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Manors of Chesham Higham & Chesham Bury with the appurtenances in the foresaid county.

Account of Thomas Bacon, bailiff there for the foresaid time.

Arrearages: The same accountant is charged with **£108 2s 9d qa di** of arrearages in the last account of the next preceding year, as appears there in the foot. Total: **£108 2s 9d qa di**.

Issues of the land by the inquisition

And received of **£69 15s 6-1/4d** resulting or arising from the issues of the foresaid manor of Chesham Higham with the appurtenances in the foresaid county of Buckingham of the yearly value of **£39 7s 3-1/4d**, held among others but of whom (s. & pl.) & by which services is unknown, and of the foresaid manor of Chesham Bury with the appurtenances in the same county of the yearly value of **£30 8s 3d**, held among others as above, of which certain manors & the rest of the premises with their appurtenances the foresaid John, late Earl of Oxenford, before his death was seised among other honours, castles, lordships, manors, lands, tenements, & the rest of the hereditaments of the same late Earl in his demesne as of fee, and thus being seised thereof a certain fine was levied, as before in the account of the honour or manor of Castle Hedingham with the appurtenances more fully appears.

And the foresaid late Earl by certain indentures above in the foresaid account recited for himself & his heirs fully agreed, granted, & promised to & with the forenamed Thomas, Duke of Norfolk, Robert, Lord Dudley, & Thomas Golding & their heirs that he, the same late Earl, & his assigns successively will stand & be seised of & in the manors of Countesmead in Bumpstead & Langdon Hills in the county of Essex, and of & in the manors of Whitchurch, Aston Sandford, Chesham Higham, & Chesham Bury in the county of Buckingham, and of & in the manor of Flete in the county of Kent, and of & in the manors of Swaffham Bulbeck & Abingdon in the county of Cambridge, and of & in the manor of Earls Hall in Cockfield in the county of Suffolk, and of & in all the lands, tenements, rents, reversions, services, possessions, & hereditaments situate, lying, & being in Bumpstead & Langdon Hills in the county of Essex, and in Whitchurch, Aston Sandford, Chesham Higham, Chesham Bury & elsewhere in the county of Buckingham, & in Flete & elsewhere in the county of Kent, & in Swaffham Bulbeck in the county of Cambridge, & in Cockfield in the county of Suffolk to the use of the said late Earl for term of his life without impeachment of any waste,

And after his decease to the use of such wife as it might have happened the foresaid late [sic] Earl to take to wife immediately after the marriage solemnized with Edward now Earl of Oxenford & such wife, for term of the life of herself, the wife,

And after her decease then to the use of himself, Edward, now Earl of Oxenford, & of the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of the heirs males of the body of the same late Earl lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of the said Aubrey de Vere, brother of the said late Earl, for term of the life of himself, Aubrey, and after his decease then to the use of the foresaid Hugh de Vere, elder son of the foresaid Aubrey, & of the heirs males of the body of the foresaid Hugh lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of John de Vere, second son of the said Aubrey, & of the heirs males of the body of the same John lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of the 3rd son of the said Aubrey hereafter to be begotten & of the heirs males of the body of the same 3rd son lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of the 4th son of the said Aubrey hereafter to be begotten & of the heirs males of the body of the same 4th son lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of Robert de Vere, one other of the brothers of the said late Earl, for term of the life of himself, Robert, and after his decease then to the use of the elder son of the same Robert, & of the heirs males of the body of the same elder son lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of the second son of the said Robert hereafter to be begotten & of the heirs males of the body of the said second son lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of the 3rd son of the said Robert hereafter to be begotten & of the heirs males of the body of the same 3rd son lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of the 4th son of the foresaid Robert hereafter to be begotten & of the heirs males of the body of the same 4th son lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of the foresaid Geoffrey Vere, younger brother of the foresaid late Earl, for term of his life, and after his decease then to the use of John Vere, elder son of himself, Geoffrey, & of the heirs males of the body of the same John lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of Francis Vere, second son of the said Geoffrey, & of the heirs males of the body of the same Francis lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of the 3rd son of the said Geoffrey hereafter to be begotten & of the heirs males of the body of the same 3rd son lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of the 4th son of the foresaid Geoffrey hereafter to be begotten & of the heirs males of the body of the same 4th son lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of the heirs males of the body of John, a little while ago Earl of Oxenford, father of the foresaid late Earl, lawfully begotten,

And for lack of such issue then to the use of the right heirs of the said late Earl forever.

And he, the late Earl, thus being seised of such estate died thereof seised, except that the same late Earl by a certain deed of his sealed by his seal at arms & subscribed by his own hand dated the 16th day of March in the first year [=16 March 1559] of the reign of the Lady Elizabeth now Queen for divers causes himself moving gave & granted to **John Clench**, gentleman, the office of steward of all his manors of Chesham Higham, Chesham Bury, Whitchurch, & Aston Sandford with the appurtenances in the county of Buckingham, & the keeping or office of holding of the courts, leets, views of frankpledge, & of [+all &] singular courts, views of frankpledge, & leets of the foresaid lordships & manors & of any of them, and made, ordained, & appointed him, John, his steward-general of his foresaid courts, to have, hold, & exercise the foresaid office with the appurtenances to the forenamed John Clench by himself or by his sufficient deputy or his deputies for term of the natural life of him, John, and the foresaid late Earl by his foresaid deed sealed by his seal at arms as above for exercising & occupying the foresaid office gave & granted to the same John Clench a certain annuity or yearly rent of **60s** issuing of his foresaid manors at two terms of the year, viz., to be paid yearly at the feasts of the Annunciation of Blessed Mary the Virgin & Saint Michael the Archangel by equal portions during the natural life of him, John, with a clause of distraint for non-payment of the same, as by the same deed specified in the foresaid inquisition more fully is clear & appears.

And the foresaid late Earl by a certain other deed sealed by his seal at arms & subscribed by his own hand bearing date the 6th day of June in the 37th year [=6 June 1545] of the reign of the late King Henry VIII, for & in consideration of good & faithful service to him by **Thomas Bacon**, gentleman, still surviving, & **Robert Rochester**, now deceased, previously done & thereafter to be done, gave & granted to the same Thomas Bacon & Robert Rochester the office of bailiff or bailiwick of the manors of Chesham Higham & Chesham Bury aforesaid in so ample manner & form as Robert Meres or any others for himself formerly has had, perceived, or perceived [sic], [+or] have had, occupied, or perceived, to have, hold, occupy, exercise, & enjoy the foresaid office and the rest of the premises to the forenamed Thomas Bacon & his assigns for term of the natural life of him, Thomas Bacon, by himself or by sufficient deputy or by his sufficient deputies, and the foresaid late Earl by his foresaid deed in consideration aforesaid gave & granted to the same Thomas Bacon for exercising & occupying the foresaid office a certain annuity or yearly rent of **3d per day** issuing & yearly to be perceived of & in the foresaid manors of Chesham Higham & Chesham Bury and the rest of the premises with their

appurtenances, to have, hold, levy, & yearly perceive the foresaid annuity or yearly rent to the same Thomas Bacon & his assigns during the natural life of the same Thomas Bacon, the first payment thereof to be begun after the death of the forenamed Richard Meres, to be paid yearly at two terms of the year, viz., at the feasts of the Annunciation of Blessed Mary the Virgin & Saint Michael the Archangel by equal portions, with a clause of distraint for non-payment of the same, as by the same deed specified in the foresaid inquisition more fully appears,

And they remain in the hands of the Lady Queen as is specified above in the account of the honour, castle, & manor of Hedingham in the county of Essex, and in the whole at **£69 15s 6-1/4d** by year are valued by the foresaid inquisition, to be paid at the feasts of the Annunciation of Blessed Mary the Virgin & Saint Michael the Archangel equally, viz., for two such feasts falling within the time of this account. And there remains: Total: **£69 15s 6-1/4d**.

Increase of rents by the survey of the feodary

And received of **£8 11s 8d** resulting or arising from the increase of rents of the foresaid manors at £8 11s 8d by year thus assessed by the survey thereof made by Robert Newdigate, feodary & receiver of all the lands of the wards of the Lady Queen in the county of Buckingham, & remaining of record in the Court of Wards & Liveries of the Lady Queen, more than by the foresaid inquisition is found, to be paid at the foresaid feasts equally, viz., for two such feasts falling within the time of this account. And there remains: Total: **£8 11s 8d**.

Perquisites of the courts

Of any profit resulting or arising from the fees & perquisites of the courts held there this year, not received because no such profits accrued within the time of this account according to the oath of the said accountant on this account. Total: none.

Total of the whole receipt with arrearages: £186 9s 11d ob di qa.

Of which

Fees, wages, & payments

The same accountant in his fee of himself, the accountant, bailiff of the foresaid manors, thus to him granted for the reason of the exercise of that office at **60s 10d** by year as above is specified at large in the section "Issues of the lands by the inquisition", viz., in such allowance, namely for the time of this account for the reason aforesaid: **60s 10d**.

And in a rent resolute (blank) yearly issuing out of the foresaid manors at **33s 4d** by year, viz., in such allowance, namely for the time of this account, as in such case has been allowed in the life of the foresaid late Earl and as appears by the foresaid survey: **33s 4d**.

And in a decayed rent within the foresaid manors at **29s 10d** by year, viz., in such allowance, namely for the time of this account according as it has been allowed in the life of the foresaid late Earl and as it has been certified by the foresaid survey for the reason aforesaid: **29s 10d**.

And in payment of the auditor's clerk for the engrossment of this account this year on parchment, as in such case it has been allowed in preceding years: **2s**.

Total: £6 6s.

Total of the foresaid allowances: £6 6s.

And there is owing: £180 3s 11d ob di qa.

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Comitatus Buck'

Maneria de Cheshame Highame & Cheshame Burye cum pertinentijs in Comitatu predicto

Computus Thome Bacon ballij ibidem per tempus predictum

Arreragia Idem Computans oneratur de **Cviiijli ijs ix d qa di** de Arreragijs vltimi Computi Anni proximi precedentis prout patet ibidem in pede. Summa **Cviiijli ijs ix d qa di**

Exitus terrarum per Inquisitionem

Et receptus de **lxxli xvs vjd qa** proueniente siue crescente de exitibus predicti Manerij de Chesham Highame cum pertinentijs in predicto Comitatu Buck' annualis valoris **xxxixli vijs iijd qa** tenti inter alia sed de quo vel de quibus & per que seruicia ignoratur Ac predicti Manerij de Cheshame Burye cum pertinentijs in eodem Comitatu Annualis valoris **xxxli viijs iijd** tenti inter alia ut supra De quibusquidem Manerij & ceteris premissis cum suis pertinentijs predictus Iohannes nuper Comes Oxonie ante obitum suum fuit seisatus inter alia Honores Castra dominia Maneria terras tenementa & cetera hereditamenta nuper eiusdem Comitatus in Dominico suo ut de ffeodo. Et sic inde seisatus existens quidam finis leuatus fuit prout antea in Computo Honoris siue Manerij de Hedninghame ad Castrum cum pertinentijs plenius patet.

Et predictus nuper Comes per quasdam Indenturas superius in Computo predicto recitatas pro seipso & heredibus suis plene conuenit concessit & promisit ad & cum prefato Thoma duce Norff Roberto Domino Dudley & Thoma Goldinge & heredibus suis quod ipse idem nuper Comes & assignati sui deinceps stabunt & erunt seisati de & in Manerij de Countismeade in Bumsted & Langdon Hills in Comitatu Essex Ac de & in

Manerijs de Whitchurch Aston Samford Cheshame Highame & Cheshame Burye in Comitatu Buck' Ac de & in Manerio de flete in Comitatu Kancie Ac de & in Manerijs de Swaffhame Bulbeck & Abington in Comitatu Cantabrigie Ac de & in Manerio de Earleshall in Cokefeilde in Comitatu Suff' Ac de & in omnibus terris tenementis redditibus Revencionibus seruicijs possessionibus & hereditamentis scituatis iacentibus & existentibus in Bumpsted & Landon Hills in Comitatu Essex. Ac in Whitechurche Aston Samforde Cheshame Highame, Cheshame Burye & alibi in Comitatu Buck' & in ffleete & alibi in Comitatu Kancie & in Swaffhame Bulbeck in Comitatu Cantabrigie & in Cokefeilde in Comitatu Suff' ad vsum dicti nuper Comitis pro termino vite sue absque impetitione alicuius vasti.

Et post eius decessum ad vsum talis vxoris qualiscontigerit predicto nuper [sic] Comiti capere in vxorem immediate post maritagium solemnizatum cum Edwardo nunc Comite Oxonie & tali vxore pro termino vite ipsius vxoris.

Et post eius decessum tunc ad vsum ipsius Edwardi nunc Comitis Oxonie & heredum masculorum de Corpore suo legitime procreatorum.

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum heredum masculorum de corpore eiusdem nuper Comitis legitime procreatorum.

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum dicti Awbritij devere fratris dicti nuper Comitis pro termino vite ipsius Awbritij

Et post eius decessum tunc ad vsum predicti Hugonis devere filij senioris predicti Awbritij & heredum masculorum de Corpore predicti Hugonis legitime procreatorum

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum Iohannis Devere secundi filij dicti Awbritij & heredum masculorum de Corpore eiusdem Iohannis legitime procreatorum

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum iijtio filij dicti Awbritij imposterum procreandi & heredum masculorum de Corpore eiusdem iijtio filij legitime procreatorum

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum iiijti filij dicti Awbricij imposterum procreandi & heredum masculorum de Corpore eiusdem iiijti filij legitime procreatorum

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum Roberti devere vnius alterius fratrum dicti nuper Comitis pro termino vite ipsius Roberti

Et post eius decessum tunc ad vsum filij senioris eiusdem Roberti & heredum masculorum de Corpore eiusdem filij senioris legitime procreatorum

Et pro defectu talis exitus ad vsum secundi filij dicti Roberti imposterum procreandi & heredum masculorum de Corpore dicti secundi filij legitime procreatorum

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum iijtio filij dicti Roberti imposterum procreandi & heredum masculorum de Corpore eiusdem iijtio filij legitime procreatorum

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum iijti filij predicti Roberti imposterum procreandi & heredum masculorum de Corpore eiusdem iijti filij legitime procreatorum

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum predicti Galfridi Vere fratris Iunioris predicti nuper Comitis pro termino vite sue

Et post eius decessum tunc ad vsum Iohannis Vere filij senioris ipsius Galfridi & heredum masculorum de Corpore eiusdem Iohannis legitime procreatorum

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum ffrancisci Vere secundi filij dicti Galfridi & heredum masculorum de Corpore eiusdem ffrancisci legitime procreatorum

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum iijtio filij dicti Galfridi imposterum procreandi & heredum masculorum de Corpore eiusdem iijtio filij legitime procreatorum

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum iijti filij predicti Galfridi imposterum procreandi & heredum masculorum de corpore eiusdem iijti filij legitime procreatorum

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum heredum masculorum de Corpore Iohannis Dudum Comitis Oxonie patris predicti nuper Comitis legitime procreatorum.

Et pro defectu talis exitus tunc ad vsum Rectorum heredum dicti nuper Comitis imperpetuum

Et ipse nuper Comes sic seisatus existens de tali Statu obiit inde seisatus preter quod idem nuper Comes per quoddam scriptum suum sigillo suo ad arma sigillatum & manu sua propria subscriptum datum xvjto die Martij Anno regni domine nunc Elizabethhe Regine primo pro diuersis causis se moventibus dedit & concessit **Iohanni Clynche** generoso officium Senescalli omnium maneriorum suorum de Cheshame Highame Cheshame burye Whitechurche & Aston Sampford cum pertinentijs in Comitatu Buck' & Custodiam siue officium tenendi Curiarum Letarum visuum ffraunci plegij & [+omnium &] singularum Curiarum visuum franci plegij & Letarum dominiorum & Maneriorum predictorum & eorum cuiuslibet. Ac ipsum Iohannem Senescallum suum generalem Curiarum suarum predictarum fecit ordinavit & constituit: Habendum tenendum & exercendum officium predictum cum pertinentijs prefato Iohanni Clynche per se vel per sufficientem deputatum suum vel deputatos suos pro termino vite naturalis ipsius Ioannis. Et predictus nuper Comes per scriptum suum predictum sigillo suo ad arma sigillatum ut supra pro exercendo & occupando officij predicti dedit & concessit eidem Iohanni Clynche quandam annuitatem siue annualem redditum **Ixs** exeuntem de Manerijs predictis ad duos Anni terminos viz ad festa Annunciationis beate Marie Virginis & sancti Michaelis Archangeli per equales porciones annuatim soluendum durante vita naturali ipsius Iohannis cum Clausa districcionis pro non solutione eiusdem prout per idem scriptum in Inquisitione predicta specificatum plenius liquet & apparet.

Et predictus nuper Comes per quoddam aliud scriptum suum sigillo suo ad arma sigillatum & manu sua propria subscriptum gerens datum vjto die Iunij Anno regni nuper Regis Henrici viijui xxxvijto pro & in consideracione boni & fidelis seruicij sibi per **Thomam Bacon** generosum adhuc superstitem & Robertum Rochester iam defunctum preantea Impensi & deinde Impendendi dedit & concessit eisdem Thome Bacon & Roberto Rochester officium ballij siue balliati maneriorum de Cheshame Highame & Cheshame Burye predictorum in tam amplis modo & forma prout Robertus Meres aut aliqui alij pro se antehac habuit percepit seu percept [sic] habuerunt occupauerunt seu perceperunt Habendum tenendum occupandum exercendum & gaudendum officium predictum ac cetera premissa prefato Thome Bacon & assignatis suis pro termino vite naturalis ipsius Thome Bacon per se vel per sufficientem deputatum vel sufficientes deputatos suos. Et predictus nuper Comes per scriptum predictum in Consideracione predicta dedit & concessit eidem Thome pro officio predicto exercendo & occupando quandam annuitatem siue annualem redditum **iiijd per diem** exeuntem & annuatim percipiendum de & in predictis manerijs de Cheshame Highame & Cheshame Burye ac ceteris premissis cum suis pertinentijs Habendum tenendum leuandum & annuatim percipiendum predictam annuitatem siue annualem redditum eidem Thome Bacon & assignatis suis durante vita naturali eiusdem Thome Bacon prima solucio inde incipiendum post mortem prefati Ricardi Meres ad duos anni terminos viz ad ffeffa Annunciationis beate Marie Virginis & sancti Michaelis Archangeli equis porcionibus annuatim soluendum cum clausa districcione pro non solucione eiusdem prout per idem scriptum in Inquisitione predicta specificatum plenius patet.

Et Remanent in manibus Domine Regine ut supra in Computo Honoris Castri & Manerij de Hedninghame in Comitatu Essex specificatur. Et in toto ad **lxxli xvs vjd qa** per Annum per Inquisitionem predictam extenduntur. Soluendum ad ffeffa Annunciacionis beate Marie Virginis & sancti Michaelis Archangeli equaliter viz pro duobus huiusmodi ffeffis infra tempus huius Computi accidentibus Et Remanet Summa **lxxli xvs vjd qa**

Incrementum Reddituum per superuisum ffeodarij

Et receptus de **viiijli xjs viijd** proueniente siue crescente de Incremento Reddituum Maneriorum predictorum ad viijli xjs viijd per Annum sic arentato per Superuisum inde per Robertum Newdegate ffeodarium & Receptorem omnium terrarum Wardorum domine Regine in Comitatu Buck' factum & in Curia Wardorum & liberacionum domine Regine de Recordo remanentem plus quam per Inquisitionem predictam Compertum existit. Soluendum ad ffeffa predicta equaliter viz pro duobus huiusmodi ffeffis infra tempus huius Computi accidentibus Et Remanet **Summa viijli xjs viijd**

Perquisita Curiarum

De aliquo proficuo proueniente siue crescente de placitis & perquisitis Curiarum ibidem hoc Anno tentarum. Non receptus Eo quod nulla huiusmodi proficua infra tempus huius Computi accidebant ex sacramento dicti Computantis super hunc Computum Summa nulla

Summa Totalis Recepti cum Arreragijs Ciiijxx vjli ix̄s xjd ob di qa

De quibus

ffeoda vadia & Regarda

Idem Computans in ffeodo suo ipsius Computantis ballij Maneriorum predictorum sic sibi concesso causa exercitij illius officij ad **lxs xd** per Annum prout superius in titulo exitus terrarum per Inquisitionem ad largum specificatur viz in allocacione huiusmodi sciz per tempus huius Computi causa predicta **lxs xd**

Et in Redditu resoluto (blank) annuatim exeunte extra Maneria predicta ad **xxxiijs iiijd** per annum viz in Allocacione huiusmodi sciz per tempus huius Computi prout in huiusmodi Casu allocatus fuit in vita predicti nuper Comitis Ac prout patet superuiso predicto **xxxiijs iiijd**.

Et in decaso reddito infra Maneria predicta ad **xxixs xd** per annum viz in allocacione huiusmodi sciz per tempus huius Computi iuxta id quod allocatus fuit in vita predicti nuper Comitis ac prout certificatus est per superuisum predictum causa predicta **xxixs xd**

Et in Regardo Clerici Auditoris pro ingrossacione huius Computi hoc Anno in pergameno prout in huiusmodi casu allocatus est in Annis precedentibus **ijs**.

Summa vjli vjs

Summa Allocacionum predictarum vjli vjs.

Et debet Clxxxli iijs xjd ob di qa