

MS3 Brett Collection

About the Collection:

This small collection of miscellaneous papers and documents was donated by Belfast solicitor, Sir Charles Brett (1839 - 1926), to the University Library on 20 June 1924. The collection was purchased by Sir Charles Brett on 29 March 1886 at Belfast (J. H. Smyth & Co., Auctioneers).

The collection consists of a variety of material, mainly of antiquarian interest, including books, extracts, manuscript, and other documents relating principally to early English civil and ecclesiastical law, land and/ or property in Yorkshire, c. 1220 – c. 1600, and Wakefield, c. 1763 – 1824, and the observations of the Rev. T.J. Hussey on English birds, c. 1828. This collection is also notable for a series of correspondence between Hussey and his daughter, Charlotte, during a stay in Aleppo, Syria from 1779 – 1780 and an unexecuted grant of tithes, c. 1145 – 1153 from the Archbishop of Mainz. The collection is divided into Sections A, B, C and D.

Brett believed the 'Hussey Manuscripts' came to Belfast through a Captain Hussey. He owned a property in Baugher [?]. Captain Hussey left that property to a family called Monet, one of whom became the wife of Alfred Munster, who lived and worked as the Danish Consul in Belfast. He believed that the items were sold in Belfast after the death of Monet and upon the instruction of Alfred Munster. This information is detailed in a letter from Sir Charles Brett to Professor Gregory Smith on 20 June 1924.

[Digital Special Collection & Archives](#) provides online access to the correspondence between the Rev. T. J. Hussey and his daughter Charlotte (**MS3/2-48A** Hussey Correspondence).

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BRETT MANUSCRIPTS A

MS3/1A Index

G. H. Sumner's index to the collection, and schedule of documents in section A.

MS3/2-48A Hussey Correspondence

14 letters from John Hussey (of 55 Margaret Street, Cavendish Square, London, & Moorfields Chapel) to Miss Charlotte Hussey (at Thomas Hussey's, Esq., Ashford, Kent.) and 1 to Harriet Hussey, written on his journey to Aleppo and during his residence there, 20 January 1779 to 13 June 1780. 46ff., quarto and folio.

These letters were originally in the possession of Thomas John Hussey, D.D., Rector of Hayes, Kent. Purchased with other papers in two boxes in May 1855 from Thomas Kerlake, Bookseller, 3 Park Street, Bristol, from his catalogue issues in July 1828, No. 2943, by Gillyatt H. Sumner, E.q., Woodmansey, near Beverley, Yorkshire. Purchased with other MSS. on 29 March 1886 at Belfast (J.H. Smyth & Co., Auctioneers) by C.H. Brett, Esq.

Each leaf is individually numbered for the purpose of this listing. All letters include original envelopes and seals

MS3/3-6A

1. 20/1/1779 Paris. 4 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/7-10A

2. 25/1/1779 Paris. 4 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/11-13A

3. 13/2/1779 Milan. 3 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/14-17A

4. 19/2/1779 Venice. 4 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/18-21A

5. 26/2/1779 Venice. 4 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/22-25A

6. 9/3/1779 Venice. 4 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/26-29A

7. 11/6/1779 Aleppo. 4 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/30-32A

8. 14/6/1779 Aleppo. 2 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/33-34A

9. 25/6/1779 Aleppo. 2 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/35-36A

10. 6/7/1779 Aleppo. 2 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/37-40A

11. 2/8/1779 Aleppo. 4 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/41-42A

12. 12/8/1779 Aleppo. 2 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/43-44A

13. 6/9/1779 Aleppo. 2 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/45-46

14. 24/9/1779 Aleppo. 2 leaves. Quarto.

MS3/47-48

15. 13/6/1780 Letter from John Hussey, D.D. to Miss Harriet Hussey, at Ashford, Kent. 2 leaves. Folio.

MS3/49A Medical Receipt, Benjamin Douglas Perkins

"Directions, new and improved, for applying Perkins's patent metallic tractors; for the relief of topical diseases, of human body, and of horses." Signed and dated by Benjamin Douglas Perkins, 13 October 1801. Printed. Single sheet, 39 x 22cm.

"The tractors...consisted of two pieces of metal about three inches long, seemingly of brass and iron, and were quite similar to the modern horse-shoe nail, being rounded at one end and pointed at the other. One side was half round, while the other was flat, with the name 'Perkins' Patent Tractors' stamped thereon...Benjamin Douglas Perkins...opened an office at 18 Leicester Square—a house formerly occupied by John Hunter." Dictionary of American Biography, xiv.

MS3/50A Engraved Plan of London, 1810

Engraved plan entitled "A panorama of the curiosities of London 1810. Cooper sculp." 138 x 303mm. Plan contains 39 curiosities:

1. Queen's Palace
2. St. James Palace
3. Westminster Abbey
4. Westminster Hall
5. Westminster Bridge
6. Astleys Amphitheatre
7. Asylum
8. Royal Circus
9. Royal Institution
10. Opera House
11. Theatre Haymarket
12. Linwoods Exhibition
13. Panorama
14. Society of Arts
15. Theatre Covent Gardens
16. British Museum
17. Russel Institution
18. Foundling Hospital
19. Drury Lane Theatre
20. Exeter Change
21. Lyceum
22. Somerset House

23. Panorama Strand
24. Olympic Pavilion
25. Surgeons Hall
26. Temple Gardens
27. Blackfriars Bridge
28. Surry Institution
29. St. Pauls Cathedral
30. Charter House
31. London Institution
32. Mansion House
33. Royal Exchange
34. Bethlem Hospital
35. Artillery Ground
36. East India House
37. Tower
38. London Docks
39. London Bridge

MS3/70A Envelope addressed to Mr. Hussey

Envelope addressed "A Monsieur Hussey Ministre protestant a Londre." [1827].

MS3/73, 74A Notes on Birds, T. J. Hussey, [1828]

Notes, in the hand of T. J. Hussey, on the nests and eggs of birds. [? 1828] 3 pp. quarto.

MS3/75-77A List on Birds, T. J. Hussey, 1828

List (?) in the hand of T. J. Hussey, of British birds, with particulars in most cases of the number and colour of their eggs. Paper watermarked 1828. 41/2 pp. folio.

MS3/78A Table of Barometric Readings, 1832

Table of barometric readings at Hayes, compared with those of the Royal Society's standard barometer. 17-31 January 1832. 323 x 199mm.

MS3/79A Extract from the Aberdeen Observer, 1836

A single leaf beginning "From the Aberdeen Observer of the 12 February 1836. Table shewing the mean temperature, at Aberdeen, for each month of the last ten years". Printed. 188 x 111mm.

MS3/80A Note, T. J. Hussey, c. 1820

Note (?) in the hand of T.J. Hussey, beginning "The Cistern of the Royal Society's Standard Barom.", with a footnote in another hand signed F.D. [About 1820.] 185 x 114mm.

MS3/81A Title Page of Thomas Hobbes' Leviathan, 1651

Engraved title-page of Thomas Hobbes' Leviathan, 1651. 243 x 158mm.

MS3/82A Title Page of Thomas Hobbes' Leviathon, 1651

Engraved title-page of Thomas Hobbes' Leviathan, published by John Bohn, London, 1839. 255 x 156mm.

MS3/83A Advertisement, Edward J. Dent, [1843]

Advertisement of chronometers made by Edward J. Dent, London. [1843?].

Printed. Single leaf, 251 x 198mm.

MS3/84A Lecture, "The Potato Disease and its Remedies", William Buckland

Buckland, William. "The Potato Disease and its Remedies." Dr. Buckland's lecture to the Ashmolean Society at Oxford, 3 November 1845, on the origin, extent, and remedies of the prevailing potato disease, and the danger of Approaching scarcity.

Printed. Single sheet, 32 x 25cm.

MS3/85A Thomas Kerlake's Catalogue of Books for Sale, [1855]

Kerlake (Thomas) Miscellaneous books ... now for sale [etc.]. Bristol, [1855].

Printed. 36p. 21cm.

MS3/86A Thomas Kerlake's Catalogue of Books for Sale, [1855]

Kerlake (Thomas) A catalogue of books now for sale [etc.]. Bristol, [1855].

Printed. 48p. 21cm

MS3/87A Books and Manuscripts bought by G. H. Sumner from Thomas Kerlake, 1855

Seven papers, relating to books and manuscripts bought by G. H. Sumner from Thomas Kerlake of Bristol, 1855.

1. Addressed wrapper of catalogue (85A above)
3. 15th March Kerlake's invoice
4. 16th March Letter enclosing the above invoice
5. Addressed wrapper of catalogue (86a above)
7. 19th May Kerlake's invoice
8. 19th May Letter enclosing the above invoice
9. 29th May G.H. Sumner's copy of his letter enclosing payment of the last account

BRETT MANUSCRIPTS B

MS3/1B Schedule of Documents in Section B

G.H. Sumner's schedule of documents in section B.

MS3/2B Notification, Henry Archbishop of Mainz, Grant of Land, 1145 - 1153

Notification by Henry archbishop of Mainz (1) of an agreement between Henry abbot of St. Alban in Mainz (2) and the abbot of Eberbach (3) relating to a grant by the former to the latter of "salic" land belonging to the church of St. Alban and of the chapel of ... with a decision of the archbishop that tithes of the land which was uncultivated at the time of the grant shall be paid to the church of St. Alban. 1145 - 1153

1. Henry I (Felix) archbishop of Mainz, 1142-1153. See Gallia Christiana, V, col. 470-471.
2. Henry I abbot of the Benedictine abbey of St. Aalban, Mainz, 1145-1150.
3. Cistercian abbey (also called Erbach) two miles down the Rhine from Mainz. Ruthardus the first abbot ruled 1135-1163.

This document has been trimmed at the top and bottom for use as the inner lining of a book cover. The title of the book is written on the dorse of the deed as follows:-

Liber Sancte Marie in Eberbachh scilicet Ysaye prophete Iheronimi exposition super dimidiam partem.

The writing of a number of the lines has been erased. Possibly the document was rejected owing to the interlineations on the last surviving line and a fresh copy made for execution. Its use as part of a book cover is very little later than its own date.

MS3/3-10B Six Leaves, Register of Writs, c. 1300

Six leaves from a Register of Writs, containing writs from the following groups:-

1. Replevin (Maitland, Harvard Law Review, iii. pp. 221-223, Section Xiii) 1 leaf.
2. Debt and detinue (ibid. Section xviii). 1 leaf.
3. Easements, etc. (ibid. section xix). 1 leaf.
4. Covenant & fine; dower (ibid. Sections xxi-xxiii). 1 leaf
5. & 6. Various writs of the "entry" group, -- cui in vita, tenant in dower, Cessavit, etc. (ibid. Sections xxxii-xxxv).

Begs. : "per retornum breuis nostril in Curiam".

Written in England. C. 1300.

MS3/11B **Leaf, “The Libel of English Policy”, 15th century**

Leaf containing the beginning of “The Libel of English Policy”. (Wright, Political Poems and Songs, Rolls Series, ii, 1861, pp.157-159). English.

Begs.: “Hic incipit liber de commoditatibus venientibus ad angliam”. “Here beginneth the prologe of the processe”.
Written in England. Xv cent.

MS3/12B **Leaf, Manuscript containing part of the Brut, 15th century**

Leaf from a manuscript containing part of the Brut, viz end of Chapter clix – end of Chapter clx [F.W. D. Brie, The Brut (Early English Text Society, original series, 131, 1906), pp. 177-178; the first sentence, however, is omitted in the printed text]. English.

Begs.: “And when is knight wos us slayne”.
Written in England. Xv cent.

MS3/13B **Preamble to the Decision of the Official of the Archdeacon of London in a dispute, 1280**

Preamble to the decision of the Official of the Archdeacon of London (to whom the cause was committed by the Official of the Court of Canterbury by commission dated at London, 5 February 127[9-80]) in a dispute between the parishioners of St. Sepulchre without Newgate, London, and the Prior and Convent of St. Bartholomew Smithfield, London, and the rectors of the said parish, which originated in the recent visitation of the city of London by J[ohn Peckham,] archbishop of Canterbury.

This document is mutilated at the bottom and on the right-hand side. Amongst the complaints are the following:-

The Prior and convent exact a candle from each dead person brought to the church and 11/2d. from each child baptized; they have carried away a portiforium and certain organs from the church.

MS3/14B **Leaf, Collection of Statutes, 1354**

Leaf from a collection of Statutes, containing part of the Statute 28 Edw. III, cap. 10-11 (1354). Printed in Statutes of the Realm, I, pp.346-347. French.

Begs.: “du treble vers les ditz mair”.
Written in England. Temp. Edw. III

MS3/15B **Leaf, Register of Writs, early 15th century**

Leaf from a register of writs containing portion of the “Writ of Right” group [Maitland, Harvard Law Review, iii, p.221. Section I(v)]. Cf. Registrum omnium brevium, 1531, ff. 8b-9. Latin.

Begs.: “racionabile iudicium de loquela que est in Curia”.
Written in England. Early xiv cent.

MS3/16B **English Ecclesiastical Formularies, Latin, 15th century**

Part of a leaf from a MS. containing English ecclesiastical formularies. Latin.

Begs.: "et minores infra fines limites seu decimaciones".

Written in England. xv cent. (1st half).

MS3/17B **Grant of a Toft and Croft, 1306**

Fragment of a grant of a toft and croft. 1306

Witnesses:- John de Cane, John ...

Geoffrey de Queldrik, Walter the clerk and Peter the clerk.

MS3/19-20B

MS3/21B **Beginning of a "Compotus manualis", c. 1300**

Leaf containing the beginning of a "compotus manualis", said to have come from a MS. containing the "Evangelium Nicodemi". Latin.

Begs.: "In principio creavit deus celum et terram. Terra autem erat".

Written in England. C. 1300.

MS3/22B **Section of Boethius' translation of the Topica of Aristotle, 13th century**

Leaf containing part of Boethius' translation of the Topica of Aristotle, lib. li, cap. 2-3 (Migne, Patrologia Latina, lxxiv, coll. 926-930), with marginal and interlinear glosses. Latin.

Begs.: "alia plurium. Est enim desiderium".

Written in England or France. xiii cent.

MS3/23B **Notes for a Sermon, Latin, 13th century**

Notes for a sermon on the text "Hora est iam nos de sompno surgere" (Romans xiii, ii). Latin.

Begs.: "Hora est iam nos de sompno surgere: Notandum est quod multiplex est sompnus".

Written in England. 1st half xiii cent.

MS3/24B **Leaf, Portion of Boethius**

Leaf containing portion of Boethius, Paraphrase of the Prior Analytics of Aristotle

MS3/25B**Part of the Commentary of Nicholas Treveth al. Trivet**

Leaf containing part of the Commentary of Nicholas Treveth al. Trivet, the historian, on Boethius' *Consolatio philosophiae*, lib. II, Prosa iii (Migne, *Patr. Lat.*, lxiii, col. 670-674). The passage corresponds with that in Royal MS. 15Axxx, ff. 46b, 47.

Inscribed "Liber Richardi Baseti precium 4.s" and "a/t Coll. Eman. Cantabr. Johes. Breton, S.T.P. hujus Coll.ii Mr. moriens legavit" (i.e. John Breton, Master of Emmanuel, 1665-1676; ob. 1676).

Begs.: "felicitas preterita et facit hic philosophia".

Written in England.

MS3/26B**Portion of a Minister's Account, [Cooling], Co. Kent, 15th century**

Portion of a Minister's Account probably of Cooling, Co. Kent.

The portion that survives contains the expenses of mowing the meadow at Cowlyng, the costs of the autumn ("Northfeld" and "Whitefeld" being mentioned), the carriage of firewood and the cost of repairs within the castle. Other places mentioned are Clyve (Cliff, Co. Kent) and Frenedesbery (Frindsbury, Co. Kent). There was a medieval castle at Cooling. Paper.

MS3/37B**A Report of Cases in the Courts of Law, c. 1358 (?)**

Fragment of a folio of a Year Book, i.e. a report of cases in the Courts of Law.

[The front of the folio contains an argument about the effect of a bond. One of the persons taking part is styled "Finch" but there is no judge in Foss' Dictionary of the Judges who would suit.

On the verso the case relates to the descent of certain lands. The words "anno xxxij" occur which may refer to the regnal year of Edward III or Henry VI.]

Paper. French.

MS3/38-40B **Collection of Epigrams, MS., 15th century**

Four leaves (two blank) from a MS. containing a collection of epigrams, etc. perhaps by a Milanese author or authors.

They include

1. "In Lunesium"
2. In Brigidam
3. Alda in Christoferum
4. In Sfortiam Secundum (? Galeazzo Maria Sforza, Duke of Milan)
5. Mathea in Matheum
6. De innitente arundini
7. In Quiriacum
8. Sub Martis simulacro Yliam opprimentis
9. Sub divi Ducis Francisci (? Francesco Sforza I, Duke of Milan) simulacro Hostesaquis impingentis.

Written in Italy [?Milan]. xv cent.

MS3/41B **Suit in the Exchequer Chamber, Abbot & the Inhabitants of Bury St. Edmunds, c. 1470**

Folio of a book containing portion of the record of a suit in the Exchequer Chamber between the abbot of Bury St. Edmunds and the inhabitants of that town concerning the right of appointment of constables and wardens of the market and of the watchmen there.

John Morton and John Howard are mentioned among the Commissioners dealing with the case.

[The book may have belonged to Bury St. Edmunds Abbey.]

MS3/47B **Confirmation by Honorius [III] to the Abbot and Convent of...1216-1227**

Confirmation by Honorius [III] to the abbot and convent of ... of a grant made to them by Robert son of Madoc of [the land of] Pikelhescont. Justis petentium desideriiis ... [Date missing.]

Bulla missing.

[This bull may be of Honorius III or IV i.e. 1216-27 or 1285-7. It has been trimmed at the bottom and on the right-hand side.

It is an example of "letters of grace", as is shown by the pope's name being in capitals and the use of an abbreviation mark peculiar to such bulls. The bulla would have been attached by a silkstring.]

MS3/48B **Mandate to the Bishop of Valva and the Provost of St. Peter of Loo, 1436[-7]**

Mandate to the bishop of Valva, the abbot of the monastery of St. Nicholas without the walls of Furnes and the provost of St. Peter of Loo in the diocese of terouane to assign to John de Busschere, clerk, of the diocese of Terouane a benefice in the collation etc. of the abbots and convents of St. Peter, Ghent, and St. Winnoc, Bergues, of the order of St. Benedict in the dioceses of Tournai and Terouane, reserved to him by the Pope. Vite et morum honestas ...

Bologna. 5Id. Mar., 1436, and 7 Eugenius IV.

11 March 1436[-7].

Bulla missing.

[This bull has been used in a book cover and has been divided down the middle but is now mended and the text is complete.]

MS3/49B Register of Enrolment Deeds, Pakenham, Co. Suffolk, 1426

Fragment of a register or enrolment of deeds relating to lands in Pakenham, co. Suffolk. Paper.

1. 5/2/1426 The last three lines of the appointment of an attorney. Tuesday after the Purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 4 Henry VI.
2. 5/2/1426 Grant by John Letton of Glemsforde to John Chapman of Bury St. Edmunds, Webster, Thomas Dekne of the same and William Glaswright of Pakenham of lands etc. in the vill and fields of Pakenham which formerly belonged to John Coupere otherwise called John Arnolde, and which the grantor lately held, jointly with Thomas Tillote of Pakenham, of the gift of the said John Coupere.

Witnesses: - William Holdere, Thomas Smyth, William Hare, John Seymore.

Tuesday after the purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 4 Henry VI.

MS3/50B Blank Forms of Indulgence, John [Sant] Abbot of Abingdon, 1477

Portions of two blank forms of indulgence granted by John [Sant] abbot of Abingdon, papal legate in England, Wales and Ireland. In neither case has the name of the person to receive the indulgence or the month and day of the month been filled in.

[This formula was printed for abbot Sant by Caxton in 1476. See The Library, Vol. IX, no. 1 (June, 1928), p. 86] 4th series 1938-39. p. 462-464.

MS3/51B Appointment of Brother Giles [Delfini], 1500, Rome

Appointment by brother Giles [Delfini] (1) of Amelia, vicar general of the order of Friars Minor, of ... (2) to the post of visitor of the Order. The appointment is made by authority of Pope Alexander VI and was sealed with the seal of the Order. 13 May 1500.

[This document is mutilated on the left-hand side and the seal is missing.]

See Handbuch der Geschichte des Franziskaner-ordens, Holzapfel, 1909, p.690

Name missing.

MS3/52B Fragment of an English Draper's Account, 1511

Portion of a leaf containing fragment of an English draper's account, mentioning persons at Ipswich, Hadley [? Hadleigh, Co. Suff.] and Reading, 1518. Mainly French.

Begs.: "Summa de la venduez".

Written in England (probably London or S.E.). A.D. 1518.

MS3/53B **Indictment of Thomas..., constable of S., c. 1552**

Portion of indictment of Thomas ..., constable of S., co.xon, for having permitted the escape of George ... (1), committed to his charge for suspicion of felony by Francis K., knight, one of the Justices of the Peace for the county of Oxford, on 11th ..., 6 Edward VI.

Paper.

[This document is mutilated on the right-hand side. The representation of names by single letters indicates that it is simply a formula for an indictment and not an actual legal document.]

The surname is in the part cut off.

MS3/54B **Fine Levied in the Court of Common Pleas at Westminster, 1554**

Transcript of fine levied in the Court of Common Pleas at Westminster on the quinzaine of St. Michael, 1 and 2 Philip and Mary, between Edward Gryffyn, esquire, attorney of the king etc. and others, complainants, and William Clopton, deforciant, of the manors of Whetleigh and Downhall and tenements in Raleigh and Thundersley, co. Essex. William Clopton quitclaims the premises to Edward and the others, who in turn grant them to William for life, with successive remainders to Thomas Clopton and Dorothy his wife and the heirs of their bodies, to the heirs of the body of William Clopton and to the right heirs of Elizabeth Wethersley, mother of William Clopton.

13 October 1554.

Paper.

MS3/55B **Portion of a Builder's Account, 1554 - 1558**

Leaf containing portion of a builder's account containing payments for carriage of timber, etc., and payments to workmen. English.

Begs: "A paye Booke made for ... of iij wekes endinge the Vth daye of ... Annis Ror. R. Philipi et Regine ... "

Written in England. 1554-1558.

MS3/56B **Presentment of Persons Living in London, c. 1560**

Portion of a presentment of persons living in London for not attending church and for not receiving communion.

The parishes named are St. Martin Outwich, and St. Benet Sherehog, and the persons presented are Crispin raughton, lady Carye and Doctor Fryer. (1)

Paper. Mutilated at top and right-hand side.

John Fryer, M.D., was buried in the church of St. Martin Outwich in 1563.

MS3/57B **Edition of the Emblemata of Joannes Sambucus, Leaf, 16th Century**

Leaf (signature A2) from an edition of the Emblemata of Joannes Sambucus. Late 16th century.

Printed. 119 x 76mm.

MS3/58B Indenture of Lease for Ten Years, Philip Scudamor, 1589

Indenture of lease for ten years from the feast of St. Matthew next (21 September 1589) by Philip Scudamor of Huntercombs in the parish of Burneham, co. Bucks., esquire, and Elizabeth his wife to Thomas Holland of Cippenham, co. Bucks., gentleman, of a close of pasture called "highe waye close", a meadow called "little ore", a piece of arable land called "Lady more pece", land in "Parkershore fiddle", a piece of arable land in Burneham field called "Windmill hill piece" and another called "lady acre", all in the parish of Burneham, at an annual rent of 19l. 6s. Covenants concerning cultivation, etc.

English. Unfinished and unexecuted. Sundry pen-trials on both sides of the parchment.

27 July 1589.

MS3/59B Cutting from a Book [? Weever's Funerall Monuments], c. 1650

Cutting from a book in English [? Weever's Funerall Monuments] containing parts of two epitaphs. C. 1650.

Printed. 108 x 70 mm.

MS3/60B Contemporary Certified Copy of Royal Warrant, Forest of Dean [1639]

Contemporary certified copy of royal warrant addressed to the officers within the Forest of Dean, ordering them "to take care that neyther the Farmors of the Ironworks there, nor any other doe make any spoyle or destruction of any timber or woode whatsoever within the said Forrest." Westminster, 17 February [1639].

Parchment. 190 x 362 mm.

MS3/61B French Legal Document, Dispute Concerning Lands, 16th century

Fragment of a French legal document relating to a dispute concerning lands, rents, etc. [? At "Bertaigne"]. French. Begs.: "dun le Roy".

Written in France. xvi cent.

MS3/62B Testament and Last Will of Alexander Goclicher, 1503

Testament and last will of Alexander Goclicher, notarially certified by Michael de Suchcilen (?) of the diocese of Cologne. 14 March 1503.

Low German and Latin.

In the margin is a memorandum dated 20/30 July 1647, at Ober Wesell, in which the name of Peter Nello occurs. German.

At the top and bottom the name Jacob Kraff with the date 1647 is scribbled.

MS3/63-64B Will of James Billinges of Edweston, Rutland, Executed, 1658

Copy of the will of James Billinges of Edweston, Rutland, executed September 11, 1658. With certificate of probate attached, dated 16 March 1658/9.

Parchment. 210 x 372mm. & 141 x 160mm.

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MS3/1C Schedule of Documents in Section C

G.H. Sumner's schedule of documents in section C.

MS3/2C Grant, Sir William De La Pole, Knight, c. 1336

Grant (in the form of a chirograph) by Sir William de la Pole the elder, knight, to Robert son of Sir Robert de Nevill of Horneby, knight, and Margaret his wife, of the manor of farnelay with the services of the free and vilein tenants and the vileins themselves with their offspring, to hold to the grantees in tail at a yearly rent of 20l., with powers of distress and entry in case of non-payment.

Tag for seal with traces of wax.

[This document though apparently sealed is incomplete, the space for the witnesses' names being blank, and the date omitted.

Farnley in Morley Wapentake, Co. York, is the manor mentioned. Hornby is in Lancashire.]

MS3/3C Grant, Robert De Scolley to John Son of Thomas De Propristune (?), c. 1220

Grant by Robert de scolley to John son of Thomas de Propristune (?), for a certain sum of money in hand paid, of one bovate of land with a toft and buildings in the vill of scolley, to wit the bovate which Alan son of Award sometime held of the grantor, to hold of the grantor and his heirs at a yearly rent of 4s. 6d. to be paid at the feasts of St. Oswald and St. Martin in winter by equal portions; The grantee is to grind his corn at the grantor's mill for a payment of 1/20 of the corn, and his malt against the feast of All Saints and Christmas without multure.

Witnesses: - John de Sceppeley, Adam de Heley, William de Thorincteley (?), Robert de Bladon, Adam de Wddehus and Richard de Rodis.

Tag for seal.

[There is a Scholey Hill near Methley, Co. York, which is probably the place to which this deed relates.]

May refer to Shelley near Huddersfield, Yorks (Yorks Archaeol. Soc.)

MS3/4C Grant, William Son of Sabine of Mirfield to Adam Son of Benet, 1317

Grant by William son of Sabine of Mirfield to Adam son of Benet of the same, for a certain sum of money in hand given, of all the grantor's land in Basylhrod as it lies between "le Frerhelm" and the water of Kelder, to hold of the chieflords of the fee, rendering yearly to the buildings (domibus) of Funtaynis 2d. and to the church of Heton 2d. at Whitsuntide and the feast of St. Martin in winter by equal portions.

30 November 1317.

Witnesses:- Thomas de Heton, Jphn de Pontefr' of Mirfeld, Adam de Heley, William by the water, Nicholas the fuller. Mirfeld. St Andrew the Apostle, A.D. 1317.

Fragment of seal covered with linen.

"Heton" is probably Earl Heton, Co. York. The water of Kelder is the river Calder.

MS3/5C Abstract in English of the Preceding Deed (MS3/5C), c. 1600

Abstract in English of the preceding deed (4C):-

“William the sonne of Sabine of Myrfeld graunteth to Adam the sonne of Benedicte of the same all his land in Basyrode with the meadowe and wood thereupon growinge as it lyeth etc. with all liberties commons and easements etc. yeilding yerly to the howses of Funtaynis ijd. And the churche of Heaton ild. At Pentecost and Martinmas.

Witness: Thomas of Heton John of Pontefr' of Mirifeld Adam of Heley William of the water Nicholas Fulloner”.

Paper. English.

MS3/6C Demise by John Flemynges, Knight, 1343

Demise (in the form of a chirograph) by John Flemynges, knight, lord of Clifton next Kirkeleys, to Robert le Croudar of Almanbyre and Thomas his son for life of all the lands etc. Sir John, in the vill and fields of Dalton, rendering therefore yearly 8s. 4d., a moiety payable at Whitsuntide and the other moiety at St. Martin in the winter.

2 December 1343.

Witnesses:- Thomas del Stoches, William de Whitacres, John de Dalton, Robert Beyontefeld, Thomas son of John of Dalton.

Clifton. Tuesday after St. Andrew the Apostle, 17 Edward III.

Seal missing.

[Clifton and Kirklees Hall are near Brighouse, Co. York. It is difficult to decide which of several places called Dalton is the one mentioned in the deed, but see the identification at end of 10C.]

MS3/7C Grant, Adam Swan of Tylne, 1358

Grant by Adam Swan of Tylne to Robert son of Nigel of Souttilne and Isabel his wife of 3r. of meadow in Mylnholme next the meadow of Robert de Manton, lr. Of meadow in Tollholme between the meadow of Robert de Manton on the east and meadow of the heirs of Thomas Prat on the west, 1/2r. meadow in Westhyng between the meadow of Robert de Manton on the north and the water of yddil on the south and 2 swathes in “le layhtons2 between the meadow of Adam de Batikyln (1) on the north and meadow of Robert Barnil on the south and abutting on the water of yddil on the west and towards the east upon the furlong of Westhyng, to hold of the chief lords of that fee.

4 November 1358.

Witnesses:- John Power, Adam de Souttlyne, Adam son of Henry, John ... (2), Roger at ... (2).

Tylne. Sunday after All saints, A.D. 1358.

Tag for seal.

[Tilne is in Hayton parish, Co. Notts. North of East Retford. The river is today called the Idle.]

1. Reading doubtful.
2. MS. illegible.

MS3/8C**Agreement, Henry de Rokkelai and Richard de Rokkelai, 1330**

Agreement (in the form of a chirograph) between Henry de Rokkelai and Richard de Rokkelai, to wit that the said Richard has given to the said Henry a place called "Galianrode" and a place called "Holyns" near Falthwait towards the west and Henry has given to Richard in exchange a toft called "Apleyerdtot" and a toft between "le Neucroft" and "le Helywell gate" and a place called "Whetcroft" and a place of land containing one acre situated near "del Impyerd" towards the north and 4a. of land in Edolfai and 3a. of the lands called Thorkelstubbynges in Pyllay.

Henry grants that if he cannot find record that he recovered by judgment against William de Dronsfield and Olyve his wife the aforesaid 7a. in Edolfai and Thorkelstubbynges which record shall be searched at the expense of Henry and Richard before Whitsuntide next, then Henry shall give to Richard other lands in place of those 7a.

Henry grants that if there be found in his hand any portion of the lands which he had in wardship owing to the minority of the said Richard he ought to redeliver it by view of good men.

Henry grants that he will bind his lands to the said Richard by decision of the men of law to secure the estate of Richard against the claim of Robert son of the said Henry in a place called Pillay Hall with the gardens which belonged to Robert de Pillai, to wit "le Impyerd", "le Apleyerd" and "le Brodeng" and one place called Edolfay and the Milncroft, which is his, in Pillay.

Richard grants that if Henry's right be tried by legal action or in friendly manner within 3 years next to come in the lands of Godardoxkang, then Henry shall enjoy to him and his heirs 4a. of land which belonged to John de Pillay in fee tail without contradiction of Richard and his heirs, and if the right of Henry be not tried within the said time, then Henry shall render the said 4a. to Richard and his heirs. As regards the right of agistment and approvement of waste the parties have put themselves in the ordinance of the men of the law.

10 September 1330.

Pillay, Monday after the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 4 Edward III.

Seal missing.

[Pillay is Pilley in Tankersley, Yorks (W. R.).

The family of Rokkelai are of Rockley in Worsborough, Yorks (W. R.). See Joseph Hunter's south Yorkshire, Vol. II, p.282 et seq.]

MS3/9C**Grant, Peter de Thorpe to Robert Parkyn of Almanber, 1401[-2]**

Grant by Peter de Thorpe to Robert Parkyn of Almanber' of 1A. of land in the upper field of Almanber' on the south side of the King's highway and abutting on the barn of John de Aldelay, rendering yearly 4d. to the chief lord at the feast of St. Andrew in the winter. 26 February 1401[-2].

Witnesses:- William Wode, John Fenay, John Aldelay, Adam Barker and John Parkyn.

Almanber', the 3rd Sunday in Lent, 1401.

Tag for seal.

[Almondbury, near Huddersfield, Co. York.

MS3/10C Grant, Thomas Flemmyng knight (chivaler) to John de Pylkynton, 1403-4

Grant by Thomas Flemmyng knight (chivaler) to John de Pylkynton, parson of the church of Bery, and William de Crofton of his manors of Rawthmell in Cravyn, Clyfton upon Caldyr and Dalton and of the fourth part of Deusbiry and Wollwroo. 19 March 1403-4.

Witnesses:- John Pudsay, knight, Henry Preston, Adam de Myrffeld, Thomas de Lawkland, Robert de Hopton, William de Hopton.

Clyfton upon Caldyr. 19 March, 5 Henry IV.

Tag for seal.

[Rawthmell is Rathmell in Giggleswick, Clyfton upon Caldyr (i.e. the river Calder) is Clifton near Brighouse, Dalton is in Kirkheaton, Deusbiry is Dewsbury, and Wollwroo is Woolrow in Brighouse, all in Yorks.]

MS3/11C Grant, William Parkyn to Peter Kay of Thorp, 1433

Grant by William Parkyn to Peter Kay of Thorp of an annual rent of 6d. to be received from 1A. of land in the east field of Almanber' abutting upon "Baracregrefes".

Witnesses: - Laurence Kay, John Fenay, John Wode, adam Banere "del Okys2 and William Aldelay.

Almanber', 10 April, 1433, 11 Henry VI.

Fragment of seal.

[Almondbury is near Huddersfield, Yorks.]

MS3/12C Quitclaim, John Viscount Beaumont and John Talbot, 1452-3

Quitclaim by John viscount Beaumont, knight, and John Talbot, knight, to John Melton the elder, knight, of their right in the manors of Clyfton next Kirkeles and Dalton, co. York, and lands and tenements in Clyfton and Dalton.

20 January 1452-3, 31 Henry VI.

Two tags for seals. One seal.

[Clyfton next Kirklees is Clifton near Brighouse, Yorks. Dalton is near Huddersfield, Yorks.]

MS3/13C Inquisition taken before John Payler at Leeds, Co. York, 1599

Copy, certified by John Payler, esquire, escheator in Co. York, of an inquisition taken before him at Leeds, Co. York, 19 June, 41 Elizabeth, by virtue of a writ of diem clausit extremum to enquire after the death of John Kendall the elder late of Little Woodhowse in the said county, yeoman, deceased. The jurors find that he died possessed of the moiety of a messuage and certain closes of land in the several fields of Leides Woodhowse. Portion of his will (in English) is quoted. He died 6 Feb. last past and Grace Kendall daughter of John Kendall the younger is his next heir, aged 5 years at the death of John Kendall the elder, her grandfather. Dated at the place and on the day and year as above.

19 June 1599.

Signature of the Escheator.

Tag for seal.

MS3/14-15C Fountains Abbey. “Cartularium abbatiae de Fontanis”, 1841

Fountains Abbey. Cartularium abbatiae de Fontanis. Ex rotulo orig. ... 1841. [Middlehill, privately printed by sir Thomas Phillipps.]
Printed. 4p. 34cm.

MS3/16-17C “The Case of Colonel Barwick’s Will, and Codicil”, Samuel Barwick, 1841

Barwick (Samuel) The case of Colonel Barwick’s will, and codicil. [Middlehill, privately printed by Sir Thomas Phillipps, 1841.]
Printed. 3p. 34cm.

MS3/18-34C Specimens of Ancient Church Plate; Sepulchral Crosses, 1843

Specimens of ancient church plate; sepulchral crosses; &c. Nos. 1 & 2. Oxford, Parker, 1843.
Printed. 2 parts. 32cm.



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MS3/1D Schedule of Documents in Section D

G.H. Sumner's schedule of documents in section D.

MS3/2-13D Correspondence, Representatives of Sowerby Chapelry and the Archbishop of York, 1763-4

Sowerby. [Correspondence between representatives of Sowerby chapelry and the Archbishop of York, on making their township a parish distinct from that of Halifax. 1763-4.]

Printed. 23p. 17cm.

MS3/14D Lease, Sir George Armytage, Bert., to Hanby Dyson

Lease from Sir George Armytage, Bert., to Hanby Dyson for premises &c. at Brierwistle. 1787.

Paper. 480 x 607mm. Imperfect.

MS3/15-16D Account of Charles Wroe, Tailor, 1787

Account of Charles Wroe, tailor, for work done for Harrison Pilkington, Esq. [? of Chevet Hall, Wakefield], October to December 1786. With receipt attached dated 31 October 1787.

Paper. 330 x 203 mm. & 81 x 209mm.

MS3/17D "The Annual Report of the Benevolent, or, Poor and Strangers' Friend Society", 1791

"The annual report of the Benevolent, or, Poor and Strangers' Friend Society, instituted in Wakefield, September 24th, 1791."

Printed. Single leaf, 260 x 208mm.

MS3/18D Autograph Letter Signed from John Robson to John Lee, 1815

Autograph letter signed from John Robson to John Lee, relating to "the road at bottom of Kirkgate". [Wakefield], May 24th, 1815. 4pp. quarto.

MS3/19D Memorandum, "Lee Rishworth & Wood", 1816

Memorandum, headed "Lee Rishworth & Wood", relating to a financial transaction. 1816.

Paper. 162 x 202mm.

MS3/20D Sir Thomas Turton's Claim

MS3/21-24D **Four Demand for Rates, Mrs Burrell, 1822-24**

Four demands for rates, addressed to Mrs Burrell, viz.

MS3/21D

1/7/1822 Wakefield Streets' Assessments

MS3/22D

16/7/1824 Westgate Highways

MS3/23D

1/7/1824 Wakefield Streets' Assessments

MS3/24D

3/9/1824 Township of Wakefield. Poor rate.

Printed, and completed in MS.

MS3/25D **Account of Various Purchases and Sales, Endorsed 'Wakefield', 1824**

A piece of paper containing accounts of various purchases and sales, 1824. Endorsed 'Wakefield' in the hand of G. H. Sumner. 185 x 228mm.

MS3/26-46D **Rate-book for the Parish of Wakefield, 1796**

Rate-book for the parish of Wakefield, 1796. 22 leaves, numbered 6-31 (18, 19, 21, 22 missing).

Paper. 202 x 163mm.

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