

SUMMARY: The document below is the fine in the Court of Common Pleas dated 5 May 1592 by which clear title to the rectory of Messing passed from Oxford and his second wife, Elizabeth Trentham (d.1612), to George Maxey for 160 marks. For the licence dated 1 February 1592 authorizing Oxford and Elizabeth Trentham to alienate the rectory of Messing to George Maxey, see TNA C 66/1392, m. 25.

This is the final agreement made in the court of the Lady Queen at Westminster on the morrow of the Ascension of the Lord 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 thirty-fourth [=5 May 1592], before Edmund Anderson, Francis Wyndham, William Peryam & Thomas Walmesley, justices, & others faithful to the Lady Queen then there present, between George Maxey, esquire, querent, and Edward, Earl of Oxford, & Elizabeth, his wife, deforciant, of the rectory of Messing with the appurtenances and of two messuages, one toft, three gardens, three orchards, sixty acres of arable land, twenty acres of meadow, forty acres of pasture & ten acres of wood with the appurtenances in Messing, and also of all & all manner of tithes, portions, pensions, oblations & obventions whatsoever growing, renewing or arising in Messing, Easthorpe, Feering, Layer Marney & Inworth, and also of the advowson of the vicarage of the church of Messing;

Whereof a plea of covenant was summoned between them in the same court, namely that the foresaid Earl & Elizabeth acknowledged the foresaid rectory, tenements, tithes, portions, pensions, oblations & obventions with the appurtenances and the foresaid advowson to be the right of himself, George, as those which the same George has of the gift of the foresaid Earl & Elizabeth, and they have remised & quit-claimed them from themselves, the Earl & Elizabeth, and their heirs to the foresaid George and his heirs forever;

And besides the same Earl & Elizabeth have granted for themselves & the heirs of the said Earl that they will warrant to the foresaid George & his heirs the foresaid rectory, tenements, tithes, portions, pensions, oblations & obventions with the appurtenances & the foresaid advowson against all men forever;

And for this acknowledgement, remission, quit-claim, warrant, fine & agreement the same George has given to the foresaid Earl & Elizabeth a hundred & sixty marks of silver.

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2 Anglie ffrancie & Hibernie Regine fidei defensoris &c A Conquesto tricesimo quarto coram Edmundo Anderson ffrancisco Wyndam Willelmo

3 Peryam & Thoma Walmysley Iusticiarijs & alijs domine Regine fidelibus tunc ibi presentibus Inter Georgium Maxey Armigerum querentem et

4 Edwardum Comitem Oxonie & Elizabetham vxorem eius deforciantes de Rectoria de Messing cum pertinentijs ac de duobus Mesuagijs vno tofto

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9 porciones penciones oblaciones & obvenciones cum pertinentijs Ac Advocacionem predictam esse ius ipsius Georgij vt illa que idem Georgius habet

10 de dono predictorum Comitis & Elizabethhe Et illa remiserunt & quieteclamaverunt de ipsis Comite & Elizabetha & heredibus suis predicto Georgio &

11 heredibus suis Imperpetuum Et preterea ijdem Comes & Elizabetha concesserunt pro se & heredibus ipsius Comitis quod ipsi Warantizabunt predicto Georgio &

12 heredibus suis predicta Rectoriam tenementa decimas porciones penciones oblaciones & obvenciones cum pertinentijs ac Advocacionem predictam contra

13 omnes homines Imperpetuum Et pro hac recognicione remissione quietaclamacione Waranto fine & Concordia idem Georgius dedit predictis Comiti

14 & Elizabethhe Centum & sexaginta Marcas Argenti

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