

CHELTENHAM MANOR COURT RECORDS, 1661-67 (D855/M35)

Gloucestershire Archives D855/M35

This is a small vellum-covered limp-bound book, paper.

Cover marked with large letter 'E', and

1661 – 'for these 6 years Rolls [not extant]. J Prinn'

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1667 – 'rolls for these 4 years are [.....]'

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From the front of the book, 180 pages (numbered on right hand page) of pre-enrolment record of courts (in English) from 14 Apr. 1661 to c1666. A slightly untidy hand but generally in good condition and legible.

Note at foot of p. 124: 'The rolls of all surrenders above never came to the hand of
Jno. Prinn'

'Note all the following surrenders are enrolled in Book F'

From the back of the book, 2 copies longhand of the Act of Parliament (one abbreviated, one full), and then a few pages of seemingly genuine baron events but which lack full names and are therefore possibly model entries

As noted above by the later 17th-century steward John Prinn, this material is not the formally enrolled version of the court record. It appears to be an interim version, recording most of the key details of the transactions (especially the names, but often not much about the properties) and little of the usual formulaic material. It may be noted that this document begins almost exactly at the date of the Restoration of Charles II.

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[fly]The 30th Oct 1704

This booke was then shewne forth to John Prin Esqr upon his examinacion at a Com[plaint?] then issued forth of the High Court of Chancery betweene John Grevile gt. and his wife Complainants and John Batten Richard Pates and others Defendants being examined? on the Defendants? that? before us

Joh. Bulstrode
Jn Elly
Nich Fletcher

[p1] Cheltenham. At the court leet and court baron of William Dutton esq., lord of the manor liberty and hundred of Cheltenham, there held 14 April, 13 Charles II 1661, the surrenders underwritten were passed and allowed as followeth:

John Currier before Francis Greene and John Clarke out of court on 26 Nov. last surrendered to Edmond Freeman [*as trustee: see p. 4*] a moiety of a messuage with appurtenances in Westal Naunton & Sandford, for the use of John Currier and his wife Elizabeth. Rent 2s. 8d., fine 5s. [4d.], heriot [15s.] [probable reading: corner of page crumbling]

[p. 2] Richard Gotheridge alias Wells, before Robert Milton and William Ashmead, did out of court on 26 January last surrender for Robert Church 4 a. arable in Alstone, and 6 ridges arable (1 a.). Rent 6d., fine 1s., heriot 1s. 6d.

[p. 3] Richard Grindle out of court before John Holder and John Marten on 8 April inst. surrendered for Richard White junior 7 rudes arable with appurtenances in Ryeworth field, Charlton Kings. Rent 6d., fine 1s., heriot 1s. 6d.

[p. 4] Edmond Freeman gent. in open court according to the trust in him reposed by John Currier deceased did surrender for Elizabeth Currier late the wife of John that moiety or part of a messuage or tenement with appurtenances, lying in Westal, Naunton & Sandford tithing. Rent 2s. 8d., fine 5s. 4d., heriot 15s.

[p. 5] John Batten and his wife Elizabeth in court surrender 2 closes of meadow or pasture with appurtenances called M[o?n]breach and Sweetends in Charlton Kings, and 5 rudes arable in the lower fields of Charlton Kings (lately purchased of Thomas Cartwright and Elizabeth Hayward) for themselves for their lives and then for John Batten the youngest for his life. Rent 1s. 9d., fine 3s. 6d., heriot 6s.

[p. 6] Henry Atkins out of court on 26 Nov. 1660 before William Kinge and Samuel Titchett surrendered for himself for life and then for his wife Olive as her jointure, and after her decease for Henry Atkins their son, one messuage or tenement with appurtenances in Charlton Kings with its gardens orchards and backsides, 1 close of meadow or pasture called the Lower Hay, one other piece of close called Middlemeade and another close called the Lower Moores. Rent 1s. 2d., fine 2s. 4d., heriot 3s.

[p. 7] Thomas Wayte on 22 Dec. 1660 out of court before John Martin and Anthony Webb granted to Edmond Clarke a water grist-mill in Charlton Kings, to hold from [sic, but better sense if to?] 8 Oct. 1666 for 6 years. Fine: half a year's rent, being 20d.

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Andrew Newman granted to the bailiff of the borough for the use of Thomas Bevin a parcel of ground in Northfield [*NB, Northfield still in use at this time, and part of burgage area*]. Rent 1d., relief 1s.

William Twynninge granted to the bailiff and then to Thomas Blisse a tenement. Relief 2d., rent 2d.

Thomas White granted to the bailiff and then to William White a house with appurtenances. Rent 7½d, relief 7½d.

- [p. 8] Giles Dowdeswell surrenders to the use of Joan [?P]oole and her heirs a house and homestead to the several uses pro ut patet per copy. Rent 1d., fine 2d., heriot 2s. 6d.

Richard Willis junior did out of court on 25 Mar. 1661 before William Willis and Thomas Ballinger grant to Alice Willis widow for his life his house or tenement with the backside. Rent 4d., fine 4d.

- [p. 9] John Higgs in open court did surrender for Walter Mason his 2 inclosed grounds of arable or pasture called Cranmores alias Cranmore, lying in Cheltenham. Rent 1s., fine 2s., heriot 3s. 4d.

Richard Skey in open court did grant to his wife Hester 1 messuage or tenement wherein he now dwells in Cheltenham, and 1 garden belonging thereto, to hold for her lifetime. Rent 5d., fine 5d.

- [p. 10] Thomas Sperringe on 29 Oct. 1660 did out of court before Thomas Jeffes and John Martin surrender for Margaret Collett daughter of Henry Collett, after the decease of Thomas Sperringe, the lower part of the house or tenement of Thomas Sperringe in Charlton Kings and the backsides and all outhouses, barns, stables, edifices, etc. Also ½ of a close called Bawldhay, 9 a. of arable dispersed in common fields of Charlton Kings, 1 meadow called Cunly, with other lands. Rent 2s. 9d., fine 5s. 6d., heriot £2.

- [p. 11] Margaret Collett in open court did surrender for Richard Whittorne all her customary lands in Charlton Kings, being part of 2 customary messuages now in the tenure of John Moulder, viz the lower part of the dwelling house, with moiety of the stable, of the cowhouse and the end of the barn next to the stable, from the threshing floor, with diverse other lands. Rent 2s. 9d., fine 5s. 6d., heriot £2.

- [p. 12] **Cheltenham. At a view of frankpledge with court baron of William Dutton, Ar., held 4 October, 13 C2, allowed, granted and surrendered etc.:**

At this court the lord in open court grants to Thomas Rooke brother of Richard Rooke 1 close of meadow called Rosecombes, 1 close called Hemlockes and 1 land in a place called White Breaches, lying in Charlton Kings [entry struck through and marked 'Not done at this court'] Rent 20d., fine 3s. 4d., heriot 6s.

- [p. 13] The like grant to Thomas Rooke son the said Thomas of all that tenement and homestead with appurtenances in Charlton Kings in Moorend, with 2 selions of arable land in the common fields of Charlton Kings, 1 selion thereof being demesne land in the Ley and the other in the Upper field near a place called Cully Foard. [entry struck through and marked 'Not done at this court'] Rent 10d., fine 1s. 8d., heriot 6d.

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Samuel Mansell on 4 June 1661 before Lynnet Pates gent. and William Ballinger surrenders for [no name given] a close or meadow or pasture called Wellen Hill, 1 other close thereunto adjoining called Footes hill, 2 other closes of meadow or pasture adjacent called the Hol.¹ .., 1 other close of meadow called Cadles? Meade, in Charlton Kings.

Rent 4s. 11d., fine 9s. 10d., heriot 1s. 8d.

- [p. 14] Samuel Mansell on 4 June 1661 before William Ballinger and Anthony Webb surrendered to the uses [of ?] 2 closes together, one arable and one pasture called Brockmeare in Charlton Kings. Rent 1s. 4d., fine 2s. 8d., heriot 5s. 4d.

Richard Wager on 7 Sept. 1661 before William Ballinger and Anthony Webb surrendered all houses and tenements, together with all orchards, lands, meadows, arables, pastures and seedings within the common fields of Cheltenham to the uses... Rent 2s. 10d., fine 5s. 4d., heriot 17s. 2d.

- [p. 15] Richard Wager died since the last court seised of 1 [meese?] close or homestead being meadow or pasture called Wellen hay (5 a.) in Charlton Kings, to hold for himself and his wife Sarah. Jane their daughter is the next heir. Rent 1s. 2d., fine 2s. 4d., heriot 7s. 6d., worksilver 14d., tithing silver 4d.

Richard Teekle on 3 Sept. 1661 before Henry Mason and John Gale surrendered for Thom? Stevenson 1 piece of ground and a tenement in Cheltenham. Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 6d.

- [p. 16] Robert Whittorne and his wife Joane surrender for Nathaniel Chestroe parcels of arable meadow or pasture viz 1 selion or butt in Whitebreach corner, 1 selion or butt abutting on a close called Barly meade, 1 selion or rudge in Skay furlong, 1 selion or rudge in the same furlong, 1 selion or rudge in the said Skay furlong, 1 selion or rudge abutting on Greene hull, 1 selion or rudge in Forthen Banke, 1 selion or rudge in the same furlong, 1 other selion or rudge in the same furlong, 1 other selion or rudge in the same furlong [sic], 1 farrundel or stich in the same field, 1 other selion of land. Rent 8d., fine 1s. 4d., heriot 2s. 6d.

- [p. 17] At this court the lord doth surrender to Edmund [edge of page, but probably Tony] 1 a. of land at White Cross called the Broad Acre, being in Alstone, to hold to him and his heirs, as heir unto Anne Tony. Rent 6d., fine 12d., heriot 12d.

At this court William Twyninge and his wife Frances surrender a customary messuage or tenement now ipo Robert Belcher together with all its shops, cellars [edge of page] houses, barns, etc., and the close or homestead, and 1 a. land in Long Crofte, to the use of [edge of page] Roberts gent. Rent 1s. 5d., fine 2s. 10d., heriot 10s. 7d., worksilver 5d., common fine 2d., Peter pence 1d.

- [p. 18] At this court Richard Combe is admitted tenant to all that customary messuage or tenement in Alstone, with all its lands tenements, meadows, pastures, commons as son and heir of William Combe.
Rent 5s., fine 10s., heriot 30s.

Robert Church on 27 June 1661 before Robert Milton senior and William Ashmead did surrender for William Church 6 rudes or selions of land in Baldhill (1 a.) and all those 8 rudes or selions of arable land lying in Bayeshill in Alstone. Rent 3d., fine 6d., heriot 9d.

1 Comparison with entry **1948** (10 June 1743) suggests this might be 'the Hale'

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[p. 19] Thomas Springe on 15 July 1661 did before Thomas Ballinger and John Moulder grant to William Springe the lower part of the messuage or tenement wherein John Moulder now dwells and all the moiety of the homestead, the moiety of the yard, the lower part of the barn, the E end of the stable, the moiety of the cowhouse with all appurtenances ~~for the term of~~ from and after the end of 9 years unto the said William Springe for his life. Rent 2s. 6^d., relief 2s. 8^d.

Richard White did on 13 Sept. 1661 surrender for John Benfield, bailiff of the borough, [before] William Ashmead and William Benfield burgesses, unto his son Thomas White all his part and a quantity of a burgage lying together in the said borough. Rent 7¹/₂d., relief 7¹/₂d.

[p. 20] **16th April 1661**

Henry Atkins junior before Thomas Mansell and Samuel Titchett granted to his wife Judith one messuage or tenement in Charlton Kings and 2 gardens orchards and backside thereto belonging, 1 close of meadow or pasture called the Lower Hay, another parcel of a close called Middlemoor, another close called the Lower Moores with appurtenances lying in Charlton Kings, to hold to Judith for the term of her life. Rent 1s. 2d., fine 1s. 2d.

Godfrey Bradshaw and his wife Margaret before John Benfield, bailiff of the borough, and Richard Mirrea? and Henry Goodcheepe burgesses grant 1 messuage with stable, barn and ½ a. of ground. Rent 6d., relief 6d.

[p. 21] William Church senior did grant on 3 ?Apr? 1661 before John Benfield, bailiff of the borough, and Robert Milton and William Ashmead burgesses, his several tenements of burgage holdings, viz 1 house or tenement, to the use of his son William and his wife Elizabeth, for their lives, with other ?rent?. Rent 2d., relief 2d.

The same day, William Church senior before the parties above named did grant his dwelling house to himself and his wife Alice for their lives. Rent 9d., relief 9d.

[p. 22] Thomas Buckle on 11 Sept. 1661 before John Buckle, Edward Johnson and Walter Buckle surrendered for himself for life, and after for his daughter Susanna Buckle and her heirs, part of a close or pasture ground called the Groves and lying in Arle, and 7 lands or selions of arable (3½ a.). Rent 2s. 8d., fine 5s. 4d., heriot 6s. 10d, common fine 3d.

The same day Thomas Buckle before the same surrendered for himself for life and then for his daughter Mary Buckle and her heirs part of a certain close called the Groves in Arle, and 7 lands [as before]. Rent 2s. 8d., fine 5s. 4d., heriot 6s. 10d., worksilver 2s. 2½d. [common fine and worksilver seemingly separated rather than halved]

[p. 23] The same day, Thomas Buckle before the same tenants surrendered for himself for life and then for his daughter Sarah Buckle and her heirs all that close of pasture ground called Verlyes? Close (7 a.) in Arle, and 2 rudges arable (1 a.) in a field called Townsend field. Rent 1s 5d., fine 2s. 10d., heriot 10s.

The same day Thomas Buckle before the same tenants surrendered for himself for life and then for his daughter Hannah Buckle and her heirs 3 lands or selions of arable in Cheltenham Lower field in a place called Hallowe Withies; also 1 little house or tenement with the backside thereto belonging,

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in Cheltenham. Rent 6d., fine 12d., heriot 18d.

[p. 24] The same day Thomas Buckle before the same tenants surrendered for himself for life and then for his daughter Hester Buckle and her heirs, those several pieces of arable dispersed in Cheltenham Lower field, and 2 pieces of arable land called the Bottomes. Rent 16d., fine 2s. 8d., heriot 4s.

[p. 25] **View of frankpledge with court baron of William Dutton Ar. for the manor and hundred of Cheltenham, the last day of March C2 xiiij**

On 18 Feb. 1661 John Mason before John Gregory and William Gregory and John Hartlebury surrender for the lord for Thomas Mason alias Hartlebury a customary messuage and certain lands thereto belonging, in Arle. Rent 10d., fine 20d., heriot 14s. 8d., worksilver 1s. 6d., common fine 6d.

[p. 26] John Mason on 28 March 1662 before Edward John and Henry Sturmy surrendered for his wife Dorothy for her life in lieu of jointure, several pieces of arable and pasture land, as per in the grant mentioned. Fine 3s., rent 6s.

Mary Sturmy widow on 14 Dec. 1661 out of court before Edward Johnson and Lodowicke Packer, granted to Henry Sturmy a customary messuage and all lands as in the grant, to hold for the term of 12 years next ensuing. Fine 2s. 5d., rent 4s. 10d.

[p. 27] A surrender made 12 Oct. 1661 out of court by Henry Roberts before Thomas Gregory, Henry Mason and Richard Wills to the use of William Roberts one of his sons, that part of his customary messuage lying on the N side of Cheltenham, containing 2 bays of building. Rent 10d., fine 20d., heriot 4s. 6d.

A grant from Henry Roberts to his wife Dorothy made 10 Oct. 1661 out of court before Thomas Gregory, Henry Mason, and Richard Wills, all that customary messuage on the N side of Cheltenham, for her life as her jointure. Relief 9d.

[p. 28] At this court Edward Roberts claims admission as heir to his father Henry Roberts, to the third part of 1 messuage lying in Cheltenham. Rent 8d., fine 16d., heriot 4s. 6d., common fine 3d.

Thomas Greene on 23 January 1661/2 out of court before Thomas Whitterne and Robert Greene surrendered for Francis Greene 4 a. arable in Charlton Kings. Rent 7d., fine 14d., heriot 3s. 2d.

[p. 29] A surrender 23 Dec. 1661 out of court from Thomas Sperringe to John Moulder 2 customary messuages or tenements and also all lands meadows and pastures, in Charlton Kings. Rent 2s. 2½d., fine 4s. 5d., heriot £1 14s. 6d., worksilver 1s. 8d., tithing silver 4d., Peter penny 1d.

Roger Dowdeswell senior and his wife Jane did on 31 Mar. 1662 before Thomas Atkins and Henry Atkins, grant to Roger Dowdeswell junior his executor all his houses belonging to his messuage called Churchend house in Charlton Kings to hold from the date during the lives of Roger and Jane. Fine 3d., rent 6d. [sic]

[p. 30] A surrender from Thomas Tanty 28 Nov. 1661 before Henry Mason, John Milton and William Gregory, to the use of Robert Milton of Westal of 5 rudes of arable in Alstone. Rent ½d., fine 1d., heriot 6d.

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At this court, Benjamin Billingsley and his wife Mary surrendered for Richard Hanslepp² gent. and his heirs all that piece or parcel of arable in Alstone. Heriot 6d., rent 1d., fine 2d.

- [p. 31] At this court Benjamin Billingsley and his wife Mary surrendered for Thomas Barker and his heirs all that 1 rudge or selion of arable in Alstone Hillfield. Heriot 2d., rent 1d., fine 2d.

On 4 Dec. 1661 Nicholas Barnes did ~~surrender~~ grant to Samuel Ellis, bailiff of the borough, his burgage house and homestead with appurtenances in Cheltenham, to the use of his daughter Mary Barnes. Relief 18d.

On 26 Mar. 1662 Robert Ellis before William Ashmeade and Robert Church granted to his wife Alice for her life for her jointure all his customary messuage in Cheltenham, etc. Fine 8d., rent 16d [sic]

- [p. 32] On 6 Oct. 1661 Thomas Caffold before Thomas Ashmead and Thomas Ballinger surrendered for Thomas Wilkes and his heirs all those customary lands lying dispersedly in the parish of Charlton Kings and Westal, Naunton & Sandford. Rent 8d., fine 16d., heriot 4s. 4d.

John Finch son and heir of Richard Finch admitted tenant to half a burgage in Cheltenham. Relief 8d.

A surrender from John Higgs in open court to Thomas Higgs and his heirs of all his house in Charlton Kings with all houses. Rent 2s., fine 4s., heriot 8s.

- [p. 33] Stephen Mitton on 10 Oct. 1661 before Henry Mason and Ralph Taylor in consid[eration] of a marriage to be held between him and Mary Flucke did grant all his customary messuage garden orchard and backside lying in Cheltenham to hold for Mary for her life. Rent 9d., fine 4½d. [sic]

On 9 Jan. 1661/2 Thomas Ashmead senior before Giles Ashmead and Thomas Ballinger surrendered for Hannah Ashmead and her heirs all those several parcels of customary land lying dispersedly in Westal, Naunton and Sandford.

Hannah fined 12d. for refusing to take her oath of fealty. [why?] Rent 6d., fine 12d., heriot 3s. 4d.

- [p. 34] Richard Weaver and Richard Bannester and his wife Dorothy in court surrender for Thomas Ballinger and his heirs their 2 inclosed meadows or pasture grounds lying in Westal. Rent 1s. 10d., fine 3s. 8d., heriot £1 7s.

- [p. 35] **Surrendered at court leet and court baron of William Dutton ar. held for the manor and hundred of Cheltenham 6 Oct. C2 xiiij [1662]**

Elizabeth Eckley before Thomas Clarke and Richard Manley, customary tenants, out of court surrendered for William Maior and his heirs a messuage, with 1 close of pasture thereto adjoining, lying in Alstone, and several parcels arable land dispersed in Alstone. Rent 6s. 1d., fine 12s. 2d., heriot 30s.

William Meysey out of court before Thomas Cart[wright] and Thomas Ballinger, customary tenants,

² There was a family of this name at Adlestrop (see Bigland).

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surrendered for Thomas Hardinge and his heirs 2 rudes of arable land lying in Westal, Naunton & Sandford. Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 2s.

[p. 36] Richard Teakle did out of court before Thomas Coxe and Nathaniel Chestro surrender his dwelling house, shop, outhouses, backside and garden, with appurtenances lying in Cheltenham to the following uses: the shop and the chamber over the hall to the use of the said Richard Teakle for the term of his life. All other premises to the use of James Beckett senior and his wife Elianor during their lives, and after their decease to James Beckett junior their son and his heirs. And as to the chamber over the hall and shop from and after after the decease of Richard Teakle, to the use of James Beckett senior and his wife Elianor, then for James their son. Rent 1d., fine 2d., heriot 6d.

[p. 37] John Mason did on 21 May 1662 out of court before Walter Lane and John Gregory, 2 customary tenants surrender for Ralph Davis and his wife Katherine and their heirs 1 enclosed ground being a homestead called Newmans Hay, lying in Arle. Rent 1s. 4d., fine 2s. 8d., heriot 8s. 8d., worksilver 3d.

John Mason did on 27 May 1662 out of court before Thomas Hartlebury and Ralph Davis surrender for George Bicke and his heirs 2 lands of arable (1 a.) lying in Barbridge field, Arle. Rent 3d., fine 6d., heriot 1s. 2d.

[p. 38] John Mason on 6 June 1662 out of court before John Gregory and William Gregory, customary tenants, surrendered for Walter Lane alias French and his heirs several pieces of arable land lying dispersed in Arle viz 1 land upon Rissells Hill in the towne field, 3 other lands upon Rissells Hill lying together, 2 lands in the Middle field, 1 long rowe and a short butt lying in the said field, and 1 little land lying also in the said field, 2 lands in a field called Heydons Hill, 1 land or half rowe in the same field, 2 lands in the said field in White length. Rent 10d., fine 1s. 8d., heriot 5s. 6d., worksilver 2d.

At this court the lord grants for Thomas Rooke senior, brother of Robert Rooke deceased, and his heirs 1 close of meadow called Rosecombes, 1 close called Hemlockes, and 1 land in Whitebreaches lying in Charlton Kings. Rent 20d., fine 3s. 4d., heriot 6s.

[p. 39] The like grant to Thomas Rooke junior son of the said Thomas Rooke of all that tenement and homestead with appurtenances in Charlton Kings in Moorend, with 2 selions of land lying in the common fields of Charlton Kings, 1 selion of which being demesne land in the Ley, the other selion lying in the Upper field near Cullyford. Rent 10d., fine 1s. 8d., heriot 6d.

Thomas Jeffes senior on 4 Oct. 1662 out of court before Roger Dowdeswell senior and Richard Grindle customary tenants surrendered for Thomas Jeffes junior his son and his heirs a close of meadow or pasture called Rokes meade with the appurtenances lying in Bafford, also a close of meadow or pasture called Ravensgate close, also lying in Bafford. Rent 4s. 3d., fine 8s. 6d., heriot 16s.

[p.40] A grant from Thomas Rooke to Nathaniel Chestroe of all that close of meadow with appurtenances lying in Charlton Kings called Rosecombe to hold to the said Nathaniel ?his execut? from 4 Apr. next for the term of 4 years from thence next coming. Fine 20d.

George Chestroe on 4 Oct. 1662 out of court before Richard Ellis and Anthony Chestroe customary

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tenants surrendered for George Chestroe and his wife Margaret for their lives and then for their son Nathaniel and his heirs 5 a. arable

[p. 41] lying dispersed in the parish of Charlton Kings in the lower field. Rent 19d., fine 3s. 2d., heriot 6s. 6d.

John Stevens and his wife Sara in open court surrendered for John Nicholls and his wife Jane for their lives and then for the heirs and assigns of John Nicholls 1 parcel of meadow ground with appurtenances (½ a.) lying in Alstone mead. Rent 3d., fine 6d., heriot 18d.

~~Thomas Gregory senior on 6 Oct. 1662 before Robert Milton senior and William Ashmead, 2-burgage holders, granted to Samuel Ellis bailiff of the borough all his burgage lands with [page ends]~~

[p. 42] Lynnett Pates gent. did in open court grant to his 2 daughters Elizabeth and Mary Pates, for a term of 12 years after his death, all those edifices houses buildings orchards gardens or courts to the same adjoining, with 1 close of meadow or pasture called the Croft and divers other lands lying in Charlton Kings, Westal, Naunton and Sandford, to Elizabeth his eldest daughter for the first 6 years, and after the expiration of the first 6 years then for Mary Pates his youngest daughter for the remainder of the term. Situate in the parish of Charlton Kings in the said manor. Fine 10s. 10d.

Lynnett Pates gent. and his wife Mary in open court surrendered for themselves for their lifetimes and then for Lynnett Pates junior their second son and his heirs all their part of 3 messuages, viz 1 messuage in the possession of Thomas Ashmead, and 1 other close adjacent called Barrcroft.

[p. 43] Rent 15s. 7d., fine £1 11s. 2d., heriot £4 8s. 6d.

For the Northbreach in the same surrender, rent 3d., fine 6d., heriot 1s.

Lynnett Pates and his wife Mary in open court surrendered for themselves for lives and then for Thomas Pates their youngest son 2 messuages and a half-messuage being houses and 1 close called [word omitted?] with 1 close called the Pigeon House Close, with divers other lands lying in Charlton Kings, within the said manor. Rent 16s. 8d., fine £1 13s. 4d., heriot £3 3s. 8d.

[p. 44] and for the said Hilders Rowells in the same surrender: rent 10d., fine 1s. 8d., heriot 1s. 6d.

Thomas Caffold did on 31 Mar. 1662 before Thomas Ballinger and Thomas Higges customary tenants surrender to the use of Robert Hall and his heirs his 4 parcels of arable dispersed in the parish of Charlton Kings and in the tithing of Westal, Naunton & Sandford, viz in Charlton Kings Lower field, and Great Old Mead Westal, Naunton & Sandford, 2 lands lying together, with divers other lands there.

Rent 7d., fine 1s. 2d., heriot 3s.

[p. 45] Thomas Gregory senior before Robert Milton senior and William Ashmead 2 burgage-holders grants to Samuel Ellis bailiff of the borough his burgage land in Cheltenham, viz $\frac{3}{4}$ of a burgage, to the use of Thomas Gregory for his lifetime and then for Joan Gregory widow his daughter-in-law for her lifetime. Rent 9d., relief 9d.

Arthur Packer and his wife Anne in open court surrendered for Abel Keare and his now wife Joan and their heirs, all that part of their customary messuage lying on the N side of Cheltenham with a

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'leane-to called an Hennhouse', also all those 4 rooms or bays of building lying behind the said part of the said messuage, and also its part of the close and backside. Rent 6d., fine 1s., heriot 2s. 6d., common fine 1d., worksilver 1d.³

[p. 46] Thomas Tuffley senior grants to Thomas Humfries for 6 years all that messuage in Cheltenham wherein Humfries now lives, together with all houses. Fine 3s. 6d.

Godfrey Bradshaw and his wife Margaret before Richard Merrell and John Benfield grant to Samuel Ellis bailiff of the borough all that their messuage or tenement to the use of Nicholas Church and his wife Mary and their heirs. Rent 6d., relief 6d.

Elianor Cleevely daughter and heir of Thomas Cleevely deceased claims 1 'stich or varrundell' of arable lying in Westall field in ?Fery [edge of page] furlong, and 1 piece of pasture ground lying in More breache, also 1 parcell of pasture lying in Sandford called the Five Corner close. Rent 6d., fine 12d., heriot 2s.

[p. 47] Richard Dobbins did on 2 May 1662 out of court before Thomas Mason and Thomas Ballinger surrender for John Hiatt that rudge of arable lying in Cheltenham Lower field; with appurtenances. Rent 2d., fine 4d., 18s.

Richard Grindle claims a quantity of a burgage with appurtenances lying in the borough of Cheltenham, which lands were granted by copy by William Watts to Alice Watts late mother of Richard Grindle and her heirs. Relief 2d.

[p. 48] **Cheltenham. View of frankpledge with court baron for the manor and hundred of Cheltenham held 20 April 1663**

Thomas Tuffley junior before Nicholas Ashmead and Henry Sturmy tenants did out of court grant to Anthony Ireland 2 ruges of arable in Cheltenham Upper field, to hold to him and his assigns for a term of 12 years. Rent 6d.

Humfry Yates a customary tenant died seised since the last [court] of 1 messuage in Westal Alston⁴ which he bought of Robert Smith and his wife Margery. Rent 4s. 8d., fine 9s. 4d., heriot £1 10s.⁵

[p. 49] Also he died seised of a ground called Bayeshill bought of Lynett Pates gent. in Alstone. Rent 6d., fine 12d., heriot 2s.

Also he died seised of several parcels of land in Westal, bought of Thomas Ashmead. Rent 9d., fine 18d., heriot 2s. 9d.

Richard Banaster gent. and Joyce Banaster widow did on 18 Apr. 1663 out of court before George Roberts and William Ashmead customary tenants surrender that meese-place in Cheltenham with divers other lands, for himself for life and then for his wife, for her jointure, with other uses. Rent 3s. 4d., fine 6s. 8d., heriot 25s. 8d., worksilver 10d., common fine 2d.

3 copy also at GA D2957/73A/35A

4 This word at edge of page, inserted; makes little sense, unless an awkward reference to the next entry.

5 in Sale; will proved 18 Apr 1663.

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[p. 50] Grant from Richard Bannester gent. on 18 Apr. 1663 before Thomas Mason bailiff of the borough and William Ashmead and Henry Goodcheape burgesses of 2 burgages and 2 half-burgages in Cheltenham for himself for life, with other uses. Relief 3s. 8d.

[p. 51] Surrender from John Hartlebury 31 Mar. 1663 out of court before Walter Lane and Thomas Hartlebury customary tenants of all that pasture ground called the New Leaze alias Townsend leaze in Arle to the use of his son Thomas Hartlebury and his heirs. Rent 20d., fine 3s. 4d., heriot 8s. 8d.

Surrender the same day from the said John Hartlebury out of court before the same tenants in trust to Henry M[ason? - edge of page] of 3 a. of arable lying dispersedly in Arle fields. Rent 5d., fine 10d., heriot 2s. 2d.

[p. 52] Surrender from said John Hartlebury on the same day out of court before the same tenants, all that inclosed ground called Itchland in Arle, to the use of his daughter Margaret Hartlebury and her heirs. Rent 5d., fine 10d., heriot 2s. 2d.

Surrender from said John Hartlebury on the same day out of court before the same tenants, all that pasture ground called Westbreach and other land, to the use of his daughter Anne Hartlebury and her heirs, with appurtenances. Rent 10d., fine 20d., heriot 4s. 4d.

[p. 53] Surrender from said John Hartlebury on the same day out of court before the same tenants, of 25 rudes of arable land lying dispersedly in Arle fields, to the use of his son Walter Hartlebury and heirs. Rent 15d., fine 2s. 6d., heriot 6s. 2d.

A grant from said John Hartlebury the same day out of court before the same tenants, to the use of his wife Margaret, of ground called Snapps piece in Arle, for the term of 12 years after his decease. Fine 8d.

[p. 54] Surrender from said John Hartlebury the same day out of court before the same tenants, of ground called Snapes piece in Arle, to the use of his son Francis Hartlebury and heirs. Rent 16d., fine 2s. 8d., heriot 2s. 8d.

John Hartlebury died since the last court. John Hartlebury his son is next heir and is admitted. Rent 4s. 1d., fine 8s. 2d., heriot £1 3s. 10d., worksilver 1s., tithing silver 1d. [5 word note in Latin, possibly to effect of paid/not paid]

[p. 55] Surrender from Richard Blisse out of court on 15 Jan. 1662/3 before Thomas Meacocke and Thomas Ballinger customary tenants, of that house or tenement in Cheltenham to himself for his lifetime and afterwards for Thomas Blisse and his heirs. Rent 2d., fine 8d., heriot 18d.

Surrender from John Arthur senior on 1 Jan. 1662/3 before Thomas Ballinger and Thomas Meacocke of all that part of his new dwelling house in Cheltenham to the use of John Arthers and his wife, and afterwards to William Arthers and his heirs. Rent 1d., fine 2d., heriot 9d.

[p. 56] Surrender from William Shepherd on 22 Nov. 1662 before Thomas Ballinger and Thomas Shepherd customary tenants of all those parcels of arable land in Alstone in Lyppiates field, to the use of Giles Ashmead and his wife Katherine. Rent 8d., fine 1s. 4d., heriot 2s. 6d.

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Grant from Humfry Yate on 5 Mar. 1662/3 before Robert Milton and Thomas Higgs and Thomas Ballinger of all his customary lands ~~in Cheltenham~~ within the said manor, except only the messuage bought of Robert Smith, to the use of his wife Joyce. Fine 7½d.

[p. 57] Grant from Humfry Yate 5 Mar. 1662/3 before the same, unto Thomas Ashmead and his wife Mary, of 1 messuage and divers lands thereto in Alstone and Westal. To hold for 12 years to the several uses in the said grant mentioned. Fine 2s. 4d.

Surrender from Thomas Tanty 2 Feb. 1662/3 before Walter Lane, Lodowicke Packer and Ralph Davis of all that house or homestead with appurtenances lying in Alston, for the use of his son John Tanty and his wife Anne for their lives. With other uses. Rent 1d., fine 2d., heriot 5d.

[p. 58] William Trindall a customary tenant died since last court, seised of 1 house, garden, and close in Bafford. His only son William Trindall is next heir. Rent 6d., fine 12d., heriot 2s. 6d.

A grant from Thomas Tanty ~~John Tanty and Anne his wife~~ 2 Feb. 1662/3 before 'the same tenants' of his dwelling house [to] Henry Sturmy during the life of Thomas Tanty the father. Fine 2d.

[p. 59] Thomas Whittorne on 8 Apr. 1663 before William Free and Francis Greene did surrender for Thomas Atkins gent. and Anthony Webb his 4 customary lands. Rent 9d., fine 18d., heriot 2s. [by these amounts:] If mistaken [word at edge of page] Atkins will ?rectify.

Robert Ballinger on 12 Jan. 1662 before William Badger and Anthony Webb surrendered certain parcels of arable in Charlton Kings to the use of Samuel Whittorne and his heirs. Rent ½d., fine 1d., heriot 2d.

[p. 60] Richard Finch senior on 11 Jan. 1662/3 before William Ashmead and Robert Milton several parcels of arable in Westal, Naunton & Sandford to the use of his son Thomas Finch and his heirs. Rent 1s. 8d., fine 3s. 4d., heriot 11s. 2d. If any sold [*word at edge of page*] appear to be abated.

Abel Keare and his wife Joan in open court grant to Allen Caper and his assigns all their customary messuage or tenement in Cheltenham. Fine 3d.

[p. 61] Robert Milton did on 4 Jan. 1662/3 before Thomas Mason bailiff of the borough and William Ashmead and John Horne burgage-holders grant 2 burgages with appurtenances in Cheltenham to uses. Relief 2s. 5d.

A surrender in open court from William Rogers and his wife Elizabeth of a messuage with appurtenances in Cheltenham to the use of Margaret Rogers and her heirs and assigns for ever. Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 2s. 6d.

[p. 62] Elianor Davison, Alice Davison, Sara Davison (now the wife of William Danford), Hannah Davison, joint tenants, do surrender unto William Milton divers parcels of land to him and his heirs for ever. Rent 3s. 4d., fine 6s. 8d., heriot 24s.

Grant from Lodowicke Jennings 1[number illegible - edge of page] Apr. 1663 before Thomas Mason bailiff of the borough, William Ashmead, and Thomas Finch burgagers of all his burgage lying on the S side of the Street of Cheltenham to the use of himself and his wife Jane for their

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[lives] with other uses. Relief 14d.

[p. 63] Surrender from Anthony Chestroe 20 Oct. 1662 before John Chestroe and others of all that his customary messuage or tenement in Cheltenham and a parcel of land, to the use of himself and Grace his now wife for their lives, with other uses. Rent 17d., fine 2s. 10d., heriot 8s. 6d.

Whereas John Davison at a court of this manor did surrender ~~29 April 1650~~ into the hands of the lord of the manor several parcels of land to himself for life and then for Elianor, Alice, Sara, and Hanna his daughters and their heirs, as by two copies of court,

[p. 64]the one bearing date 23 Apr. 23 Car. 1 [1647] and the other dated 29 Apr. 1650 whereunto [word like 'Release', at edge of page] being had doth appear now at this court the said Elianor, Alice, Sara, and Hanna, and claim the said lands according to the copies, and are admitted tenants. Fine 6s. 8d.

[p. 65] A surrender from Sarah [Norwood?] 15 Apr. 1663 before Henry Mason, Thomas Ashmead and Henry King of all her customary house in Cheltenham to the use of herself for life and after to William Wolley. Rent 10d., fine 1s. 8d., heriot 5s. 6d.

Elizabeth Dobbins widow claims ~~her half of a certain~~ one whole burgage in Cheltenham on the S side of the street there, ~~as it is now divided~~ after the death of Mary Barnes her sister, as her next heir. Relief 18d.

[p. 66] Elizabeth Dobbins a burgage-holder before Thomas Finch and Richard Gregory burgage-holders in court grants to Thomas Mason bailiff of the borough all that half of a certain burgage house on the S side of Cheltenham Street as now divided, to the use of Alice Smith her sister, wife of Thomas Smith. Relief 18d.

[p. 67] **Court baron of William Dutton ar. lord of the manor, 2 October C2 15 [1663]**

Richard Kent on 3 May 1663 before Walter Lane and Thomas Hartlebury surrendered for the use of Elianor Kent his daughter and her heirs, part of his house in Arle. Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 2s. 3d.

A grant from Richard Kent senior on 1 May 1663 before the same tenants to Elianor Kent, her heirs and assigns of all that part of his house or tenement lying in Arle with part of the garden and backside

[p. 68]thereto adjoining, to hold to the said Elianor [and] her executors for 4 years. Rent 2d., fine 2d.

Grant from Thomas Rucke and his wife Sara to Nathaniel Chestroe of that close of meadow with appurtenances lying in Charlton Kings to hold to him, his executors and assigns from 8 Apr. next for a term of 6 years. Fine 10d.

George Chestro on 7 May 1663 before Richard Ellis and Nathaniel Chestro grant to Katherine Greeninge widow all his customary house and backside with appurtenances lying in Cheltenham for her lifetime. Fine 2d.

[p. 69] At this court, evidence was given that Henry Joynes late one of the burgage-holders of the borough of Cheltenham died about 10 years since seised of 1 burgage and a ½ burgage and a quantity of burgage land in Cheltenham on the S side of the street. Pr[esented] by the claim, he leaves behind him Henry his only son and Elizabeth his only daughter. Henry the son hath bin absent in parts remote for above 7 years and hath not been heard of. And the lord having no certain

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tenant unto the premises, the said Elizabeth now the wife of William Nicholls present in court claims the premises and prayeth thereof to be admitted tenant as daughter and sole heir of the said Henry her father. Admitted. Relief 2s. 6d.

- [p. 70] The claim of William Butler to a burgage and ½ burgage on the S side of the town of Cheltenham now in the occupation of Margaret Blomer widow, that Thomas Butler late father of the said William was in his lifetime seised of the premises according to the custom of the manor, and died thereof seised about 28 years since. And that the said William Butler is his son and heir. And thereupon claims the premises and prays to be thereof admitted. Relief 'not known' *[suggests that the court roll for 28+ years previously is not to hand?]*

Richard Merrell before Thomas Mason bailiff of the borough and Walter Barnes and John Benfield burgesses granted a quantity of burgage with appurtenances, to hold for uses. [grantee unstated] Relief 3d.

- [p. 71] Robert Milton senior before William Ashmead and Richard Merrell burgesses granted to Thomas Mason bailiff of the borough all that his ½ burgage with appurtenances to hold to the said Robert Milton for life. Relief 16d.

William Waite before Thomas Mason bailiff of the borough and Richard Merrell and Henry Goodcheape burgesses granted a ½ burgage to the use of Walter Barnes and his heirs. Relief 6d.

John Mason on 16 July 1663 before William Johnson and Walter Buckle surrendered for John Buckle and his heirs several parcels of land. Rent 12d., fine 2s., heriot 5s. 6d.

- [p. 72] Thomas Ricketts in open court granted to his wife Mary for the term of her life his dwelling house in Cheltenham. Rent 1d., fine 2d.

William Jeffries in open court granted to his wife Elianor for the term of her life his dwelling house in Cheltenham. Rent 1d., fine 2d.

- [p. 73] **Cheltenham. Court baron of William Dutton ar. lord of the manor, held 29 January C2 xv**
[1663/4]

Thomas Cartwright on 14 Nov. 1663 out of court before Samuel Tychett and Anthony Webb customary tenants granted all those his customary messuage and lands in Charlton Kings to Thomas Lorrington gent. in trust for 12 years to uses, etc. Rent 8s. 6d., fine 4s. 3d. [sic]

The said Thomas Cartwright the same day before the same tenants granted to Mary Barnard wife of William Barnard during her life his 2 closes of meadow or pasture

- [p. 74] called Ockomes and Covers Croft lying in Charlton Kings. Rent 18d., fine 9d. [sic] Thomas Cartwright did on 14 Nov. 1663 before Samuel Titchett and Anthony Webb customary tenants surrender to the following uses, viz to Thomas Buckle with other uses all those his customary messuages lying in Charlton Kings. Rent 20s., fine 40s., heriot £4 10s.

- [p. 75] **Court baron of William Dutton armiger lord of the manor of Cheltenham. 11 April C2 xvi**
[1664]

Surrender from Nicholas Webb and his wife Alice in open court to Thomas Ashmead junior son of Giles Ashmead and his heirs, those 2 closes of pasture called Harriotts groves, 1 parcel of arable or

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pasture ground with a grove or coppice of wood adjoining, lying in Charlton Kings called Milkwellfield. Rent 10d., fine 1s. 8d., heriot 8s.9d.

- [p. 76] John Martin and his wife Anne in open court surrender for John Holder and his wife Edith all that close of meadow or pasture called Covers Downes in Charlton Kings. Rent 1s. 10d., fine 3s. 8d., heriot 8s. 9d.

Margaret Collett and Richard Whithorne did on 28 January 1662 out of court before John Batten and Thomas Ballinger surrender for John Moulder and his heirs all their customary lands and tenements and hereditaments that were lately the lands of Richard Sperringe deceased. Rent 2s. 2½d., fine 4s. 5d., heriot £1 14s. 6d., worksilver 1s. 8d., tithing silver 4d., Peter penny 1d.

- [p. 77] Margery Wills on 20 Feb. 1663 out of court before Lodwicke Packer and John Buckle surrendered for herself for life and then for Joan Wills and her heirs her messuage and backside in Cheltenham. Rent ½d., fine 1d., heriot 18d.

Nicholas Church and his wife Mary and their son William Church before Thomas Finch bailiff of the borough grant to William Church brother of Nicholas and his heirs a house or tenement in the borough of Cheltenham. Rent 1d., relief 1d.

[p. 78] William Church senior before Thomas Finch, bailiff of the borough, granted to himself and his wife Alice for their lives all that house or tenement. Rent 1d., relief 1d.

Richard Grindle out of court granted to Thomas Finch, bailiff of the borough, all that his quantity of burgage, to uses. Rent 2d., relief 2d.

Grant from George Roberts gent. to Richard Coxe of all that close with appurtenances belonging to his customary messuage to hold 'from the feast of the annunciation of the virgin Mary' [25 Mar.] for 12 years. Relief 2d.

- [p. 79] John Griffiths and Hannah Griffiths alias Ashmead his wife at this court surrender for Giles Ashmead and his heirs all their customary tenements. Rent 6d., fine 12d., heriot 3s. 4d.

At this court John Bloxam son of John Bloxam senior deceased was admitted for ½ or a quantity of burgage in Cheltenham, and hath done his fealty. Rent 6d., relief 6d.

At this court Elizabeth Cotterell eldest daughter and heir of Joan Cotterell deceased was admitted tenant to ½ of a burgage in the borough of Cheltenham, and did her fealty. Rent 6d., relief 6d.

- [p. 80] Grant from Walter Addams to Alice Ireland of all that moiety of a parcel of meadow or pasture in Sandford called the Croft, for the term of 6 years. Rent 3d., relief 1½d. [sic]

At this court the homage present the death of Elianor Coxe widow, a customary tenant of this manor, who died seised of a messuage and all the lands, meadows and pastures thereto belonging. Also 2½ a. arable, and that Thomas Coxe the elder is son and heir of the said Elianor, who hath done his fealty, and is admitted. Rent 4s. 10d., fine 9s. 8d., heriot 35s., worksilver 6d., common fine 3d., Peter pence 1d.

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[p. 81] Grant from Thomas Coxe senior to his wife Margaret for her jointure of all those parcels of arable. Rent 6s. 8d., fine 13s. 4d.

Grant from Thomas Coxe senior to Thomas Finch, bailiff of the borough, of a half-burgage with other lands to the use of Thomas Coxe junior and his wife Amye, for their lives. Fine 8d., relief 2s. 6d.

Thomas Coxe senior and his wife Margaret grant all those parcels of land to Thomas Coxe junior and wife Amye for their lives. Rent 7s. 9d., fine 7s. 9d. [sic]

[p. 82] **Court baron of William Dutton ar. held 30 September 1664**

Surrender out of court 21 April 1664 from John Bird and wife Joan before Arthur Packer, Toby Leech and Richard Grindle unto Edward Jeffes and his heirs, of 1 close of pasture lying in Ham called Kinges meade. Rent 6½d., fine 1s. 1d., heriot 3s.

Thomas Atkins on 2 March 1663/4 out of court before Henry Atkins and Anthony Webb surrendered into the lord's hands to the use of himself for life and after for the use of his wife Frances and her heirs all his customary lands whatsoever, whether arable, meadow or pasture, lying in Charlton Kings. Fine 7s., rent 3s. 6d., heriot 11s. 2d.

[p. 83] Margery Nicholls on 28 May 1664 before Thomas Finch, bailiff of the borough, and Robert Milton and William Ashmead burgage-holders grants to James Nicholls and the said Margery his wife for their lives and then for James Nicholls forever all that their burgage house. Rent 1s., relief 1s.

Thomas Coxe senior surrendered in court for John Hawlinge second son of Thomas Hawlinge of Prestbury and his heirs forever all those several parcels of arable land with appurtenances in Cheltenham, viz 1 rudge or selion and other lands. Rent 4d., fine 8d., heriot 2s.

[p. 84] At this court the homage presents the death of Elianor ~~Coxe~~ Hawlinge a customary tenant who died possessed of 1 house, backside and garden and divers other lands lying in Cheltenham and that John Hallinge son of Thomas Hallinge of Prestbury is next heir and ought to be admitted. Rent 2s. 6d., fine 5s., heriot 22s.

Edith Finch on 23 Sept. 1664 out of court before Henry Mason and Robert Church surrendered for Edward Johnson and William Ashmeade senior and John Mason and their heirs all that parcel of a customary messuage in the Southfield in Cheltenham, upon trust [2 words blurred]. Rent 3d., fine 6d., heriot 20d.

[p. 85] Ralph Taylor did out of court before Henry Mason and Henry Sturmy surrender to the use of his now wife Sara and her heirs his house and garden lying in Cheltenham. Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 4d.

A grant from John English [the DD?] out of court to Henry Brett gent. of all those 4 closes of meadow or pasture in Charlton Kings called Brevills Hay from the day of the date thereof for his life. Fine 3s. 6d.

[p. 86] Andrew Newman before Thomas Finch, bailiff of the borough, and William Ashmead and Henry Goodcheape did grant out of court to the use of Thomas Coxe senior and his wife all that his house

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or tenement being a quantity of burgage in Cheltenham. Rent 3d., relief 6d.

Richard Farre alias Currier out of court granted to Thomas Hiatt his executors and assigns all that his house or tenement of burgage land in Cheltenham for 7 years. Rent 4d., relief 8d. [a copy is at GA D2957/73A/22]

- [p. 87] William Gotheridge out of court surrendered to John Ashmead senior, his heirs and assigns all those several parcels of land. Rent 6d., fine 12d., heriot 2s.

View of frankpledge and court baron of William Dutton armiger lord of the manor and hundred of Cheltenham, held 10 April C2 xvij

On 6 February 1664/5 James Eckley out of court before John Buckle and Walter Cox and John Stephens customary tenants surrendered for William Stephens all his meese place, messuage or tenement, 1 close of ground, backside orchard or garden called Benhay in Alston to hold to the said William Stephens and his wife Mary their heirs and assigns for ever. Rent 3d., fine 6d., heriot 8d., worksilver 12d., Peter penny 1d., common fine 3d.

- [p. 88] 2 February 1664/5 John Cooper a customary tenant out of court before Nathaniel Chestro and Joseph Danford customary tenants surrendered for Elizabeth Cooper his wife all such customary messuages and lands which he holds in Westal, Naunton & Sandford to hold to the use of Elizabeth and her heirs. Rent 13s. 6d., fine 27s., heriot £1 15s. 6d.

Thomas Tuffley senior out of court on 3 October 1664 before Henry Mason, Henry Sturmy and Richard Skey surrendered all that messuage house backside outhouses and gardens with appurtenances, lying in Cheltenham to the use of Thomas Humphries, his heirs and assigns forever. Rent 6s. 4d., fine 12s. 8d., heriot 24s.

- [p. 89] Ludovicke Packer gent. 10 April 1665 out of court before Edward Johnson and Henry Sturmy, two customary tenants, all those his customary messuages or tenements within the manor of Cheltenham and all lands to several uses [no grantee named]. Rent 12s. 2d., fine 24s. 4d., heriot £3 6s. 2d., worksilver 3s. 4d., common fine 9d., Peter pence 3d.

William Free did in court surrender to Giles Grevill gent. and his heirs forever all those his 2 parcels of woodland ground. Rent ½d., fine 1d., heriot 1d.

A grant from Thomas Rucke and his wife Sara unto Nathaniel Chestro of a close of meadow called Rosecombes lying in Charlton Kings, to hold from this date for ?9? [check number – edge of page] years.

- [p. 90] Thomas Jeffes junior in open court surrendered for himself for life and after his decease for his wife Margaret for her life, with other uses, all that close of meadow called Rookes meade, and that close of pasture called Ravensgate, in the tithing of Bafford. Rent 4s. 3d., fine 8s. 6d., heriot 16s.

John Marten and his wife Anne in court surrendered for Nathaniel Chester and heirs forever all that parcel of arable land called Coltham piece. Rent 4d., fine 8d., heriot 18d.

A grant from Walter Currier to Robert Backhouse his [1 word not resolved] for 12 years after his decease of his half meece of arable mead or pasture in the tithing of Westal. Fine 16d? [check again]

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[p. 91] William King out of court before Henry Atkins and Henry Sturmy customary tenants surrendered for Elizabeth Ashmead widow forever 1 rudge of arable lying in White furlong in Charlton Kings. Rent 3d., fine 1½d. [sic], heriot 2d.

20 October 1664 John Norris and wife Alice out of court before Thomas Jeffes and Anthony Webb customary tenants surrendered all that close of pasture called Lumly lying in Millwell field in Charlton Kings to those uses, viz to the use of John Jones senior and wife Alice for their lives, and after for their son John Jones junior and his heirs. Rent 3d., fine 6d., heriot 14d.

At this court Walter Joynes as cozen and next heir to Henry Joynes junior deceased claims a whole burgage, a ½ burgage and a quantity of burgage land lying in Cheltenham, and prays thereof to be admitted tenant. Admitted. [no relief mentioned]

[p. 92] William Roberts and his wife Mary in open court surrender for Richard Roberts and his wife Olive their heirs and assigns forever all that part of a customary messuage house lying in Cheltenham Street, 2 bays of buildings, with other lands. Rent 10d., fine 20d., heriot 4s. 6d.

A grant from from Roger Dowdeswell senior to Roger Dowdeswell junior his son of all that his arable land lying dispersedly in a field called Great Hemcroft, for the life of Roger Dowdeswell senior. Fine 1s. 1d.

A grant from Richard Grindell to Nicholas Church, bailiff of the borough, to the use of Thomas Ashmead mercer of all that burgage in Cheltenham with appurtenances for 4 years. Rent 10d., relief 6d.

[p. 93] William Goodrich on 1 Dec. 1664 did before Henry Mason and Walter Mason customary tenants grant to his wife Edith for her life for a jointure all that close of meadow or pasture called Dry Laines, with other lands, in Charlton Kings. Fine 2s. 3d.

Elizabeth Nicholls is presented by the homage to be dead since last court, and that her son William Nicholls is next heir. Admitted. Fealty respited until [sic – perhaps meaning 'of full age']. Relief 2s. 6d.

At this court John Buckle son of Thomas Buckle of Uckington son and heir of Elizabeth Buckle daughter of Anthony Greeneway was admitted tenant to 2 messuages in Cheltenham and certain lands thereto belonging. Rent 8s. 8d., Fine 17s. 4d., heriot £3. *p[er] [xx] John Lymbricke gen nuper Balliv vizt 1 Oct. 1646 p... patet in Pa... Cur Baron.*

[p. 94] Thomas Ashmead did in court surrender unto Thomas Ballinger and his heirs those 4 lands or rudes of arable in Naunton. Rent 1d., fine 2d., heriot 4d.

William Elborowe and his wife Jane surrender for John Buckle and his heirs a customary messuage and lands lying in Arle. Rent 5s. 9d., fine 11s. 6d., heriot 28s.

[p. 95] **Court leet and court baron of William Dutton ar. lord of the manor of Cheltenham held 30th September C2 xvij 1665**

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Roger Dowdeswell out of court before William Church and Anthony Webb surrendered for Walter Higgs and his heirs an inclosed plot of arable or garden in Charlton Kings. Rent ½d., fine 1d., heriot 2d.

Thomas Clarke did in court surrender for Thomas Clarke junior his son and his heirs 1 close of meadow called Coversdowne lying in Charlton Kings. Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 6d.

[p. 96] Thomas Mason and his wife Mary in open court surrender for Lodowicke Packer gent., John Buckle, and Henry Sturmy and their heirs forever all that a messuage or tenement with appurtenances together with backside and close in Cheltenham called Outridge messuage, to hold etc. Rent 11d., fine 1s. 10d., heriot 4s. 8d.

Walter Currier out of court before Roger Dowdeswell and Samuel Tychett and Richard Grindle surrendered for himself for his life and 12 years, and after his decease for John Kinge junior his grandson and his heirs, and if John Kinge has no heirs, then the right heirs of Walter Currier, his ½ meece of arable meadow or pasture in Westal. Under proviso that if Walter Currier shall render during his life to the said Dowdeswell, Tychett and Grindle or either of them the sum of 6d. in case he shall be minded to alter this surrender, then this surrender to be void. Rent 16d., fine 2s. 8d., heriot 15s?.

[p. 97] Richard Ellis out of court surrendered before Edward Johnsons and Edward Roberts for Anthony Warde and his heirs 3 rudges of arable in Charlton Kings. Heriot 6d., rent 3d., fine 6d.

Alice Gale wife of Edmund Gale in open court with her husband Edmund Gale, surrenders for John Gale their son and his heirs all those customary lands of arable or pasture with appurtenances lying in Alston, late the lands of Robert Bicke. Rent 3s. 8d., fine 7s. 4d., heriot 14s. 3d.

Robert Milton and John Mason out of court surrendered for Lodwicke Packer Walter Buckle and Anthony Chestroe and their heirs all that dwelling house backside and garden together, with a workhouse and garden in the possession of Mary Hiatt, in Cheltenham, to hold to the uses etc. Rent 4d., fine 8d., heriot 2s. 4d.

[p. 98] **Court baron of William Dutton ar. held 17 Apr. C2 xviii 1666**

At this court Frances wife of Edward Wright 'phisitian' claims as sister and next heir of John Bannaster gent. deceased 1 close of land or pasture (2 a.) lying in Westall, and all those parcels of arable land (11 a.) lying dispersed in the common fields of Westal, Naunton & Sandford, to hold unto her heirs according to the custom of the said manor and does desire to be admitted thereof tenant. Rent 2s. 6d., fine 5s., heriot 4s. 3d.

[p. 99] John Buckle out of court before George Roberts gent. and Edward Johnsons grant to Walter Buckle all that messuage or tenement with appurtenances in the possession of Ralph Davis alias Jhack lying in Arle together with all lands, to hold unto Walter Buckle his executors etc. from the date of the said grant for the term of 12 years. Relief 2s. 10½d.

John Buckle on 13 Mar. 1665/6 out of court surrendered for Thomas Edwards and John Edwards sons of John Edwards of Shurdington and his heirs forever all that his messuage or tenement with appurtenances in the possession of Ralph Davis alias Jhack with all lands, lying in Arle. Heriot 28d., rent 5s. 9d., fine 11s. 6d.

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[p. 100]Thomas Wills and his wife Margaret in their proper persons surrender for William Waite and his heirs and assigns all those 2 rows of housing lying on the N part of the town of Cheltenham, together with a 'piggs coate'. Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 2s. 8d.

Thomas Wilkes out of court before William Danford and Robert Wilkes customary tenants of this manor surrendered for Richard Whithorne those lands or rudes lying dispersed in Charlton Lower Field, viz 1 headland shooting N-S on land of Lynnett Pates esq. W, 1 more land in the same furlong shooting N-S having land of Lynnett Pates on both sides; 1 other butt in the said field shooting N-S; 5 other lands lying dispersed in Westall; 2 butts in Little Old Mead; 1 land in Great Old Mead; 1 green lay in the same field; 1 other land in the same field. Rent 4d., fine 8d., heriot 2s. 6d.

[p. 101]William Moysie out of court before John Marten and William Cleevely surrendered for John Moysie and his heirs forever 4 lands of meadow or pasture lying in Cudnall field ($\frac{1}{2}$ a.). Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 10d.

Thomas Ballinger and his wife Alice in open court surrender for Thomas Coxe senior and his heirs all those 2 inclosures of meadow or pasture ground lying in Westal called Hoareway and Abrahams close, and all that arable land ($\frac{1}{2}$ a.). Rent 1s. 11d., fine 3s. 10d., heriot 27s.

Thomas Wayte and William Waite and Joan Wayte did out of court before Henry Ellis and Thomas Ballinger surrender tto the use of Thomas White and his heirs all their watermill and little plot of ground in Charlton. Rent 3s. 4d., fine 6s. 8d., heriot 10s.

[p. 102]Rafe Maris did out of court before Thomas Sturmy and Henry Sturmy two customary tenants of this manor surrender for Walter Maris and his heirs all that his house and garden in Alston. Rent 3d., fine 6d., heriot 12d.

William Ashmead senior grants to James Nicholls bailiff of the borough of Cheltenham before Robert Milton and Thomas Finch burgessess all that his messuage and gardens in which he now dwells, containing $\frac{1}{2}$ a burgage, to hold to uses etc. Rent 6d., relief 6d.

Richard Cox grants to James Nicholls bailiff of the borough before Samuel Ellis and Roger Coxe burgesses one quantity of a burgage in Cheltenham, to hold to the uses etc. Relief 4d.

[p. 103]Thomas Deane and his wife Elizabeth in open court surrender for Giles Greville gent. and his heirs all those several parcels of arable land in Charlton Lower Field. Rent 8d., fine 16d., relief 3s. 6d.

John Wills senior and his wife Alice in open court surrender for Giles Mathews and his heirs forever all that a messuage or tenement or cottage lying in Cheltenham with appurtenances. Rent $1\frac{1}{4}$ d., fine $2\frac{1}{2}$ d., heriot 1s.

Rose Maries out of court before Thomas Sturmy and Henry Sturmy gent. to Thomas Maries all her interest in lands of John Maries. Relief 1s. $3\frac{1}{2}$ d.

[p. 104]Richard Farre alias Currier did before James Nicholls bailiff of the borough and Richard Finch and Thomas Finch burgesses grant to Thomas Hiatt and his heirs and assigns all that his house or tenement of burgage to hold from and after the expiration of 7 years, for the term of 6 years. Relief 4d., rent 4d.

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Court baron of William Dutton ar. Lord of the manor of Cheltenham held at Cheltenham 15 June C2 xvij 1666

At this court John Mason and his wife Dorothy, and Giles Ashmead and his wife Mary, surrender for Walter Buckle all his heirs all those 2 several enclosed grounds of meadow or pasture call[ed] the New Leaze or New Leasow lying in Arle. Rent 2s. 10d., fine 5s. 8d., heriot 22s.

[p. 105]A surrender from John Mason and his wife Dorothy unto John Buckle and his heirs of 20 a. of arable land lying in the tithing of Arle. Rent 3s. 2d., fine 6s. 4d., heriot 3s.

A surrender from Thomas Ashmead senior and his wife Mary to Walter Cox and his heirs of a certain piece of meadow called Greene close, Alstone, to hold etc. Rent 1d., fine 2d., heriot 4d.

A grant from Henry Mason to Elianor his wife of 2 grounds called Battleton or Battledowne in Charlton Kings, to hold etc. Fine 10d? [perhaps xvd.]

[p. 106]Grant from Henry Mason to Robert Milton for his life of 1 messuage in Cheltenham with appurtenances and 18 a. of arable meadow or pasture, 1 a. of land, and 2 grounds in Charlton Kings. Fine 2s. 8½d.

A surrender from Henry Mason to his son John Mason of 1 part of his customary messuage with appurtenances, and 2 meadow or pasture grounds. Cheltenham rent 9d., fine 18d., heriot 6s. Charlton Kings rent 18d., fine 3s., heriot 4s.

A surrender from Henry Mason to his son Walter Mason of 1 messuage in Cheltenham wherein he now dwells, and all customary lands whatsoever in Cheltenham (23 a.) to hold etc. Rent 4s. 8½d., fine 9s. 5d., heriot £1 13s. 0d.

[p. 107]Grant from Robert Milton to Henry Mason senior of 1 customary messuage in Westall with appurtenances, and 32 a. of arable, meadow and pasture, and part of an inclosed pasture ground called Rayes, to hold etc. Fine 2s.

A surrender from Robert Milton to Walter Mason and his daughter Katherine of 1 messuage, and other lands in Westal, to hold etc. Rent 4s., fine 8s., heriot 20s.

Grant from Thomas Coxe the elder to his wife Margaret Coxe of 2 closes of meadow and pasture in Westall called Hoare Hey and Abrahams Close, to hold etc. Fine 9d.

[p. 108]Court baron of William Duttton ar. Lord of the manor of Cheltenham, held there 9 October C2 xvij 1666

Surrender from Richard Manly and his wife Mary to the use of Walter Parker for his life, and after for his wife Margaret for her life and after to their heirs, of all those 5 rudges of arable land with appurtenances lying in Arle. Rent 8d., fine 16d., heriot 18d.

Samuel Mansell before Robert Gale and William Ballinger did out of court surrender for the said Samuel for his life and after his decease for Anthony Webb and his wife Anne all that

[p. 109]close of arable called Middlefields piece lying in Charlton Kings. Rent 4d., fine 8d., heriot 18d.

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John Yate and Mary his wife and Jyce her mother surrender to Thomas Cox senior and his heirs all that rudge of land ($\frac{1}{2}$ a.) in Westal. Rent 1d., fine 2d., heriot 3d.

John Yate and Mary his wife and Joice heir mother surrender for Thomas Cox junior a ridge of arable ($\frac{1}{2}$ a.) in Westal. Rent 1d., fine 2d., heriot 6d.

- [p. 110]Walter Arkhill senior on 17 Aug. 1666 did grant to James Nicholls bailiff of the borough and his heirs all that parcel of garden ground lying in the borough part of Cheltenham to the use of Joseph Arkhill his son and his heirs and assigns forever, excepting the lives of Walter and his wife Christian. Relief $7\frac{1}{2}$ d.

Richard Wills and William Wells joyntenants and Anne and Elizabeth their wives surrender for Thomas Clark and his wife Joane and their heirs part of a customary messuage lying on the N side of Cheltenham. Rent 1d., fine 2d., heriot 10d.

- [p. 111]Henry Cleevely on 5 March 1665/6 before James Randle and Richard Grindle customary tenants did out of court surrender for William Whittorne junior and his heirs all that close or measure of arable land called Bacon Combe in Charlton Kings. Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 12d. 'no copy to pass until rent fine and heriot be ascertainly paid'

A grant from Thomas Clarke and his wife [unnamed] to Elianor Davison of their part and parcel of 1 messuage and 2 bays of building, to hold etc. for life and 12 years. Relief 1d.

A grant from Robert Milton to his wife Elizabeth of 1 tenement and garden in Cheltenham, to hold etc. Relief 2d.

A grant from Walter Mason to Katherine his wife of 2 pasture grounds and diverse other lands in Cheltenham, to hold etc. Relief 9d.

- [p. 112]17 August 1666. Edward Roberts out of court before Henry Mason, John Buckle and Henry Sturmy customary tenants, surrendered for William Prynn senior gent. all that his messuage or tenement in Cheltenham. Rent 8d., fine 16d., heriot 4s. 6d. 'no copy to pass until fine and heriot paid'
'There is due on this surrender to the bailiff for allowing it 6s. 8d. Fine heriot and common fine 6s. 1d., in all 12s. 1d. [sic] which must be paid before any surrender or regrant passed.'
'This sum is paid and the surrender allowed, per M[artin] S[cudamore].'

- [p. 113]**Cheltenham View of frankpledge with court baron of William Dutton ar. lord of the manor of Cheltenham, held there 26 April C2 19 [1667] coram William Gregory ar. steward.**
6 Aug. 1666 Thomas Sturmy a customary tenant out of court before William Ashmead and Thomas Hartlebury two other customary tenants surrendered for Thomas Hopcott and his heris forever 2 meadow or pasture grounds called Lowdimeads lying in the tithing of Arle, land of John Buckle E, now in the occupation of Henry Pearce, and land of Joan Milton widow W. Rent $11\frac{1}{2}$ d., fine 23d., heriot 3s.

- [p. 114]Alice Janes wife of Thomas Janes junior a customary tenant out of court before John Ashmead and James Eckly customary tenants surrendered all that customary messuage with appurtenances in Alstone, and 2 a. of arable land in Alstone, and 2 other a. in Hassards field to hold to such issue as

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Alice may leave behind her, and for want of such issue, then to Margaret Cowles her sister-in-law and her heirs forever. Rent 10d., fine 20d., heriot 2s. 6d.

A grant from Alice Janes wife of Thomas to Thomas Janes her husband of all that customary messuage lying in Alstone, and 2 a. of arable land in Alstone, and 2 other a. in Hassards field, for the term of his natural life. Rent 5d., fine 10d.

[p. 115] John Chestroe out of court before Lodowicke Packer gent., and Nathaniel Chestroe surrendered for Walter Mason all that $\frac{1}{2}$ a. of arable land with appurtenances lying in a field belonging to the town of Cheltenham. Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 6d.

John Chestroe out of court before the same tenants surrendered to Thomas Coxe junior and his heirs forever $\frac{1}{2}$ a. of arable lying in the Upper field of Cheltenham. Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 6d.

[p. 116] John Yeates out of court before Henry Sturmy and Nicholas Ashmead surrendered for Giles Ashmead and his heirs 4 a. arable lying in the tithing of Alstone. Provided that if John Yeates pay Giles £20, the surrender to be void.

Claim: Robert Averies uncle and heir of Alice Janes daughter and heir of Alice Cowles late Alice Averies sister of Robert at this court makes claim to 1 tenement with appurtenances in Alstone and divers lands thereunto belonging late purchased of Edward Mathewes (rent 10d., heriot 2s. 6d.) of which the said Alice Janes died seised, and desires to be admitted tenant. Fine 20d., heriot 2s. 6d., rent 10d.

[p. 117] Claim: John Sturmy brother and heir of Thomas Sturmy at this court makes claim to 2 closes of meadow or pasture called Lowdemeades of which Thomas died seised. Admitted.

A grant from Richard Grindle and his wife Alice of one half-burgage lying on the N side of Cheltenham to the use of Thomas Ashmeade forever. Relief 6d.

A grant from Thomas Mason of 1 burgage with appurtenances to hold to Francis Milton to the uses etc. Relief 15d.

A grant from Roger Dowdeswel junior to his wife Anne for the term of his life that house called Churchend House with all edifices etc. to hold to her after his decease for a jointure.

[p. 118] A surrender out of court from Robert Wilkes in consideration of a marriage between himself and Jane Belcher of all that his part of a messuage etc. lying in the tithing of Bafford to the use of Robert and Jane for their lives, and their joint heirs, and for want of such issue, to the heirs pf the longest liver of them forever. Rent 9d., fine 18d., heriot 2s. 6d. Initially 'Not paid' but subsequently 'allowed 26 Oct. 1668'.

William Whittorne and his wife Margaret in open court surrender for Henry Cleevely and his heirs forever a ground called Bacon combe. Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 12d.

[p. 119] William Whittorne out of court before Anthony Webb and John Rooke customary tenants surrendered for himself for life and after his decease for Mary [sic] his wife for her life and after her decease for Mary his daughter and her heirs all that close of pasture called Oldfields with

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appurtenances, and 1 parcel of land in a place called Lycehay lying in Charlton Kings. Rent 10d., fine 20d., heriot 3s.

Arthur Packer and his wife Anne in open court surrender to Lodowicke Packer and Thomas Cox, Walter Cox, John Gregory and Thomas Higgs churchwardens of all those parcels of land, to the uses etc. Rent 14d., fine 2s. 4d., heriot 3s. 6d.

[p. 120]Henry Mason out of court before Henry Mason senior and Walter Mason surrendered for Mary Mason and her heirs all that pasture ground called Smiths close with appurtenances, lying in Westall. Rent 9d., fine 18d., heriot 11s., worksilver 1s. 3½d.

Henry Mason out of court before Henry Mason senior and Walter mason surrendered to the use of Thomas Mason of the Burrow and his heirs all those parcels of land etc. Rent 22d., fine 3s. 8d., heriot 9s.

[p. 121]George Sturmy and his wife Frances did in open court surrender to themselves all those lands etc. Rent 3s. 6d., fine 7s., heriot 11s. 5d.

At this court the homage presents the death of Richard Kent a customary tenant of this manor and that John Kent his son is the next ['heir' omitted?] unto the customary lands of which his father Richard died seised. John Kent claims 1 messuage and part of a garden lying in Arle. Admitted. Rent 2d., fine 4d., heriot 2s.

[p. 122]Thomas Mason senior did out of court before Henry Mason and William Gregory surrender for Thomas Mason junior and John Mason, Walter Mason and Robert Collett all his customary lands whatsoever, to the uses etc. Rent 5s. 4d., fine 10s. 8d., heriot 36s. 4d.

William Free out of court before Robert Green and Roger Dodeswell surrendered certain lands to the use of William Free for the term of his life and after his decease to John Free and his wife Jemima and their heirs. Rent 1d., fine 2d., heriot 4d.

[p. 123]Grant from John Wills out of court to Giles and Richard Wills his sons for the term of his life all that part of a messuage on the N side of the town of Cheltenham. Fine ½d.

Anthony Webb in open court surrenders for the use of Robert Whittorne and his heirs forever all those parcels of land etc. Rent 9d., fine 1s. 6d., heriot 2s.

Richard Restall son and heir of Alice widow of Thomas Restall of Stoke Orchard at this court claims 1 a. of arable land called Oaty piece lying in Charlton Kings, and ½ a. of arable land lying in Whaddon field, and desires to be admitted tenant. Rent 3d., fine 6d., heriot 12d.

[p. 124]Richard Restall in open court surrenders for Margaret White daughter of Walter White and her heirs 1 a. of arable land called Oaty piece in Charlton Kings, and ½ a. of arable land lying in Whaddon field. Rent 3d., fine 6d., heriot 12d.

*The Rolls of all surrenders above never came to the hand of
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[About 246 entries, making approx. 40 per year. Therefore likely to be complete, but note

- apparently no private courts,
- few mortgages,
- very few out-of-manor parties
- quite a few old customary payments (common fine, worksilver, Peter pence), but none actually marked as due. Inference is that they are obsolete/obsolescent, kept for interest only
- not many reports of deaths?]

“Note all following surrenders are enrolled in Book F”

[p. 125 starts: Cheltenham court leet and court baron of Wm Dutton ar. lord of the manor and hundred, held there 8 Oct C2 xix 1667
James Randle and Joane his wife....]