

CHELTENHAM MANOR COURT RECORDS, 1668-9

Cheltenham Manor Court records for 1668-1669 – stray copy

Gloucestershire Archives D7661 Box 8/4: loose pages, among other loose records (of Ashley Manor).

Imaged 23 May 2008; typed up and checked against notes, June 2008. Some revisions, Dec 2013.

Comprises 16 folded paper sheets (approx. A3), making 64 pages. These are numbered 31-90, starting part way through a court entry for 10 April 1668, and continuing with a seemingly full record of baron business up to the court of 22 Oct 1669, which may or may not be complete. Of the 64 sides, 2 blank pages are unnumbered. The sheets are written in a consistent similar 18th-century hand throughout, and it appears they are part of a copy of entries in an enrolled volume now lost. Inclusion with the Ashley papers presumably results from John Prinn's stewardship of both manors; the content does not appear specially oriented to Charlton Kings interests.

Courts covered are:

[court of] 10 Apr 1688	(15 items)
View of frankpledge and court baron of 26 Oct 1668	(39 items)
View of frankpledge with court baron of 19 Apr 1669	(24 items)
View of frankpledge with court baron of 22 Oct 1669	(16 items)

These are all regular 6-monthly courts – no private courts. Reason for this loose copy unclear. Does not resemble other 'ancillary' records surviving at Glos Archives or TNA.

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[court of] 10 April 1668

[1] /p 31/ [last part of surrender for ----] Rogers. Rent 2d., heriot 6d.

[2] Roger Cox, town bailiff of Cheltenham, with Thomas Finch and Francis Milton burgesses, present that since the last court, namely on 20 Nov. last, John Sturmey burgess granted to Sarah Sturmey his wife a house with orchard and curtilage in Cheltenham on the N side of the Street, between lands of Henry Mason senior E and Richard Dobbins W. rendering 15d. per annum. Relief 15d.

[3] Giles Wills and Richard Wills and Richard's wife Ann surrender for William Wills and his wife Elizabeth a part-messuage on the N side of Cheltenham Street, between land in the possession of Madeleine Wills widow E, and land now in the possession of Alice Wills widow W /p 32/ and that quantity of close adjacent lately marked off with mere-stones extending to the king's highway at the back of the town of Cheltenham, with free access by foot to that highway across land of Giles and Richard Wills. Heriot 2s. 2d., rent ½d.

[4] Walter King and his wife Mary surrender for Samuel Arrowsmith of Cheltenham a dwelling house with all its gardens and buildings now occupied by Thomas ?Tither? on the N side of Cheltenham Street between land of Henry Mason E and land of Marice Friend now in the tenure of George Chestroe junior W, with use of entry, backside and pump. /p33/ Heriot 15d., rent 8d.

[5] Roger Cox town bailiff, with William Ashmead and Thomas Finch burgesses, swear that before them Thomas White burgess granted John Ashmead son of William a quantity of Burgage on the S side of Cheltenham Street having land of William Ashmead on both sides. Rent 7d., relief 7d.

[6] John Playne and his wife Edith surrender for Antony Ward parcels of land dispersed in the common fields of Charlton Kings as follows: 1 selion and a stitch on Lower field shooting E-W on Cullfoord; 3 selions in the same field shooting E-W on Rudgeway; also 2 selions in Long Grinnell in Westal, Naunton & Sandford tithing (2½ a. in all) now in the possession of John Playne. Heriot 2s., /p34/ rent 8d.

[7] Presented by the homage that Ralph Davis alias Isaac has died since the last court¹, seised of 1 messuage and diverse parcels of land in Arle. His son and heir also Ralph Davis claims. Heriot 38s. 8d., rent 7s. 8d.

[8] Theophilus Breerton senior grants to his wife Hester for her lifetime a dwelling house in Bafford tithing in Charlton Kings with garden and yard; /p35/ a close of meadow or pasture called Highbreach; a close of arable or pasture called Allards breach; 2 other closes of arable or pasture lying together called White Lyllie and Lyllie Laynes; 1 orchard or homestead called Burchin hay; another orchard and other lands in a close called Lastly; 4 butts together in Lyllie field (½ a.) in Bafford tithing in Charlton Kings, now occupied by Theophilus Brereton. Fine 15d., being half the annual rent.

[9] Presented by the homage: on 29 Dec. last out of court before John Stevens and John Clarke, Henry Sturmey surrendered for John Ashmead 1 selion of arable (½ a.) in Wetfurse in Rewenfield in Alstone tithing, between land of John Pates E and of John Clarke W. Heriot 6d., rent 1d.

¹ Will of Ralph Davis yeoman, made 21 Oct. 1664 and proved 4 July 1668 ((Sale, p 9)

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[10] /p36/ Presented by the homage that on 3 Feb. last out of court before John Buckle and Henry Sturme, Henry Ellis surrendered for Richard Bick 2 selions of arable (1 a.) shooting N-S in Redacre field in Westal, 1 lying between Thomas Higgs E and Walter Currier W, the other between Higgs E and John Milton W. Heriot 6d., rent 1d.

[11] Presented by the homage: death of William Cleevely senior, seised of a house with barn, garden and backside adjoining ($\frac{1}{2}$ a.); a small close of of meadow called Jenyne lands ($1\frac{1}{2}$ a.); 2 butts of meadow or pasture near certain lands once of Walter Martin and now of John Martin; 1 parcel of pasture called /37/ Little Hill ($\frac{1}{4}$ a.); a parcel of arable or pasture called the Paddock ($\frac{1}{2}$ a.); 1 a. arable or meadow in Cudden hill field; 1 a. arable or meadow called Sladd in [blank] furlong in Charlton Kings. His son and heir, William Cleevely junior, is admitted. Heriot 6s., rent 2s., worksilver 17d., common fine 4d.

[12] John Yates and his wife Mary, and Joyce Yates widow, surrender for Thomas Ashmead a piece of arable in Bayeshill field (8 a.), having land of William Milton E, of Benjamin Billingsley gent. W, and of Edward Wells S. Heriot 3s., rent 8d.

[13] /p38/ John Yates and his wife Mary, and Joyce Yates widow, surrender for Giles Ashmead diverse parcels of land in Westal, Naunton & Sandford tithing, namely: 4 butts in Morford shooting N-S on land of widow Currier E and Thomas Higgs W; 1 land in Ferry furlong shooting E-W between land of Fortune Gregory widow N and Elinor Bannister widow S; another land in Graton furlong shooting N-S between land of Joan Gregory widow E and land of Thomas Finch W; 1 headland in Firkham furlong shooting N-S between land of Thomas Finch E; and 2 other pieces in Whitecross furlong shooting N-S, having land of Thomas Ballinger E and of William Milton W. Heriot 1s. 5d., /p39/ rent 5d.

[14] Roger Cox town bailiff, with Francis Milton and Thomas Ashmead junior burgesses, swear that on 4 Nov. 1667 out of court John Gale senior, burgess, granted to Richard Grindle and his wife Alice a piece of burgage land in Cheltenham, next to Day Lane, having burgage land of Walter Milton E, Day Lane W, land of Thomas Blisse N, and burgage land of Thomas Finch S, being 33 ft long and 16 ft broad, and in the NE corner a parcel 5 ft square; with entail to Henry Grindle. Rent 2s., relief 2s.

[15] Presented by the homage that out of court on 10 May last before Thomas Deane senior and Richard Grindle, Robert Whithorne junior surrendered for John Houlder and Thomas Mansell 2 selions of arable ($\frac{3}{4}$ a.) in Gong furlong in the common field, shooting N-S between land of Samuel Whithorne E and land in the occupation of William Milton W. Heriot 4d., /p40/ rent 1d.

/p41/ Cheltenham. View of frankpledge with court of manor and hundred of William Dutton esq., lord of the manor and hundred, held Monday 26 October 20 Charles II 1668 before William Gregory esq. chief steward. It is enrolled, inter alia:

[16] Presented by the homage that out of court, prior to this court and in the presence of Nicholas Ashmead and William Stephens, Henry Cleevely surrendered for John Gale senior a parcel of land (being part of a messuage called Church end) known as Bacon Combe in Charlton Kings, between land of Francis Crosby called Holloway E, land of Linnett Pates gent. called Combreach W, Comb Lane N, and land of Linnett Pates called Churches Pitts S (8 a.). Heriot 2s., rent 3d.

[17] Henry Humphris alias Major senior surrenders for Richard Bannaster gent. 1 a. arable in /p42/ Leechcroft field or furlong in Cheltenham, in Humphris' occupation, between land of Giles

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Mathews E and land now of John Chestroe and once of the late Thomas Cartwright W. Heriot 2s., rent 4d.

[18] John Stephens grants to his wife Margaret for her lifetime a house or homestead in Alstone between land of John Pates gent. E and the 'Yoake way' W; also a parcel of meadow in Alstone Mead between land of Henry Sturmei E and of John Pates W; a parcel of land called Awcott in Alstone Hillfield between land of Walter Cox E and of Thomas Marys W; $\frac{1}{2}$ a. in Alstone Sandfield shooting on the Floodgates there, between land of Richard Combe E and of Walter Cox W; 2 selions or rows in Rewenfield in Whiteclay between land of Henry Sturmei E and of John Pates W; 1 selion or row under the hill in Hillfield, between land of Henry Sturmei E and of John Gregory W, excepting and reserving for John Stephens /p43/ the part of the house called the Old Kitchen and a parcel of land the full width of the property and extending to the Yoake way, and excepting all trees now or in future standing or growing on the premises, unless for the necessary repair of the house. Fine 14d.

[19] Roger Cox town bailiff of Cheltenham, with Thomas Mason and John Ashmead burgesses, swears that out of court before them on 14 May last, William Ashmead *mercator* and burgess granted a $\frac{1}{2}$ -burgage on the S side of Cheltenham Street, between land of Corpus Christi College Oxon E and land of John Ashmead E, which had been granted to him by his father also William Ashmead, to himself for his natural life and then to Mary Mason his intended wife, and thereafter to their children. *Tenend de Capital Dni feodi* 6d., relief 6d. /p44/

[20] Presented by the homage that out of court on 11 Apr. last before John Buckle and Henry Sturmei, Giles Wills and Richard Wills surrendered for Giles Wills and his son, also Giles, a quantity of land 3 rods long and 1 lugg broad on the N part of the town of Cheltenham, between land of Alice Wills widow E and of Maudlin Wills widow W, as now marked off by merestones; and they surrender for Richard Wills and his wife Anne and their son Richard a dwelling house on the N side of Cheltenham with its backside, 8 rods long and 1 rod broad, between land of Alice Wills E and of Maudlin Wills W. Heriot 14d., rent $\frac{1}{2}$ d. /p45/ (Fealty respited for Giles junior, Anne, and Richard junior)

[21] Presented by the homage that Elizabeth Turner daughter of Henry Turner of Oddington, Worcs., who held the reversion of a close or meadow or pasture in Charlton Kings, has died since the last court. Mary Pardeson wife of Richard Pardeson now present seeks admission. Heriot 2s., rent 4d.

[22] Presented by the homage that on 11 Apr. last out of court before John Buckle, Walter Buckle, and Henry Sturmei, John Wills surrendered for Ralph Hurst and his wife Joan all that building (*Anglice* one Rowe of houseing²) in the backside on the N side of the town of Cheltenham, having land of Giles Mathews N and land of John Wills S, with use of the highway, pump and backside. /p46/ Heriot 12d., rent 1d.

[23] Presented by the homage that on 16 Apr. last out of court before John Clarke and Henry Sturmei, William Barker surrendered for his daughter Dorothy, wife of Thomas Maris, a parcel of pasture or meadow in Arle tithing called Fidlers, between land of Thomas Hartlebury N and the highway to Harthurstfield S. Heriot 15s., rent 12d. Admitted but fealty respited because Thomas is ill.

² probably in the sense of outbuildings, often attached to another structure (OED)

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[24] John Stephens and his wife Margaret /p “46”/surrender for Henry King and his wife Anne for their lifetimes and then for their daughter Anne King an inclosure called Woodbrooke in Alstone tithing, between land of Henry Sturmeý E and of Henry King W (2 a.). Heriot 2s. 6d., rent 5d.

[25] Richard Fowler and his wife Mary surrender for Henry King and his wife Anne and their daughter Anne King the reversion of a house or homestead in Alstone called the Croft, having Alstone Green N and the king’s highway S. Heriot 2s. /p?"/, rent 2d.

[26] Presented by the homage that on 16 Apr. last out of court before John Clarke and John Sturmeý, William Clarke (since deceased) surrendered for his daughter Elizabeth wife of Ralph Curtis a parcel of pasture in Arle tithing called Hartsham between land of Walter Cox E and of Mary Buckle widow, late in the tenure of Ralph Davis deceased, W. Heriot 15s., rent 12d.

[27] /p 48/ Presented by the homage that William Barker has died, seised of various parcels in Arle. Thomas Barker now present seeks admission. Heriot 4s., rent 6d.

[28] Presented by the homage that Mary Mason spinster out of court on 2 June last before Ludovic Jenings and John Mason surrendered for Henry Mason senior, Thomas Mason senior, Thomas Mason junior and Henry Sturmeý a close of pasture in Westal, Naunton & Sandford tithing called Smith’s close (5 a.) upon trust that these 4 should permit Mary Mason and her assigns /p 49/ use for her lifetime, and after her death to permit her intended husband William Ashmead use for his lifetime. Heriot 11s., rent 9d.

[29] Presented by the homage that out of court on 1 June last before Henry Sturmeý and Richard Skay, Thomas Wills /p 50/ surrendered for Robert Freeman a barn containing 2 ‘bays of building’ with a ‘pigg’s cott’ at the end, these structures lying N of Cheltenham Street, having land of Thomas Wills E and of Elizabeth Mathews widow W, and the plot ground of the barn, being 2 luggs long and 12 ft wide, having land of Thomas Wills W and of William Styles W, with free access. Heriot 12d., rent 2d.

[30] Presented by the homage that out of court on 27 Feb. last before Henry Sturmeý and Stephen Mitton, John Morse senior, his wife Mary, and sons John Morse junior and William Morse surrendered for John senior and Mary for their lifetimes, and then for William Morse and his wife Hannah, the dwelling house where John senior and Mary now live, with the workhouse and all other buildings and use of the backside and pump, /p 51/ the premises being on the N side of Cheltenham adjoining the king’s highway N, and having land of Edward Johnson E and land now occupied by Henry Turner and John Morse S, with ‘free liberty in through and out of the entry, court and backside’ now in the possession of Henry Turner, and free use of the pump. Heriot 6d., rent 1d.

[31] Presented by the homage that out of court before William Church and Roger Dowdeswell [no date], Robert Wilkes surrendered for himself and his intended wife Jane daughter of William Belcher for their lifetimes that part of a house where Edith Whithorne and Thomas Wilkes now live, with all backsides and buildings, lying in Bafford. /p 52/ Heriot 2s. 6d., rent 9d.

[32] Presented by the homage that out of court on 10 Apr. last before John Collett and Thomas Ballinger, Thomas Gardiner surrendered for John Cox 2 selions of arable shooting N-S in Whaddon field in Cheltenham, having land of Henry Mason E and of Thomas Mason W. Heriot 12d., rent 2d.

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[33] /p 53/ John Marten and his wife Anne surrender for Nathaniel Chestroe 2 selions of meadow or pasture (1 a.) in Ewen in Charlton Kings, and the little lane to the W, and a hedge. Heriot 3d., rent 1d.

[34] John Marten and his wife Anne surrender for Richard Mason all their lands in Charlton Kings as follows: 3 selions lying together in Ryeworth field, having land now occupied by Charles Boyer N and of Thomas Mansell S; /p 53/2 selions of arable in the same field, having land occupied by Anthony Mansell N and Thomas Mansell S; 2 other selions in the same field, having land of Thomas Mansell E and of Richard White W; and 2 further selions in the same field, having land of widow Mason E and of Henry Atkins W. Heriot 2s., rent 4d.

[35] John Marten and his wife Anne surrender for Thomas White and his wife Elizabeth the following parcels: 6 selions of arable dispersed in Coltham field 'belonging to Cheltenham' (1¾ a.); 6 other selions of arable dispersed in the Bank in Charlton Kings (1½ a.); 1 selion arable in Mill furlong in Charlton Kings shooting N-S between lands of William King E & W; 1 other selion in the same furlong, having land of Anne Packer widow E and of William King W; and 1 other selion in the same furlong, having land of Robert Gale E and land occupied by Anthony Marriott W. Heriot 4s., rent 10d.

[36] /p 54/ Presented by the homage that John Sturmei has died, seised of various holdings in Alstone tithing. His son and heir, also John Sturmei, claims and is admitted. Heriot 13s., rent 3s. 4d.

[37] Presented by the homage that out of court before George Roberts gent. and William Gregory on 6 Feb. last, Thomas Mason, Robert Collett, John Mason and Walter Mason surrendered for Richard Arters a close of arable (½ a.) in Cheltenham upon Whaddon /p 55/ brook between land of Lodovick Packer E and land occupied by William Prinn gent. W. Heriot 6d., rent 2d.

[38] Abel Keare and his wife Joan surrender for William Taylor a dwelling house now occupied by Taylor and a parcel of land used as a backside or garden as now divided off, with free entry to the Street, and use of the court or backside, these premises lying on the N side of Cheltenham Street and having a house of Abel Keare E and a house and backside of Walter Adams W. Heriot 10d., rent 2d. /p 56/

[39] Thomas Mason, Walter Mason, John Mason and Robert Collett, acting upon the trust previously reposed in them by Thomas Mason and his wife Jane, and with their direction, surrender for Giles Ashmead and his wife Margaret 1 a. arable lying in Cheltenham Lower field shooting N-S, having land of Walter Buckle E and land of John Dobbins decd. W; 2 a. arable lying together in the same field shooting on Swyndon way N, having land of Guy Ellis E and of John Buckle W; 4 a. arable lying together in the same field, having land lately of Henry Ellis decd. E and of Robert Hyett W. Heriot 3s., rent 14d. /p 57/

[40] Giles Ashmead and his wife Margaret surrender for Thomas Mason and his wife Jane the following lands: 1½ a. arable in Keinsom in Cheltenham, having land of John Collett E and of Henry Mason W; 4 a. arable in Bayeshill in Alstone tithing, extending to Lipeatt house E, and land of Richard Skay W; 1 land of arable in Grotton in Westal, Naunton & Sandford tithing, having land late of John Cooper decd. E and Thomas Ballinger W; 1 land of arable in the same furlong, having land late of John Cooper E; 2 lands of arable in the same tithing, having land of Mary Wills widow E and land late of Robert Smith E (1 a.); and 2 other lands of arable in the same tithing, shooting E-W in Ferkham, having land of Mary Wills widow between them. Heriot 3s., rent 14d. /p 58/

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[41] Presented by the homage that on 14 Aug. last out of court before Richard Banaster and Guy Ellis, Henry Ellis surrendered for his daughters Elinor Ellis and Margaret Ellis a house, parcel of a tenement lately in the possession of Henry Goodcheape and now in the possession Henry Ellis, and all that parcel of land extending in length from the house to the back lane, and in width between a house of Anthony Chestroe E and boundary stones lately placed as markers W. Heriot 10s., rent 10d. Fealty respited because they are infants.

[42] Presented by the homage that on 29 June last, before Richard Wills and John Sturme, John Wills junior, son and heir of John a parcel of land in Cheltenham on the N side of town, length and breadth 3 luggs, between land of John Tyson S and other land of John Wills N. Heriot 8d., rent ½d. /p 59/3246/

[43] Presented by the homage that on 29 June last, Richard Wills and Henry Sturme, John Wills senior surrendered for Stephen Wills a dwelling house in Cheltenham on the N side of the Street, with backside, between houses of Ralph Hurst and John Wills N & S, with free access to backside and pump. Heriot 8d., rent 1d.

[44] Henry Sturme and Abel Keare swear that out of court on 24 Apr. last James Beckett senior granted to his son James Beckett junior a dwelling house and backside on the S side of the town of Cheltenham, having land late of Richard Rogers E and land of Richard Lea W, to have and to hold /p 60/ for the term of James Beckett senior's lifetime. Relief ½d., being half the annual rent.

[45] Presented by the homage that out of court on 29 June last, before Richard Wills and Henry Sturme, John Wills senior surrendered for Alice wife of John Wills a dwelling house with backside now occupied by John Wills in Cheltenham on the N side of town between land of Thomas Wills N and of John Wills S. Heriot 12d., rent 1d.

[46] Roger Cox town bailiff, with Richard Dobbins and William Benfield burgesses, swear that Thomas Hyett burgess /p 61/ out of court on 16 May last granted to John Eaton and his wife Jane a part-burgage, being a little house and backside on the S side of Cheltenham between land of John Ashmead E and land of Thomas Hyett W. Rent 1d., relief 1d.

[47] Presented by the homage that out of court on this 5 Oct. before Henry Atkins and Richard Grindle, John Houlder and Thomas Mansell surrendered for Deborah Cleevely 2 selions of arable (¾ a.) in Gong furlong shooting N-S between land of Samuel Whithorne E and of William Milton W, in Westal, Naunton & Sandford tithing. Heriot 2d., rent 1d. Fealty respited because infant. /p 62/

[48] Presented by the homage that Arthur Packer gent. out of court on 6 May 1667, before John Buckle and Walter Buckle, surrendered for Henry Mason of Cheltenham a parcel of arable called Knight's piece in Cheltenham (6 a.), having land of Thomas Cox and land late of Walter White W, and Harp lane S; also a parcel of pasture called Knight's coppice in Cheltenham (2 a.), having a certain ground called Broad leasow N and Knight's piece S; also a parcel of pasture inclosed lying in Cheltenham called Severall close and Langett (2 a.), having land of Walter Mason E and a langett of Arthur Packer W, and land of Edward Badghott gent. N. Heriot 3s. 6d., rent 14d. /p 63/ With proviso that if Arthur Packer pay Mason £85 16s. on the day of the next court, this surrender to be void.

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[49] Henry Atkins and Richard Grindle swear that out of court on 28 Sept. last, John Houlder and Thomas Mansell granted to their executors and heirs 2 selions arable ($\frac{3}{4}$ a.) in Gong furlong shooting N-S between lands of Samuel Whithorne E and of William Milton W, and until then for Walter Mansell for John Houlder's lifetime. Fine 2d., being half the annual rent.

[50] Presented by the homage that Anne Barnard wife of William Barnard has died, seised of the reversion of a house and backside in Alstone tithing called the Croft. Her heir Richard Fowler claims and is admitted. Heriot 2s., rent 2d. /p 64/

[51] Presented by the homage that out of court on 11 Apr. last, before John Buckle and Henry Sturme, John Wills surrendered for Joan Tyson widow, John Kemis and his wife Mary and their son Gabriel Kemis a quantity of ground on the N side of Cheltenham town containing 3 luggs, having other land of John Wills N and land of Joan Wills S. Heriot 6d., rent $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

[52] Henry Sturme and Thomas Humfris swear that on 3 July last out of court before them, Thomas Mansell granted to Nicholas Ashmead a parcel of garden or backside in Cheltenham on the N side of the Street, having land of Nicholas Ashmead E /p 65/ and land of Thomas White W, which land was bought from Thomas White, for a term of 12 years, at an [unstated] annual rent. Fine $\frac{1}{2}$ d., being half the annual rent.

[54] Thomas Ruck senior and his wife Sarah surrender for John Ruck all that close of meadow of pasture called Rosecombe in Charlton Kings, having land of Linnett Pates gent. E and land of Walter Higgs W. Heriot 4s. 6d., rent 1s. 6d. With proviso that if Rick pays £120 within 2 years the surrender is void. /p 66/

[55] At the last court, on 10 Apr., Roger Cox town bailiff swore [as item 14 above]. At this court the same premises are granted to Richard Grindle and his wife Alice and their daughter Alice. Rent 2d., relief 2d. /2 pp blank, then p 67]

Cheltenham. View of frankpledge with court of manor and hundred of William Dutton esq., lord of the manor and hundred, held Monday 19 April 21 Charles II 1669 before William Gregory esq. chief steward. It is enrolled, inter alia:

[56] Presented by the homage that Henry Ellis has died, seised of a part-messuage and diverse lands and tenements now or late in the occupation of Robert Bick. His son and heir John Ellis seeks admission. Heriot 12s. 4d., rent 1s. 4d.

[57] Guy Ellis town bailiff, with William Ashmead and Thomas Finch burgesses, swears that Robert Milton senior, burgess, out of court on 9 Jan. last granted to Guy Ellis 2 parts of burgage on the S side of Cheltenham, 1 part between land of Walter Adams E and land of William Okey W; the other part between land of William Okey E, and land of John Ashmead W, with all houses, buildings, structures, etc. /p 68/ Granted for the use of Mary now wife of John Ashmead for her lifetime, and afterwards for Elizabeth Ashmead daughter of John and Mary. Relief 2d.

[58] Guy Ellis town bailiff, with William Okey and Roger Cox burgesses, swears that Guy Ellis granted for the use of Samuel Cox and his wife a quantity of burgage land on the N side of Cheltenham, between land of Richard Baylis E and land of Samuel Ellis W, with all houses and structures. Annual rent 4d., relief 4d.

[59] Guy Ellis town bailiff, with Thomas Finch and Thomas Ashmead burgesses, swear that before them out of court on this 17 Apr. Elizabeth Hyett granted to Thomas Hyett junior and his

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wife Elizabeth for their lifetimes and then for their heirs a half-burgage on the S side of Cheltenham Street, being the E end of a burgage as now divided off and in the occupation of Elizabeth Barnes widow, between land of Thomas Hyett senior E, and the other half of the burgage W, being land of Thomas Smith and his wife Alice. Relief 9d. /p 69/

[60] Henry Mason senior and his wife Elinor surrender for Margaret Hartlebury 2 selions arable in Pillgrave furlong in Arle tithing, between land of John Mason E and land of Walter Lane W; another selion arable in Heydon Hill field in Arle, in White Length on the E part of the field, between land of Walter Lane E and land of Fleetwood Dormer esq. W; another selion of arable in the same length between land of Walter Lane E & W; 4 selions arable in Middle field, Arle, shooting on Smallmeade (being land of Fleetwood Dormer) N and 'Hades' S; 1 selion arable in the last-mentioned field shooting N-S upon Westbreach between land of Walter Fox E & W; these lands once surrendered to Henry Mason by John Hartlebury late husband of Margaret, upon trust conditions. Heriot 2s. 2d., rent 5d.

[61] Presented by the homage that out of court on 24 Sept. last before Giles Ashmead and Thomas Ballinger, Thomas Ashmead senior /p 70/ surrendered for his son Thomas Ashmead junior parcels of meadow, pasture or arable as follows: a plot of meadow or pasture in Alstone between demesne land in the occupation of Giles Ashmead on both sides; ½ a. shooting N-S on Arle Fludgates having land of Giles Ashmead E; another land in Itchland furlong shooting N-S having land of Edmond Gale E; and 2 selions together in Hillfield shooting N-S, having land of John Gregory E. Heriot 6d., rent 1d.

[62] Presented by the homage that out of court on 10 Oct. 1668 before Thomas Ashmead and Ed. Gale, John Ashmead surrendered for his daughter Anne Ashmead all hius holdings in Asltone tithing. Heriot 5s. 9d., rent 15d. /p 71/

[63] Presented by the homage that out of court on 17 Apr. last before Thomas Ashmead and Giles Ashmead, John Yeate surrendered for Frances Yeates spinster 5 selions arable in Westal, Naunton & Sandford tithing in Groaten field shooting E-W between land of Walter Higgs S and Whore lane N; 1 selion arable shooting E-W between land of Walter Higgs N and land of Walter Mason S; and 1 selion shooting E-W between land of Walter Mason N and Samuel Whithorne S. Heriot 4d., rent 1d.

[64] Presented by the homage that Samuel Trinder died since the last court, seised of a cottage and garden /p 72/ and orchard in Westal, Naunton & Sandford tithing (½ a.). His daughter and heir Mary Trinder claims and is admitted. Heriot 1s. 6d., rent 4d.

[65] Presented by the homage that out of court on 9 January last, before William Ashmead and Thomas Finch, Robert Milton senior surrendered for Mary Ashmead spinster daughter of John Ashmead senior of Cheltenham wool-comber, and after her death if no heirs for John and his wife Mary Ashmead, a close of meadow or pasture (2 a.) called Loomes' bottom shooting E-W. Heriot 7s. 6d., rent 5d. Fealty made. /p 73/

[66] Presented by the homage that out of court on 9 January last, before William Ashmead and Thomas Finch, Robert Milton senior surrendered for Hester Ashmead spinster daughter of John Ashmead senior of Cheltenham wool-comber, and after her death if no heirs for John and Mary Ashmead, 2 selions arable in Cheltenham Lower field near Shorthedge, shooting N-S, having land of Thomas Gardiner E and of Thomas Cox W; 1 selion arable in Charlton Kings in Long furlong shooting E-W, having land of Robert Gale S. Heriot 9d., rent 4d. Fealty respited because she is under age.

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[67] Presented by the homage that out of court on 9 January last, before William Ashmead and Thomas Finch, Robert Milton senior surrendered for Sarah Ashmead spinster daughter of John Ashmead senior of Cheltenham wool-comber, and after her death if no heirs for John and his wife Mary Ashmead, 1 a. arable next to Weyman's Brooke shooting N-S; 1 selion arable in Charlton Kings in Long furlong shooting E-W having land of William King N. Heriot 4s. 9d., rent 10d. Fealty respited because she is under age.

[68] Presented by the homage that out of court on 29 Apr. 1667, before Thomas Mansell and Richard Grindle, Henry Cleevely now deceased surrendered for Robert Brassenton the reversion of a dwelling house where Henry lived, next to a house of Robert Greene S, with all gardens, barns, structures, edifices and backside; also reversion of adjacent meadow or pasture called Church End close (2 a.), between Hempcroft field W and the king's highway N; also reversion of the adjacent orchard (1 a.), having land of William Churches W & S; all in Charlton Kings. Heriot 2s., rent 3d.

[69] John Bird and his wife Joan /p 74/ surrender for Richard Theyer an inclosed piece of pasture or arable called Colthoms in Ham in Charlton Kings between fundus called Allyes N and the king's highway called Ham Lane S. Heriot 3s., rent 6d.

[70] Presented by the homage that out of court on 24 Sept. 1668 before Henry Sturmeay and Richard Skay, John Milton³ surrendered for Richard Milton son of Elizabeth Milton widow, and if Richard has no heirs then for John's brother William Milton, a dwelling house with backside, orchard, and all other buildings in Westhil alias Westall, between land of John Milton E and land of Elinor Bannister W; also an inclosure of pasture called the Gore, and another inclosed piece of pasture called Marford, and another close of arable called Little Woodfield; a close of pasture called Woodfield adjacent to Hatherly Lane W; and a parcel of pasture (3 laynes) called Gossy Close, all in Westal, and now in the possession of John Milton. Heriot 8s. 6d., rent [unstated] /p 75/

[71] Presented by the homage that out of court on 24 Sept. 1668 before Henry Sturmeay and Richard Skay, John Milton surrendered for his brother William Milton 2 inclosed pieces of pasture in Westal, Naunton & Sandford tithing, namely: 1 piece called Great Woodfield, the other piece shooting N-S with a certain brook called Na[?ru?]brooke N; also all other pieces of arable wherever they lie dispersed in the common fields of Westal and Alstone; these premises being in the possession of John Milton. Heriot 3s. 6d., rent 14d. /p 77/

[72] Henry Sturmeay and Richard Skay swear that on 20 Sept. last, John Milton granted to his brother William Milton all arable or pasture lands together or dispersed in Westal, Naunton & Sandford and Alstone tithings and now in John's possession, also the use of trees and hedges on the same, as required to keep the premises in good and sufficient repair, for a period of 12 years after the death of John. Fine 18d.

[73] Presented by the homage that out of court on 8 Feb. last, before John Rucke and Anthony Webb, Robert Whithorne surrendered for Richard Pates gent. all that furzey close called Lilly (4½ a.) in Charlton Kings, having Lillyfield N and land of Linnett Pates gent. W, N & S. Heriot 3s. 2d., rent 11d. /p 78/

[74] William Waite and his wife Elizabeth surrender for John Nicholds and his wife Elizabeth and their daughter Jane, and for Mary wife of Thomas Nicholds, for their lifetimes; and then for

³ Will made 23 Sept. 1668, and proved 1669. Sale, p 10.

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Thomas, John and Mary Nicholds the children of Thomas and Mary, the dwelling houses with backsides and gardens and access and free use of the pump or well, and free use of a cart-way, these premises now in the possession of William Waite and bought by him from Thomas Wills, and situated in the N part of Cheltenham town, having the cart-way E and land of Elizabeth Margere? widow W. Heriot 2s. 8d., rent 2d. /p 79/

[75] William Prinn gent. and his wife Anne surrender for Richard Roberts a 1/3 part of a house divided in 3, in the possession of Edward Roberts on the N side of Cheltenham Street, which was late the estate of Richard's late father Henry Roberts⁴; with all its backsides, structures, edifices, land etc. Heriot 3s. 6d., rent 8d.

[76] Jane Cleevely, widow of the late William Cleevely, surrenders for Joan Kemett a parcel of pasture in Charlton Kings (½ a.) shooting E-W between Millbrooke N and Leighfield S. Heriot 12d., rent 6d. /p 80/

[77] Jane Cleevely widow of the late William Cleevely, surrenders for Thomas White diverse lands, arable and pasture, in Charlton Kings, namely: 1 land of arable called Broadland shooting N-S upon Cuddenhill bank, between land of Thomas Rooke E and land of Robert Gale W; another land of arable shooting N-S on the same bank between land of Elizabeth Ashmead widow E and land of Anthony Mansell W; another land of arable in Mill furlong, shooting N-S between land of Thomas Mansell E and of John White W; another land of arable in Sladbanck shooting N-S between land of Thomas Mansell E and the king's highway W; 2 other lands arable together in Sladbanke shooting E-W between land of Robert Gale on both sides; and a parcel of meadow or pasture called Sladd shooting E-W between land of John Martin N and land of William Cleevely S. Heriot 8d., rent 4d. /p 81/

[78] Presented by the homage that out of court on 10 Dec. last before William King and John Houlder, William Cleevely since deceased surrendered for his wife Jane a parcel of meadow called Little Hill shooting E-W between land of John Houlder N and other land of William Cleevely S; another parcel of meadow in Sladd bottom between land of John Martin N and other land of William Cleevely S; 2 selions arable shooting E-W upon Slad banck between land of Robert Gale on both sides; another selion shooting N-S upon and across the king's highway in Mill furlong, between land of Thomas Mansell E and of Richard White W; 2 other selions on the same bank, one between Elizabeth Ashmead widow E and land of Anthony Mansell W; another land in the same furlong shooting N-S between land of Thomas Rooke E and of Robert Gale W; another fundus shooting E-W called the Paddock, lying in the lower part of Ly field; also 2 butts of meadow shooting N-S in a fundus called 9 Lands, between land of John Marten E and of Elizabeth Ashmead widow W. Heriot 6s., rent 2s., worksilver 17d., common fine 4d.

[79] William King and John Houlder swear that before his death, William Cleevely granted to his wife Jane for her lifetime as her jointure /p 82/ his dwelling house in Charlton Kings called Nicelands, with all its buildings, structures, etc, and orchard, backside and parcel of meadow or pasture. Fine [unspecified] /p 83/

Cheltenham. View of frankpledge with court of manor and hundred of William Dutton esq., lord of the manor and hundred, held Thursday 22 October 21 Charles II 1669 before William Gregory esq. chief steward. It is enrolled, inter alia:

⁴ Will proved 18 Nov. 1661 (Sale p 2)

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[80] Presented by the homage that out of court on 5 Aug. last, before George Roberts gent and John Buckle, Samuel Gardiner surrendered for Nathaniel Chestroe a part or parcel of backside or homestead as now marked off by boundary stones, lying between a backside of Robert Clarke E and a backside of Samuel Gardiner W, shooting directly between the boundary stones from the backside of Nathaniel Chestroe to the lane behind the town of Cheltenham. Heriot 10d., rent 2d.

[81] George Roberts gent and John Buckle swear that out of court before them on 5 Aug. last, John Gardiner son and heir of the late John Gardiner granted to Nathaniel Chestroe a piece or parcel of homestead, lately land of John Gardiner deceased as now divided off by stones between land of Robert Clarke E and another homestead of Samuel Gardiner shooting directly between the boundary stones from the backside of Nathaniel Chestroe to the lane behind the town of Cheltenham. Fine 4d. /p 84/

[82] George Roberts and John Buckle swear that Mary Gardiner widow out of court before them on 31 July last granted to Nathaniel Chestroe for her lifetime all that part or parcel of backside or homestead of hers, lying between a backside of Robert Clarke E and boundary stones recently placed to divide that part from another backside of Nathaniel Chestroe to the lane behind the town of Cheltenham. Fine 4d.

[83] John Clarke grants to Elizabeth his wife for her lifetime as her jointure a dwelling house with all its garden, orchard, backsides, buildings etc., in Alstone, having land of Thomas and Walter Maris E and land of Edward Gale W; and all other lands in Alstone. Fine 10½d., being half the annual rent. /p 85/

[84] Richard Hyett son and heir of Giles Hyett claims all those parts of burgage land, together in all a half-burgage in Cheltenham, with their buildings, gardens, and closes, between land now or late of Elizabeth Milton E, and land late of Robert Milton W, once granted by his uncle Richard Cooke, late burgess of Cheltenham, for his own use for his lifetime, and then for Giles Hyett and his wife Margaret who was daughter of Richard Cooke, for their lifetimes, and then for Richard Hyett. Richard Cooke and Giles and Margaret Hyett all having since died, Richard Hyett now claims. Fine 5d., relief 5d.

[85] Presented by the homage that John Hawling has died, seised of a house and backside and garden and diverse parcels of land scattered in the fields of Cheltenham, namely: 1 selion (½ a.) in Cheltenham Lower field between land of John Buckle E and of Richard Roberts W; 1 selion (½ a.) between other land of John Hawling E and of John Collett W; and 1 other selion (½ a.) between land of John Hawling E and of Thomas Finch W. Thomas Hawling brother and heir of John claims. Heriot 24s., rent 2s. 9d. /p 86/

[86] Presented by the homage that out of court before Lodovick Packer, John Collett and Thomas Cartwright, Arthur Packer gent. surrendered for Alexander Packer gent. a close or parcel of arable or pasture called Long Leasowe (24 a.); a close of arable or pasture called Bushy Close (6 a.); and another close of arable or pasture called Broadleasowe langett (1 a.); all in Cheltenham, next to Oakley Wood. Heriot 3s. 4d., rent 14d.

[87] George Roberts gent. surrenders for Thomas Ashmead a parcel of arable (2 a.) in the possession of Thomas Ashmead in Alstone tithing in Rewenfeild in Smithill. Heriot 18d., rent 6d.

[88] /p 87/ Presented by the homage that Katherine Buckle died since the last court, seised of 'unam officinam' and parcel of an edifice or structure in Cheltenham. Further presented that her sister Mary, wife of Thomas Mason, is heir, and claims. Heriot 14s. 10d., rent 1d.

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[89] Guy Ellis town bailiff of Cheltenham, with Thomas Finch and Francis Milton burgesses, swears that out of court before them on 21 Oct. last Joseph Arkle gent. burgess granted to his son Joseph Arkle junior a quantity of burgage with dwelling house and garden on the S side of Cheltenham Street between land of Lodovick Jennings and Margaret Blomer widow E, and of Joseph Arkle W. Capital fee 7½d., relief 7½d. /p 88/

[90] Guy Ellis town bailiff, with Thomas Finch and Richard Dobbins burgesses, swear that Sarah Sturme widow burgess out of court on 5 May last granted to Thomas White of Cheltenham a dwelling house with orchard, garden, backside, barns, buildings, etc on the N side of Cheltenham Street, between land of Henry Major alias Humphreys E and land of Richard Dobbins W. Fee 15d., relief 15d.

[91] John Pates and his wife Frances surrender for Thomas Cox senior all those diverse parcels of arable scattered in Cheltenham fields as follows: 1 selion (1 a.) in Whaddon field in Middle furlong, having land late of Richard Wager deceased E and land late of Thomas Gregory deceased W; 1 selion (1 a.) in the same field in Wymans Brook furlong shooting N-S between land of Richard Banaster E and land of Thomas Mason W; another selion (1 a.) in the same field, having land of Thomas Mason E and of Lodovick Packer gent. W; 3 selions (1 a.) in the same field in Holt furlong shooting N-S between land of Richard Blick E and land of John Buckle W; 2 selions (1 a.) in Cheltenham Lower field shooting upon Swyndon way, having land of Thomas Finch E and of John Buckle senior W; 2 selions (2 a.) in Cheltenham Lower field in Kingsditch furlong, having land of Richard Banaster N and of Lodovick Packer S. Heriot 9s., rent 1s 10d.

[92] /p 89/ John Buckle senior and Thomas Cox junior swear that out of court before them on 10 June last, Mary Pates widow granted to Thomas Cox senior, for her lifetime, diverse of arable in Cheltenham fields, namely: 1 selion (1 a.) in Whaddon field, Middle furlong, between land late of Richard Wager deceased E and land late of Thomas Gregory deceased W; 1 selion (1 a.) in the same field in Wymans Brook furlong shooting N-S, between land of Richard Banaster E and land of Thomas Mason W; 1 other a. in the same furlong between land of Thomas Mason E and of Ludovick Packer W; 3 selions (1 a.) in the same field in Holts furlong, shooting N-S between land of Richard Blicke E and John Buckle junior W; 2 selions (1 a.) in Cheltenham Lower field shooting on Swindon way, having land of Thomas Finch E and land of John Buckle senior W; also 2 selions (2 a.) in Cheltenham Lower field in Kingsditch furlong, having land of Richard Banaster N and land of Ludovick Packer S. Fine 11d., being half the annual rent.

[93] /p 90/ Guy Ellis town bailiff, with Richard Dobbins and Thomas Finch burgesses, swear that out of court on 8 July last, Thomas Hyett burgess granted to James Page and his wife Mary a quantity of burgage on the S side of Cheltenham Street, in the occupation of widow Smith and Mary Davis wife of Ralph Davis, lying between land now in the occupation of John Eaton E and the king's highway S. Relief 1d.

[94] Stephen Wills grants to his wife Alice for her lifetime as her jointure a house in Cheltenham in his possession. Fine 1d., being half the annual rent.

[95] Presented by the homage that out of court on 22 July last before John Houlder and Roger Dowdeswell, Jane Clevely widow surrendered for Josiah Kemett a parcel of meadow and pasture called Little hill in Charlton Kings shooting E-W between meadow of John Houlder N and land of William Clevely S. Heriot 8d., rent 4d.