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A typical Manor Court Roll starts with apologies for absence and fines for non-attendance without excuse, followed by a list of local tenants serving on the manor jury, or 'Homage'. The 'Court Leet' or 'View of Frankpledge' dealt with minor offences, disputes between neighbours, and such matters as failing to keep ditches clear. The early Rolls list those with goods worth more than 30 pence, and those keeping pigs (and how many they kept). The 'Court Baron' dealt with property transactions and inheritance matters. Sometimes the functions of the two Courts, almost invariably held one after the other on the same day, overlapped. In time, the 'Court Leet' became increasingly less important.

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Roll C2 (front)

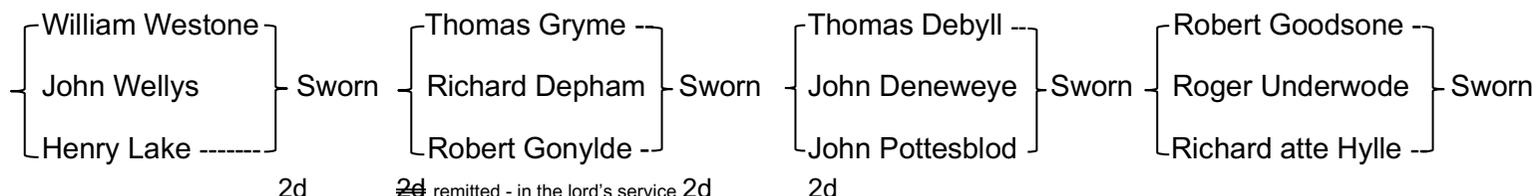


Part 1 17 Nov 1429

Dyllewyssh ¶ View of Frank pledge with Court, there held on the Thursday next after the feast of saint Martin, in the eighth regnal Year of King Henry, the sixth after the conquest of England

[Excuses none]

Common fine 4s { John Colkok & William Dockyng, Head pledges, with the whole tithing there, Sworn, present of common fine, assured at this day, 4s which they pay, as is the way, in open Court.



amercements 8d { present that Richard Aleyn, William Baker, Cristina Knyght, & John Colyn, make default at this View. Therefore they are amerced. And that William Mulling, servant of Simon Dockyng, does not come to put himself in a tithing of the lord King Therefore he is amerced.

amercements 14d { John Casyngherst, ale taster, presents that William Lane, John Casyngherst, William Dockyng, Richard at Hylle, Simon Dockyng, Thomas Dockyng, John Lane, are common hucksters of ale, & sold, & broke the assize. Therefore each of them is amerced.

Pannage 16½d { Likewise they present John Colkok for pannage of 4 pigs, William Dockyng for 2 pigs & 10 piglets, Simon Dockyng for 3 pigs, & John Casyngherst for 2 pigs & 3 piglets.

Rompepeny

Rompepeny 8d

Likewise they present that William Westone, John Houchyn, William Lane, Richard atte Hylle, Simon Dockyng, William Dockyng, John William 1d. Casyngherst, John Colkok, are residents having cattle to the value of 30 pence, for which each of them gave the lord, by assured custom, 1d called Rompepeny.

Sworn into the tithing

Thomas Ingholf, Peter Burgeys, & John Morys, are Sworn into a tithing of the lord King.

Now follows of the Court held there the day & year above-stated

amercement 4d

Rent arrears 12d

The Homage present that John Colcok wrongly occupied, and sowed, a half acre of the lord's land called Herewardys, for 6 years without licence. Therefore he is amerced. And the Bailiff is ordered to seize [it] into the lord's hands, & to answer to the lord for the profits, & to levy for the same lord's benefit 12d, for rents of the said John for the said six years past, namely 2d for each year.

John Colcok, 8th Year, sixth [?, 16d], holding there

order to seize

And that the same John, without licence, felled, & took away, one elm worth 12d in the said land, Therefore he is amerced. And the bailiff is ordered to levy, for the lord's benefit, the said 12d, as the value of the said elm, as appraised by the homage.

amercement worth of a cart of underwood 6d

Likewise they present that the same John felled & took away 1 cartload of underwood, in the lord's ground called the 18 Acres, without licence. Therefore he is amerced. And the Bailiff is ordered to levy, for the lord's benefit, of the said John 6d, as the value of the said Cartload of underwood, as appraised by the homage.

amercement 16d

Likewise they present that Henry Pytte of Southlamby[=South Lambeth] churned up the lord's pasture there, with 23 pigs. Therefore he is amerced. And that Robert Morys & Thomas Ingolf did likewise, with Robert Wade's pigs. Therefore they are amerced.

amercement 6s 8d Penalty at the next

Likewise they present that Thomas Haukyn overloaded the lord's common pasture, with 600 rams, without licence. Therefore he is amerced. And he is ordered to make amends before the next [court], under penalty of 20s.

amercement 12d
Penalty at the next { Likewise they present that William Wythemedede overloaded the common pasture, with 12 of Thomas Dekene's bulls. Therefore he is amerced. And he is ordered to make amends before the next [court], under penalty of 6s 8d.

amercements 18s
[sic, 19s] { Likewise they present that Richard atte Hylle, William Dockyng, Thomas Dockyng, John Aleyn, William Austyn, John Hamond, [erased] John Drynkwater, Joan Gonylde, collected & sold acorns without licence. Therefore they are amerced.

s [?]
Heriot 9s 6d
Fealty &
Fine --- 6s 8d { To this [Court] came William Lane & his son Richard Lane, & surrendered into the lord's hands one messuage & about 30 acres of land, with appurtenances, which were lately those of Richard Bierlyng's daughter Elena Edys, who held within the lord's fiefdom by Court Copy, Whereby befalls the lord, called a Heriot, as much as they gave the lord as rent, by the custom of this manor, because they had no animals, to the benefit of Thomas Lane, son of the aforesaid William Lane. And he has seisin by the rod in open Court, To have & to hold to himself & his [heirs], at the lord's will, according to the custom of this manor, Rendering & making all rents & services thereof hitherto owed & accustomed at the usual times. And he gave the lord 6s 8d, as a fine for having entry, And he made fealty to the lord, And he was admitted.

Heriot [blank]
Fealty &
Fine ----- 20d { To this Court came John at Brygge, & surrendered into the lord's hands 6 acres of land called Robynmannysfeld, whereby be falls the lord, called a Heriot, as much as he gives the lord for rent, by the custom of this manor, because he had no animals, to the use of Richard Bakere. And he has seisin by the rod in open Court. To have & to hold to himself & his [heirs], at the will of the lord, according to the Custom of this manor, Rendering & making all rents & services therefor hitherto owed & accustomed. And he gave the lord as a fine for having entry 20d, And he was admitted, And he made fealty to the lord.

Summons before the next [court] { John Houchyn, plaintiff, against William Lane, in a plea of trespass. And ^ the Bailiff & Thomas Gryme are prosecution pledges. And in this regard the Bailiff is ordered to summon the same William before the next [Court].

Assessors, sworn { John Deneweeye } Total of this View with Court [blank]
 { John Colcok ----- }

Part 2 30 Jan 1431

Dyllewyssh ¶ View of Frankpledge with Court there held on Tuesday next after the feast of the Conversion of saint Paul in the ninth regnal Year of King Henry, the sixth after the conquest of England

(John Colcok & William Dockyng, Head pledges, with the whole tithing there, Sworn, present as the common fine at this View – 4s
 Common fine 4s {
 (which they pay, as is the way, in open Court.

12 Jurors for the King { Richard Depham } Sworn { William Dockyng } Sworn { Richard Bakere of Pecham } Sworn { Richard atte Hylle } Sworn
 { John Casyngherst } Sworn { Roger Underwode } Sworn { Thomas Debylle } Sworn { John Pottesblode } Sworn
 { Thomas Gryme } Sworn { John Howchyn } Sworn { Robert Goodsonne } Sworn { John Colcok } Sworn
 2d junior, 2d 2d 2d 2d 2d 2d 2d 2d

(present that John Cartere \wedge Richard Aleyn, Cristine Knyght, Henry Lake, Simon Dockyng, John Deneweeye, John atte Brygge,
 (2d 2d 2d 2d 2d
 amercements 22d { Robert Gonell, John Wellys, Richard Colyn, & Thomas Haukyn, make default at this day. Therefore they are amerced. And it is
 (ordered to distrain them before the next [Court], to satisfy the lord about several defaults of common suit.

It is ordered against the next { Likewise they present that the High way next to the lord's land called Cogmannyscroft & Clementysfelde is flooded, to the nuisance of the country, because of a lack of scouring of the lord's ditches by the fault of the [demesne] farmer. Therefore he is ordered to make amends before the next [Court]. And that the High way next to the lord's land called Howlottes is flooded, to the nuisance of the country, because of a lack of scouring of Ditches on each side of the aforesaid way. Therefore the said farmer is ordered to make amends before the next [Court] &c.

amercements 6d { 2d 2d 2d
(Likewise they present that William Mullyng, William the servant of John Casyngherst, & John Bochier, residents of this lordship do not come to put themselves in the tithing of the lord King. Therefore they are amerced.

amercements 9d { 3d 3d 3d
(John Casyngherst, ale taster, presents that Simon Dockyng, William Dockyng, & John Casyngherst are common hucksters of ale, & sell ale by false measures. Therefore they are amerced.

Rumpepeny 7d { 1d 1d 1d 1d 1d
(Likewise they present that John Howchyn, Richard atte Hylle, Roger UnderWode, John Colkok, John Casyngherst, ?Thomas Dockyng, Simon Dockyng, are residents having cattle to the value of 30 pence, for which each of them gave to the lord, by ancient custom, an assured 1d called Rompepeny.

sworn into a tithing { Stephen Hunte & William Jonsone were Sworn into a tithing of the lord King.

now of the Court on the back

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c-----Further of the within-written Court

several messuages &

Heriot { (The Sworn Homage present that William Westone has closed his last day, who held of the lord in villeinage on the day he died ^ about
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(57½ acres of land, according to the custom of the manor, Whereby befalls to the lord, as a heriot, as much as he gave the lord
(
(the Jurors
{ for rent, because he had no animals . And who his nearest heir is, ^ still do not know. Therefore the [demesne] farmer (on behalf of the
(beadle) is ordered to seize & keep the said lands in the lord's hands, until &c., And to answer to the lord for the profits, saving the right
(
(of whomsoever &c

Excuse { Thomas Debylle excuses himself from common [suit], by -----John Colkok.

4d

amercement 4d { Likewise they present that Simon Dockyng felled & carried away 2 Cartloads of underwood, worth 16d as appraised by the homage,
value of underwood 16d { from the lord's ground called [---blank---]. Therefore he is amerced. And the [demesne] farmer (on behalf of the beadle) is ordered to
(levy the said 16d, to the benefit of the lord.

6d.

amercement 5s 8d { Likewise they present that Richard Bakere of Pecham overloaded the common pasture there with 600 sheep, on several occasions.
(
(12d.
{ Therefore he is amerced. And that William Ingolf likewise overloaded the common pasture with 300 sheep &c. Therefore he is
(8d. 3s. 6d.
{ amerced. And that Robert Goudsone with 300 sheep, John Hyndefot with 300 sheep, & John Brutone with 160 sheep, likewise
(
(overloaded the common pasture, without licence. Therefore they & each of them is amerced.

(7 piglets, namely for each pig over a year old 1d, and for each piglet a halfpenny.

(Likewise they present that John Howchyn, John Colkok, Thomas Lane, Richard atte Hylle, Simon Dockyng, William Dockyng,
(1d

Rumpepeny 6d { Cecilia Casyngherst, are residents having cattle to the value of 30 pence, for which each of them gave the lord 1d, of old
(custom called Rumpepeny.



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Sworn into the tithing { William Kyrbrygge, John Piers, & William Gawayne, are Sworn into the tithing of the lord King at this View.

& the said

Elections

(Thomas Lane is elected into the office of Headpledge in place of John Colkok, & is Sworn. ^ John Colkok is elected into
{
(the office of ale taster in place of John Ingolf, & is Sworn.

c-----Now of the Court held the place, day & Year above-written

Excuses

(Thomas Debylle excuses himself from common [suit], by ----- John Colkok
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(Robert Gonylde excuses himself from common [suit], by ----- John Howchon
{
(John Deneweeye excuses himself from common [suit], by ----- John Colkok
(
(John Wellys excuses himself from common [suit], by ----- Richard atte Hylle

ameracements 8d.

(The Homage present that Richard Aleyne, Richard Bakere, Cristina Knyght, Joan Colyn, make default at this Court.
{
(Therefore they are amerced.

his attorneys,

(At this [Court] Thomas Haukyn surrendered into the lord's hands, by the hand of Thomas Ingolf & John Colkok, ^ all lands &
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(tenements which he had & held according to the custom of the manor, within the lordship of Dyllewyssh, to the use of William
(

Assessors { John Cartere }
 { Richard at Hylle } Sworn

Total of this Court with View [blank]

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