

SUMMARY: The document below is the fine in the Court of Common Pleas dated 12 November 1584 by which clear title to the manors of Barwicks and Scotneys passed from Oxford to William Bigg for £733. For the recognizance in the amount of £3000 which Oxford acknowledged in Chancery on 15 October 1584 to William Bigg in connection with this sale, see TNA C 54/1196 Part 23.

For an earlier recognizance in the amount of £1200 which Oxford acknowledged in Chancery on 16 December 1581 to William Brewster, Robert Plombe, William Bigg and William Adams alias Butcher in connection with a sale of property, see TNA C 54/1145 Part 25.

This is the final agreement made in the court of the Lady Queen at Westminster on the morrow of Saint Martin in the year of the reigns of Elizabeth, by the grace of God Queen of England, France, & Ireland, Defender of the Faith, etc. from the Conquest the twenty-sixth [=12 November 1584] before Edmund Anderson, Thomas Meade, Francis Wyndham & William Peryam, justices, & others faithful to the Lady Queen then there present, between William Bigg, querent, and Edward, Earl of Oxford, Great Chamberlain of England, deforciant, of the manors of Barwicks & Scotneys with the appurtenances and of ten messuages, ten cottages, ten gardens, five hundred acres of land, fifty acres of meadow, one hundred & fifty acres of pasture, thirty acres of wood & eighty shillings rent with the appurtenances in Toppesfield, Great Yeldham alias Nether Yeldham, Finchingfield, Wethersfield, Stambourne & Sible Hedingham;

Whereof a plea of covenant was summoned between them in the same court, namely that the foresaid Earl has acknowledged the foresaid manors & tenements with the appurtenances to be the right of the same William as those which the same William has of the gift of the foresaid Earl, and has remised & quit-claimed them from himself & his heirs to the foresaid William & his heirs forever;

And besides the same Earl has granted for himself & his heirs that they will warrant to the foresaid William & his heirs the foresaid manors & tenements with the appurtenances against the foresaid Earl & his heirs forever;

And for this acknowledgement, remission, quit-claim, warrant, fine & agreement the same William has given to the foresaid Earl seven hundred thirty & three pounds sterling.

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According to the form of the statute, the first proclamation was made on the twenty-first day of November in Michaelmas term in the twenty-seventh year of the within-written Queen;

The second proclamation on the twenty-third day of November in the same term;

The third proclamation on the twenty-fifth day of November in the same term;

The fourth proclamation on the twenty-eighth day of November in the same term;

The fifth proclamation was made on the sixth day of February in Hilary term in the twenty-seventh year of the within-written Queen;

The sixth proclamation on the eighth day of February in the same term;

The seventh proclamation on the tenth day of February in the same term;

The eighth proclamation on the twelfth day of February in the same term;

The ninth proclamation was made on the seventeenth day of May in Easter term in the twenty-seventh year of the within-written Queen;

The tenth proclamation on the nineteenth day of May in the same term;

The eleventh proclamation on the twenty-first day of May in the same term;

The twelfth proclamation on the twenty-fourth day of May in the same term;

The thirteenth proclamation was made on the twenty-third day of June in Trinity term in the twenty-seventh year of the within-written Queen;

The fourteenth proclamation on the twenty-fifth day of June in the same term;

The fifteenth proclamation on the twenty-eighth day of June in the same term;

The sixteenth proclamation on the thirtieth day of June in the same term.

Examined

1 Hec est finalis Concordia facta in Curia Domine Regine apud Westmonasterium in Crastino

2 sancti Martini Anno regnorum Elizabethhe dei gracia Anglie ffrancie & Hibernie Regine fidei

3 defensoris &c A Conquesto vicesimo sexto coram Edmundo Anderson Thoma Meade

4 ff Francisco Wyndam & Willelmo Peryam Iusticiarijs & alijs domine Regine fidelibus
5 tunc ibi presentibus Inter Willelmum Bygg querentem et Edwardum Comitem Oxonie
6 magnum Camerarium Anglie deforciantem de Manerijs de Barwyckes & Scotnes cum
pertinentijs
7 ac de decem mesuagijs decem Cotagijs decem gardinis quingentis acris
8 terre quinquaginta acris prati Centum & quinquaginta acris pasture triginta
9 acris bosci & octoginta solidatis redditus cum pertinentijs in Toppesfeld Yeldham
magna
10 alias Nether Yeldham ffynchingfyld Wethersfeld Stamborne & Scible
11 Hedyngham Vnde Placitum conuencionis summonitum fuit inter eos in eadem Curia
Scilicet
12 quod predictus Comes recognouit predicta Maneria & tenementa cum pertinentijs esse
Ius ipsius Willelmi
13 vt illa que idem Willelmus habet de dono predicti Comitis et illa remisit &
quietaclamauit
14 de se & heredibus suis predicto Willelmo & heredibus suis Imperpetuum et preterea
idem Comes
15 concessit pro se & heredibus suis quod ipsi Warantizabunt predicto Willelmo &
heredibus suis predicta
16 Maneria & tenementa cum pertinentijs contra predictum Comitem & heredes suos
Imperpetuum et pro hac
17 recognicione remissione quietaclamacione Waranto fine & Concordia idem Willelmus
dedit
18 predicto Comiti septingentas triginta & tres libras sterlingorum

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Secundum formam Statuti

Prima proclamatio facta fuit vicesimo primo die Novembris termino sancti Michaelis Anno vicesimo septimo Regine infrascripte

secunda proclamatio vicesimo tercio die Novembris eodem termino

tercia proclamatio vicesimo quinto die Novembris eodem termino

quarta proclamatio vicesimo octavo die Novembris eodem termino

Quinta proclamatio facta fuit sexto die februaryi Termino sancti Hillarij Anno vicesimo septimo Regine infrascripte

sexta proclamatio octavo die februaryi eodem termino

septima proclamatio decimo die februaryi eodem termino

octava proclamatio duodecimo die februaryi eodem termino

Nona proclamatio facta fuit decimo septimo die Maij Termino Pasche Anno vicesimo septimo Regine infrascripte

decima proclamatio decimo nono die Maij eodem termino

undecima proclamatio vicesimo primo die Maij eodem termino

duodecima proclamatio vicesimo quarto die Maij eodem termino

Terciadecima proclamatio facta fuit vicesimo tercio die Iunij Termino sancte Trinitatis Anno vicesimo septimo Regine infrascripte

quartadecima proclamatio vicesimo quinto die Iunij eodem termino

quintadecima proclamatio vicesimo octavo die Iunij eodem termino

sextadecima proclamatio tricesimo die Iunij eodem termino

examinatus