

FRAGMENT OF THE KENT PORTION OF
KIRKBY'S INQUEST TEMP. EDWARD I.

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THE collection of fragments, from which the following extracts are taken, is thus described in the Public Record Office Catalogue of Lay Subsidies for Divers Counties, Part 2 (Edward I to Charles II) N^o $\frac{2+40}{2+5+1}$.

“Kirby's Inquest

[Temp.] Edward I [from the] character [of the writing]. [Note, added in pencil, by Mr. Bond, Assistant Keeper of the Public Records.] “Between 8 and 21 Edw. I.”

{ Counties of York, Devon, Dorset
[this is queried, in pencil], Salop,
Kent, Oxon [also queried, in pencil,
and the following note is added]
“? Somerset from [memb.] 19
Frome;” and Lincoln.
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“Names of persons holding Knight's
fees in divers hundreds in the
above counties.”
—————
“33 mutilated membranes in boards,
repaired, without any title or
date.* Large folio.”

“This is a fragment of a Book which contained Inquisition of Tenures usually called Kirby's Inquest, as appears by comparison with the paper book of that Inquest amongst the Miscellanea of the Queen's Remembrancer. It contains a large portion of the County of York; portions of Devon, Dorset, Salop, Kent, Oxon, and Lincoln. The leaves are put up not in their proper order; some portion of the County of York being at the beginning, and some at the end.”

* The York Inquest was taken A^o 24 Edw. I, as is shewn by the title preserved in two transcripts of it. J, G.

[*Note, written in pencil, by Mr. Bond.*] “Peter Bp. of Exeter is taxed, and he lived from the 8th to the 21st year of Edward I.”

Folio 18.

..... j. f. de Honore de Hakenet.
 de Honore *predicto*.
 de Strete cum membris videlicet Willelm[us].
 pro j. feodo.
 in capite per seriantiam custodie j. falconis.*

Hundredum de Langeport.

- § Johannes Luteriche tenet quartam partem j. f. que vocatur Shingledealle de domino Bertramo de Cryele. Et idem Bertramus tenet eam cum Manerio suo de Welles de Rege in capite de Honore de Hale. Et valet per Annum c. s.
- § Stephanus de Romeny tenet quandam partem terre de seriantia que vocatur effetone [de] Radulpho filio Bernardi. Et idem Bernardus tenet illam terram de Rege in capite per seruicium custodie j. falconis. Et valet per Annum xvij. s.†
- § Stephonus de Hope et Stephanus de Ofspringe tenent quandam partem terre que vocatur middele set non dicunt per quot feoda de Willelmo de Say. Et idem Willelmus de Rege in capite.
- § Heres Thome de Normanuille qui est infra etatem et in custodia Regis tenet apud Kokeride et Kinardington pro j. f. de Rege in capite.‡

* “Hundred of Strete.

Godfrey le Faukener holds in Herste by serjeantry from the Lord King.” } Aid 38 Hen. III.

† “Hundred of Langeport.

Roger de Romene holds half a knight's fee in Langeport from John Fitz-Bernard.” } Aid 38 Hen. III.

Ducarcl's *Index to Archbishops' Registers*, Brit. Mus. Additional MS., No. 6062, p. 295.—“8 *Kal.*, Oct. 1279 (*i.e.* A° 7 Edw. I.) apud Tencham dominus Radulphus filius Bernardi” does homage to the Abp. for three fees “in Sibton et in Romeneale.”

‡ This entry is interesting because it seems to fix the date of the fragments to a year anterior to A° 11 Edw. I, and Mr. Bond's note had before restricted the Exeter portion of it to a year *inter* A° 8—21 of that reign.

The Thomas de Normanville here referred to was dead in A° 11 Edw. I as is evident from the Inquisition taken after his death (Roberts' *Calendarium Genealogicum*, pp. 331, 332), which states that Ralph his brother was then found to be his next heir in respect of property in co. Kent, and aged twenty-two years. But this inquiry was probably made some time after the decease of Thomas de Normanville. In the Inquisition cited allusion is made to Ralph de Normanville their father; and it appears from it that after the death of Ralph senior Galiena, their mother, had charge of the properties during the minorities of her two sons. There is no Inq. p. m. upon the death of Ralph senior in

Hundredum de Luniberwe.

- § *Willelmus de Leyburne tenet j. f. in Elham de Rege in capite.*
- § *Nicholaus filius Willelmi Criele tenet quartam partem j. f. in Lintheforde de Abbate Sancti Augustini. Et idem Abbas de Rege.*
- § *Nicholaus de Cryele tenet quartam partem j. feod. in Halirode de Johanne de Sandwyco. Et idem Johannes de Rege.**

Hundredum de [ffolkestane.]

..... de Sandwyco et Bertramus de Criel tenent Hundredum de ffolkestane de Rege in capite. Et pertinent ad non fit mencio in predictis Inquisicionibus qui tenet eadlam f. nec per quod seruicium.

..... in Orlawestone de Rege in capite.

Fo. 18^b.

Hundredum de Oxenal.

- § *Jacobus de*
- § *Idem Jacobus tenet* †

respect of Kent, but he is doubtless the Ralph to whom one taken in A° 43 Hen. III applies, and to whom (the said) Thomas de Normanville is son and heir in respect of possessions in co. Rutland, and aged but two and a half years (*Ibid.* p. 81). The Thomas de Normanville mentioned in the fragment of Kirkby's Inquest would therefore have been of age about A° 6 Edw. I, and his brother Ralph could not have attained his majority before A° 9 of that reign. The Rev. Lambert Larking printed in *Arch. Cant.* ii. 293, the fragment of an Inq. p. m. taken in 1245-6, 30 Hen. III, upon the death of an earlier Thomas de Normanville, grandfather (?) to the one under consideration, and father (?) of Ralph de Normanville senior whom the fragment in question states to have been then of full age. These Normanvilles seem to have been seated in Kent and neighbouring counties from a very remote period. Mr. Roberts, in a note to the above Inquisition of A° 30 Hen. III, refers to his *Excerpta e Rotuli Finium*, vol. i., p. 87, A° 6 Hen. III (1222), where Ralph de Normanville, "eldest son of Ralph de Normanville," is recorded to have been pledged in the sum of twenty marks towards payment of the fine for the Relief of William Mauduit. At the Aid of A° 34 Edw. I William de Basings, under the Hundred of Blackbourne, answered for one knight's fee in Kenardinton and Cokryd.

* "Hundred of Loningborough.

From the heirs of Simon de Holt for a quarter of one fee in Halirod (held) from the heirs of William de Auberuill."—Aid 34 Edw. I, which adds—"*Abbas de Langdon non habet, sed tenet de etc.*" The Aid of A° 38 Hen. III gives under this Hundred, there called "Nonybergh'."—"Symon de Holte holds one quarter of a knight's fee in Halirede from the heirs of William de Auberuile."

† "Hundred of Oxene.

From James de Palstre for half a fee of the Honor of Leeds.
 From same James, and Richard de Wytrishamme, for half a fee from the Archbishop, of which the said James holds the third part," } Aid 34 Edw. I.

Hundredum de Stutinge.

- § Stephanus Gerard tenet vij^{am}
- § Prior de Hortone tenet j. f.*

Hundredum de Worthe.

- § Robertus de Sarstede tenet sextam partem j. f. que vocatur Tatenhamme de Johanne de Vyuon'. Et idem Johannes de Rege. †

Hundredum de ffeleberghe.

- § Alexander Baylol tenet j. f. et dimid. in Chileham de Rege in capite.
- § H[am]o filius Johannis de Herst tenet j. f. in Herst de predicto Alexandro. Et idem Alexander de Rege. †
- § Johannes de Estesture et Thomas de Crowethorn et eorum participes tenent j. f. in Estesture de predicto Alexandro. Et idem Alexander de Rege.
- § Ricardus le Jouene tenet j. f. in le Heyroner' de dicto Alexandro. Et idem Alexander de Rege.
- § Robertus de Chileham tenet j. f. in Wychelynge de predicto Alexandro. Et idem Alexander de Rege.
- § § de Shillynghelde tenet dimid. f. in eadem de predicto Alexandro. Et idem Alexander de Rege.
- § Rogerus de Shamelesforde tenet dimid. f. in Shamelesforde de Hamone de Cattone (Gattone). Et idem Hamo de Rege.
- § Johannes de Northwode tenet vij^{am} partem j. f. in Gherteham (Cherteham) de Baronia de Ledes.

* "Hundred of Stoutinge.

From Stephen Gerrard for the third part of half a quarter of a fee in Leigh. }
 From the Prior of Horton for one fee in Horton and Titindone." } Aid 34 Edw. I.

† "Hundred of Worth.

The heir of William de Tatenhame holds the sixteenth part of a fee in the same (? i.e. in Tatenhame) from Hugh de Vivonia." } Aid 38 Hen. III.

"Hundred of Worth.

From Robert de Sharsted for the sixteenth part of a fee at Tatenham of the Fee of Selling." } Aid. 34 Edw. I.

"Hundred of Street.

From John de (blank, but read 'Vivonia' from Aid 20 Edw. III.), William de Burkhell (Brockhill) and Robert Schortede (de Scharstede) for one knight's fee besides (i.e., 'extra,' but query 'excepta.'—See Aid 20 Edw. III.) a sixteenth part of one which is above in the Hundred of Worth." } Ibid.

‡ "Hundred of Felbridge.

From Hamo de Herst for one knight's fee." Ibid.

"Hundred of Felbergh'.

John de Herst holds one knight's fee in Herst and Sybertestone from said William [de Wilton]." } Aid 38 Hen. III.

§ "Hundred of Felbridge.

From Eudo de Shillingheld for half a Knight's fee."—Aid 34 Edw. I.

Hundredum de [Ca]lehelle.

§ Radulphus de Piuintone tenet j. f. in Piuintone de Willelmo de Say.
Et idem Willelmus de Rege.*

Hundredum de [Langebregge].

§ Willelmus de Leyburne tenet j. f. in Essedeforde
§ Robertus de Casture (Easture) tenet j. f. in Essedeforde de W.....†
§ Johannes de Pesinge (?) tenet dimid. f. in Seywetone de

* "Hundred of Calehill.	}	Aid 34 Edw. I.
From John son of Ralph de Peuinton for one fee in Peuington."		
† "Hundred of Langebrugge.	}	Aid 34 Edw. I.
From same William [de Leybourne] for one fee in Estuer from the heirs of Robert de Estuer."		