



William del Scolefeld because he did not prosecute; surety John del Scolefeld - - iij. d.  
 The wife of Nicholas, the smith, for license to brew; surety her husband - - - - iij. d.  
 The wife of Thomas de Hall for bad beer brewed; surety John del Hall - - - - iij. d.  
 The wife of Geoffrey of the Hill, for the same; surety her husband - - - - iij. d.  
 The wife of Adam de Paris for the same; surety her husband - - - - - iij. d.  
 Henry de Burton for license to sell flesh; surety Nicholas, the clerk - - - - vi. d.  
 William de Howorth for detention of debt; surety Adam Paris - - - - - iij. d.  
 Michael de Heghelegh for entering a burgage; surety John de Milnehous - - - xii. d.  
 William de Howorth for non-payment of debt; surety Alexander de Mosily - - iij. d.

PERQUISITES OF THE COURT OF RACHDALE, MONDAY NEXT AFTER THE FEAST OF  
 ST. NICHOLAS,<sup>1</sup> 9 [EDWARD III. 1335].

Henry the son of Geoffrey de Romesdene for trespass; surety Richard del Dene - vi. d.  
 Thomas of the Slakes, . . . . . ; surety Henry de Belefeld - - - iij. d.  
 William the son of Richard Jepson because he failed in law; surety William the  
 son of Richard - - - - - iij. d.  
 Nicholas de Hopwode for an affray upon Magota the daughter of Henry; surety  
 Nicholas de Clegges - - - - - ij. d.  
 The same Nicholas for the same against Adam of the Dene; surety Adam de Scolefeld - iij. d.  
 Magota the daughter of Thomas de Wordhill for trespass, on two pleas; surety  
 Richard de Wordhill - - - - - iij. d.  
 Henry the Hayward for detention of debt;<sup>2</sup> surety Adam de Scolefeld - - - iij. d.  
 Agnes, who was wife of Henry de Windibanks, for defective service; surety Henry her son vi. d.  
 Adam de Turnough for false claim; surety Nicholas, the clerk - - - - iij. d.  
 Robert of the Stockes, for the same; surety Adam de Belefeld - - - - iij. d.  
 William the son of Peter of the Wode for breaking the peace; surety Nicholas  
 of the Slakes - - - - - iij. d.  
 Matilda ffox for the same; surety John Jepson de Butterworth - - - - iij. d.  
 William the son of Richard Jepson for the same; surety John del Scolefeld - - iij. d.  
 Adam de Scolefeld because he had not [produced] John, the smith - - - - ij. d.  
 William Cissore for breach of the peace against Alexander de Mosileigh; surety  
 Nicholas, the clerk - - - - - iij. d.  
 The same William for the same on two pleas; surety the same Nicholas - - - iij. d.  
 William the son of Richard Jepson, who did not attend upon inquisition proclaimed  
 of William the son of Richard - - - - - ij. d.  
 Roger de Dernlegh, because he did not prosecute; surety William de Wylde - - iij. d.  
 William de Scolefeld for trespass; surety John de Scolefeld - - - - - iij. d.  
 The same William for detention of debt; surety the same John - - - - - ij. d.  
 Henry Tirry, because he did not prosecute; surety John de Scolefeld - - - - vi. d.  
 John the son of Richard Anisknave, for selling flesh against the assize; surety Adam  
 de Scolefeld - - - - - iij. d.  
 Robert Jepson, for ingress to an acre of land; surety Alexander the son of Amerius x. d.

<sup>1</sup> St. Nicholas is on 6th December.

<sup>2</sup> Debt must of course be taken in its widest sense, not merely as a question of a sum due.

PERQUISITES OF THE COURT OF RACHDALE, THURSDAY NEXT AFTER THE FEAST  
OF THE EPIPHANY,<sup>1</sup> 9 EDWARD III. [1336].

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| Henry the son of Thomas of the Holte, for defective service; surety William of the Brigges       | iiij. d. |
| John de Aulus for not producing Henry the dyer [Lister] and John the smith, whom<br>he essoigned | iiij. d. |
| Alota the kever for breach of the peace; surety Robert de Helay                                  | vi. d.   |
| Robert de Haworth for unjust detention of debt; surety John de Buckelay                          | vi. d.   |
| Thomas de Aulus for breaking the peace; surety Adam de Scolefeld                                 | iiij. d. |
| Nelle Harder for the same; surety Adam de Scolefeld  | iiij. d. |
| William le Suker for taking away tolls; surety Adam de Scolefeld                                 | iiij. d. |
| Roger de Neuham for stealing bread; surety Henry Huddeson  | xii. d.  |
| Henry de Wordil for placing wood in the enclosure; surety John de Scolefeld                      | iiij. d. |
| Geoffrey de Clegges for the same; surety Nicholas de Clegge                                      | iiij. d. |

PERQUISITES OF THE COURT OF RACHDALE, THURSDAY NEXT AFTER THE FEAST OF  
THE PURIFICATION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,<sup>2</sup> 10 EDWARD III. [1336].

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| John de Aulus who did not produce Dande of the Greue whom he avowed                     | ij. d.   |
| William Tirry for trespass; surety John del Scolefeld                                   | ij. d.   |
| The Bailiffs for not producing Henry the dyer   | iiij. d. |
| The same for not producing William de Butterworth                                       | iiij. d. |
| Geppus the son of Michael for breach of the peace; surety Michael de Clegg              | iiij. d. |
| John the smith for unjust detention of debt; surety Nicholas de Clegge                  | iiij. d. |
| The Bailiffs because they had not [brought forward] Richard de Baumford                 | iiij. d. |
| Henry de Haworth and William the son of Richard de Haworth; surety elsewhere            | iv. d.   |
| Henry de W . . . . . for unjust detention of debt; surety Nicholas of the Slakes        | iiij. d. |
| Henry de Wordil for not prosecuting; surety William Pillinge                            | iiij. d. |
| Hugh of the Okinrode for breaking the law; surety Thomas de Okinrod                     | iiij. d. |
| Adam [?] de Belefeld, Henry de Belefeld and Roger de Dernilegh for detention<br>of debt | ix. d.   |
| Richard the son of Geoffrey for the same; surety Adam de Scolefeld                      | iiij. d. |

PERQUISITES OF THE COURT OF RACHDALE, WEDNESDAY NEXT AFTER THE FEAST  
OF SAINT CEDDE<sup>3</sup> THE BISHOP, 10 EDWARD III. [1336].

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| Adam the son of Henry de Belefeld for default in law  | . . . . . |
| William the tunnewright for the same  | iiij. d.  |
| Thomas the son of William Stottes and Cecilia who was wife of Richard of the<br>Mill for the same | vi. d.    |
| The Bailiffs for not having <sup>4</sup> Nicholas de Hopwoode                                     | vi. d.    |

<sup>1</sup> Epiphany = 6th June.

<sup>2</sup> This feast is on the 2nd February.

<sup>3</sup> St. Chad = 2nd March.

<sup>4</sup> That is, they did not bring him into court.

Adam the son of John de Berdeshill for breach of the peace; surety Nicholas of the Slake - - - - - iij. d.  
 The Bailiffs for not having Thomas the son of John Nicholas the cobbler [sutor] for breach of the peace; surety Adam de Scolefeld - - - - - iiij. d.  
 John de Aula for not having Hugh the miller, whom he had avowed - - - iij. d.  
 William of the Shore for breach of the peace; surety Adam de Scolefeld - - iij. d.  
 Dande of the Green and . . . . . for trespass - - - - - iij. d.  
 John of the Slakes and Richard the son of Geoffrey for the same; surety elsewhere iij. d.  
 The Bailiffs for not having Adam Turnaugh - - - - - iij. d.  
 Alexander de Moselegh and Richard the hirdman because they had not those they undertook to produce - - - - - vj. d.  
 The Bailiffs because they had not Richard Tilleson - - - - - iij. d.  
 Thomas de Kirkeshagh for not prosecuting; surety Adam de Scolefeld - - - iv. d.  
 William de Winde [bank] for false claim; surety Nicholas of the . . . . . iij. d.  
 The Bailiffs for not having Job the son of Richard de Butterworth - - - - iij. d.  
 The tenents of the rodeland for . . . . . putura<sup>1</sup> at the feast of St. Michael xv. d.

PERQUISITES OF THE COURT [AT RACHDALE] WEDNESDAY . . . . . EASTER<sup>2</sup>  
 10 EDWARD III. [1336].

Nicholas de Hopewode for unjust detention of debt; surety John de Scolefeld - iiij. d.  
 The same Nicholas for the same against John de Hetham; surety Nicholas de Slakes iiij. d.  
 William Dandeson for false claim; surety Henry de . . . . . iiij. d.  
 William the son of Perkyns for trespass; surety . . . . . de Scolefeld - - - iiij. d.  
 The Bailiffs for not having Richard de Baumford - - - - - vj. d.  
 Nicholas de Hopewode and Aircia his wife for breach of the peace; surety N. . . . vj. d.  
 . . . . . de Whitacres and William le Wylde for detention of debt; surety elsewhere vj. d.  
 . . . . . for not prosecuting; surety John de Scolefeld - - - - - iiij. d.  
 . . . . . of the Slagh for the same; surety Adam de Scolefeld - - - - - iiij. d.  
 . . . . . John de Brodelegh for breach of the peace; surety Adam de Scolefeld . . . .  
 . . . . . for not having John the smith for whom he was surety; surety Adam de Scolefeld - - - - - iiij. d.  
 . . . . . for unjust detention of debt; surety Adam de Belefeld - - - - - . . . .  
 The Bailiffs for not having Henry de Wordil - - - - - . . . .  
 Philip the son of Geoffrey de Butterworth because he did not prosecute - - - iiij. d.  
 . . . . . surety Nicholas de Clegges - - - - - iij. d.

PERQUISITES OF THE COURT OF RACHDALE, THE DAY OF MARCH NEXT AFTER THE  
 FEAST OF . . . . . 10 EDWARD III. [1336.]

Richard the miller for detention of debt; surety Adam de Belefeld - - - - - vj. d.  
 Nicholas of the Clegh for not having Richard de Baumford for whom he was surety iiij. d.

<sup>1</sup> Putura = food for men and cattle claimed by forest keepers or bailiffs.  
<sup>2</sup> This year Easter Day was on 31st March.

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| Cecilia the daughter of Robert de Whitworth because she did not prosecute;<br>surety Thomas de . . . . .   | vj. d.               |
| [A portion of the M.S. here is quite illegible.]   |                      |
| John de Aula because he had not Richard de Baumford; surety N. de Cleggs<br>. . . . . the son of John de Birdishill for breach of the peace; surety Adam<br>de Scolefeld . . . . . | iiij. d.<br>iiij. d. |
| John the son of John of the B . . . . . because he did not prosecute; surety<br>. . . . . of the Slack . . . . .   | vj. d.               |
| The same for the same against William of the . . . . . per surety of . . . . .   | iiij. d.             |
| The same for the same against Adam the son of Adam of the . . . . . surety . . . . .   | ij. d.               |
| Henry de W . . . . . for detention of debt . . . . .   | vj. d.               |
| Walters de . . . . . because . . . . .   |                      |
| William de Whitacre for not prosecuting; surety Henry de Scolefeld . . . . .   | iiij. d.             |
| . . . . . de Cothope [?] for false claim; surety . . . . .   | iiij. d.             |
| William de Crosselegh . . . . .  |                      |
| Nicholas of the . . . . .  |                      |

PERQUISITES OF THE COURT OF RACHDALE THE TUESDAY NEXT AFTER THE FEAST  
OF HOLY TRINITY,<sup>1</sup> 10 EDWARD III. [1336.]

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| Roger de Crosseshagh for putting his hay in the enclosure of the Queen; surety<br>Adam de Scolefeld . . . . .          | iiij. d.  |
| The Bailiffs for not levying the debts respited . . . . .  | iiij. d.  |
| William de Howorth for unjust detention of debt; surety John de Scolefeld . . . . .                                    | iiij. d.  |
| Richard of the mill for not having Nicholas de Hopewode; surety Nicholas of the Slackes . . . . .                      | iiij. d.  |
| Richard of the mill for the same; surety Thomas Cissore . . . . .  | iiij. d.  |
| John the smith for ingress to an enclosure; surety Nicholas of the Slackes . . . . .                                   | iiij. d.  |
| John the smith and Henry le Dyer [Lester] for unjust detention of debt; surety elsewhere . . . . .                     | vj. d.    |
| Margota Wegge for breach of the peace; surety Nicholas of the Slackes . . . . .  | iiij. d.  |
| Agnes Colle because of default in law . . . . .  | iiij. d.  |
| Adam de Scolefeld for a stray beast of burden sold to him; surety Nicholas de Cleggs . . . . .                         | vj. d.    |
| Agnes the daughter of Dande de Oxsilegh for false claim; surety Adam de Belefeld . . . . .                             | iiij. d.  |
| John de Holdene and John of the Slackes for unjust detention of debts; surety<br>elsewhere . . . . .                   | iiij. d.  |
| Agnes de Clegge because she did not prosecute; surety Thomas of the Stokes . . . . .                                   | iiij. d.  |
| Richard the son of Adam de Belefeld for the same; surety John de Aula . . . . .  | iiij. d.  |
| John the smith because he had not Richard de Baumford; surety Nicholas de Clegges . . . . .                            | iiij. d.  |
| Robert the son of Dande de Whitworth for false claim; surety J. de Scolefeld . . . . .                                 |           |
| Henry Tirry because of default in law; surety Adam de Scolefeld . . . . .  | iiij. d.  |
| Richard of the mill because he had not Nicholas de Hopewode and Avisia his<br>wife; surety John de Scolefeld . . . . . | iiij. d.  |
| Henry de Wordil and Adam de Bordeshill for unjust detention of debt; surety elsewhere . . . . .                        | viiij. d. |

<sup>1</sup> In 1336 Trinity Sunday was on the 26th May.

Henry de Wordil for non-appearance; surety John de Scolefeld - - - - - ij. d.  
 John de Aula because he had not Henry of the hill, whom he avowed - - - ij. d.  
 William of the Shore and Nicholas of the Shore for unjust detention of debt;  
     surety elsewhere - - - - - vj. d.  
 William ffox for selling ale against the assize - - - - - vj. d.  
 William de Haworth for unjust detention of debt; surety John de Scolefeld - vj. d.  
 Geoffrey Seye for contempt done in court before the bailiff - - - - - iiij. d.

PERQUISITES OF THE COURT OF RACHDALE, TUESDAY THE MORROW OF THE NATIVITY  
 OF ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, 10 EDWARD III. [1336.]<sup>1</sup>

John of the Sikes for defective service; surety Nicholas of the Slake - - - - xii. d.  
 Nicholas the son of Henry Daweson because of default in law; surety William de Howorth ij. d.  
 Ameria de Aula for contempt done in Court before the bailiffs - - - - . . . .  
 Agnes the daughter of Hugo of Okinrode for breach of the peace; surety Nicholas de Clegges ij. d.  
 Henry Cissore for unjust detention of debt; surety William of the Hill - - - ii. d.  
 Matilda the wife of Peter of the Tonne, for defective service; surety Richard de Wordil iiij. d.  
 Nicholas the son of Elias de Baumford, for breach of the peace; surety Nicholas de Clegges iiij. d.  
 Dande de Mosilegh for breaking down an enclosure; surety Nicholas de Clegges - ij. d.  
 Agnes his daughter, for the same; surety Nicholas de Clegges - - - - - ij. d.  
 Adam the son of Richard Dandeson, for ingress to land; surety Adam de Belfeld vj. d.  
 Henry the son of Thomas the Mercer, for ingress to a burgage in Castleton; surety  
     Nicholas of the Slakes - - - - - xviiij. d.

PERQUISITES OF THE COURT OF RACHDALE, TUESDAY NEXT AFTER THE FEAST OF  
 ST. JAMES THE APOSTLE,<sup>2</sup> 10 EDWARD III. [1336.]

John the son of Adam Maikinson, for breach of the peace; surety Richard of the Boche iiij. d.  
 Alice de Buckelay for unjust detention of debt; surety John de Scolefeld - - - ij. d.  
 William de Whitacre for a false claim; surety Adam de Belefeld - - - - - ij. d.  
 Adam de Turnagh for unjust detention of debt; surety Nicholas of the Slakes - - ij. d.  
 William Berhare and Adam Berhare for trespass; surety Nicholas of the Slakes - - vi. d.  
 John the son of Magota de Hopewode for trespass; surety Nicholas de Clegge - ij. d.  
 Richard the son of Alexander the Hirdmon, because he did not prosecute; surety  
     Nicholas of the Slakes - - - - - iiij. d.  
 Robert the son of Dandy de Whitworth, for unjust detention [of debt]; surety Thomas  
     de Stavesfeld - - - - - ij. d.  
 Robert Jackson de Stubilay for breaking the peace; surety Nicholas his son - - ij. d.  
 Thomas de Horewich, Henry de Belefeld and Dande de Helay, for unjust detention  
     of debt; surety elsewhere - - - - - ij. d.  
 Thomas de Horwich, Roger of the Clogh and Richard de Baumford for the same,  
     against Pabern (?) de Whalley - - - - - iiij. d.

<sup>1</sup> St. John the Baptist's Day is 24th June.

<sup>2</sup> St James's Day is 25th July.

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| Thomas de Stanisfeld and Roger de Dernilegh for the same; surety elsewhere   | - - viij. d.      |
| Robert de Stanringes, William the son of Richard de Haworth, and William de Slovedene for the same; surety elsewhere   | - - - - - vj. d.  |
| John de Turnagh, because he had not Thomas the son of Henry, for whom he was surety; surety A. de Scoleff [Scolefeld?] | - - - - - iij. d. |
| Robert Sistore for breaking the peace; surety John de Aula   | - - - - - iij. d. |
| Richard the son of Richard de Crofte, for ingress to land; surety Geoffrey de Wordil                                   | xii. d.           |
| Henry de Burton for ingress to land; surety Geoffrey de Wordil   | - - - - - vi. d.  |
| John de Aula, because he had not William ffox, whom he has essoigned   | - - - - - iij. d. |
| William of the Shore, because he did not prosecute; surety Nicholas of the Slackes                                     | iij. d.           |
| Robert Sutor for trespass; surety John de Scolefeld  | - - - - - iij. d. |
| Henry the son of Thomas de Aula, for trespass in a cottage; surety John de Aula  | iij. d.           |
| Geoffrey de Wordille for ingress to land; surety Nicholas of the Slake   | - - - - - xii. d. |
| Adam the son of Alexander de Wordil, for the same; surety Nicholas of the Slake  | xii. d.           |

PERQUISITES OF THE COURT OF RACHDALE, TUESDAY NEXT AFTER THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY,<sup>1</sup> 10 EDWARD III. [1336.]

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| Nicholas de Hopwoode for trespass; surety Nicholas de Slakes               | - - - - - iij. d. |
| Adam de Turnagh for a false claim; surety Adam de Scolefeld                | - - - - - iij. d. |
| Adam de Wordeworth, because he did not prosecute; surety John de Scolefeld | - - - - - vi. d.  |
| William Windebank for a false claim; surety Nicholas of the Slake          | - - - - - iij. d. |
| Adam de Scolefeld for detention of debt                                    | - - - - - iij. d. |

PERQUISITES OF THE COURT OF RACHDALE, TUESDAY NEXT AFTER THE FEAST OF ST. MATTHEW THE APOSTLE,<sup>2</sup> 10 EDWARD III. [1336.]

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| John de Aula, because he had not Motok de Kirkeshagh, whom he avowed                                  | - - iij. d.       |
| Thomas de Kirkeshagh for unjust detention of debt; surety Adam de Belfelde                            | - - iij. d.       |
| Margota Wegge for breach of the peace; surety Adam of the Dene  | - - - - - iij. d. |
| John of the Slake for unjust detention of debt; surety Nicholas of the Slake                          | - - iij. d.       |
| John Smith [Fabro] and Richard de Baumford for the same; surety elsewhere                             | - - vi. d.        |
| Cecilia the daughter of Hugo de Okinrode, for breach of the peace; surety Nicholas de Clegges         | - - - - - iij. d. |
| Adam de Heghlegghes for unjust detention of debt; surety Nicholas of the Slakes                       | - - vi. d.        |
| Robert de Haworth for a false claim; surety John de Turnagh   | - - - - - iij. d. |
| . . . . . the son of John de Burdeshille, for breach of . . . . .; surety Adam Hanneson de Berdeshill | - - - - - iij. d. |
| Nicholas Nickson de Heghleggh, for unjust detention of debt; surety Nicholas de Clegges               | iij. d.           |
| Margota de Paxis [Paris?] for brewing ale against the assize; surety Nicholas de Clegges              | iij. d.           |
| Richard the Spenser and Thomas the Anker [P], because he did not bring Averia who they . . . . .      | - - - - - xii. d. |

<sup>1</sup> The Assumption is 15th August.

<sup>2</sup> St. Thomas's Day is 21st September.

For over two centuries not a single Court Roll of this manor has been preserved. The next one is for the year 1566; it is written partly in English and partly in Latin.<sup>1</sup> The following extracts include all that is of special interest in it. The difference in amount of the fines for the same offence between 1336 and 1566 is very striking, and shows the great decrease in the value of money.

COURT WITH VIEW OF FRANK-PLEDGE HELD xxij DAY OF OCTOBER, 8 ELIZABETH. [1566.]

Jury (for the Queen).

Henry Hamer, Edward Whitehead, Edmund Lorde, John Wolstenholme, Richard Buttreworth, Henry Buttreworth, Edward Taylor, Ralph Hamer, Edward Stotte, James Crosselye, Gervase Hobson, Thomas Herdman, Robert Buckeley, William feilden, Bertin Scolfeld, who say—

There was a "fray" made by Robert Mylne and Martin Mylne;<sup>2</sup> fined each 20d.

Thomas Jackson had a fray upon John Staplynton; fined 3s. 4d. He was fined the same for a fray upon Ralph Shawe.

John Kyrshaye a fray upon John Sotell; fined 3s. 4¼d.

Richard Chadwyke and Laurence Hopwod do use unlawful "gammynge in their howsses;" also Robert Hollawes, Robert Healye and Renald Healye; each of them has to give up doing the same or be fined 6s. 8d. each. Those who "pleide at unlawfull games" were Thomas Broumhede, James Mylnes, Charles Halowes, James Holte, Richard Rode, Lawrence Bryde, Thomas Jacksonn, Laurence Hopwod, James Lee and . . . . Johnsonn; they were fined "in misericordia"<sup>3</sup> 6s. 8d.

There were unlawful "wayes at Black Layche Yate" in the holding of Robert Mylne and Robert Butterworth. The same were to be removed before the feast of St. Philip under a penalty of 6s. 8d.

Unlawful ways were also in the holding of Edmund Bridge, Alexander Mylne and James Hamer, and at "Cut Lawne" Thomas Bradforthe and Edmund Hudson had a way contrary to the law.

Annes Butterworth and James Mathewe sell "alle" without "lyssens" and are warned to leave off "upon payne of every of them 20s."

Alexander Scofeld had a "marpit" [marlpit] in the lane side, which he was ordered to remove.

The Vicar of Rachedale was ordered to remove an unlawful way before Christmas under a penalty of 4d.

Arthur Hallowes and James Sheperd are "comon lodgers of vacabonds valient bedgers;" they are to remove them or pay 20s. each.

Edward Scofeld and the servants of Richard Clege de Stone House "are unreasonable sleters<sup>4</sup> of mens cattell and doth kepe unlawfull hedges;" the penalty is 3s. 4d.

<sup>1</sup> Record Office, Bundle 78, No. 1028, 8 and 9 Eliz.

<sup>2</sup> In the original the fines are placed over the names, thus—Mylne. xx. d.

<sup>3</sup> This term often occurs. Its probable meaning is "at the mercy" of the lord.

<sup>4</sup> To slete a dog is to set him at an animal. The offence is driving sheep or cattle with dogs in an unreasonable way.



For non-appearance at the Court, William Bamforthe, Thomas Whythede, James Grywode, Richard Nuttall and John Mathews were fined 6d. "in misericordia."

The affeerors at this Court (*i.e.*, the officers who assessed the fines) were Henry Hamer, Edward Whitehead, John Wolstenholme and Edward Lord.

The constables were: Hundersfeld—James Kyrshaghe de Stayndes (?) and Robert Wolfenden.

Rachdall—Otiwell Smyth the son of Richard, and Roger Hasseldin.

Castleton—Richard Gerrard.

Butterworth—Alexander Milne de flasshouse, Adam Buttreworth.

Spotland—Henry Clegg *alias* Walsden, James Crosselye.

COURT HELD 24TH OCTOBER, 8 ELIZABETH [1566].<sup>1</sup>

Jury (between the Parties).

Thomas Milne, James Lightoller, James Smythe, James Greyve, Randolph Whitte-worthe, Ralph Smythe, Richard Belfeld, Peter Gorill, Henry Taylor, John Taylior, Bernard Halowes and William Hamer.

On pleas of debt appeared, amongst others: Thomas Buckley against Richard Raufthorne. James Lord, junior, of Whitworth, against Oliver Shepherd.

Thomas Holt of Castleton against James Whitworth, who denied the debt and put him upon the country [*panit se super patriam*].

James Halowes of Colclough and Isabel his wife, administrators of the goods and chattels of Ralph Whittington, against Thomas Stott, executor of the will of James Stott.

Robert Duerden and Isabel his wife, Henry Chadwick and Margaret his wife, executors of the will of Thomas Bamford, against Ralph Whitehead and Edmund Whitehead.

Robert Chadwick, Margery his wife, and Anne Lomalas, administrators of the goods and chattels of Alice the wife of Richard Lomalxs [Lomax], against Edmund Holte of Bury and Henry Holt of Bridge, on two pleas.

Robert Chadwick and others, administrators, against Richard Hopwood of Heward, on two pleas.

Robert Chadwick and others, administrators, against Otiwell Whittaker.

Richard Chadwick against John Scolefeld, the son of John Scolefeld.

Edward Wylde against James Kyrshagh of Dyggeyate.

Ralph Whitehead against Robert Duerden and Isabel his wife, executors and administrators of the goods and chattels of Thomas Bamford.

Arthur Whitehead against Perrot Taylior.<sup>2</sup>

Roger Kyrshaghe against Charles Belfeld . . . . . late widow of James Belfeld, executor or administrator of the goods of the said James Belfeld.

ffrancis fleccher<sup>3</sup> against Robert Goryll and Alice his wife.

James Milne and Richard Belfeld, executors of Alice Scolfeld, against Roger Whitte-worthe of Balderstone.

<sup>1</sup> The two courts appear to have been held the same day.

<sup>2</sup> Parat Taylor often appears in the Church Registers, 1582—1616. (Printed in 1888.)

<sup>3</sup> Buried at Rochdale, 6th March, 1583-4.

Lawrence Chetham against Adam Milne of Ladyhouse.

John Butterworth of Eyfeld against Elizabeth, late widow of Robert Chadwycke, and Alexander Holt.

James Greyve against Henry Clegge, *alias* Walseden, of Buerdsell.

Agnes Speyke against John Crosselye and Richard Crosselye.

John Buckeley against Richard Taylior of Milneraw and his wife.

Margaret Bamford and others, executors of Adam Bamford, against Edward Turnawe.

Charles Ogden against Ambrose Jackson.

Matilda, late wife of Elias Scolfeld, against Edmund Halowes the son of Richard.

Thomas Wordill against Edward Layche and Elizabeth his wife.

John Hasselom against Roger Brereley.

. . . . . Buttreworthe of Byrchenleighe against Ambrose . . . . . ongly.

COURT HELD 20TH FEBRUARY, 9 ELIZABETH [1567].

Jury (between the Parties).

Otwel [Ottiwell] Greyve, James Milne, Elias Wolfenden, Roger Stocke, John Casson, John Cloughe, Robert Whitteworth, Edward Holt, John Halowes, William Hamer, Edward Milne, Ralph Smythe.

George Cowper against Alice, late widow of Robert Stocke, on plea of agreement broken; fined 30s. 11d., as in last court.

John Hasselom against Richard Jackson of Rowtenstall.

James Milne the son of Thomas, against Robert Taylior, malteman.

John Pickehomer against Geoffrey ffielden of Bothomley.

Ralph Brereley against Edmund Hill of Whitteworthe.

ffrancis Belfeld, *per* Roger Hasselom his attorney, against Edmund Hopwood, *armiger*.

James Mylnes against John Butterworth of Bynnes.

Robert Whitteworthe against Thomas Scolfeld of Buerdsall.

. . . . . Milnes, administrator of the goods and chattels of Robert Milnes, clerk, against Thomas Haghe.<sup>1</sup>

The debts in the cases extracted vary from five shillings to twenty-six shillings. Where the parties do not appear they are sometimes both fined threepence.

The next courts of which any record has been preserved were held in 1586. Sir John Byron was the Queen's lessee, and his steward was Henry Radcliffe. The following extracts furnish everything of special interest contained in the roll.<sup>2</sup>

<sup>1</sup> At the two last courts no other business was done beside these claims for debt.

<sup>2</sup> Duchy Records, Bundle 78, No. 1026. The original is partly in Latin.

COURT 9TH APRIL, 1586.

Jury.

John Wolstenholme gent., James ffletcher de Cloughouse, James Crossley, Adam Hill, James Baumforde, Richard Clegge de Stonehouse, Robert ffilden, John Chadwick de Healey, Richard Grynrode, Thomas Healey jun., Henry Scolfelde de Hin [?], James ffilden, Thomas Redferne, Geoffrey ffilden. Who say:

James Baumforde and his ancestors held and occupied a messuage and thirty acres of land called Le Scoute in Hundersfield, in the jurisdiction of this court.

James ffilden held a house and four acres in Walsden, being part of Bothomley.

Geoffrey ffilden held a house and eight acres, part of Bothomley.

Other parts of Bothomley were held by James Heyward, James Butterworth, Edmund ffilden, Robert ffilden jun., and John ffilden.

COURT OF JOHN BYRON, KNIGHT, FARMER OF THE QUEEN, 7TH OCTOBER,  
28 ELIZABETH, 1586.

To this came James Bamforde and claimed to hold Lescoute without fine. Robert Wolstenholme admitted to lands called the Intake; ingress fee, 4d.<sup>1</sup>

After this no Court Roll has been preserved until 1591. The following extracts were made by Canon Raines in the lifetime of the late James Dearden.<sup>2</sup>

THE COURT OF JOHN BYRON, KNIGHT, farmour of Her Majesty's Royal Manour of  
Rachdale for a terme of yeares, held there on 5th October, in the yeare of  
Her Majesty Elizabeth 33, before Henry Radcliffe the steward.

At this court John Wolstenholme of Wolstenholme surrendered to the use of John Wolstenholme, his younger son, thirty-three acres on Knowl Moore; lord's rent 7s. 8d.

COURT held 37 Elizabeth, 30th April [1595]. Robert Whitaker, gentleman, foreman  
of the Jury.

There appeared John Greenalgh of Brandlesome, Esq.; Edward Rostherne of Newall, Esq.; Cuthbert Scolfild of Scolfild, gentleman; John Chadwicke of Ellenroad and James Belfeld, plaintiffs; Edmund Greave of Fernhill, defendant, respecting a right of footway from Kit-both-yate-end to Bridhill.

<sup>1</sup> The owners of Bothomley appeared again and paid ingress fines.

<sup>2</sup> The present lord of the manor declines to allow the court rolls to be inspected for historical purposes.

RACHDALE COURT VIEW OF FRANK-PLEDGE, last day of September [1595], 37 Elizabeth.  
William Assheton, gentleman, steward.

Jury of our ladye the Quene.

John Wolstenholme, gentleman; Geoffrey Kershawe, junior; Tho. Shore, junior; Matthew Butterworth, James Collinge, James Fieldinge, Edmund Kershaw, Lawrence Hardman, Edmund Heywarde, Robert Hamer, Oliver Kirshaw, James Heywarde, Richard Greenrode.

COURT (copyhold) 5TH JUNE, 37 ELIZABETH. [1595.]

Robert Chadwick takes *ia. 1r. 20p.* at Longacres; rent 5¼d.

Gabriel Garsyde of Hindle Pasture, five acres at Tunnicliffe and one acre at Cronkeyshaw; rent 2s. 1d.

Robert Chadwick of Spotland Yate takes land improved out of the common on the south of the chapel at Whitworth.

17TH MARCH, 37 ELIZABETH. [1595.]

Edmund Scolfield of Slakehill et vxor surrender twenty-one acres and a house in Hundersfield to Jennet Wolstenholme; rent 32s. 6d.; Queen's rent 7d.

27TH MARCH, 37 ELIZABETH. [1595.]

Richard Entwistle takes improved land at Cronkeyshaw, Levensgreve and Longacres; rent 2s. 11d.

James Fielden, land at Hades; rent 1s. 3d.

Thomas Holt of Grizzlehurst, Esq., takes land above Leavengreve "adjacent to Facyde," also land near Todleach [now Toadleach] in Healey.

18TH JANUARY, 39 ELIZABETH.

Thomas Pearson of Spotland takes nine acres in Shore Moor in Spotland above Catley Lane.

Robert Howarth of Rockliffe and James his son surrender to Edmund Greave of Fernhill land improved out of Shore Moor; rent 6½d.

Robert Fylden of Bothamley surrenders to James Dearden of Eales, carrier, land at Bothamley.

Roger Chadwicke of Chadwicke, gentleman, surrenders three acres in Bagden on Shore Moor to Adam Scholfield of Brodeley [Broadley] for three lives.

James Lord of Hallowes [Hollows] surrenders land at Heley; rent 10s. 8d., to the Queen 1s.

COURT OF JOHN BYRON, KNIGHT, holden at Rochdale, 10th June, 39 Elizabeth. [1597.]  
William Assheton, gentleman, steward.

Roger Chadwicke of Chadwicke and Robert Chadwicke of Spotlande compleyn against Barnard Butterworth and Thomas Shepparde in a pley of trespass for turning the water out of his right course in a place called Baggden uppon Whitworthe Moor in Spodlond. The jury find Barnard and Thomas in fault and if the water be not

turned, upon a week's notice given by the bayliffe, then the said Barnard and Thomas shall forfeit for each offence vi. s. and viii. d.

Item.—The abovesaid Roger Chadwicke and Robert Chadwicke complain against Edmond Haworthe, Barnard Butterworthe, Thomas Shepparde, James Clegg *alias* Walsden, Francis Clegge and John Chadwicke of Healey for not erecting a building or wall in a place called Baggden to the damage of them, the said Roger and Robert, for that yeare. Ordered to make the said road and fence.

Item.—Edmund Greave de Fern. [?Fernhill] complaineth against Edward Rostorne, esquire; John Grinough, esquire; Cuthbert Scolefeild, gentleman; and Thomas Whitehead, yeoman, for not devidinge and erecting of the hedge between the said Edmund Greave and them, in a place called Listlaye Bank, to the great damage of the said Edmund, being late parcel of the common called Shore Moor in Spotlande. The Jury have divided the said hedge and the said Edward, John, Cuthbert and Tho. have promised to make the lower end thereof, and the said Edward the upper end, before Christmas 1597, upon pain of forfeytinge x. s.

THE COURT OF JOHN BYRON, KNIGHT, at Rachdalle, 2nd March, 40 Elizabeth. [1598].  
William Assheton, Genōs, seneschall.

Jury.

Rogerus Holte de Donishbooth, Robertus Chadwicke de Nackebanke, Jacobus Shepparde, Jacobus Shepparde de Sedholme, Jacobus Belfeilde de Catley-laine, Xtoferus Belfeilde, Franciscus Holte de Naden, Johannes Hoyle, Charolus Stotte, Edmundus Turnough, Adamus Scolefeild, Rogerus Taylor de Marelande, Willielmus Assheworthe, Johannes Holt, Edmundus Assheworthe.

Item.—Thomas Redferne the younger doth desire that this Jurye may be charged to laye out to him, the said Thomas, according unto the commission, seven acres and twenty falls of land uppon the upper end of Knoll Moor, which the said Thomas hath signed for.

The Jurye, except John Hoyle who was absent, are agreed by and with the consent as well of said Thomas Redferne, plaintiff, as of Francis Holt, esquire; William Bamford of Bamford, gentleman; Elizabeth Chadwicke of Wolstenholme; Francis Holte of Wolstenholme; William Meadowcroft of Wolstenholme; and Elizeus Scolefeilde, all being present with the jurye upon Knowl Moore, that the said Thomas Redferne, his heirs and assigns, shall agyeste and pasture upon the said common, rateably for the said vi. acres and xx. falls, with such as have or shall have interest in the said common until the said common shall be enclosed by their common consent; and that the said Tho. Redferne and his heirs shall, in the court or by due course of law, have the said vi. acres and xx. falls severally set forth and divided from the residue of the said common, and that in the meantime the said Tho. and his heyres shall have turbarry sufficient on the said common.

COURT OF SIR JO. BYRON, KNT., 1 JAC. [1603-4.]

Robert Radcliffe, gent., steward.

9th Maie, 2 Jac. I., the jury present, Robert Butterworth of Birchenlegh to be *propositus* [*i.e.*, bailiff] for the current year.

23rd April, 3 Jac. I. [1603]. On the jury are Roger Chadwicke, gent, Arthur Bentley, James Lord, Richard Ogden, &c.

They appoint Francis Wolstenholme of Wolstenholme, gent., bailiff.

COPYHOLD COURT, 25TH MAY, 1 JAMES [1603].

Robert Chadwick of Heley, gent., takes land improved out of the wastes in Spotland called Henden Holes [now Ending] and Rake Leach, lying between Heley Deyne waters on one side and the road between Whitworth and Healey on the other.

9TH MAY, 2 JAS. [1604].

James Hardman, son and heir of Laurence Hardman of Marcrofte Yate, admitted to lands in Spotland.

28TH OCTOBER, 2 JAMES [1604].

Edmund Ashworth of Stubbylee surrenders lands on north side of Ugshutt.

23RD APRIL, 3 JAMES [1605].

Francis Healey of Coptrod surrenders to Robert Healey, his brother, two acres at Bagslate, rent tenpence. John Crossley of Arlescoles surrenders a messuage and two closes of land called Leyfields, and two beast gates at Arlescoles, to Edmund Lord of Migenden.

11TH APRIL, 7 JAMES [1609].

William Holt, Steward. Charles Lord takes 37 acres in Todmorden, near a messuage of his called Godpley.

The following roll is in the Record Office :<sup>1</sup>

To his very loving friend Mr. Edward Broaster, dep. clarke of the councill of the honorable courte of the Duchie, at his saide office, theis :

Good sir, after my hartie commendacions this is to let y<sup>o</sup> vnderstand that I have (according to a warrant from the right hon<sup>ble</sup> Sir Humphray Maie, knighte chancellor of the Duchie of Lancaster, and one of his Ma<sup>ty</sup> most hon<sup>ble</sup> privie counsell, directed to the Steward of the Manor of Rachdale and to his deputie, a trew copie whereof is herewithin written) taxed, rated, and . . . . all such fynes as are become due to his Ma<sup>ty</sup> from anie p<sup>son</sup> or p<sup>sons</sup> within the said manor, vpon anie admittance made vpon anie dissent or altera<sup>on</sup> since the restraint and before the 22nd daie of Maie last past (for if such are not admitted I cannot asseesse anie fyne), in such manner and after such appor<sup>on</sup> as the same should have been yf noe restraint had been made, and thereof I delivered a true extract to Richard

<sup>1</sup> Bundle 78, No. 1027.

Milnes, Graue of the said manor, vpon the xxv<sup>th</sup> daie of Julie last, to be by him p'sently collected, gathered and levyed to his Ma<sup>ty</sup> use. A duplicate of such extract (as also of all such as are presented and not admitted) I doe herewith annexed certifie vnto, according to the tenor of the Chancellor his saide warrant, by Mr. William Wellden, the viii. Oct., 1625.

Yo<sup>r</sup> loving ffrende,

JOHN NUTTALL,

Deputie Steward (vnto Sir Richard Mollineux, Kt. and Barronett)  
of the copihold courts of the Manor of Rochdale.

The rolls to which this letter is attached are written partly in Latin, and the following extracts contain all of historical interest :

*FINES.* [1625].

|  |                 |
|--|-----------------|
| Henry Bamford two messuages called Redishore and eight acres after the death of James Bamford  | vi. d.          |
| Francis Holt one acre on Knowlmore after the death of Charles Holt   | iiij. d.        |
| Richard Vnsworth 16½ acres on Blackstonedged after death of Alexander Vnsworth   | vj. s. vij. d.  |
| James Hamer five acres on Monstonedged on surrender of Samuel Hamer  | xxi. d.         |
| John Pilling eighteen acres in Trough in Spotland on surrender of Joseph Ratcliffe, gentleman  | ii. s. i. d.    |
| John Chitam, tailer, land on Shoremoor in Spotland, surrendered to Christopher Belfield  | iiij. d.        |
| Thomas Hamer and Thomas Chadwick, feoffees for land on Knowlmore, by surrender of Thomas Hardman of Knowlehouse                          | iii. s. iv½. d. |
| James Whitiker the son of Robert Whitiker and John the son of Edward Whitiker as feoffees of land in Bagden on surrender of Barnard Hill | xii. d.         |
| John Pilling of Tunstid lands in Spotland on surrender of Theophilus Holt  | v. s.           |
| Roger Howard of Bagslate, land on Bagslate on surrender of Laurence ffletcher  | vi. d.          |
| Katherine Holt, late wife of Francis Holt, land called Nabroid <sup>1</sup>  | ii. s. ii½. d.  |
| John Butterworth, late of Dewhurst, land on Cronkashaye on surrender of Theophilus Ashtone   | xii. s. ij. d.  |
| John Chadwicke of Ellenroad and Thomas Shepard of Whitworth, feoffees of lands on Shoremore in Spotland on surrender of James Crossley   | ii. d.          |
| Nicholas Buckley of Rachdale land in Catley Lane on surrender of Robert Chadwick   | iv. d.          |
| X John Helliwell de Ealees and John Butterworth of Crook, land in Trough, Spotland, on surrender of Araham Belfield, gentleman           | xii. s. vj. d.  |
| William Haslam of Darnefold, clothier, land on Shoremore, Spotland, on surrender of John Shepard   | viiij. d.       |
| Roger Chadwicke of Warmhole, gentleman, land on Shoremore, Spotland, in the Dinge, on surrender of James Shepard                         | v. d.           |

<sup>1</sup> A farm near Brown Wardle is still called Nabroad.

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| Alexander Butterworth of Bellfield and Grace his wife, land on Shoremore<br>and Hungerhill on surrender of Theophilus Asheton - - - - - | iiij. s. | v. d.  |
| James Crossley of Kitbooth, taylior, on surrender of James Crossley, yeoman   |          | ii. d. |

COURT, 27TH JULY, 18 JAMES [1620].

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| Randal Butterworth of Lower Wardle, next heir of John Butterworth, land<br>on Cronkayshaye - - - - - |  | xix. d. |
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COURT 26TH APRIL, 19 JAMES [1621].

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|---|--|---------|
| Katherine Holte, widow, lands on Monstonedge and lands <i>super</i> Long Acres,<br>in Whitworth slacke - - - - -                |  | v. d.   |
| James Shepard of Bankhouse and Christopher Bellfeild feoffee of land on<br>Castletonmore on surrender of Charles Holt - - - - - |  | vij. d. |
| James Scholfield of Balderstone, clothmaker, land on Castletonmore on<br>surrender of Samuel Holt - - - - -                     |  | i. d.   |

COURT, 17TH OCTOBER, 19 JAMES [1621].

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|---|-----------|------------|
| John Chadwicke land on Bagslate and Bagden after the death of Olliver<br>Chadwicke - - - - -  |           | viiij½. d. |
| Jonathan Chadwicke land on Knowlmore on death of John Chadwicke -   | viiij. s. | iv. d.     |
| John ffielden of Warlands, land on Blackstonedge on surrender of James<br>Holt - - - - -  | x. s.     | iv. d.     |
| John Lord of Steede in Hundersfield lands at Steedslacke on surrender<br>of Randal Butterworth - - - - -                                  |           | v½. d.     |
| Ottiwell Wolfenden, son of Samuel Wolfenden, land on Tutterhill [Tooter<br>Hill] in Spotland on surrender of Ottiwell Wolfenden - - - - - | iv. s.    | vi. d.     |

COURT 14TH MAY, 20 JAMES [1622].

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| Robert Chadwicke land called Gaphill in Whitworth on death of Richard<br>Chadwicke - - - - -         |        | vi½. d.   |
| Charles Nuttall land on Cronckayshay on surrender of Charles Nuttall of<br>Nuttall - - - - -         |        | xii. d.   |
| John Butterworth of Ashbrookhey land in Hundersfield on surrender of<br>Henry Bamford - - - - -      | iv. s. | iv. d.    |
| Richard Lord land at Reaps and Tutterhill on surrender of John Turner<br>and Adam Holden - - - - -   | vi. s. | iiij. d.  |
| Thomas Hill a house and land in Horsecroft more in Spotland on<br>surrender of Samuel Holt - - - - - |        | viiij. d. |



## COURT, 10TH MAY, 21 JAMES [1623].

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| John Chadwicke of Ellenroad land on Shoremore, Spotland, after death of John Chadwicke late of Ellenroad - - - - -   | ii. s. viii½. d. |
| Esther Howarth, Maria Howarth and Jane Howarth land on Shoremore, Spotland, on death of Randal Howarth, late of Sharples, and James Howarth, son of Randal - - - - - | ij. s. ix. d.    |
| Alexander Kershaw land at Crookbent on death of Ralph Kershaw of Crook - - - - -   | xvi. d.          |
| Thomas Hardman of Marcrofte Yate and James Scolfield of Naden land on Knowlmore on surrender of Abraham Wolstenholme of Wolstenholme                                 | vij. d.          |

## COURT, 21ST OCTOBER, 21 JAMES [1623].

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|---|-----------------|
| Christopher Belfield of Shawfield and John Wolfenden of Prickshay, feoffees of land on Shoremore, Spotland, and Smallshay Syke on surrender of John Scholfield and Roger Holt, feoffees of John Chitham - | xviiij. d.      |
| John Shepard of Coldclough and Edward Leach of ffacyde land on Knowlmore on surrender of James Shepard - - - - -  | iiij. s. iv. d. |
| Samuel Butterworth of Crook lands super fitherteame on surrender of John Butterworth - - - - -  | ii. s. ix. d.   |

## COURT, 21ST MAY, 22 JAMES [1624].

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|---|--------------------|
| Henry Hopwood land in Crofthole on Shoremore, Spotland, after the death of John Hopwood - - - - -   | iv. d.             |
| Abraham Hallowes of Churchsteele, clothier, land on Knowlmore on surrender of Abraham Wolstenholme - - - - -  | iv. d.             |
| Thomas Hardman, brother and next heir of Richard Hardman, land on Knolemore on surrender of Abraham Wolstenholme - - - - -  | xxi. s. viiiij. d. |
| Peter Brock, clericus, land on Knolemore on surrender of Abraham Wolstenholme and Elizabeth his wife - - - - -  | iv. d.             |
| Marie Crossley, Grace Crossley, Elizabeth Crossley and Margaret Crossley, daughters of James Crossley, lands on Shoremore, Spotland, on surrender of James Crossley - - - - - | ii. s. iv. d.      |

## COURT, 21ST OCTOBER, 22 JAMES [1624].

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|--|---------------|
| Charles Chadwicke, doctor, and Charles Chadwicke, younger son of Robert Chadwicke of Healey, lands on Shoremore in Hundersfeild on surrender of Abraham Kershaye - - - - - | ii. s. ii. d. |
| Charles Nuttall of Wardleworth land at Brownwardle and Trough on surrender of Charles Nuttall, gentleman - - - - -   |               |

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|---|-----------------------------|
| Charles Butterworth of Bankhouse lands on Shoremore, Spotland, on surrender |                             |
| of John Shepard - - - - -   | viii. d.                    |
| Total for these ten Courts - - - - -  | xxxvii. li. xvi. s. vi½. d. |

The manor records now rapidly decrease in historical interest and value. The fines remained stationary whilst the value of money greatly decreased, so that the manorial tenants could set the court laws at defiance; and thus it came to pass that as the powers of the justices of the peace advanced the importance of the once powerful manor courts diminished.

