar and raised the "hue" there contrary to the peace.

Twelve persons were fined for trespassing on the moor collecting "Corke."

+ Rob. Lyome died since last court: yearly rent, ix<sup>s</sup> vij<sup>d</sup>. Heriot a brass pot - house out of repair, ij<sup>s</sup>.

The jury said that lately the Earl of Shrewsbury by Robert Eyre his seneschal had held two great courts by usurpation, one after the feast of Easter, & another after the feast of S. Michael: and in the said court they took the dues & perquisites of Henry Vernon, Esq., against his title & hereditary right; because neither the said Earl nor his seneschal ought to have nor hold any court save that of Court Baron of the tenants belonging to said Earl, and no other court was used of old times because it was found by Verdict before the justices itinerant in the Co. of Derby in the time of Edward III. that all the amercements pertaining to the View of Frank Pledge belonged to the ancestors of the said Henry Vernon, Esq., with all the profits issuing from the same, from the time to which memory did not extend.

And similarly they said that as regarding the driving of the whole Moor in Baslow demesne twice a year, viz., after the Invention of Holy Cross, and after the Feast of Michaelmas, the ancestors of the said Henry Vernon were accustomed to take and drive the moor aforesaid, and all the sheep then found thereon, pertained to the said Henry, and his ancestors from ancient times, & to no other person.

And afterwards they said that Richard Eyre made a driving of the moor this year contrary to the right, title, & heirship of the said Henry Vernon. In mercy. xl<sup>s</sup>.

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# Baslow: View of frank Pledge with Court, 14 Octb. Anno 1 Richard III

Rich<sup>d</sup> Ragge has a gurgit (a weir or dam-head) at ffroggote.

Nich. Dalleson similarly.

Rog. Habergham has a gurget at Corborough.

Thom. Hyndeman the like.

Rob. Coke has a gurgit between Corborough & Bubnell.

Thurstan Elotte has a gurget at Wolloshagh.

Thom. Ruyley has a gurget under Bubnall.

Ric. Eyre has a gurget there.

Ric. Paton has a gurget in Baslow brook.

Ric. Eyre has a gurget there.

Richard Doune, *priest*, has one there likewise, viz., i gurget there under Cumter, without licence. (See Court ... Edw\* IV.)

The servants of Richard Eyre by his command made treses in cutting wood & underwood at Lychemere without licence.

# Baslow: View of frank Pledge. Saturday after the close of Easter. Ao 2 Rich. III

A pain of xl<sup>s</sup> was imposed on Roger Levet that he should amend the quarry above the water of Derwent by 24 June.

+ Richard Paton deceased since last court, his black cow was sent to Haddon for a heriot. ,Joan Paton his widow succeeded to his messuage & half bovate and j pykke within the lord's quarry there. Yearly rent for mess. & land  $v^s$   $x^d$  and for the quarry xiij $^s$  iiij $^4$ .

Nich. Dawson came & took up one pick within the quarry at xiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> yearly rent, and one pair of millstones.

The tenants to make a Pinfalder by 1 Feb. next under a penalty of 40<sup>d</sup> each.

# Baslow: View of frank PI with Court Baron. Wed. next after Corpus Christi. Anno 1 Hen. VII

(All the Rolls representing this reign are on paper.)

+ \* The jury presented that Will. Andrewe who held a messuage with the appurts. in Baslow of the lord by military service & a yearly rent of viij<sup>s</sup> & other services had died since last court & that John Andrew is his son & next heir & is of the age of 21 & more. The Bailiff ordered to make distraint on the said John that he may do to the lord homage, relief, & other services due.

The lands and tents, formerly held by Ric. Page had been entered upon by John Revell as the next heir. The jury said the property was held by military service —and John Revell was of the age of 18 and more, and he entered upon the same because he was under age.

# Baslow. Pisus Anno 4 Henry VII

+ John Shaw who held of the lord by Charter one messuage & divers parcels of land & meadow is dead. John Shaw is his son & heir.

Presented that Philip Leche entered Baslow Moor and within its bounds between Dawkynwaste and Reddebonk the same Philip & his servants found certain sheep &

heifers and drove them to Chattesworth, and put them in the park there, to the injury of the lord, because the said Philip had no right so to do. In mercy, xl<sup>s</sup>.

# Baslow Court a Visus: of Sir Henry Vernon. A° 15 Henry VII. (1500)

Roger Gregory for digging & carrying away turf & peat on the moor iiijd.

Rich. Staley for a similar offence viij<sup>d</sup>,

Presented that "Dominus" Edward Fox chaplain placed a "Leppe" (=a leape) in the lord's water at the end of Cumtor. In mercy.

Richard Newbold placed two 'leppes" in the lord's water at Berebroke. In mercy.

These "leppes' appear to have been baskets placed under the weir to catch the salmon which failed to leap the fall. (From A.S. *Leap*—a basket, hamper or pannier of osiers.)

Philip Leche was presented for digging and acquiring stone on Baslow Moor.

It is ordained by the xii (jury) that no one henceforth shall lead or carry any millstones over the bridge of Basselowe under pain of vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> to the lord for every pair of millstones so carried.

Baslow: Visus Do Henry VII (1500-1)

John Sellar kept a pasture called Grysteley-ffeld separate, when it should be common & open to all the tenants, xij<sup>d...</sup> He also kept Lytyll Toft in the same way.

Roger Butterals reserved Lytyll Wodecroft in the same manner.

Robert Tune likewise excluded the tenants from Brygefurlong in Bubnell and all other pastures near the Hall of Bubnall which lie common & open to the tenants of Baslow.

John Hyngeman reserved Newland to himself.

Richard Bayle treated Butterals Close in the same manner.

Roger Wood excluded the other tenants from Derecroft & Madecroft.

Will. Milne of Tottenley presented for collecting "Corke."

Will. Malyn raised & placed a weir in the Derwent on the lord's ground. Richard Newbold also placed one in Berebrook on the lord's land.

John Haregreyne raised a weir on the lord's land in Urnberley broke without leave.

George Earl of Shrewsbury raised & placed a weir on the lord's ground in the Derwent, and stopped the water-course between the lord's mill of Baslow. (? Between the Derwent & the mill.)

Robert Gregorie ploughed upon the lord's ground at Shollebrodes in North field. Thomas Pethell did the same at Bridgefurlong & Brode Rodes.

Rob. Gregorieof Baslow stopped the common way at Dykestone hille. Roger Butterhals stopped a water-course at Lydde-yate.

Thomas Harrison incurred the pain of vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> because he carried millstones over Basselow Bridge contrary to the order made.

Roger Whetecroft made his ditch upon Aston Clyff justly & rightly on the lord's ground and the quykesete stands on the lord's ground too & not otherwise.

Baslow: Frank P Visus of Sir Henry Vernon. Do 17 Hen. VII., held Monday next after the Feast of Invention of Holy Cross

Presented that Robert Tune had inclosed a pasture called Hakedwode by command of George Earl of Shrewsbury which is the sole property of Sir Henry Vernon lord of Baslow against the will of the said Henry, and thus he holds it distinct as belonging to the said George against the Form of Right which it never was originally. In mercy. The said Robert is commanded to throw the fence down and lay the said pasture open against next court day under pain of xi<sup>s</sup> forfeit to the lord. The said Rob. Tune cut down the trees & thorns in Hakewode. In mercy.

Because this roll is so tattered, it is desirable that the following particulars recorded therein should be preserved.

- "Presented that the s<sup>d</sup> George Earl of Shrewsbury holds by force (vim.) 6 acres of land in Bromley Field, and 5 acres of land in Bubnell field, which is near the ground of the said Sir Henry Vernon K<sup>t</sup>, and the aforesaid Henry and all his ancestors ever had it time out of mind and the said Earl and all his ancestors never before had it but the said Earl of Shrewsbury now occupies it by force contrary to the form of right. In mercy.
- It. The said Earl of Shrewsbury raised and placed a "Weere" upon the ground of the lord in the Derwent to the injury of the same lord and tied or bound it (*ligavit*) to the ground of the s<sup>d</sup> lord against his will and it never was so before. In mercy.
- It. The said George Earl of S. lately by his power occupied & held the mill of Bubnell and received the whole multure of the same which the said Henry Vernon and all his ancestors always had a moiety of the multure of the same mill without any interruption from time immemorial, and the said earl lately by his power received the said multure contrary to the form of right, &c.

The said George Earl of S. by his might lately occupied & holds a selion of land called Whiteley and another selion which John Penyston holding of the said Henry Vernon formerly occupied & held in right of the said Henry, and a parcel of meadow there which the said John P. held from time immemorial, and now the said Earl has taken the aforesaid two selions, and occupies by his power contrary to the form of right. In mercy.

John Parker purchased of Robert Coke a messuage & diven lands which the s<sup>d</sup> Robert held in Bubnell and wjich were held of the lord of Baslow by military service for which there fell to the lord homage relief fealty & other services with a heriot. The bailiff ordered to make seisure until &c.

The said George Earl of S. purchased of the said John Parker the aforesaid messuage with certain lands in Bubnell which s<sup>d</sup> messuage with the appurts. were held of the lord,of Baslow by military service whence there fell to the lord homage relief fealty & other services with a heriot, &c, &c.

Baslow: Vis Ffranc Pledge. Of Henry Vernon K<sup>t</sup> held on Tuesday next after the Feast of S.Luke A° 19 Hen VII

Will. Hallingworth of Bubnell, Rich. Bageshaw of Corborowe.

Rog. Gregoriedug turf & peat on East moor. As also Lady Catherine Eyre.

Thurstan Lowe of Hassop, Henry Hasalam, do., Ric. Bardalfe, do., Thom. Barley of Stoke.

It. presented William White Chaplain (and others) for fishing in the lord's waters, and raising a weir in the same, and attaching it to the ground of the said lord without leave, to the injury of the lord's mill.

Rog. Butterals holds Grysteleyffeld to himself which is common & open to all the tenants.

Emmota Wright the same with Dilfield.

Roger Wood the same with Bromley pasture.

Ric. Newbold keeps Le Flattes which is also common.

John Haregreyve the same with Fforde filde.

Henry Dawson the same with Derecroft & Maddecroft.

Robert Cune holds Brigeforlong separate.

John Cokke holds John Cokke Weyre separate.

Rob. Gregorie keeps to himself a pasture on Bakestone Hill

John Gregorie cut " Asshe plantez" in Lechemeyre wood under Derwent.

+ Roger Butterals died since last court. Roger his son & heir is of full age.

Basselowe: Court of Frank Pledge of Hen. Vernon @ Wed. next after All Saints' Day. Anno 20 Henry VII. (1505)

Robert Cune incurred a pain of xx<sup>s</sup> for not casting down a bank at Piebrige Meadowe.

Thomas Haywarde holds Bukerale close separate when it should be in common.

Robert Cune holds Brode close against Bubnell Hall (aulam) and a pasture called Bubnell Dale separate when they should be common.

.Lady Katherine Eyre of Hassop fined iiij<sup>d</sup> for collecting "Fferne" in Bubnell Dale. (Probably for bedding cattle.)

George Leche *(of Chatsworth)* was presented for diminishing a moor called Basselow Moor and now called Chatsworth More, being part of the said Basselowe More and such (right) he has not. In mercy. iij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup>

John Dawson keeps Derecroft Pasture separate when it should be common. Ordered to be thrown open again.

## Baslow Court. Disus. Fr. Pleg 16 Oct 23 Hen.VII (1508)

Robert Kutton was presented because he set the common on fire to the general injury of the tenants dwelling there. In mercy.

John Cocke enclosed a pasture called "Le Wer" against the Form of Right. To be thrown open.

+ John Herideman died since last court. Heriot a cow with her calf.

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+ John Matley died since last court. Heriot due.

Ordered that if any tenant make, hold, or dismiss a sub-tenant without the lord's leave he shall pay a fine of vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup>.

Here follows an undated Rental of the Manor, but obviously about 3 Henry V., comprising the districts of Baslow, Cordbourg, and Bobenhill.

There are rolls for i, 8, Hen. VII.

In the 12<sup>th</sup> year of Eliz. it was provided that:—

'Evy pson aboue x or betwyxt xii yere of age and xx yere, to haue a bowe & ij arowes before the Trynyty Soday & vse the dayly, in payne of eny one xij<sup>d</sup>."

Rolls exist for 12, 15, 16, 17, 19, 20, 21, 23, 29, 30,31, 33, 34, 41 Elizab. Also for 1, 8, 9, 10, 11 (a suit Roll for 1614), 16, 1615, 1616, 1617, 1618, "a suiteRowle" 16, 19, 20, 21, 22, James I.

Of Charles I. there are rolls for 1629, 1630, 1632, 1633, 1635. Of Charles II. 1663, 1664-5, 1673, ending with a list of suitors for 1673.

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### **NOTES ON WORDS USED**

#### Alienation

The transfer of title to real property, voluntarily and completely. It does not apply to interests other than title, such as a mortgages.

#### **Appurtenance**

- 1. Something subordinate to another, more important thing; adjunct; accessory.
- 2. Law . a right, privilege, or improvement belonging to and passing with a principal property.

#### Assart

- 1. (Old Law) The act or offense of grubbing up trees and bushes, and thus destroying the thickets or coverts of a forest. --Spelman. --Cowell.
- 2. A piece of land cleared of trees and bushes, and fitted for cultivation; a clearing. --Ash. Assart land, forest land cleared of woods and brush.

#### **Bovate**

An old English unit of land area measurement equivalent to one-eighth of a carucate.

#### Carucate

an old English unit of land-area measurement, varying from 60 to 160 acres.

#### Charter

A law, policy, or decision containing a loophole which allows a specified group to engage more easily in an activity considered undesirable: a beggars' charter

### **Fealty**

- 1. fidelity to a lord.
- 2. the obligation or the engagement to be faithful to a lord, usually sworn to by a vassal.

### Heriot

- 1. a payment made, by the heir(s to the lord of the manor, upon the death of a tenant;
- $2. \ \ the \ right \ to \ collect \ this \ payment.$

### **Homage**

See also fealty the act of respect and allegiance made by a vassal to his lord

### Indenture

- 1. a deed or agreement executed in two or more copies with edges correspondingly indented as a means of identification.
- 2. any deed, written contract, or sealed agreement.
- $3.\,$  a contract by which a person, as an apprentice, is bound to service.
- 4. the formal agreement between a group of bondholders and the debtor as to the terms of the debt.

### Messuage

a dwelling house with its adjacent buildings and the lands appropriated to the use of the household.

### Moiety

- 1. a half.
- 2. an indefinite portion, part, or share.

### Suit

A proceeding to enforce a right or claim; specifically: an action brought in a court seeking a remedy for injuries suffered or a determination of rights

### **Tenement**

- 1. a payment made, by the heir(s to the lord of the manor, upon the death of a tenant;
- 2. the right to collect this payment.