

ANCIENT CHARTERS PRESERVED AT
SCARISBRICK HALL IN THE COUNTY
OF LANCASTER, DONE INTO ENGLISH
AND ABSTRACTED BY THE REVEREND
EDWARD POWELL.

PART II.

101. [1368.] This is the final agreement made in the Court of the Lord King at Westminster in the 41st year of his reign on the octave of St. Michael (Sept. 29) before Robert of Thorp John Moubray William of Fyncheden and William of Wythingham Justices and afterwards recorded on the octave of St. Hilary (Jan. 14) between Henry of Scaresbrek plaintiff and Simon del Holmes and his wife Dionisia unjustly occupying $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land and the 6th part of one messuage with appurtenances in Hurliton and Scaresbrek They agree that the said Simon and Dionisia acknowledge that the aforesaid tenements and appurtenances are the right of Henry of which the said Henry has 2 acres with appurtenances by gift of the said Simon and Dionisia and they the said Simon and Dionisia agree that $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land and the 6th part of the messuage which John Salter tailor and his wife Katherine hold for the term of the life of the said Katherine at her death revert to the said Simon and Dionisia and after their death such revert to Henry of Scaresbrek and his heirs And for their acknowledgment and agreement the said Henry paid to Simon and Dionisia 10 marks of silver.

102. [1369.] [Will of Thomas of Lathum] In the name of God Amen On Saturday the morrow of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Sept. 14) in the year of the Lord 1369 I Thomas of Lathum sound in mind and body make my Will in this manner In the first place I bequeath my soul to God and B. Mary and all the Saints and my body to be buried in the Church of B. Nicholas of Burscogh And I wish my funeral and expenses be arranged according to the settling of my executors In the first place I bequeath to the Prior and Canons of B. Nicholas of Burscough that they have me in special remembrance and pray for me 100 shillings Also to the brothers of

B. Augustine at Werynton (Warrington) 5 marks Also to the friars minor of Preston 40 shillings Also to the friars at Chester 40 shillings Also to the bridge of Doggles (Douglas) and Calder 2 marks Also to a suitable chaplain for divine celebration for 5 years 20 pounds Also to Edward my son 5 marks Also to Robert my son 5 marks Also to Roger Banastre 5 marks Also to distribute amongst my servants for their good service 10 marks Also to Margery the daughter of Philip 20 shillings And after the payment of my debts I wish that the residue of my goods be spent in alms for divine celebration for my soul and the soul of Alyonora my wife according to the settlement of my executors I appoint as executors of this my Will as they wish to answer for me before the Supreme Judge, John of Kirkby, chivaler, Edward my son, Robert my son, the Prior of Burscogh, Henry of Scaresbrek, and Gilbert de Ines of Aghton. In testimony of which I have affixed my seal to these presents on the day and year above said.

103. [1369.] Know all by these presents that I Matilda formerly wife of John of Okynheved in my pure widowhood have quitclaimed to Robert le Breton and Richard of Smalshagh chaplains all my right and claim to lands and tenements that were formerly belonging to Alexander of Marhale my father in vills of Scaresbrek and Hurtleton.

Witnesses: Otho of Halsale, Henry of Scaresbrek, Adam of Bekyrstath, Roger of Holland, Gilbert of Gosforesech, and others.

Given at Ormeskyrk on Sunday after the Feast of St. Martin in winter (Nov. 11) in the 43rd year of Edward III.

Seal: geometrical pattern.

104. [1369.] Let it be clear to all that I Richard of Penwartham have demised for the term of my life to John son of Alice daughter of Galfrid of Ormeskyrk and to Alice the mother of the said John and to Alice the sister of the said John 4 plots (placeas) of land and buildings thereon lying in Ormeskyrk in the vill of Lathom lying between the land of Robert of Kendale and that of John of Wakefield chaplain To have and to hold to the said John Alice and Alice Rendering to me one rose at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (June 24) and discharging the customary services.

Witnesses: Otho of Halsale, Henry of Scaresbrek, Adam of Bekyrstath, Roger le Flecher (arrow-maker), John le Tagliour, William of Eccleston clerk, and others.

Given at Ormeskyrk on the Feast of St. Nicholas the Bishop (Dec. 6) in the 43rd year of Edward III.

Seal illegible.

105. [1369.] In the name of God Amen Since I Thomas of Lathum have given to my sons Edward and Robert of Lathum John of Kirby chivaler Henry of Scaresbrek and Gilbert de Ines of Aghton my manor of Lathum with appurtenances let all know that this is my wish That the aforesaid executors shall have and hold the said manor with appurtenances for the whole of their lives so that from the profits arising therefrom they may pay all and each of my debts and act up to my wish as is more fully explained in my will So that after my funeral they may be for the payment of my debts and the fulfilment of my will and after the completion of such I wish that my said manor revert to my heirs for ever In testimony of which I have affixed my seal to these presents on the morrow of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross (Sept. 14) in the year 1369.

106. [1368-1369.] Let all present and future know that I William son of Richard Wylksone have granted to Gilbert of Gosfordesich and William his brother all my lands and buildings with appurtenances which I had or have on the day of the making of this charter in villis of Hurtleton and Scaresbrek To be held of the chief lords for due services.

Witnesses: Henry of Scaresbrek, Otho of Halsale, Adam of Bykerstath, and others.

Given at Scaresbrek on Thursday after St. Hilary (Jan. 14) in the 43rd year of Edward III.

107. [1369.] Let all present and future know that I William de Molyneux of Sefton have granted to Gilbert of Ines near Wigan Henry of Scaresbrek John le Norreys David of Irlond Richard de Ashton of Adburgham Thomas le Norreys of Derby and Henry of Dytton all my manors of Sefton Eukeston Down Lytherlond Layrebreck and Ellal together with the advowson of the said church of Sefton and also all my messuages lands and tenements with appurtenances which I had at Newsum near Wodeplomton and also the reversion of all lands and tenements which John del Dam John le Walsch Richard Robynsone John of Pylkynton chaplain Gilbert le Walsch Thomas son of John Wyllesone and Robert del Yate hold for the term of their lives in the vill of Eukeston and also the reversion of all the lands and tenements which Alan of Walton holds in the vill of Newsum for the term of his life To have and to hold the said manors with advowson of the said church together with reversions and all messuages etc. with their appurtenances in all moors mosses roads footpaths and all other profits of the chief lords of

the fee for due services Wherefore I have affixed my seal to these presents.

Witnesses: John of Garton, John of Eccliston, William of Faryngton, and others.

Given at Sefton on Monday before the Feast of the Ascension of the Lord in the 43rd year of Edward III.

108. [1369.] Let all present and future know that I John del Greve have granted to Henry of Scaresbrek all my lands and tenements with messuages buildings etc. which I had and held by hereditary right on the day of the making of this charter in villis of Hurleton and Scaresbrek To be held of the chief lords of the fee for the usual services.

Witnesses: Otho of Halsale, Adam of Bekyrstath, Roger of Holland, Thomas of Aghton, Richard of Aghton, and others.

Given at Hurleton on Thursday the Feast of St. Nicholas the Bishop (Dec. 6) in the 43rd year of Edward III.

109. [1370.] Let all present and future know that I Richard son of Alan del Greve have granted to Henry of Scaresbrek all my lands etc. which have fallen to me by inheritance after the death of John son of John of Ormeskyrk within the boundaries of Ormeskyrk in the vill of Lathum Rendering usual services to the said Henry.

Witnesses: Otho of Halsale, Gilbert of Gosfordesiche, John of Bekyrstath clerk, and others.

Given at Ormeskyrk on Saturday after the Feast of St. Gregory the Pope (March 12) in the 44th year of Edward III.

110. [1370.] Let all know by these presents that we Symon of Gosfordesich Adam son of John Hannesone of Becansawe Thomas son of Robert Dyksone of Longton John son of Robert Dyksone Henry son of Robert Dyksone William and Geoffrey sons of the same John the Milner (miller) of Longton John son of William Wyldyng Robert son of Roger Dyksone John of Aspynwall John of Cratton Sircorem William of Aykyscawe Thomas of Aykyscawe William son of Henry of Longton Henry of Wyresdale John son of Richard Wyllsone William son of Adam Stileuke of Hoghill William son of Symon Gybson and Robert son of Geoffrey Dyksone have appointed as attorney our beloved in Christ William of Gosfordesich to deliver over full and peaceful seisin to Gilbert of Gosfordesich of all lands and tenements which we have had by gift and feoffment and have

ratified and accepted whatever the said William has done in our name In testimony whereof we have affixed our seals to these presents.

Given at Longton on Monday in Whitweek in the 44th year of Edward III.

111. [1370.] This writing in duplicate testifies that I Henry of Scaresbek have granted for all my life to John del Greves all that land with messuage and buildings with all appurtenances which I had by gift and feoffment of the said John in villis of Hurtleton and Scaresbrek To have and to hold of me and my heirs Rendering each year to me and my heirs one rose at the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (June 24) and performing to the chief lords all due services.

Witnesses: Otho of Halsale, Gilbert of Gosfordeseche, William of Morecroft, William of Eccleston clerk, and others.

Given at Hurtleton on Thursday after Nativity of the Lord in the 43rd year of Edward III.

Seal: a shield; arms a fesse between three.....

112. [1370-1371.] Let all present and future know that I Robert le Hunt son of Margaret del Crosse have granted to Henry Scaresbrek his heirs and assigns all my messuages lands and tenements with appurtenances which I have had by heirship in villis of Hurtleton and Scaresbrek To be held of the chief lords for due services with all liberties and easements of the said villis In testimony whereof I have affixed my seal.

Witnesses: Otho of Halsale, Gilbert of Gosfordesich, Roger of Holland, John of Bekyrstath, Hugh del Shagh, and others.

Given at Hurtleton on Thursday before St. Valentine (Feb. 14) in the 45th year of Edward III.

113. [1370-1371.] Let all present know that I Robert le Hunt son of Margaret del Crosse have appointed and placed in my stead my beloved in Christ John le Walker of Scaresbrek as my true attorney to deliver over full seisin to Henry of Scaresbrek of all my lands and tenements which I have given to him by a charter ratifying what the said John does in my name.

Given at Ormeskyrk on Thursday before the Feast of St. Valentine Martyr in the 45th year of Edward III.

114. [1371.] This Indenture witnesses that we Gilbert of Gosfordesech and William brother of the same have granted to John of Aspinwall for the whole of his life two parts of all messuages lands and tenements which we have had by gift and

feoffment of the same John in the vill of Hurleton and Scaresbrek To be held of the chief lords for due services And after the death of the said John then to his daughter Jane and her law heirs and if she die without lawful issue then to the right heirs of the said John.

Witnesses: Otho of Halsale, Henry of Scaresbrek, Adam of Bekyrstath, Roger of Bradeschagh, Wm of Eccliston clerk, and others.

Given at Aspinwall on Tuesday the Feast of St. Mary Magdalene (July 22) in the 45th year of Edward III.

115. [1372.] Know all present and future that I Cecilia daughter of Robert of Wythisnape have granted to Henry le Strenger of Herleton and Joan his wife four acres of arable land in the fields of Harleton and Skaresbreg which is my inheritance after the death of Richard of Wythisnape To have and to hold of the chief lords by due services.

Witnesses: Henry of Skarisbrig, Otho of Halsall, Adam of Bikerstath, Gilbert of Garsygh, and others.

Given at Scaresbrig on Sunday after the Feast of the beheading of St. John the Baptist (Aug. 29) in the 45th year of Edward III.

Seal: an ornament of leaves and scrolls.

116. [1372-1373.] Let all present and future know that I Henry Jakson le Strynger and Joan my wife have granted to Henry of Scaresbrek and his heirs 3 acres of our land with the reversion of one acre held by Roger del Greves for the term of his life in Hurleton and Scaresbrek To be held of the chief lords for due services.

Witnesses: Otho of Halsale, Roger of Holland, Adam of Bekerstath, Gilbert of Ines, Gilbert of Gosfordsche and, others.

Given at Hurleton on the Sunday next after the Purification of B. Mary Virgin (Feb. 2) in the 46th year of Edward III.

117. [1372-1373.] Let the present and future know that I Henry Jakson Holocson and Jane my wife have granted to Henry of Scaresbrek and his heirs all our messuages lands and tenements with their appurtenances in villis of Hurleton and Scaresbrek To be held of the chief lords for due services together with all liberties and easements of the said villis.

Witnesses: Otho of Halsale, Roger of Holand, Adam of Bekyrstath, Roger of Bradsogh, Gilbert of Gosfordsigh, and others.

Given at Scaresbrek on Tuesday after the Feast of the Purification of B. Virgin Mary (Feb. 2) in the 46th year of Edward III.

118. [1373-1374.] Let it be known that on Saturday the Vigil of Palm Sunday Henry of Ecbacton delivered over to Henry of Scaresbrek two defences (inclosed or fenced woods) for the participation of Gilbert of Ines near Wigan David of Ireland Richard of Assheton and John Blundell to keep and preserve the same for their use viz. one defence with the obligation of praying for my wife Maria and another defence with the obligation of praying for our salvation, and to find also a priest to celebrate for the soul of Richard le Moleneux to the end of the life of Wm. de Moleneux.

Given at Melling on the day above said in the 47th year of Edward III.

119. [1374-1375.] Be it clear to all that I Roger de Blackburn of Longworth have granted to Gilbert of Gosfordsiche and his heirs a certain annual rent of 4 shillings of silver to be secured from all the messuages lands and tenements in the vill of Longworth at the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (June 24) and St. Martin in winter (Nov. 11) in equal portions and if the said rent is not paid at the aforesaid terms then it shall be lawful for the said Gilbert and his heirs to retain the messuages &c. until all is satisfied.

Given at Longworth in the presence of the witnesses Thomas Banaster of Bonk, Adam of Becaneshou, John of Noteschagh, John of Car, Richard of Ellerbek, John of Blat, and others, on Wednesday before the Feast of the Conversion of St. Paul (Jan. 25) in the 49th year of Edward III.

120. [1381.] Be it clear to all that I William of Masthar have given and released to Henry of Scaresbrek and his heir and have quitclaimed for ever all my right and claim to all rents services and escheats of lands and tenements which were formerly belonging to John of Crossynes Richard Horberd and Henry son of Hawsie in villis of Hurleton and Scaresbrek

Given at Scaresbrek on the Monday before the Feast of Saint Gregory Pope (March 12) in the 4th year of Richard II.

121. [1381.] Let it be clear to all that I William of Hurleton have quitclaimed to Gilbert of Gosfordsiche all my manor of Hurlton with appurtenances together with messuages lands wards' relief (sum of money paid to the lord of the manor when a son was 21 or daughter 20) together with pastures moors mosses marshes and various reversions.

Witnesses: Roger of Bradeshagh, John of Holcroft, John del Car, Richard of Ellerbek.

Given on Saturday after the Feast of St Mark (April 25) in the 4th year of Richard II.

122. [1383.] Be it clear to all that I Jane daughter of Adam le Strenger have remitted released and in every way for myself and heirs quitclaimed to Gilbert son of Richard Becobson and his heirs all my right and claim which I had or may have in all the land tenements and messuages formerly belonging to Roger son of Adam le Clerkson in vills of Hurlton and Scaresbrek

Given at Standish on Thursday after the Feast of St Mary Magdalene (July 22) in the 7th year of Richard II.

123. [1386.] This Indenture made between Henry of Scaresbrekke the elder and Mayowe of Haydock witnesses that the said Henry has granted to Mayowe a road for foot and horse to his moor and moss of Scaresbrekke the head of the road beginning at the house of John Gille And Henry also grants right of cutting turves etc for a period of 5 years following the date hereof And in case the said Mayowe grants the manor of North Meles to any one the which he has on account of the nonage of Hugh son and heir of William of Aghton the said right of road shall cease.

Signed and sealed interchangeably at Scaresbrekke on Monday after the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (June 24) in the 10th year of Richard II.

124. [1388.] Let all present and future know that I John of Aspinwale have granted to Richard Taglismon (wood cutter?) and Richard the Smyth of Burscogh one messuage five acres of land and 20 of moor and pasture in vill of Aspywale a hamlet of Hurleton and Scaresbrekk To be held of the chief lords of the fee for due services.

Witnesses: Gilbert Halsall knight, Henry of Scaresbrek, Roger of Bradschagh, Gilbert of Gosefarsich, William of Hekylston the clerk, and others.

Given at Aspywale on the Feast of the finding of the Cross (May 3) in the 12th year of Richard II.

125. [1388.] Know all present and future that I Adam of Scholis chaplain have given to Alice who was wife of Richard Robynson of Scharesbrek 1 acre of land lying above Sondpesakyr which I had by grant and feoffment of the said Richard To be held by her for the whole term of her life of the chief lords for due services and after her death I grant the same to Henry Dicunson and his lawful heirs remainder to Henry Scharisbrek and his heirs and assigns.

Witnesses: Gilbert of Halsale, Roger of Holand, Adam of Bikerstat.

Given at Scarisbrek on Monday after the Feast of St. James the Apostle (July 25) in the year of the Lord 1388.

Seal: A merchant's mark in an oval, with canopy work at the sides. SIGILLUM WALTERI D'WALLEFORD. [See No. 8, plate xxxii, vol. xii (N.S.) of this Society's *Transactions*.]

126. [1390.] Let all present and future know that we John del Car of Lathum and Richard of Burscogh have granted to Margery formerly wife of Gilbert of Gosfordsich for all her life all the messuages lands &c which the same Margery Jane widow of Roger de Fermon and Alice widow of Thomas of Longeton inherited after the death of their father John Hannesone in the vill of Longeton To be held of the chief lords of the fee by usual services all which revert to us and to our heirs let them wholly remain to William of Hurleton and Matilda his wife and their lawful heirs We have granted also to them all the messuages lands etc. which we have up to this by the gift and feoffment of Gilbert of Gosfordsich in the vill of Longeton If the said William and Matilda die without heirs remainder to the heirs of Matilda if she have none remainder to Richard of Sutton and his wife Jane remainder to Jane remainder to Adam Jankynsone of Beconsowe remainder to William son of John son of Roger Stevenson of Parbolt remainder to Gilbert his brother remainder to Alice daughter of Richard Sporowyn remainder to Emma daughter of John of Aspynewall remainder to the right heirs of Gilbert of Gosfordsich.

Given at Longeton on Friday after the Feast of St. Martin winter (Nov. 11) in the 14th year of Richard II.

Seals: (1) Illegible, (2) The letter B with a pheon to the left.

127. [1392-1393.] Know all people that as Henry of Scaresbrek the elder and Henry of Scaresbrek the younger his son are held by a bond of escheat court and are firmly bound to Mons. John de Stanley in eleven pounds of money to be paid at certain times as appears by the same bond nevertheless the said Mons. John wishes and grants for himself and his heirs and executors that if the aforesaid Henry and Henry or one of them or any other in their name pay or cause to be paid to the said Mons. John or his attorney nine pounds at the Feast of the Nativity of Christ next after the date of these presents then the said bond of the escheat court shall be void and of no effect in whosever hands it may be found if not it remains in force In testimony of which to these presents indented (in duplicate) the parties aforesaid have interchangeably set their seal.

Written at Lyverpull on Monday next after the Feast of the Epiphany in the 16th year of Richard II.

Seals: (1) A man with a hawk on his left hand; (2) A shield within canopy; three mullets between two bendlets engrailed. Inscription broken away. [See No. 11, plate xxxiii, vol. xii (N.S.) of this Society's *Transactions*.] (In Norman French.)

128. [1395-1396.] This is an exact duplicate of No. 129. This has seals, which 129 has not: (1) Illegible; (2) Front view of Burscough Priory, with legend: + SIGILLUM SANCTI NICHOLAI DE BV[RC]ASSCVHE; (3) Illegible. [See No. 5, plate xxxii, vol. xii (N.S.) of this Society's *Transactions*.]

129. [1395-1396.] This indenture witnesseth that as a dispute had for a long time existed between brother John the Prior of Burscogh and the Canons thereof on the one side and Henry son of Gilbert of Scaresbrek and Henry son of the same on the other part about the boundaries of the territory of the same Finally by the ordinance and arbitration of Gilbert of Halsale knight and Hugh of Standish, elected by both parties, an agreement was made in this manner and form Not taking notice in what vill or vills the tenements were situated nor of the agreement made between the predecessors of the Prior and the ancestors of the two Henrys let them hold them peacefully as during ten years or for the four years before the time of the ordinance as is more fully declared by this agreement Beginning at Thoraldestub in Malle Lane near Ormeskyrk where a large stone has been placed and following the boundaries as marked by stones between the holding of the Prior on the one part and the holding of the said Henry son of Gilbert on the other part as well as the holding of the said Prior and the holding of William of Hurlton on the other side as far as Hankelbedeseche where a large stone is placed then following the boundaries between the holdings of Richard of Sutton called Musturland which he holds from the said Prior the holdings of the said Henry up to Blacklach at the end of a certain lane near the mere the eastern boundary of 2 gardens so that the whole of that plot of mere meadow and pasture lying between Blackdeche and Merton Mere containing by estimation 2 acres up to Mashtarmeadow thence by a ditch to Blacklach shall be in common for pasturage between the Prior and tenants of Merton and the tenants of Henry of Scaresbrek and that this agreement may remain firm the Prior &c and the two Henrys made faith and oath to the said arbitrators and affixed their seals.

Given at Ormeskyrk on Thursday next before the Conversion of Saint Paul (Jan. 25) in the 18th year of Richard II.

130. [1397.] This charter indented (in duplicate) made between Gilbert of Halsale knight and Henry of Scaresbrec testifies that the said Gilbert in exchange grants and confirms for himself and his heirs all his lands and tenements with appurtenances which he has in Asmole To hold of the chief lords of the fee by usual services For which lands and tenements Henry in exchange grants for himself and his heirs to Gilbert and his heirs for all time all his lands and tenements with appurtenances which he has in Halsale to hold of the chief lords of the fee by due services In testimony of which we have affixed our seals to this charter.

Witnesses: John of Stanley knight, John le Botiler of Weryngton knight, Richard le Molyneux, John of Lytherland, Thomas de la More, and others.

Given at Halsale and Assemole May 8th in the 20th year of Richard II.

Seal: On a shield 2 bars within a bordure indented, with legend: s' AUTI DE HALSHAL. [See No. 18, plate xxxiii, vol. xii (N.S.) of this Society's *Transactions*.] (*In Norman French*.)

131. [1397.] Know all present and future that I Adam Brakaels chaplain have given for my life time to William of Grelteby of Aspynwalle all my lands and tenements which I had by gift and feoffment of the said William in vills of Scaresbrec and Hurtleton and after his death to his son John with all liberties and easements Rendering due services to the chief lords And if he die without lawful issue then to Richard son of aforesaid William remainder to Alice daughter of said William remainder to Jane another daughter remainder to Elena remainder to the right heirs of the aforesaid William.

Witnesses: Henry of Scaresbrec, William of Hurtleton, Thomas of Aspynwalle, and others.

Given at Aspynwall on Sunday after the Feast of St. Luke in the 21st year of Richard II.

132. [1397.] This indenture between Thomas of Barton of Amounderness on the one part and Henry of Scaresbrec the elder of the other part testifies that Gilbert the elder son and heir to the said Thomas will marry Elizabeth daughter of the said Henry And Alayne of Caterall William of Ertesgate chaplain and William of Bispham chaplain who are enfeoffed of all the lands etc. of Thomas Barton will enfeoff Lawrence of Mierscough chaplain Adam Brokald chaplain Richard of Syngleton and John of Fletwodde in 10 marks worth of land in Amounderness in trust for the said Gilbert and Elizabeth And said Henry to pay said Thomas 100 marks by sundry instalments.

Witnesses: Richard of Hoghton, Richard Molyneux, John of Bolde, Alayn of Caterall, Roger of Brokholes, Richard of Winkeley.
 Given at Preston in Amounderness 16 August 21st Richard II.
 Seal: apparently a bird close. (*In Norman French.*)

133. [1398.] This indenture witnesses that as a dispute has arisen between John of Wrightynton Prior of Burscogh and Henry son of Gilbert of Scarisbrek and Henry his son and heir apparent with regard to the boundary of certain tenements meadows pastures and moor within the villis of Lathum and Scarisbrek viz. beginning at Tharoldstube in Malle Lane near Ormeskyrk where a large stone has been placed following the boundaries marked out by stones to a place called Hamleschodesiche where another large stone has been placed then following the boundaries marked out by stones to Blakelache which is at the end of a certain lane near the mere on the west and between the eastern boundary of two gardens on each side of the lane of Blakelache thence following the stones placed to a certain pond called Merton Pool then along a ditch for three rods up to Merton Mere on the north along Merton Mere southwards to a certain separate close of the said Prior called the Mayne Hey thence to the east end thereof then along the first lane to a meadow of two acres thence to another called Mustarmede and along a ditch between Mustarmede and the moor to the said Blakelache on the south With regard to this dispute the Prior and Henry the elder and Henry the younger placed themselves unreservedly in the hands of the following for their ordaining and arbitration viz. Gilbert of Halsale knight Hugh of Standish Thomas of Hesketh John of Bold esquire and William of Becansaw now undersheriff of Lancaster and they took an oath to stand by the ordinance and arbitration of the same and the aforesaid after mature deliberation and diligence and hearing all the evidence declared that Henry the elder and Henry the younger had no right to the territory and tenement &c. within a certain portion of the moor but only to the common of pasture and the said Henrys renounce all claim save their common of pasture to a part of the moor which they have through possessing the Manor of Scarisbrek and accept the decree and guarantee the Prior and his successors against all claim Both set their seals to the agreement.

Witnesses: Richard of Houghton, Thomas Gerard, Robert of Standish, Thomas Flemming knight, Nicholas of Atherton, Edward of Lathum, John de Holland of Sutton, Thomas del More of Lyverpull, Nicholas Blundell, Nicholas Aghton, Richard of Bradschagh, John of Blythe, Henry of Haydok, William of Eccleston clerk, and others.

Given at Lathum on Thursday after the Annunciation of the B. Virgin Mary (March 25) in the 21st year of Richard II.

133A. [1398.] This indenture is an exact duplicate with seals (which the other has not) of deed No. 132. In this deed there is another witness John of Lyverpull, and Holland in the other is spelt with one l.

Seals: (1) Eagle displayed; (2) Circular seal; on a shield, a saltire within a bordure indented s HUGONIS DE STANDYSH; (3) Letter between two sprays; (4) Illegible; (5) Circular seal; on a shield within canopy work on a bend 3 garbs SIGILLUM THOME DE HESKETH (the garbs are defaced); (6) Shield within canopy; illegible. [See Nos. 10 and 12, plate xxxiii. vol. xii. (N.S.) of this Society's *Transactions*.]

134. [1389-1390.] (Family settlement.) Let all know that the wish of Gilbert of Gosfordsich touching all his lands messuages and tenements with their appurtenances in vills of Longeton which he gave to John del Cur and Richard of Burscough is this That the said John and Richard shall give back in fee to the said Gilbert all his lands &c. for the term of his life so that Margery wife of the said Gilbert shall have for her life all messuages lands &c. which the said Margery Jane widow of Roger le Ffermon Alice widow of Thomas of Longeton had and inherited after the death of John Hannesone their father So that after the death of Gilbert and Margery they shall remain intact to William of Hurlerton and Matilda his wife in default of issue they shall fall to Richard of Sutton and Jane his wife or to Jane's heirs if they or she have no issue then to Adam of Jenkynsone of Bekansawe in default of issue to William son of John son of Roger Stevenson of Parbolt in default of issue to Gilbert brother of said William then to Alice daughter of Richard Sparowyn then to Emma daughter of John of Aspynewalle then to right heirs of Gilbert of Gosfordsiche.

Given at Scarisbrek on Tuesday after St. Hilary (Jan. 14) in the 13th year of Richard II.

135. [1387.] Let the present and future know that I Elena Pevant in my pure virginity have granted and by this present charter have confirmed to Gilbert of Gosforsche and Ada of Whatton all my lands and tenements in vill of Scaresbrek together with common pasture and turbary and all easements of the said To be held of the chief lords for due services.

Given at Scaresbrek on Sunday after the Translation of St. Swithin (July 15) in the 9th year of Richard II.

136. [1394-1395.] Be it clear to all that I Robert of Aghton have authorised and appointed in my place the beloved in Christ Henry of Scaresbrek junior to be my true and lawful attorney to

deliver full and peaceful possession to Alan Decunson and Thomas of Waley of all my lands in that plot called Selkar in Scaresbrek which I have given by deed to the said Alan.

Given at Caterall on Tuesday the Feast of the Purification of the B. Mary Virgin (Feb. 2) in the 18th year of Richard II.

137. [1398.] Let the present and future know that I William of Gretteby of Aspynwalle have given to Adam Brekdel chaplain and his assigns all my messuages lands tenements which I had on the day of the making of these presents in Aspynwalle and Gorstyfeld within villis of Scaresbrek and Hurleton To be held with all liberties of the chief lords for usual services.

Given at Aspynwalle on Sunday before Feast of St. Luke the Evangelist (Oct. 18) in the 21st year of Richard II.

Witnesses: Henry of Scaresbrek, William of Hurleton, Thomas of Aspynwalle, and others.

138. [1399.] This indenture testifies to all that I Henry of Scaresbrek senior have granted to William le Strynger for one score and 19 years all messuages lands tenements etc. with appurtenances called Wythynsnape in villis of Scaresbrek and Hurleton with common pasture and turbarry Rent 16 shillings of silver to be paid in equal portions at Pentecost and at St. Martin's in winter In whose testimony William aforesaid affixed his seal to this writing which is to remain in the possession of Henry Scaresbrek.

Given at Scaresbrek on Monday before the Feast of St. Martin (Nov. 11) in winter in the 1st year of Henry IV.

Seal: The letter R between two leaves.

139. [1401.] Let the present and future know that we John Dany (or Davy) chaplain and Willam of Eccleston clerk have granted to William Dikonsone of Scaresbrek and Margerie his wife all messuages &c. which we had by the gift and feoffment of the said William in the vill of Scaresbrek &c To have and to hold to them or to the longer liver of the chief lords for the customary service Remainder to John their son and his heirs remainder to John son of John Dikonsone and his heirs remainder to Robert brother to the said John son of John Dikonsone and his heirs remainder to Henry son of Henry of Scaresbrek and his heirs.

Witnesses: Gilbert of Halsall knight, Nicholas of Atherton knight, Richard of Bradshaigh, John del Car of Latham, John of Blyth, and others.

Given at Scaresbrek on Sunday after the Feast of All Saints (Nov. 1st) in the 3rd year of Henry IV.

140. [1402-1403.] To all those to whom these shall come Richard of Twisilton chaplain health in God I testify the things that are true for I testify before God and all good people that William of Hurleton swore in the house of Gilbert of Gosford-siche before me and several other people of the espousals made between him and Maud daughter of the said Gilbert and that the said William would never claim of the inheritance of the said Gilbert which might disinherit or grieve Richard of Sutton or the jointure of his wife or his heirs in time to come. In testimony of which I have set my seal at Croston the Sunday before the Purification of our Lady (Feb. 2) in the 4th year of Henry IV.

Seal: the letter R.

141. [1405.] This indenture made between Henry of Halsale Parson of the church of Halsale and Henry of Scaresbrek and Johanna widow of Henry father of aforesaid Henry of Scaresbrek Witnesseth that Robert of Halsale brother of Henry of Halsale will marry Ellen daughter of Henry of Scaresbrek for which marriage to be had the aforesaid Henry of Scaresbrek and Johanna shall give to the said Henry of Halsale 200 marks or silver viz. on the day of the solemnization of the said marriage 50 marks at Easter following 20 marks and at the Nativity of Our Lord 20 marks and yearly at these Feasts 20 marks until the 200 are paid And afterwards the said Henry of Halsale shall enfeoff the said Robert and Ellen in 10 librates (land yielding £10 yearly) of land for the term of his life And if Robert die before Henry then the said Henry shall make a reasonable feoffment to the said Ellen for her life And if Ellen die within three years without heirs by Robert then Henry of Halsale shall pay to Henry of Scaresbrek 100 marks at these Feasts and in sums until 200 marks are paid That these covenants may be kept the parties are mutually bound in £200 to each other Alternately sealed.

Given at Halsale on Tuesday after Feast of St. Mark (April 25) in the 6th year of Henry IV.

Seal: Within a border indented 2 bars; inscription: + s + HALSALE + HALSALE + HALSALE. [See No. 17, plate xxxiii. vol. xii. (N.S.) of this Society's *Transactions*.]

142. [1405-1406.] Let present and future know that we Richard of Twysseilton and John of Walton chaplains have granted to Jane widow of Richard of Sutton all messuages lands tenements reversions &c with appurtenances in villis of Hurleton cum Scaresbrek Aghton near Lydeyate Uplitherlond Northmeols and Lathum without reserve the which we had by gift and feoffment of the said Jane To have and to hold all the aforesaid

with pasture turbary liberties and easements of the chief lords for due services And after her death remainder to Gilbert of Sutton and if he die without heirs then to Thomas of Sutton then to John of Sutton then to Richard of Sutton then to Robert of Sutton then to Henry of Sutton then to Cecily and Ellen sisters of Henry and if they die without heirs then to the right heirs of the said Jane.

Witnesses : Henry of Skaresbrek, Robert of Halsale, Richard of Bradshagh, William of Holand, William of Cunlegh clerk, and others.

Given at Skaresbrek on Sunday after the Feast of St. Gregory Pope (March 12th) in the 7th year of Henry IV.

Seal : Letter R, with spray to left. Fancy seal of lion dormant in front of foliage. Inscription : s . . . BANASTRE.

143. [1405-1406.] Know the present and future that I Jane formerly wife of Richard Sutton have granted to Richard Twisselton chaplain and to John of Walton chaplain all my messuages lands etc which I have in vill of Hurleton cum Scaresbrek in Aghton near Lydeyate Uplitherlond Northmoels and Latham with all rights liberties common pasture and turbary To be held of the chief lords of the fee for due and rightful services.

Witnesses : Henry of Scaresbrek, Robert of Halsale, Richard of Bradshagh, William of Holand, William of Tunlogh clerk, and others.

Given at Scaresbrek on Wednesday after the Feast of St. Vincent Martyr (Jan. 22) in the 7th year of Henry IV.

144. [1400-1401.] Be it remembered That whereas Thomas Holland formerly Earl of Kent John Holand formerly Earl of Huntyngdon John Montague formerly Earl of Salisbury Thomas formerly Lord le Despenser and Ralph Lomley knight lately in divers parts of England of themselves levied war traitorously against our Lord the King and against their allegiance for to destroy our said Lord the King and other great men of the realm with men of another tongue engaged in their said levy of war by the loyal lieges of our said Lord the King were taken and beheaded And notwithstanding the Lords temporal assembled in the Parliament held at Westminster on the octave of St. Hilary (Jan. 21) in the 2nd year of the reign of our said Lord the King by assent of the King declared and adjudged the said Thomas John John Thomas and Ralph for traitors for the levy of war against their liege lord aforesaid and that they have forfeited as traitors all their lands and tenements which they had in fee simple on the 5th day of January the Vigil of the Feast of the Epiphany of our Lord Jesus Christ the first year of the reign of

our lord the King above said or since as the law of the land requires together with all their goods and chattels notwithstanding they were put to death in the said levy of war without process of law The names of the Lords that were present at the said declaration so follow :—

Henry Prince of Wales, Edmonde Duke of York, Edward Earl of Rotland, Thomas Earl of Arundell, John Earl of Somerset, Edmund Earl of Stafford, Henry Earl of Northumberland, Ralph Earl of Westmorland, Thomas Earl of Wyrcestre, Michael Earl of Suffolk, Richard Lord de Grey of Codenore, Thomas Lord of Berkele, John Lord of Cherleton, Reginald Lord de Grey of Ruthyn, Thomas Lord of Camoys, Thomas Lord of Furnivall, Robert Lord of Scales, John Lord of Beamonde, William Lord of Wyloughby, Hugh Lord of Burnell, William Lord of Ferrers of Groby, William Lord of Bergeveny, John Lord of Lovell, Robert of Haryngton, Richard Le Scrope.

145. [1386.] Let the present and future know that I Adam of Whatton have granted to Thomas of Harbergh chaplain and Richard of Sutton all my lands and tenements with appurtenances in the villis of Scaresbrek Aghton and Ormeskirk and a hamlet in Lathum To have and to hold of the chief lords of the fee for due services.

Given at Scaresbrek on Wednesday after the Feast of St. Nicholas the Bishop (Dec. 6) in the 8th year of Richard II.

146. [1408?] In the name of God Amen I John of Bolde knight make my testament at this time In the first place I bequeath my soul to Almighty God (in trust) and to His Mother Mary and to all His holy field sheep of heaven and my body to be buried wherever it will be Item I bequeath my best beast to Prescote in the name of principal (in honour of his patron Saint?) Also it is my Will that all my debts be paid out of my goods Also I bequeath to Christian of Belfeld and Edward his son 40 marks and to Katherine his daughter £40 and the remainder of my goods to be used for my soul Also I have ordained to be my executors Harry of Scharysbrec the father and William Daniel for great trust to fulfil my Will also I bequeath to each of them 40 shillings for their labour.

In the witness of this I have set my seal at Bolde the 22nd day of October the 9th year of King Harry (probably IV.)

147. [1412.] This indenture made between Henry of Scaresbrek on the one part and Hugh of Aghton on the other testifies that as a disagreement had arisen between these two regarding

certain portions of moor meadow and pasture they agree to abide by the ordinance of Henry of Halsale Parson of Halsale and Nicholas Blundell (probably of Little Crosby) for themselves and heirs under a penalty of £100 to each other In testimony of which the said parties have interchangeably set their seals.

Written at Lancaster on Monday the Feast of St. Lawrence the Martyr (Aug. 10) in the 12th year of Henry IV.

Seal: Octagonal; on a helm with mantlet, a garb; at the sides T R, and below the helm a heart pierced with an arrow. [See No. 13, plate xxxiii, vol. xii (N.S.) of this Society's *Transactions*.]
(*In Norman French.*)

148. [1414.] This indenture witnesses that as Hugh of Aspynewall Robert Attekynton of Snape and Thomas de Hesketh of Scaresbrek by their bond are firmly bound to William of Goldburne in £100 to be paid on certain days nevertheless the said William grants and wills for himself and his heirs that if the said Hugh brings to assize the said William and his wife and all the lands and tenements that he claims from them as his right in Scaresbrek and enters his plea that the said muniments and deeds are false and suffers the assize to pass without delay or evidence against them so that the said muniments and deeds may be affirmed good and legal and the said Hugh remain in his right which peradventure may descend to him from them in time to come nor that he be excluded from 5s. of rent for his life according to the ordinance and arbitration of John de Stanley That then the said obligation of £100 be void but otherwise remain in force.

In witness of which matter to this defeasance indented as well the seals of the said John de Stanley, as of the said parties are put.

Written at Lathum on the 18th day of September, the 2nd year of Henry V.

149. [1403.] Let the present and future know that I John le Ring and Jane my wife have granted to Robert of Bradeshagh and Margaret his wife one burgage with buildings and also half a burgage lying outside the cemetery of the church at Ormeskirk To have and to hold of the chief lords of the fee for customary dues.

Witnesses: Gilbert of Halsale knight, Nicholas of Atherton knight, Henry of Scaresbrek the younger, Richard of Bradeshagh, Richard of Sutton, John of Carre, Matthew of Sale clerk, and others.

Given at Ormeskirk on Monday before Feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (June 24th) in the 3rd year of Henry IV.

Seal: Geometrical ornament repeated twice.

150. [1416.] Let the present and future know that I John son of Gilbert son of Richard Botoksone have granted to Henry of Scaresbrek knight and Isabella his wife and their lawful issue all my messuages lands tenements and appurtenances which I had on the day of the making of this instrument in the vill of Scaresbrek without any reserve To be held of the chief lords by due services and if the said Isabella die without heirs then all to revert to the said Henry.

Witnesses: William of Ethelston, Robert of Halsale, Richard of Bradshagh, William of Hurleton, Roger Glyn clerk, and others.

Given at Scaresbrek on Tuesday in Whitweek, in the 4th year of Henry V.

151. [1418.] This indenture witnesses that I Matilda who was wife of Roger of Bradshagh of Litherlond have covenanted with Henry of Scaresbrek knight in consequence of the marriage of Richard of Bradshagh my son and heir apparent to Isabella daughter of the said Henry for which marriage the said Henry shall give and pay to me 80 marks of silver on certain days by two instalments for which the said Henry and others are bound under a certain statute of the merchants of Wygan to enfeof the said Richard and Isabella with all my manor of Uplitherlond with all its appurtenances messuages lands meadows woods pastures moors mosses rents of all free and other tenants except a windmill in the said manor before the Feast of All Saints next following if I am alive on the day of the celebration of the espousals of Richard and Isabella And I further undertake not to alienate or enfeof any of the residue of my inheritance within the county of Lancaster But if the said Isabella die within a year of espousals with Richard and they have no heir male then the said Henry shall be released from the payment of 40 marks out of the 80

Witnesses: Henry of Longton, Lorine (Lawrence) of Newton, Thomas of Bradshagh.

Given at in the 5th year of Henry V.

[Somewhat frayed and illegible.]

152. [1420.] William Renhagh Canon of the Cathedral of Lichfield and Vicar-General in Spirituals of William by the grace of God Lord Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield grants to Jane of Scaresbryg that in all her oratories within the said diocese in becoming places she may have masses and other divine services in a low voice by any suitable chaplain in the presence of her or the children or her family provided that no prejudice hence arise to the mother churches to last until the said Renhagh deems it should be revoked.

Given at Lichfield under the official episcopal seal on the 15th day of February 1420.

153. [1424.] Let the present and future know that I Henry of Scaresbrek have granted to Richard Smyth chaplain and to John del Greves chaplain and their assigns all my manor of Scaresbrek and Ekergarth with all their appurtenances and all messuages lands and tenements rents services together with buildings meadows wood pastures mills waters wardships reliefs marriages escheats with all appurtenances that I had on the making of this instrument within the county of Lancaster without any reservation together with reversions which Joanna widow of Henry of Scaresbrek and Isabella my mother hold to the end of their lives.

Witnesses: Robert of Halsale, Richard of Burscough, Richard del Shagh the elder, and others.

Given at Scaresbrek on Monday after the Feast of St. Martin Bishop (Nov. 11) in the 3rd year of Henry VI.

154. [1427.] Let all know by these presents that I Elizabeth who was wife of Gilbert of Hurleton have remitted and released both for myself and heirs and have quitclaimed to Henry of Scaresbrek Gilbert of Scaresbrek William of Scaresbrek Thomas of Scaresbrek John of Irton Edward Banastre Nicholas del Abbay and Richard Harreson all kinds of actions personal and appellant and all other actions which I have had have or may have in the future against them by reason or cause of the death of the aforesaid Gilbert my husband.

Given on Monday in the first week of Lent in the 5th year of Henry VI.

Seal: a garb between two sprays.

155. [1429.] At the Lancaster Sessions on Friday before the Feast of St. Lawrence (Aug. 10) in the 7th year of Henry VI (Roll xxxi.) On which day there came in their own persons Henry of Scaresbrek and Richard Bold by command of the Sheriff because John Bold Henry Norreys and John Savage did not appear An Inquisition was held by him at Ormeskirk on Thursday before the Feast of the Most Holy Trinity in 7th year of the reign of our lord now King of England by the oath of Henry Halsale Richard of Bradshagh of Letherlond Simon of Ines Richard del Shagh the younger Richard Tatlock Henry of Asshehurst Roger Nayler Robert Brohed John Jenkynson of Heskyn John Botill of Rys Robert Ante John Harreson of Skaresbrek Hugh of Aspynwole and Henry Spencer it was found that Margaret Peterson of Peter Richard of Kyghley Henry Halsall and Nicholas had no goods chattels lands etc. in the county of Lancaster on that day but the aforesaid John Bold had 20 oxen

12 cows and other goods and chattels of the value of £20 and the manor of Bold worth 100 marks that Henry Norreys had at Speke of the value of £10 and the manor of Speke of the value of £10 besides other lands in Gerstan and Halewode worth 24 marks and that John Savage had the manor of Westby and in right of his wife Elena 40 marks that the aforesaid had not other goods chattels or lands etc. that the aforesaid Henry of Scaresbrek and Richard of Bolde had suffered a loss of the value of 20 marks and that the aforesaid manors and tenements are worth annually £120 and the said Sheriff by virtue of the Inquisition on Thursday after the Feast of St. Mary Magdalen (July 22) in the 7th year of the reign of our lord King ordered Henry of Scaresbrek and Richard Bolde to have all the aforesaid manors and tenements and to hold the same until the losses and debt aforesaid are paid.

156. [1432-1433.] Let all know by the present letters that we Nicholas of Hurlton James of Hurlton Thomas and John of Hurlton and John Savage knight and William of Stanley are firmly bound to Henry of Scaresbrek Henry of Halsale and Thomas of Barton in £300 sterling for merchandise bought from them to be paid to the same or their attorney heirs or executors at Easter next And unless we do we grant that they may fall upon us and each of us wholly our heirs and executors with full severity and penalties provided by the statute of the King at Acton Burnell and recited at Westminster In testimony of which we have affixed to these presents our seals and the seal of the merchants of Wigan.

Given at Wigan on Thursday after the Epiphany (Jan. 6) in the 11th year of Henry VI,

Seal of the Wigan statute merchant with legend on obverse : + S EDW REG ANGL AD RECOGN DEBITOR APUD WYGAN. On reverse : + SIGILLUM DE WYGAN. [See Nos. 14 and 15, plate xxxiii, vol. xii (N.S.), of this Society's *Transactions*.]

157. [1433.] Let all present and future persons know that I Henry son of Henry Scaresbrek knight have granted to Richard of Smythe and John Lovelady chaplains all my manor of Scaresbrek except all the messuages lands tenements rents and services which Jane widow of Henry of Scaresbrek my grandfather holds as her dowry for the term of her life from the said Henry of Scaresbrek and except also all the messuages, lands &c of which I and my wife Katharine are conjointly enfeoffed To be held from the chief lords for due services.

Witnesses : Henry of Halsale, Richard of Bradshagh, Roger of Aghton; and others.

Given on Aug. 6th in the 11th year of Henry VI.

Seal : the letter E.

158. [1435.] Know all present and future that I John Depedale have granted to Richard Madok and Robert Olyver chaplains all my lands messuages with their appurtenances in Okenheved and Snape in vill of Scaresbrek To have and to hold the same of the chief lords of the fee by due services In testimony of which I have affixed my seal.

Witnesses : Henry of Halsale, Richard of Bradshawe esquire, Gilbert of Sutton, and others.

Given at Scaresbrek on the Thursday after the Feast of St. Katherine Virgin (Nov. 25) in the 13th year of King Henry VI.

Seal : an eagle displayed.

159. [1440.] Let the present and future know that I Henry Skaresbrek esquire have granted to Edward Banastre and William Becansawe chaplains all my lands tenements etc. in vill of Skaresbrek called the Otterhouseholme the Longheys in the Wyke the Pewe Hey with Chitfold the Polehey the Pewe meadow and Gyliot meadow To have and to hold together with appurtenances of the chief lords by due services.

Witnesses : Richard Hoghton knight, Edward Trafford knight, Henry Langton esquire, Henry Kyghley esquire, Henry Hoghton, and others.

Given at Skaresbrek on the 12th day of August in the 18th year of Henry VI.

Seal : a shield displaying three mullets between two bendlets engrailed; over it a helmet and mantling surmounted by a bird; within a garter on which is the legend in Old English characters, SIGILLUM HENRICI SCARESREC. [See No. 11 plate xxxiii. vol. xii. (N.S.) of this Society's *Transactions*.]

160. [1441.] Let the present and future know that we Edward Banastre and William Becansawe chaplains have granted to Henry Skaresbrek Esquire and Margery his wife all those lands tenements and meadows with their appurtenances which we had lately of the gift and feoffment of the aforesaid Henry in the vill of Skaresbrek To be had and held by the said Henry and Margery and their lawful heirs of the chief lords of the fee by usual service And if the said Henry and Margery die without male issue remainder to Margaret their daughter and her heirs Remainder to William brother of the aforesaid Henry and his

heirs Remainder to Gilbert brother of William Remainder to the rightful heirs of Henry and Margery.

Witnesses - Richard Hoghton knight, Edward Trafford knight, Henry Langton esquire, Henry Kyghley esquire, Henry Hoghton esquire, and others.

Given at Scaresbrek on the 14th day of September in the 19th year of Henry VI.

Seal : the letter w.

161 and 161a (one being a duplicate of the other.) [1444.] This indenture made between Richard Sutton the elder and the heirs of Gilbert Sutton on the one part and Jane who was the wife of Gilbert on the other part Witnesses that Richard Sutton grants and delivers to Jane the third part of all his messuages lands rents etc. with appurtenances which were lately belonging to said Gilbert late husband of the said Jane in vills of Scaresbreck Burscogh Ormeskirke Aghton near Lideyate Uplitherland Northmeles Wygan Aspull Wrightyngton Walswithall Penwarthem and Ulneswalton as follows In the first place he gives all the messuages lands rents etc. which were Gilbert's in Penwartham and Ulneswalton and also the third part of one tenement in Walswithall now in the holding of Christopher Pemberton viz. the barn of the same tenement with garden on the west of the barn with another on the south end and a meadow shut in with hedges and one acre of land called Hobacre another acre called Suttons acre another field called the Four acre with a piece of waste land lying near the end of the field together with all the waste land lying between the field and a certain garden near the shippon which extends below the vineyard and also the old orchard with a third part of the waste south of the messuage and the third part of the waste between the messuage and the bakehouse extending as far as the Calfeheye and the third part of one tenement in Wrightyngton now in the holding of William Pemberton viz. a messuage of the said tenement and a cottage near with a garden called Boakyard and the old orchard and a certain close of land called Weywartfeld and another close called Shortshold and the third part of the waste so far as it extends to the gate leading to the highway also the third part of all lands tenements rents and services in Wygan viz. all the meadows called the Heghearmede and a toft of land near the Henhurstbrigge now in the holding of Hugh Orrell and five premises of annual rent Also the third part of a tenement in Aspull called the Boure and the third part of the barn on the south and half the curtilage on the east and an acre of land in the Bentheye lying in two places one acre in the Shepeheye and one third of an acre near the barn of Rodger Catterall half an

acre and one third of a rood in the Litell Longfeld with one third part of a piece of land called the Suer and its third part in Holynehey Also in Ormeskyrke the third part of one cottage and one curtilage And the said Richard delivered to the said Jane in vill of Burscogh half the land called Mustarfeld and a piece of meadow extending to two acres and one and a half acre of meadow which Henry Wyresdale Richard Sutton the elder and William Scaresbrek with Edward Banaster separately held last year To have and to hold in the name of her whole dowry falling to the said Jane from the marriage settlement of the said Gilbert her late husband In testimony of which the aforesaid Richard put his seal to these presents in the presence of Henry Scaresbrek Henry Halsall Thomas Hesketh Gilbert Halsall Rector of Halsall Church Nicholas Crok and Gilbert ffaryngton and very many others On the other part of this writing remaining in possession of said Richard the said Jane affixed her seal in the presence of the above

Given on the Feast of St. Martin in winter (Nov. 11th) in the 23rd year of Henry VI.

162. [1446.] Be this knawyn to all trew crystyn pepill that on the Sondag next after the fest of y^e translation of Saynt Thomas the martyre (July 7) the yere of the regne of Kyng Henry the Sext the xxiiiith in the parish kyrk of Ormeskyrk the tyme of the hegh Masse in presence and audience of all the parishioners of the same parish and of us Robert Wodward Prior of the house of Saynt Nicholas of Burscogh all his cochanons Gilbert Parson of the kyrk of Halsall Henry Halsall Henry Atherton Thomas Lathum Henry Byrom Ewan Standish Hugh Aghton John Atherton and Thomas Fox one Roger Naden at y^t time ther beyng of his own free will and noght constreynyt sware upon the holy evangelistes that he never made feofment alienation dede nor relese nor bargan of sale to James of the Holt fader unto Henry of the Holt nor to the said Henry nor to noon other persone outaken (unknown) to Henry of Scaresbrek of certeyne londs liyng within the said parish of Ormeskyrk called Huyton Feld and the said Roger at y^t tyme desireth the sentence of cursyng to be gyvyn upon hym if his othe were noght trew the which was fulfillid by the Viker of the said kyrk and then farthwyth the yere day and place presence and audience above said in affermance of the said othe One Thomas Crofte of the said town of Ormeskyrk yoman a man of credence gode name and fame and of lxxx yere of age and more sware upon a boke that to his knowledge and supposyng that othe the which the said Roger hade sworn was trew for and any such fefment or

alienation . . . should have been made to any persone the said Thomas shuld have had knowlege therof by reson by cause he had the said feld in ferme x yere contynually next before the said Roger Naden had any thyng ther in and also all the while the said Roger had ther in unto the time he made feffment unto the said Henry of Scaresbrek of the which feffment the said Thomas Croft had knowlege and attentorned unto the said Henry of Scaresbrek and never unto any other persone by force or vertue of any alienation or feffment of the said lond by the said Roger unto any other persone or persons made nor of none such alienation or feffment to any other persone or persons by the said Roger of the said lond made the said Thomas Croft sware in same reherset y^t he had no never notice nor knowlege nor gave information. In wytnes of the which thyng we whos names been above writyn unto this owre testimoniall have sett oure selys.

Gyvyn the day and yere above said.

Seals: (1) monogram TC; (2) a paschal lamb; (3) Gothic letter B under a crown; (4) a St. Andrew's cross; (5) Gothic letter M; (6) fragment of the fine ecclesiastical seal of Robert Woodward, Prior of Bnrscough. [See No. 4 plate xxxii. vol. xii. (N.S.) of this Society's *Transactions*]

163. [1447.] William by divine permission Bishop of Coventry and Lichfield wishes to his beloved children in Christ Henry Scaresbrek squire and his consort Margery health grace and blessing and grants that they or either of them may lawfully cause to be celebrated in their chapels or oratories and in any other places within our Diocese suitably constructed provided the places be becoming and honorable by suitable chaplains whomsoever masses and other divine offices in a low voice in their presence or in the presence of either of them or of the children of their family so however that no other ecclesiastical sacraments be administered and that no prejudice happens to the mother church such places if no canon forbids it and grants to them and to either of them and to such chaplains by the tenor of these presents special leave to last for four years from the term given to these presents In witness of which we have caused our seal to be affixed to these presents at Manchester on the 19th day of the month of September in the year of the Lord 1447 and of our consecration the first.

164. [1451.] Identical permission but only during his pleasure. Given under his seal in his manor of Heywode on the 5th day of the month of July in the year of the Lord 1451 and of his consecration the fifth.

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165. [1451.] In the name of God Amen By the present public instrument let it be evident to all that in the year from the Incarnation according to the computation of the Anglican Church 1451 indiction xv in the 5th year year of the Pontificate of Nicholas V on the 23rd day of January in the cemetery of the church of Halsalle in the Diocese of Litchfield in the presence of me a notary public and subscribing witnesses the venerable man Henry of Scaresbrek esquire of the same diocese had reduced to writing a certain protestation and had it publicly read by another in these words In the name of God Amen Before you eminent men and a person to take authentic cognizance and these witnesses present I Henry of Scaresbrek esquire of the Diocese of Litchfield state allege and in these writings propound that I was born of lawful wedlock that I am of sound estate of good repute of uninjured eharacter not suspended nor excommunicated nor interdicted nor found guilty of any notable crime fearing for probable reasons and likely conjectures that prejudice may in the future with regard to the aforesaid arise against me Lest anyone by any authority colour or command attempt any prejudice against me by advising citing suspending excommunicating interdicting disturbing disquieting troubling or in any other way oppressing I call upon and appeal to the Apostolic See and the Primatial Court of Canterbury in these writings if and as far as there is a right of petition I petition firstly secondly thirdly instantly pressingly more instantly and most instantly Subjecting myself and all my adherents to the protection and defence of the said See and Court, and I protest that in the event of any future trouble of any kind I wish to appeal and to prosecute my appeal with effect.

Given &c year and indiction stated in the presence of the venerable and discreet men Master Gilbert Halsall Bachelor in Sacred Theology Rector of the Parish Church of Halsall Henry of Halsall esquire Lord of Halsall Hugh of Ashton Richard of Halsall gentleman of the Diocese of Litchfield and others witnesses specially called.

And I Richard of Pley mudstowe of the Diocese of Litchfield Apostolic and Imperial Notary Public caused the above to be done and written as asked on the date etc. above given.

166. [1451.] Let the present and future know that we Nicholas Blundell son of Henry Blundell and Robert Blundell clerk have granted to Henry Blundell esquire all those messuages lands etc. which John Johnson John Griffre senior Gilbert Thomasson John Gibenson Gilbert Man and Robert Goldyng now hold of us at our will in Little Crosby and Ince Blundell and also one parcel of meadow in Crosby aforesaid called

Wildcattes acre To have and to hold the same for the whole term of his life remainder to Margaret daughter of Henry Scarisbrek for her life remainder to Nicholas son of me Nicholas and his heirs remainder to Henry Blundell and his heirs In case of divorce £100 to be paid by said Nicholas Blundell and his father to Henry Scarisbrek.

Witnesses: Henry Halsale esquire, Hugh Aghton esquire, Thomas Scarisbrek and others.

Given at Crosby 27th January in the 30th year of Henry VI.

167. [1451-1452.] (*Marriage Trust of Nicholas Blundell and Margaret Scaresbrek*) Let the present and future know that we Nicholas Blundell son of Henry Blundell and Robert Blundell clerk have granted to Margaret daughter of Henry Scaresbrek all messuages lands rents etc. which Robert Warton John Rawlynson Robert Jankynson Marjory Whyk and Agnes del Morehouse separately hold at our pleasure within the villis of Little Crosby and Ince Blundell and which we have had among others by the gift and feoffment of the aforesaid Henry Blundell To have and to hold the same to the said Margaret for the term of her life without impeachment or hindrance And after the decease of the said Margaret to remain in their integrity to Nicholas son of me Nicholas Blundell and my lawful heirs Remainder to Robert Blundell his heirs and assigns To hold from the chief lords for due services Provided always that if in the future a divorce take place in the Ecclesiastical Courts between Nicholas and Margaret at the suit of the said Margaret only and that the cause of that divorce proceeded from the said Margaret and that the espousals or marriage are held to be void or null then we the said Nicholas and Henry agree to pay to Henry Scaresbrek or his executors £100 within five years after the said divorce and the said Margaret shall give up possession of the messuages etc. secured to her by this writing and the same shall revert to the aforesaid Nicholas son of me Nicholas after the decease of the said Margaret and all the aforesaid shall cease expire and be of no value In testimony of which we have affixed our seals to this paper.

Witnesses: Henry Halsall, Hugh Aghton, Thomas of Scaresbrek, and others.

Given at Crosby on the 25th day of the month of January in the 30th year of Henry VI.

Seals: (1) illegible; (2) crowned r between two sprays.

168. [1468.] Let all present and future know that we Hugh Latham chaplain and Gilbert Hurdilton have demised to Agnes Scaresbrek daughter of Henry Scaresbrek all those messuages

lands and tenements which we lately had by gift and feoffment from Nicholas Hurdylton in the vills and fields of Longton and Hurdilton To have and to hold to her and her heirs male by Robert Hurdilton lawfully begotten Remainder to the heirs of the said Robert Hurdilton.

Witnesses : Henry Halsall, Hugh Aghton, John Aghton esquire, and others.

Given at Hurdilton on the 17th of April in the 3rd year of Edward IV.

169. [1468.] This indenture made between Henry Scaresbrek squire upon the one part and Nicholas Hurdleton upon the other part bears witness that the said Nicholas hath granted the marriage of his son and heir apparent Robert Hurdleton to Agnes the daughter of the said Henry between this and the feast of St. George next (April 23). Also that the said Nicholas shall enfeoff Hugh of Latham priest and Gilbert Hurdleton of lands etc. in Hurlton and Longton discharged of statute rent charge and all other incumbrances to the value of 100 shillings a year. The said Hugh and Gilbert to enfeoff Agnes Scaresbrek and her heirs male by Robert of the same estate. Remainder at will of said Nicholas. For the which marriage the said Henry grants ten marks at the espousals five at feast of St. Michael (September 29) and five at Pentecost and so yearly. And if the said Agnes die without heirs by Robert within three years Nicholas shall pay the said Henry all he has received (Mutual bond in 100 marks).

Given at Hurdleton April 20 of 3rd year of Edward IV.

Seal of red wax : a letter T crowned.

(*In English.*)

170. [1472.] Indulgence from Order of Our Lady of Mercy to William and Margaret Waleys Brother Robert minister of the house of St. Robert at Knaresborough in York diocese of the order of the Holy Trinity for the Redemption of Captives who are imprisoned by pagans for the faith of Jesus Christ and by the Divine mercy Vicar General of and Provincial of the whole order in England to our beloved in Christ William Walleys and his wife Margaret health and sincere charity in the Lord. Since among the privileges granted from ancient times by the Apostolic See to us and to our order and confirmed by a late grant and among these special remedies are contained the following indulgences To all those truly penitent and shriven or wishing to confess who stretch forth their hands to the support of the order as often as they do so we relax 6 years and 80 days of diminished satisfaction. To those who annually contribute to our brothers or friends

they can choose a suitable confessor and if truly contrite he can grant them full absolution for those sins for which recourse has to be had to the Apostolic See Each brother can have a burial place among the brethren unless ecclesiastical sepulture is forbidden We dispense or commute into other pious works pilgrimages except to the Apostles Peter and Paul and to St. James Also by the presents we grant privileges indulgences favours and that they may choose a confessor who shall give them suitable penance and absolve them from cases reserved to the Apostolic See.

Given under our seal in our house 1472.

[Endorsed] By the authority of God the Father Almighty of the blessed Apostles Peter and Paul and by the authority of the Apostolic See granted to me for this purpose I absolve thee from all thy sins by thee truly confessed to me and also from all the sins which are forgotten and which thou wishest to confess if they occurred to thy memory and full absolution and remission of all thy sins in so far as the keys of the church have power by Apostolic authority I give and grant to thee brother In the name of the Father etc.

Fragment of a vesica shaped seal: a figure seated reading a book, round it the legend: SANC ROBERTI DE [See No. 6, plate xxxii, vol. xii. (N.S.) of this Society's *Transactions*.]

171. [1476.] James Scaresbrek esquire Justice of the Peace of the King and Constable of the county of Lancaster sendeth greeting to all John Longbok comes before him and gives a recognizance of £20 to keep the peace towards Robert Johnson late of Lydgate.

Given and sealed on December 12th in the 11th year of Edward IV. [Much defaced.]

172. [1476.] This indenture witnesses that as strife had arisen between Henry Halsall Lord of Halsall and James Scarisbrek Lord of Scarisbrek about boundaries between Rynakirs and Shirwallacres both parties were bound in the sum of £40 to abide by the arbitration of Richard Prior of Burscogh Robert Hesketh Nicholas Aghton and John Chaunterell knight We the aforesaid arbitrators having read characters and muniments and having had the evidence of certain old inhabitants on their oaths, ordain and arbitrate as follows Beginning at the end of Sewker where the Whitsuch falls into it where a stone is now placed thence to an old ditch between Rynakirs and Shirwallacres to a large stone thence following the stones placed by the arbitrators to the

Rodelath lying between Wolfehawe and Shirwallacres thence to two large stones to the bank of Shirwallacres Mewre (Mere) so that all the lands and moor on the north as far as Snape remain to James Scarisbrek and his heirs and all lands and moor outside the stones and boundaries on the west as far as the church of Halsall remain to Henry Halsall and his heirs And for greater security the said arbitrators affixed their seals to this indenture.

Given at Scarisbrek on the Assumption of B. Mary Virgin (August 15) in the 11th year of Edward IV.

173. [1481.] Let all present and future know that I John Thomasson have granted to Gilbert Sutton and his heirs one messuage and eight acres of land lying between Whassam Hyle and a house of Murgen in Murgen in Scharesbrek in county of Lancaster To have and to hold the same with all appurtenances together with common pasture and all other easements paying on St. John the Baptist's day (June 24) if asked for one peppercorn for all services exactions and demands Moreover I have appointed and placed in my stead the beloved in Christ John Sutton as my true attorney to enter into the aforesaid messuage and land and give full and perfect possession to Gilbert Sutton.

Given on the 12th day of January in the year of the Lord 1481 and 21st of Edward IV.

174. [1483 (about).] Much defaced, and almost illegible. Release from the Prior of Burscogh to James Scaresbreke esquire.

175. [1468.] Let all present and future know that I Nicholas Hurdylton have granted to Hugh Lathum chaplain and Gilbert Hurdylton all my messuages lands tenements with their appurtenances lying in vill and fields of Longton and all my lands and tenements in the tenancy of John Greves John Golburne Henry Greves John Barton William Scaresbrek, Gilbert Arnold and Thomas Ley, the Morefyld the Brownehill House the Bedcockfeld and the Oggs (Hogs) acre and one rood of land in Hurlyton together with rent of 6d. arising from Marshall house of Henry Scaresbrek 6d. from the marshe of Wm. Haryngton 12d. from the Causeyfield 14d. from Hugh Asmoll 12d. from Robert Becunsall 7d. from Wm. Golburne 4d. from Richard Shagh, 20d. from John Barton 7d. from Agnes Goulburne and 6d. arising from Hodelstonlond To have and to hold of the chief lords by due services.

Witnesses : Henry Halsall Hugh of Aghton Thomas Bradshagh
John Aghton and many others.

Given at Hurdylton on the 10th day of April in the 3rd year
of Edward IV.

176. [1482.] Know that I Henry Becansaw of the county of
Lancaster gentleman acknowledge receipt of 100 shillings from
James Scarisbrick esquire in part payment of a larger sum owing
by him to be paid on the Feast of the Nativity of St. John the
Baptist and I quitclaim for self and assigns the said sum
of the month of June in the 17th year of Edward IV.

177. [1490.] Let the present and future know that I James
Scaresbreke the elder esquire have granted to Thomas Assheton
esquire all that piece and close of my land and meadows
with appurtenances in vill of Scaresbreke called the Fall and the
Fall Mede now in the tenancy of Thomas Tunstale and the land
in Snowfeld now in tenancy of Henry Holand and all the
lands called Wythines Mede the Bothegrene the Pikhill the
Mosshey now in the tenancy of Alice lately wife of Thomas
Shirlacres together with turbarry and free pasture and free
entrance and exit To be held of the chief lord of the fee
for due service And I appoint as my attorney my beloved in
Christ Hugh Aspenwall to deliver the same.

Witnesses : Thomas Gerard, Alexander Houghton, William
Stanley of Hooton knight and others.

Given at Scarisbreke on Monday after All Saints (November 1)
5th year of Henry VII.

Seal : a shield displaying three mullets between two bendlets
engrailed ; over it a helmet and mantling surmounted by a bird
within a garter on which is the legend in old English characters
SIGILLUM HENRIC : SCARESREC. [The same seal was used
apparently to seal No. 159 in 1440.]

178. [1486.] Indenture of June 4th in the 1st year of Henry
VII between Gylbert Sutton of Scaresbreke gentleman and John
Crosse of Lyverpool gentleman Witnesses that the said Gylbert
agrees that his son and heir apparent John Sutton shall wed Mary
Crosse daughter of John Crosse after the Feast of St. James
(July 25th) next The said Gylbert agrees that before the time
he shall make unto Sir Henry Lathom and Sir William Longley
chaplains a sufficient estate in fee simple in lands etc. of the
yearly value of 4 marks and that the said Sir Henry and Sir
William shall within 10 days hand over in trust the said estate to

Mary Crosse for her life Remainder to her heirs Remainder in default of such to Gylbert and his heirs The said Gylbert covenants not to sell or alienate any lands etc. now his or that may descend to him so that all may descend after the death of Gylbert to the said John Sutton except an estate of four marks for Margaret the wife of Gilbert John Crosse agrees to pay 50 marks to Gilbert or 40 shillings to his wife at St. Martin's Feast and Pentecost by instalments If Mary Crosse die within 5 years half of such sums to be repaid.

Seal: a stork; being the crest of the Crosse family, of Crosse Hall, Liverpool: motto illegible. *(In English.)*

179. [1492.] Let the present and future know that we William of Stanley of Hooton and Thomas Bolton knights James Strateberell and James Molyneux clerks William Kirkby Robert Shakerly esquires and Robert Sotheworth gentleman enfeoffed by James Scaresbrek the elder esquire have granted to James Scaresbrek all the messuages burgages rents fishing rights etc. which we had by gift of James Scaresbrek and which he had lately by gift and feoffment of Hugh Lathom and Gilbert Shirlacres chaplains in the vills of Purbalde Wrighttyngton and Dalton near Dowglas in county of Lancaster and also all the messuages burgages etc. which James had by gift from Robert Grodley and his wife Cecilia in the borough of Ormeskyrke in the vill of Lathom and Eccleston Fields and burgages near the church of Ormeskyrke and a close near Ormeswall called Kingsheye and a messuage in Scaresbrek in the tenancy of Alexander Ormonthagh two closes in Scaresbrek called Whassomheyes with a piece of land within Marton Mere called the Fishery of Wycke. To have and to hold all the above for the term of his life without impeachment of the waste and of the chief lords of the fee by due service and after his decease all such to remain to James Scaresbrek the younger Remainder to Gilbert Scaresbrek son and heir of James Scaresbrek the elder and if he die without lawful male issue Remainder to the right heirs of James Scaresbrek the elder The above trustees furthermore appoint their beloved in Christ William Stanley of Hooton the younger and Robert Henbure esquire to be their true and lawful attorneys to deliver full and peaceful possession seizin In testimony of which we have affixed our seals.

Witnesses: Thomas Earl of Derby and Lord Stanley, George Stanley knight Lord Strange, Alexander Houghton, Peter Legh, Richard Longton knights, and many others.

Given at Scaresbrek on the 15th day of September in the 10th year of Henry VII.

One seal a fleur de lys; the others illegible.

180. [1496.] This Indenture made on the 14th day of May in the 11th year of Henry VII between Elizabeth widow of James Scaresbrek esquire and their son James on the one part and Gilbert Scaresbrek esquire heir apparent of James Scaresbrek on the other part Witnesseth that whereas the said Elizabeth and James the elder have certain messuages lands and tenements by the gift and feoffment of James Scaresbrek the elder the said Gilbert is agreed and granteth that the said Elizabeth and James shall peaceably have and occupy all such mosslands and tenements with their appurtenances for the term of their lives saving that the tenants of these mosslands shall obey the courts of the said Gilbert and do service and homage to him and to his heirs and the said Elizabeth granteth by these presents not to take income of the tenants now dwelling there during the life of any such tenant so that they do as tenants ought to do and if any tenant deceaseth or leaveth the lands then the said Elizabeth shall take her advantage in getting and letting so that she may have such as will do service for Gilbert if he be called forth And Gilbert grants that Elizabeth and her son James shall peaceably remove enjoy and occupy all the goods and chattels which they have within Scaresbrek or elsewhere on the day the making of this without interference or let And to all covenants and articles in these presents the said parties are bound by 500 marks to 60 pounds on a certain day and year as in the said obligation more plainly may appear And if any clause above rehearsed be difficult or not formally indited such clause to be renewed or performed by John Hawardyn and Robert Chantrell.

In witness whereof the said parties have set their seals at Scaresbrek the day and year above named.

181. [1522.] Let all present and future know that we Henry Halsall knight John Pynnyngton esquire Walter Strykland esquire William Kyrkby esquire Richard Halsall clerk Rector of the parochial church of Halsall and John Asbronner clerk Rector of the parochial church of Warburtuayt by the assent and request of Roland Kyrkby esquire have granted and delivered to Henry Kyghley knight John Botteler esquire Thomas Southworth and Henry Halsall chaplains all our messuages lands &c with appurtenances in Bolton in Cowpeland Gosforth Clayton Haill Buttill Hysemore and Force in the county of Cumberland of the annual value of £10 now or lately in the tenancy of Robert Dicson William Oxxurs Cuthbert Preston John Hudson John Cuppeame Robert Jacson Nicholas Postilwayte William Parker the elder William Gunson William Smythe Robert Smyth Thomas Dykson William Preston Thomas Mostroppe Thomas Hudson John

Mostrepe William Townson John Tawenson John Sharppe William Frere Thomas Sharppe the elder and Thomas Sharppe the younger William Ponsonby Robert Walker John Wilson John Troumlyton William Sharppe and Oliver Hodulston. To have and to hold for the use and benefit of Katherine now wife of aforesaid Roland Kyrkby for the term of her life as jointure and we have appointed our beloved in Christ John Worthyngton gentleman as our true attorney to give possession to the above In testimony of which we have set our seals on the 4th day of May in the 13th year of Henry VIII.

[5 seals and 6 signatures.]

182. [1529.] This indenture witnesses to an agreement made between Thomas Scaresbrek of Scaresbrek esquire and Thomas Halsall of Halsall in consequence of disputes arising between them and their tenants concerning the use occupation and delivery of turfs in a moss both parties of their framing and good will and by the counsel of their wellwishers and loving friends have lovingly agreed that twelve of their own tenants and servants of towns of Halsall and Scaresbrek shall set meare's limit and stakes upon the moss to continue for ever That is to note Henry Carr Edward Gybunson Robert Blundell James Waryng John Hughenson and Denys Blundell of Scaresbrek Hugh Croston Rodger Prescote Henry Thomasson James Burrow William Botyll and Robert Prescote of Halsall who accordingly set the stakes for a division and Thomas Halsall and his tenants shall be free to delve and get turves on the south side of the said stakes and Thomas Scaresbrek and his tenants on the north side The following were present at the agreement and setting of the stakes James Scaresbrek of Bykirstath esquire Robert Halsall gentleman Richard Grynshye gentleman Sir Henry Wolful priest Sir James Shirlacre priest George Molyneux John Mathew Thomas Whatton William Watkinson John Spenser Christopher Hayward John Balshaye Alban Hyll William Laythewaite Adam Hyndeley Richard Noley Norrys Kydd George Norres James Harker and others

Given on the 1st day of May in the 21st year of the reign of King Henry VIII and of our Lord God 1529.

Seal: on a shield between the letters T.H. a stork's head erased with a fish in the beak, or a serpent's head (the crest of Halsall.) [See No. 16, plate xxxiii, vol. xii (N.S.), of this Society's *Transactions*.] (In English.)

183. [1529.] Let all present and future know that we Thomas Scaresbrek of Scaresbrek esquire and Richard Tempest knight

feoffees to the use of the said Thomas have granted to James Stanley esquire Edmund Trafford the elder esquire Ranulph Pole clerk Henry Knyghtly esquire James Scaresbrek the elder esquire Richard Aghton of Northmeols esquire and Edward Becansaw esquire all manors messuages lands etc. advowsons of churches and all other our inheritances in Scaresbrek Egergarth Hurdelton Snape and elsewhere within the county of Lancaster which I Richard Tempest together with Thomas Tempest knight Henry Halsall knight Thomas Hesketh esquire Hugh Aghton esquire Hugh Halsall Rector of the church at Halsall Richard Hesketh and Hugh Hesketh chaplains now dead had by gift and feoffment of Gilbert Scaresbrek esquire son and heir of James Scaresbrek of the annual value of 20 marks for the use of Frances daughter of Dorothy Bothe widow or of the other Dorothy her daughter now to be married to James Scaresbrek son and heir apparent of Thomas except the jointure of Frances or Dorothy except also the 20 marks which James Scaresbrek now holds except also the jointure of £26 to Margaret Scaresbrek widow except also 40 marks for Henry Scaresbrek also 13 for Richard Sallhouse To have and to hold the same for the trusts named excepting those things to be excepted And we the said Thomas and Richard have appointed our beloved in Christ William Plumtre clerk and William Watkynson agent and advocate to be our true and lawful attorneys in this matter In testimony of which we have affixed our seals.

Witnesses: Richard Bold knight, Humphrey Hurlton, and others.

Given on 25th June in the 20th year of Henry VIII.

Seals: (1) fragment showing part of arms, helm, mantling, and crest of Scarisbrick with legend in Old English letters: SIGILLUM HENRICI . . . [apparently the same seal as on Nos. 159 and 197]; (2) shield bearing arms of Tempest, a bend between six storm finches.

184. [1529.] Let the present and future know that I Thomas Scaresbrek of Scaresbrek esquire in the County of Lancaster have granted to Humphrey Hurlton of Hurlton and his heirs all that piece of land in the territory of Hurlton called the Little Gran deerthe viz. from an old ditch to another as far as the stream called Hurlton Brook as was settled by arbitration on the 4th day of October in the 21st year of Henry VIII payment to be made of 1d. if asked for on the feast of the Nativity and if not paid on demand such payment and arrears thereof may be distrained for by Thomas and his heirs.

Given on the 20th day of October on the 21st year of Henry VIII.

185. [1530.] To all the children of our Holy Mother the Church to whom these letters may come Brother Thomas Norton knight and Christopher Burton of St. Lazarus at Yarum (now Yarm, co. York) in England brothers wish health and increase Because the more spiritual gifts are bestowed so much the more as we believe are eternal rewards obtained and as the Pontiffs of the holy Roman church out of the fulness of their power have granted to us that all who help us with their means or are associated to our brotherhood and also those who are our benefactors for each time shall have relaxed one year of penance and that they shall fully share in all the masses and all devotions offered to God in all our churches throughout the world and each year on Good Friday the chief priest has full power to absolve from all their sins unless they have committed such as the Apostolic See in no way remits and of commuting vows of abstinence and of any pilgrimage into other pious subsidies to our hospitals except those at Jerusalem and to the holy Apostles Peter and Paul and at the time of death granting full remission and if there is an interdict that ecclesiastical burial shall not be denied them unless they are bound by the chain of excommunication and by these present we wish our beloved in Christ (left blank for name) to share our privileges and indulgences.

Given at Burton in the year 1530.

186. [1530.] This indenture made Oct. 4th in the 21st year of Henry VIII witnesseth that as variance had arisen between Thomas Scaresbrek of Scaresbrek in county of Lancaster esquire and Humfrey Hurleton of Hurleton gentleman the said parties have submitted themselves and are bound in the sum of £100 to abide by the award of us Robert Harvey Prior of Burscough and Henry ffaryngton esquire arbitrators on the part of Humfrey Hurleton and of Thomas Halsall esquire and Bartholomew Hesketh gentleman on the part of Thomas Scaresbrek and of Richard Hassall learned in the law by both parties chosen who should deliver judgment on this side the Nativity of Our Lord We the said arbitrators have ordered that the said parties should be of good amity and loving demeanour to each other that the little Grandeerth near Hurleton brook be delivered by Thomas to Humfrey and the said Humfrey shall pay 1d. when demanded at the Nativity of Our Lord God and in all other matters the said parties are to act quietly towards each other as in the times of James Scaresbrek grandfather and Gilbert Scaresbrek father to the said Thomas and of Robert Hurleton father to the said Humfrey.

Signed and sealed by Robert Prior of Burscough Henry

ffaryngton, Thomas Halsall, Bartholomew Hesketh and Richard Hassall.

Seals : (1) a man with a hawk on his right hand, a dog following, letter M above the dog ; (2) a leopard's face with two p's interlaced with a cord above, all within an octagonal shield ; (3) a pelican feeding her young ; (4) wanting.

187. [1530.] Let all know by these presents that Humphrey Hurlton gentleman is bound to Thomas Scarisbreke knight to pay £100 of lawful English money to him or to his sure attorney at the feast of St. Michael the Archangel (September 29) next coming Sealed on the 18th day of August in the 21st year of Henry VIII. [The rest in English.]

The condition of this bond is that Humphrey Hurlton stands to obey an award of Robert Hervey Prior of Burscogh and of Henry ffaryngton esquire arbitrators nominated by Humphrey Hurlton and of Thomas Hesketh esquire and Bartholomew Hesketh gentleman arbitrators nominated by Thomas Scaresbreck and of Richard Halsall gentleman learned in the law independently elected to judge award on all the causes demands etc. betwixt the two the said award to be made in writing and sealed and delivered to the said parties on this side of the feast of the Nativity of our Lord next to come After the date hereof this bond to be void.

Seal : letter R.

Per me Humphrey Hurlton.

188. [1535-1536.] Indenture made between Bartholomew Hesketh and William Golbourne of Asmall in county of Lancaster Witnesseth that I Bartholomew have granted to the said William and his heirs one acre of land in the Byrthraw in Asmall abutting north and south on land of the said William lying on the east and west half an acre on the western side and near a certain ditch belonging to William which I had by gift and feoffment of Edward Becansaw esquire in exchange for one croft of land of Williams inheritance in Asmall called the Jakkeyord and one rood of land abutting east and west on my land on east of croft lately the land of Becanshaw and also a certain croft called Jakkebutts on each side of said croft and towards a croft called Jakkyorde also moss waste and water of the inheritance of said William Byrthraw lately Becanshaw To be had and held $1\frac{1}{2}$ acres of land in Byrthraw in Asmall in exchange for croft and moss waste of William of the chief lords for due services.

In testimony of which both append their seals on the 20th day of January in the 27th year of Henry VIII.

Seal : initials B. H. below a crown.

189. [1541.] Let the present and future know that I John Starky of Aughton in the county of Lancaster have granted to Thomas Ireland of Hutte esquire all that messuage of mine with appurtenances in Scaresbreke in the Okynhede in the tenure of Ewan Hill To have and to hold for himself and heirs of the chief lords by due services Furthermore know that I have appointed and ordained in my place the beloved in Christ Christoffer Ireland chaplain and Richard Bradshawe my true lawful attorneys to deliver over to the said Thomas the said messuage etc. with full and peaceful possession and seizin In testimony of which I have affixed my seal.

Given at Scaresbreke on the 20th day of June in the 32nd year of Henry VIII etc.

These being present when John Starky delivered possession and seizin to Richard Bradshawe attorney for Thomas Ireland of Hutte esquire: Gylbert Jacson, Robert Gordeche, Parys Blundell, Thomas Robynson.

Seal: initials J. s.

190. [1541.] To all the faithful of Christ to whom these presents shall come John Starky of Aughton in co. of Lancaster gentleman wishes health Let them know that I John Starky for me and for my heirs have quitclaimed to Thomas Ireland of Hutte esquire a messuage or tenement in Scaresbrek now in the tenancy of Ewan Hill in Okenhed together with lands and all appurtenances &c and all concerning such so that neither I nor my heirs can lay any claim thereto or sell any portion thereof In testimony of which thing I have affixed my seal.

Given at Scaresbrek on the 24th day of June in the 32nd year of Henry VIII King of England France Defender of the Faith Lord of Ireland. By me John Starky.

Seal: initials J. s.

191. [1562.] This is the final agreement made in the Queen's court of Lancaster on Monday the Feast of St. Bartholomew the Apostle (Aug. 24) in the 4th year of the reign of Elizabeth before Nicholas Powtrethand and John Walshe Sergeants at law Queen's Judges at Lancaster and the faithful there present between William Aspenwall plaintiff and Henry Starky gentleman who was illegally occupying one messuage two gardens one apple orchard ten acres of land three acres of meadow ten of pasture and one acre of wood in Okenhead in Scaresbrek whence the agreement was made between them in the said court and the said Henry acknowledged that the said tenements and their appurtenances were by right the property of the said William which he

has by gift of the aforesaid Henry Warranty to secure him possession and in recognition of this quitclaim and warranty the aforesaid William gave to Henry £40 sterling.

192. [1571.] Let all know that I George Ireland of Hutte in county of Lancaster esquire have remitted for me and for my heirs and have quitclaimed to William Aspinwall of Ormiskyrk yeoman and to his heirs full and peaceful possession of and in one messuage or tenement with its appurtenances in Okenhed within the domain of Scarisbrek in Lancashire now or lately in the tenancy or occupation of Humphrey Hill and to all and each of the lands tenements meadows pasture and turbarry wood and underwood rents reversions etc which Thomas Ireland esquire my father acquired by donation bargain and sale of John Starky gentleman.

Given on the last day of August in the 14th year of Elizabeth.

Seal: On a wreath a bird with a branch in its beak. (The crest of Columbers, afterwards of Ireland.)

193. [1575.] Know all by these presents that we William ffarington esquire William Thomasson and William Thomson have remitted and quitclaimed to Hugh Holme yeoman all our estate title and claim which we had or could have in all the messuages tenements meadows fields pastures and right of inheritance situated lying and being in Scaresbreke which the aforesaid Hugh lately had by gift grant and sale from Edward Earl of Derby knight of the most noble order of the Garter In witness whereof the aforesaid set their seals.

Given on the 28th day of August in the 15th year of Elizabeth.

Sealed by William ffarington in the presence of Francis Babyngton Roger Talbot and Miles Asmall and by William Thomasson and William Thomson in the presence of Thomas Purdy Alexander Rigby and Thomas Daley.

1st seal (much broken), on a wreath a wyvern; 2nd seal a bird.

194. [1577.] (In duplicate.) This indenture made September 22nd in the 19th year of Queen Elizabeth etc between Edward Scarisbreke and James Gorsuche Witnesseth that the said Edward Scarisbreke for diverse considerations and a sum of money grants unto the said James Gorsuche a sufficient way and passage containing in breadth at least 24 poles to from and between the house of James Gorsuche and a closure of land or meadow in Northmeles called Baldmonyhokes that is to

wit beginning at the high way near the said houses following it to Carre Cross in Snape thence to Snape Green along the lane between the high road and the said green over Snape to the house where dwells Gilbert Blundell then to Wood Moss near Longe Wik to the close called Baldmonyhokes to carry hay straw and timber in carts waynes and carriages to drive or ride on horseback and to fetch goods and chattels of said James Gorsuche for the space of 21 years the road in Long Wik to be within 12 roods of ground with leave to dig and delve for bettering the said road Signed and sealed by the above James Gorsuche and Edward Scarysbrick interchangeably in the presence of Henry Sutch and Nicholas Gorsuche.

Seal: a bird.

195. [1578-1579] Let the present and future know that I William of Aspinwall of Scarisbrek in the county of Lancaster have granted and delivered to James Gorsuch within Scarisbrek all and singular messuages lands tenements rents etc situated in or derived from Scarisbrek called Bartillshouse and especially in the farms conjointly or separately in the tenure of my villains Jane Gill relict of Humphrey Gill Thomas Richardson and Katherine Blundell with the exception of a certain piece of land 24 feet in breadth and 60 feet in length adjoining the King's highway that leads to Snape To have and to hold to the same James for his own use of the chief lord; of the fee for due services and I have appointed my beloved in Christ Thomas Shawe and Eve Blacklathe to be my attorneys to convey the same to the said James Gorsuch.

[On back.] Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of Gylbert Towley clerk Marmaduke Nowley Ed. Holland James Stopford and Hy. Ritson In witness whereof I have set my seal to this paper on the 8th day of January in the 21st year of Elizabeth.

[On back.] Possession given in presence of Edward Scaresbrek James Gartoppe John Blundell Bryant Davies Richard Leigh and Thomas Richardson.

196. [1578.] Let all know by these presents that I William Moorecroft of Myddelton in the county of Lancaster gentleman quitclaim for diverse good reasons and considerations to Christopher Anderton of Lostocke esquire in the same county for myself and for my heirs all my right and title which I have or can have of and in all that messuage with its appurtenances now in the occupation of James Sutche and George Sutche or either of them and in and to all those buildings orchards gardens

meadows pasture lands tenements and other inheritances in Scaresbrek all and each of which the said Christopher Anderton lately had and bought for himself and heirs by gift solely bargaining of me the aforesaid William as appears more fully by certain assurances in law In testimony of which I have affixed my seal on the 18th day of August in the 20th year of the reign of our Lady Elizabeth Queen of England France and Ireland.

Signed William Moorecroft.

[On back.] Sworn at Lancaster on Monday next after the Assumption of the B. Mary (Aug. 15) before Robert Mounson and Thomas Mead Judges of the Queen's Bench. [Roll the 4th]

197. [1597.] Know the present and future that I James Gorsuche gentleman have given to Andrew Norris of West Derby Humphrey Golbourne of Scarisbrick Edmund Bispham of Billinge and John Blackledge of Lathom in the County of Lancaster gentlemen all those three closes or parcels of land with their appurtenances and the chief message in Gorsuch commonly called Rughmanheye the Greatmaudhey and the Littlemaudheye containing by estimate 12 acres be they more or less now in the tenancy of me James Gorsuche To be held from the chief lords of the fee by due services and subject to the agreement of indenture

Given on November 10th in the 39th year of Elizabeth 1597.

Witnesses: Miles Strange, Thomas Gasken, and Ellis Ambrose

(In English.) The purport of this trust is to secure an annuity of 50 shillings to Frances Gorsuch daughter of the said James Gorsuch to be paid at Pentecost and Martinmas (November 11) for the whole term of her life and after her death to revert to James Gorsuch and his heirs.

Seal: on an ornamental shield three fleurs de lys between two cheveronels.

198. [1604.] Indenture made between Edmund Bispham of Billinge gentleman and Robert Sutton of Scarisbrick husbandman by which for the consideration of £30 the said Edmund Bispham hands over to Sutton a yearly rent of £3 secured on lands called Bakers Intack Sinderhill Gladencroft and Ouled Marled Earth in Billinge during the life time of Frances Gorsuch daughter of James Gorsuch of Gorsuch to be paid at the Nativity of St. John the Baptist (June 24) and the Nativity of our Lord between 1 and 4 oclock in the south porch of the Parish church of Ormeskirk And if the said £3 be not paid within ten days of these dates then Robert Sutton can

distrain for the same and Edward Bispham binds his son James Bispham to the said indenture Sealed signed and delivered by Edmund Bispham in the presence of Thomas Scarysbrek Edward Gorsuch, John Whatton, Ellis Ambrose, and by James Bispham in the presence of Gabriell Longton, Ellis Ambrose, Edward Gorsuch.

199. [1606.] To all the faithful in Christ to whom this present writing shall come James Gorsuch of Gorsuch gentleman wishes eternal health in the Lord Let them know that I the aforesaid James Gorsuch for good causes and reasonable considerations and for the support and help of my natural daughter Frances have given and granted to her an annuity or annual rent of 24 shillings of good and lawful money of England to be paid from and arising from one messuage or tenement situated and lying in Burscogh or Marton in County of Lancaster commonly called by the name of Muskarre or Carrmeadow now or lately in the occupation of Jane Moorcrofte widow relict of Henry Moorcrofte late of Aghton gentleman deceased to be paid annually for the whole term of her natural life at the feast of St. Martin (November 11) Bishop in winter and Pentecost in equal proportions And if the said rent or any part be not paid then it shall be lawful for the said Frances to enter into the said messuage or distrain upon it for such rent and all arrears if such there be I James Gorsuch have placed the said Frances in full and peaceful possession thereof by the delivery of two shillings In testimony of which I have affixed my seal.

Given on the 24th day of June in the 4th year of James of England and 39th of Scotland in the year of our Lord 1606

(Signed) James Gorsuch.

(On back) Witnesses: Edmund Bispham, George Dauge, Henry Arnold, Nath. Oshdis Frances Gorsuch her writing.

200. [1607.] This indenture witnesseth that whereas Edmund Bispham of Billinge co Lancaster gentleman by his indenture dated March 10th in the 2nd year of the reign of his present Majesty for considerations therein mentioned did give and confirm to Robert Sutton of Scarisbrick in the said county husbandman and his assigns one annuitie or yearly rent of £3 of lawful money of England yearlie to issue out of certain closes of land meadow and pasture with the appurtenances of the inheritance of the said Edmund in Billinge aforesaid commonly called by the several names of the Bakers Intack Sinder Hill and Gladden

croft and Ould Marled Earth To have and hold the said annuities to the said Robert etc immediately after the making of the said indenture during all the terms of the natural lyfe of Frances Gorsuch daughter of James Gorsuch in the same county gentleman at the feast of the Nativitie of Christ and St. John Baptist (June 24) by even portions etc And whereas James Bispham sonne and heir apparent of the said Edmund by his several deeds of confirmation and approbation of the said indenture dated March 4th in the 4th year of the said reign did approve the same as by indorsement on the said indenture Now the said Robert Sutton being thereof lawfullie possessed doth hereby for good consideration him thereunto specially moving give and sett over to Frances Gorsuch above named and her assigns as well the said Annuitie and the said indenture and all other writinge and assignments confirming the same whatsoever As also all the estate right title interest terms clayme which he the said Robert hath or rightfullie might have to the same To have and to hold the said annuities and all other the said assigned premises during all the term of her naturall lyfe in as full ample large and beneficial manner as the said Robert can And the said Robert hath put the said Frances into full and peaceful possession of the said annuities and premises by the delivery of two pence of lawfull money of England being now in the seale of this present deed infixed and inclosed In witness whereof the said Robert hath put his hand and seale and delivereth the same for his deed to the said Frances Gorsuch on the 4th day of April in the year of the reign of our Sovereign lord James by the grace of God of England France and Ireland the 5th of Scotland the 40th 1607 Sealed signed and executed for the deed of the said Robert delivered as is aforesaid in the presence of William Fazackerley Ellis Ambrose William Pemberton Signum manuale (Signmanual of) Robert Sutton.

201. [1623.] Let all know that I James Hulme of Shevington yeoman am firmly bound to Richard Halsale of Scarisbrick gentleman in the sum of £600.

Given on the 20th day of November in the 20th year of the reign of James King of England France and Ireland and of Scotland the 56th.

Condition: James Hulme John Bymson and George Bordman of Orrell bind themselves to fulfil covenants of two indentures respecting one dwelling house and one cottage with land in Scaresbrek.

Fancy seal: a stork, much mutilated.

202. [1631.] Indenture made between Roger Bradshagh of Haigh and his son James on the one part Edward Scarisbrick of the 2nd part and Richard Lord Mullineux Viscount Maribourgh and Sir Gilbert Haughton knight and baronet of Haughton of the 3rd part that as the last two stand possessed of a capital messuage commonly called The New Hall with buildings lands pastures turbarry &c by an Indenture of March 24th 1631 for the use and behoofe of Frances daughter of Roger Bradshagh and now wife of Edward Scarisbrick this witnesseth that the said Edward Scarisbrick binds himself (under a penalty of £1000) to expend £300 in rebuilding the said New Hall and the out-buildings as a jointure house for the said Frances before Nov. 2nd 1638.

Seals illegible.

203. [1666-1667.] Indenture made Feb. 1st in the 19th year of Charles II between James Swift of Eccleston near Knowsley husbandman and Thomas Lyon of Eccleston clay potter Witnesses that whereas James and his children Ellen and James stand possessed of $4\frac{1}{2}$ acres and $\frac{1}{2}$ a rood of largest measure lately in the possession of Elizabeth Denton for their lives or for the survivor of them leased by the late Henry Eccleston esquire on May 30th, 1663 now in consideration of the sum of £100 paid by Thomas Lyon James Swift demises to him with the consent of William Gerrard of Brine and Henry Blundell of Ince Blundell dated Jan. 24th last the feoffees of Henry Eccleston all the land buildings &c for the term of their three lives (cannel and coal being reserved) and he also hands over the original indenture of lease.

Signed and executed on March 11th 1666 by the said James Swift and Thomas Lyon in the presence of William Rigbie Richard Bushell and Thomas Walton.

204. [1681-1682.] This Indenture made Feb. 10th in the 34th year of Charles II 1681 between Thomas Eccleston esquire of Eccleston and Edward Finney joiner Witnesseth that on payment of £24 he the said Thomas grants to Edward Finney a lease of the land in Eccleston formerly in possession of Nicholas Finney now in that of Thomas Finney for the lives of Edward Finney Ann Finney his mother and her brother Henry or the longest liver of them for rent of £1 9s 4d at Pentecost and Nativity of our B. Lady in equal portions The lessee or an able man shall give 5 days shearing or 6 pence a day Covenants for

distrain and reservation of coal cannel and stone and appointment of John Yates as his attorney to give possession.

Executed by Thomas Eccleston and Edward Finney in presence of Richard Chorley, James Travis, John Yates junr. Witnesses to possession being given by John Yates junr., James Rigbi, John x Clarkson (his mark), James Travis.

Seal: arms of Eccleston, argent a cross sable, in the dexter chief a fleur-de-lis gules, helm, mantling, and crest a magpie.

205. [1687.] Indenture made between Thomas Eccleston of Eccleston near Knowsley and John Wood of Sutton In consideration of £55 paid Thomas Eccleston grants to John Wood all that messuage lately in the possession of Mary Cross with lands liberties rights to dig for marl earth and clay (coal and cannel only excepted) during the natural lives of his daughters Margaret Sarah and Esther at a yearly rent of £1 2s 8d to be paid at Pentecost and the Nativity of the B. Virgin (September 8) together with one days ploughing one days leading turfs and one days loading dung with a proper team or in default a payment of 6 shillings and the said John Wood consents to keep for Thomas Eccleston a hound greyhound or spaniel under penalty of 20 shillings yearly and Thomas Eccleston appoints his servant Edtuund Taylor as his attorney to give possession Executed by John Wood in the presence of William Roson and Henry Webster.

206. [1701.] Let all know that we Mariam Mullineux spinster and Ann Mullineux widow of Eccleston near Knowsley bind ourselves to pay to Robert Sorsby of Croston farmer the sum of £30.

Given on Jan. 13th in the 13th year of William King of England etc. and in the year of the Lord 1701.

The condition of the obligation is such that if Mariam Mullineux and Ann Mullineux or either of them or their assigns pay or cause to be paid to Robert Sorsby or his certain attorney the full and just sum of £15 of current English money viz. £3 on Dec. 30th next 1702 and 4 more yearly payments or 5 in all then the said Robert Sorsby shall deliver up an assignment formerly to him made by Richard Mullineux deceased and also safely to deliver one lease also a standing cupboard and dishboard with other goods.

Signed sealed and delivered by Mary Mullineux (her mark), Ann Mullineux (her mark), in the presence of Mary Jarman (her mark), Richard Bellian.

207. [1705] Pleas at Lancaster on Thursday March 22nd in the 4th year of Queen Anne before John Blencow knight Justice of Queens Bench and Robert Price esquire baron Secretary of said Lady the Queen and Justice

Henry Tyrer and Richard Houghton gentlemen personally plead against Robert Scarisbrick knight 2 messuages 6 acres of land 4 of meadow 6 of pasture 4 of thicket together with common of pasture and easements of the said vill as his right and inheritance that the said Robert had no entrance thereto until after the unlawful seizure thereof by Hugh Hunt within the last 30 years The said Robert by his attorney William Shaw called Elizabeth Lewis Ellen Lund Thomas Hale and his wife Anne and John Balshaw to his help Deferred till Friday On that day Elizabeth Ellen Thomas Anne and John were represented by John Heys attorney and they called Henry Williams in defence During the same session Henry Williams though subpoenaed made default and did not appear in contempt of court Hence it was decided that Henry and Richard recover possession of the said holdings and they ask for a brief from the Viceroy of the Queen for full possession Granted by Richard Spencer esquire the Viceroy or Sheriff.



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