
Kempsford

1 June 1686

Counterpart lease. Adams's tenement.

1st Viscount Weymouth to Katharine Goddard for lives; rent 20s.

Kempsford

10 December 1687

Letter

Letter from Denys Huntington [?vicar] at Kempsford to 1st Viscount relating affairs of the parish. The widow of Mr John Scott (14 years vicar of Kempsford, died 18 July 1686) has erected a two foot long white marble stone on the wall on the north side of the chancel, on which is painted the text of Deut.22.29 to which a few people have complained (full text attached to letter). He also asks Lord Weymouth to intervene in a dispute concerning Old Kibble the mole-catcher who has been arrested with two writs by Mr Goddard, Thomas Jacob and James Denley who refuse to pay him, and now Kibble is likely to be undone and the parish to suffer for their injustice and contention. Huntington also asks Lord Weymouth's permission to use the £5 he gave when at Chedworth for the poor, to clothe the three children of _ Dubber, poor old Simmonds and others that most need garments as there are no poor children old enough for a trade.

n.d [c.1700]

Survey book of leases [granted between 1558-1588] in the manor of Buckland and Laverton.

Lists leasehold and copyholds, with information on patronage, customs, and woods in the manor.

Arranged as follows:

Buckland copyholds:

William Richman - 23 August 1586 copyhold to John Bowry and William Richman, of two messuages, orchard, barn, 'Gorgon's Close', 'the Leyes', land in Buckland's fields, common of pasture for thirty sheep, two rother beasts in Burhill, and one horse.

Richard Tysoe - 10 March 1570, land in the fields of Buckland.

Thomas Grove - 23 April 1586, messuage, barn, stable, cow house, sheep house, garden, orchard, bakehouse, mead in Buckland Mead, land in the fields of Buckland, common of pasture for thirty sheep, two rother beasts, one horse.

Symon Careles - 7 October 1588, Martine's messuage, garden, orchard, land in Buckland, common of pasture for rother beast.

Richard Walker - 11 March 1566 copyhold to Wilton Walker and Richard Walker his son, of a messuage, kitchen, barn, garden, orchard, backside, mead in Buckland Mead, land in Buckland Field, common of pasture for thirty sheep, two rother beast, one horse.

John Grey - 9 October 1564, messuage, kitchen, wheat barn, stable, pulse barn, garden, backside, 'Hill Close' adjoining to the Park, messuage called the 'Sheep House', 'Sheep House Close', mead in Buckland Mead, lands in Buckland Field, common of pasture for 120 sheep, six rother beast, six horses.

John Willson - 30 March 1571, cottage, garden, backside.

Henry Hancks - 23 April 1588, cottage, garden, orchard, seven penny lands of arable, common of pasture for two rother beasts in Burhill.

John Shapster (now Halloy) - 9 October 1564, messuage, garden, orchard, backside, mead at Wickwarne Bushes, pasture at Badsborow Bushes, demesne lands in Buckland Field, common of pasture for thirty sheep, two kine, one horse.

Margaret Tysoe, widow - 6 October 1568 copyhold to Margaret during her widowhood, and Richard Tysoe her son, of a messuage, barn, stable, tiled cow house, cottage called the 'Sheep House', garden, backside, mead in Buckland Mead, mead under Burhill, common of pasture for 120 sheep, six rother beast, six horses.

Agnes Stevens, widow, and William Stevens her son - 23 August 1576, messuage, barns, stable, garden, orchard, backside, mead in Buckland Mead, mead under Burhill Hedge, mead in Muddocks Hitch, cottage called the 'Sheep House', land in Buckland Fields, common of pasture for 120 sheep, six rother beast, six horses.

Thomas Hues and Alice his mother - 7 October 1574, cottage, pasture adjoining, common of pasture for two kine.

John Reve and William his son - 23 August 1576, cottage, barn, garden, orchard, backside, land in Buckland fields, common of pasture for two kine.

Richard Clement - 19 September 1575, cottage, garden, backside, pasture adjoining, common of pasture for two kine.

William Taylor - 23 August 1576 copyhold to Thomas Taylor, dec., and William his son, of a cottage, backside, and pasture adjoining.

Buckland leaseholders:

John Blissard the older and John Blissard the younger his brother [sic] - 12 September 1573, messuage, barn, stable, pasture lying under Park side, mead in Buckland Mead, land in Buckland Fields, common of pasture for 120 sheep, six rother beast, six horses.

Richard Fisher (eldest son of Thomas Fisher, dec.) - 10 October 1567, demesne lands in Buckland.

Thomas Mawnsell alias Alexander - holds by indenture to Thomas and Augustine his son and to Alice wife of Thomas, a messuage, barn, stable, cow house, sheep house, bakehouse, garden, orchard, backside, pasture in the Park, mead in Buckland Mead, mead on the west side of the Parsonage, the fourth part of Synderham Mead, three penny lands arable in Buckland Field, common of pasture for 150 sheep, nine rother beast, nine horses.

Thomas Netherton and Elizabeth his wife - 14 June 1564, two grist mills, kitchen, barn, garden, pasture, land in Buckland Field, common of pasture for sheep in Upfield, pasture in Burhill, common of pasture for thirty sheep, two rother beast, one horse.

Elizabeth Benbow - 20 November 1575 lease for 21 years to Edmund Benbow (her late husband) and Elizabeth Benbow of the site of the manor of Buckland, garden, orchard, backside, pasture and wood called 'Nockholes', 'the Over Parke', 'the Nether Parke', 'Barne Mead', 'Wood Mead', 'Bumhole', 'Buckland Mead', 'Pig Close', 'The Leyes', arable in the fields of Buckland, at Wycorne Bushes, arable shooting on the nether end of Broadway, arable above Thisselmore, and in Penny Lease, common of pasture for 400

sheep.

Burhill - list of the number of kine kept on Burhill, who by, and for what payment.

Laverton copyholds:

William Izodd junior - 4 October 1572, two messuages in Laverton, two barns, stable, cow house, garden, orchard, backside, mead in Doll Mead, Rushbrook, near Shordall, in Little More, under Stanton hedge, in Bow Mead, and land in the fields of Laverton, with nine penny lands lying beneath Smallway, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two rother beasts, six horses.

William Goddard son of Richard Goddard, dec., (Stephen) - 23 August 1576 copyhold to Richard Goddard, dec., and William Goddard, of two messuages in Laverton, barn, stable, cow house, garden, backside, orchard, mead in Doll Mead, in Synderham, in Little More, under Stanton's hedge, in Bow Mead, land in the fields of Laverton, under Weston Hill, arable under Badsborrow, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two rother beast, six horses.

John Nason - 7 March 1573 copyhold to John Kite, dec., and John Nason, of land called Hales, a messuage, barn, stable, sheep house, garden, orchard, backside, and lands, common of pasture for twenty-five sheep, one cow, one mare and colt.

Thomas Foulke alias Wheler - 8 April 1558, messuage, two barn, stable, cow house, garden, orchard, backside, and lands, common of pasture for 125 sheep, three kine, seven horses.

Robert Moor (now John White's) - 20 April 1588, messuage called Hopkin's, two barns, stable, cow house, garden, orchard, backside, and one cottage against the tenement, and lands, common of pasture for 120 sheep, three kine, six horses.

James Southwood (now Southerny one of Mrs Wheeler's tenements) - 20 April ?Eliz I to William Southwood, dec., and James his son, of a messuage called Wygotts Place, kitchen, two barns, stable cow house, sheep house, garden, orchard, backside, and one other messuage with a little close of pasture adjoining on the south side where a house divided it and called Knights, and lands, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two kine, six horses.

John Blissard the elder - 30 September 1559 copyhold to Catherine Izod, dec., and John Blissard, of one messuage and close adjoining, late Stiler's, a sheep house of five bays, and a close of pasture late Bushop's, common of pasture for 200 sheep on Laverton's hills.

John Blissard the elder (Gardner) - 20 September 1559 copyhold to Katherine Izod, dec., and John Blissard, of a messuage, barn, stable, cow house, garden, orchard, backside and lands, common of pasture for 125 sheep, ten rother beast and horses.

William Wynstone (Richmond now Wyinate) - 10 March 1570, messuage, kitchen, two barns, stable, sheep house, garden, orchard, backside and lands, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two rother beast, six horses.

John Godfrey - 13 April 1559, messuage, two barns, stable, cow house, sheep house, garden, orchard, backside, lands, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two rother beast, six horses.

William Ray (Powell's) - 13 April 1563, messuage, two barns, stable, sheep house, garden, orchard, backside, lands, common of pasture for 125 sheep, three rother beast, seven horses.

Thomas Izod (Price's) - 8 October 1579, messuage called Collens, two barns, stable, garden, orchard, backside, lands, common of pasture for 125 sheep, ten rother beast and horses.

William White and Richard his son (Mrs Freeman) - 5 October 1582, Richard's tenement and Jones' tenement, with two barns, stable, cow house, sheep house, garden, orchard, backside, lands, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two kine, six horses.

Isabell Honyborne, widow, and Richard Honyborne her son (R. Hayes) - 5 March 1584, one messuage and lands called Phillip's, two barns, stable, ox house, garden, orchard, backside, land, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two kine, six horses.

John Hale (Horniblow) - 14 October 1560, Jacob's messuage, two barns, cow house, stable, garden, orchard and backside, lands, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two kine, six horses.

Thomas Gloucester (Ed. Warkman) - 19 June 1560, William's land and cottage, two barns, stable, cow house, garden, two orchards, backside, a cottage and pasture adjoining called 'Bundy's', with lands, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two kine, six horses.

Richard Foulke (Jonathan's) - 20 April 1558, messuage, two barns, stable, cow house, garden, orchard, backside, lands, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two kine, six horses.

Thomas Blissard - 11 March 1566 copyhold to Thomas Blissard, dec., father of Thomas Blissard, and Thomas Blissard, of Fynches messuage, kitchen, sheep house, garden, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two kine, six horses.

Thomas Goddard and Peter Read - 19 September 1575, messuage, barn, stable, garden, orchard and lands, common of pasture for fifty sheep, two kine, two horses.

Thomas Bowry son of William Bowry, dec., (J. Clark) - 11 March 1566 copyhold to William and Thomas Bowry, of Hampton's messuage, two barns, stable, sheep house, garden, orchard and lands, with common of pasture for 100 sheep, two kine, six horses.

John Burge - 8 October 1571, a cottage.

Laverton leaseholds:

John Blissard the younger (Bayzand) - 12 September 1573 lease to Maude Blissard, dec., and John Blissard, of a messuage, garden, orchard, backside and lands, common of pasture for 120 sheep, nine rother beast and horses.

William Freeman, Alice his wife, and John Freeman son of William Freeman, [date not given of lease], messuage, two barns, stable, cow house, garden, orchard, backside, and lands, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two kine, six horses.

Richard Fisher the eldest son of Thomas Fisher, dec., (Lane Fisher's) - 10 October 1577 leased to Richard Martes, a messuage, two barns, stable, cow house, garden, orchard, backside, lands, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two kine, six horses.

William Fisher son of Thomas Fisher, dec, and Thomas Fisher and Richard Fisher sons of Richard Fisher of Laverton, brother to William (Fisher's of the Cross) - [date of lease not given] Sares alias Alexander's tenement, barn, backside, orchard, land, common of pasture for 100 sheep, two kine, six horses.

Thomas Foulke alias Wheler - 14 June 1563, 1/22th part of Wormington leasows and Moor Mead.

'Patronage' - Lord of the Manor is patron of the Parsonage House, barns covered with tile, and pigeon house, with the moiety of tithe corn and hay of the tenants of Buckland and Laverton.

'Customs' - the customs of the manor.

'Woods' - Buckland Wood (40a.) well replenished with oaks, ash and standells, and the underwood of hazels, sallowes and ashes.

Kempsford

16 February 1704

Lease and counterpart lease. Alice Jennour's [Jenner] tenement in Kempsford.

1st Viscount to Robert Goddard of Kempsford, gent; rent £4. [For counterpart see NMR 2563]

Stanton

1709-1710

Chipping Campden and Buckland and Laverton Schools. Accounts and vouchers of Caleb Cooper for the charity estate of Stanton for the year Lady day 1709 to Lady day 1710. (9 docs)

Accounts:

(i) A general abstract of the account of Caleb Cooper for the estate of the Hon. James Thynne esq., deceased, lying in the parish of Stanton from Lady day 1709 to 5 August 1710, being the first year's rent that came due to the 1st Viscount after his death. Included in the disbursements are payments for four tonnes of coal and clothing the children at Campden, putting up a new pump at Campden school and mending the 'terratt', to Mr Chesshire, Buckland schoolmaster, to Mr Withington for drawing a lease and release for the Corporation of Campden of part of the town house for a school. Signed 16 August 1710 at Longleat by Caleb Cooper.

(ii) Lady day 1709-Lady day 1710, Caleb Cooper's account of his disbursements including money paid in taxes and money paid to Mr Allen for engrossing the deed of settlement and a lease for one year, for copying the ancient feoffment of the free school.

(iii) Lady day 1709-Lady day 1710, Stanton estate roll. Tenants listed are William Clarke, Caleb Cooper, Francis Price, John Tanny, William Townsend and George Wood.

Vouchers:

(iv) 8 February 1709/10, Richard Chesher's [Buckland schoolmaster] receipt for £15 received of Caleb Cooper for the Charity boys at Laverton.

(v) 2 April 1710, bill of William Scott, mercer, for blue surge, coloured linen, Dutch thread, blue 'fillitin', flaxen, blue linen, blue 'inde', Coventry blue thread and Holland, with a receipt dated 9 June 1710 for £26.1.10 received of Caleb Cooper.

(vi) 27 May 1710, bill of Thomas Minors, tailor, for making thirty blue gowns and petticoats for the children at the free school in Campden, with receipt for £2 of Caleb Cooper.

(vii) 29 May 1710, bill of Thomas Taylor, shoemaker, for making shoes for Ann Baker, Hano Bailis, Eliz Ball, Marie Blakman, Marie Bradas, _ Broune, Eiz Chapman, Marie Clarke, Jane Dugetton, Anne Godard, Anne Haris, Eliz Hiron, Eliz James, Marie Johns, Marie Lidse, ?Caloon Munmouth, Eiz Padick, Anne Pen, Em Prichit, Marie Prichit, Marie Rogers, Alce Shekel, Ann Smith, Usle Tasker, Suse Trace, Anne Walton, Marie Watfield, Marie Weyot, Marie White and Clem Young. With receipt for £3.3.6 received 7 June 1710.

(viii) 6 June 1710, Mark Ramell's receipt for £2.8s received of Caleb Cooper for four tonnes of coal.

(ix) 14 June 1710, Richard Chesher's receipt for £7.10s received of Caleb Cooper for teaching the charity boys at Laverton.

CHIPPING
CAMPDEN

Buckland and Laverton

25 March 1732

Accounts.

Accounts of Nathan Griffiths for Goddard's tenement, Mrs Esther Freeman, and Robert Procter. (3 docs)

Kempsford

24 April 1732-2 May 1733

Bundle of contracts for leases agreed by Edward Marton, gent, auditor and steward, on behalf of the 2nd Viscount, between 24 April 1732-2 May 1733.

Comprising contracts made by Edward Marton with the following:

- 24 April 1732, John Edmonds of Whelford, miller, a lease of Whelford Mill house, mills, malt house, stables, cuthouses and grounds now held by lease granted 22 March 1714 to Thomas Pope.
- 24 April 1732, Jeremiah Rodborne alias Hewer of Kempsford, yeoman, a lease of 'Pope's Nilakes' (11a.) now held by lease granted 4 February 1706 to Jeremiah Rodborne alias Hewer father of the said Jeremiah.
- 25 April 1732, Jeremiah Rodborn alias Hewer on behalf of his mother Alice Rodborn alias Hewer of Kempsford, widow, a lease of Stanley's tenement in Whelford formerly granted by lease the 18 July 1699 to Jeremiah Rodborn alias Hewer, father of the said Jeremiah Rodborn alias Hewer.
- 17 July 1732, John Browne of Kempsford, yeoman, a lease of two tenements in Kempsford called Costard's and Godwyn's now united into one and held by lease granted 27 October 1697 to George Browne.
- 18 July 1732, Edward Francis of Church Lamborne (Berks.), yeoman, a lease of a tenement formerly granted the 25 June 1688 to Arthur Merrifield.
- 18 July 1732, Robert King of Dunfield, yeoman, a lease of Watkins's tenement formerly leased the 25 March 1711 to Francis King.
- 18 July 1732, Henry Packer of Kempsford, yeoman, a lease of Edwards's tenement formerly leased 17 January 1699 to Henry Packer father of the said Henry Packer.
- 28 November 1732, John Packer of Dunfield, yeoman, a lease of Adams's tenement in Dunfield now held by lease granted 1 June 1686 to Katherine Goddard, widow. *UNDER WALTER W/O HENRY 01305*
- 30 April 1733, Ann Browne (formerly Betterton) of Kempsford, widow, surrendering a lease granted 8 August 1704 to Robert Browne.
- 30 April 1733, Thomas Pope of Kempsford, yeoman, a lease of a tenement formerly part of Webb's tenement, and formerly granted by lease 10 July 1699 to Sarah Wilkes, and now in hand.
- 2 May 1733, Richard Eldridge of Kempsford, yeoman, a lease of a little tenement called the schoolhouse in Kempsford with a close of two acres called 'Pope's Home Close' and now held by lease granted 4 February 1706 to Thomas Cowling.
- 2 May 1733, Edith Pope of Whelford, widow, a lease of half yard of 'Lott Mead' and 'Kirles' in Whelford Mead called 'Mawkins', 'Pope's Moore' and 'Monks Close' in Whelford, held by lease granted 20 September 1710 to Thomas Pope, late husband of Edith.
- 2 May 1733, Thomas Pope of Kempsford, yeoman, on behalf of his mother Edith Pope, widow, a lease of Jordan's tenement formerly granted 9 May 1685 to Thomas Pope father of the said Thomas Pope.
- 2 May 1733, Thomas Pope of Whelford, yeoman, a lease of Robbins's tenement in Whelford now held by lease granted 16 February 1703.
- 2 May 1733, Alexander Ready of Fairford, gent, a lease of late Robert Goddard's tenement, surrendering a lease granted 16 February 1703 to Robert Goddard, gent.

Kempsford

24 April 1732-7 June 1733

Bundle of duplicate contracts for leases agreed by Edward Marton, gent, auditor and steward, on behalf of the 2nd Viscount, between 24 April 1732-7 June 1733.

Comprising contracts made by Edward Marton with the following:

- 24 April 1732, John Edmonds of Whelford, miller, a lease of Whelford Mill house, mills, malt house, stables, cuthouses and grounds now held by lease granted 22 March 1714 to Thomas Pope.
- 24 April 1732, Jeremiah Rodborne alias Hewer of Kempsford, yeoman, a lease of 'Pope's Nilakes' (11a.) now held by lease granted 4 February 1706 to Jeremiah Rodborne alias Hewer father of the said Jeremiah.
- 25 April 1732, Jeremiah Rodborn alias Hewer on behalf of his mother Alice Rodborn alias Hewer of Kempsford, widow, a lease of Stanley's tenement in Whelford formerly granted by lease the 18 July 1699 to Jeremiah Rodborn alias Hewer, father of the said Jeremiah Rodborn alias Hewer.
- 18 July 1732, Edward Francis of Church Lamborne (Berks.), yeoman, a lease of a tenement formerly granted the 25 June 1688 to Arthur [sic] Merrifield widow of Arthur, and Susannah Merrifield their daughter.
- 28 November 1732, John Packer of Dunfield, yeoman, a lease of Adams's tenement now held by lease granted 1 June 1686 to Katherine Goddard, widow.
- 30 April 1733, Ann Browne (formerly Betterton) of Kempsford, widow, surrendering a lease granted 8 August 1704 to Robert Browne.
- 30 April 1733, John Hayward of Whelford, millwright, surrendering lease of a tenement granted 8 February 1711 to Robert Jenner of Whelford, yeoman.
- 30 April 1733, Thomas Pope of Kempsford, yeoman, a lease of a tenement formerly part of Webb's tenement, and formerly granted by lease 10 July 1699 to Sarah Wilkes, and now in hand.
- 2 May 1733, Edith Pope of Whelford, widow, a lease of half yard of 'Lott Mead' and 'Kirles' in Whelford Mead called 'Mawkins', 'Pope's Moore' and 'Monks Close' in Whelford, held by lease granted 20 September 1710 to Thomas Pope, late husband of Edith.
- 2 May 1733, Thomas Pope of Kempsford, yeoman, on behalf of his mother Edith Pope, widow, a lease of Jordan's tenement formerly granted 9 May 1685 to Thomas Pope father of the said Thomas Pope.
- 2 May 1733, Alexander Ready of Fairford, gent, surrendering a lease granted 16 February 1703 to Robert Goddard, gent, a lease of a tenement and lands and granting Ready a new lease.
- 4 May 1733, Leonard Cowling of Kempsford, carpenter, a lease of a piece of ground which was assigned to him on 5 June 1727 by Vincent Davis of Kempsford, yeoman, out of a lease granted 25 March 1712 to Vincent Davis. Cowling agrees at his own cost to erect and build in good and workmanlike manner a messuage or dwelling house on the piece of ground and to lay out at least £50.
- 7 June 1733, John Bedwell of Meysey Hampton, gent, a lease of 'Furzey Hill Grounds' and surrendering a lease granted 10 May 1708 to Edward Humphries.
- 7 June 1733, Charles Cowley of Kempsford, schoolmaster, a lease of Pope's tenement now held by him by lease granted 4 February 1706.
- 7 June 1733, Richard Packer of Dunfield, yeoman, a lease of Archer's tenement formerly granted 2 December 1713 to Richard Humphreys and Francis Packer.

Kempsford

20 June 1732-26 May 1733

Letters written to Edward Marton at Longleat, steward to the 2nd Viscount, from his bailiff and tenants at Kempsford. (8 docs)

(i) 20 June 1732, Thomas Cowling (bailiff) to Edward Marton thanking Marton, Mr Tucker and Lord Weymouth for restoring him to his former place, and informing him that Wilkins has cut down the best tree in Dudgrove to repair the flood gates at Whelford Mill.

(ii) 29 August 1732, Thomas Cowling (bailiff) to Edward Marton informing him that farmer Nap of Dudgrove has died and that his son in law and daughter have carried out most of the business since they have been living with him at Dudgrove; the flood gates at Whelford Mill must be repaired soon while the springs are low; farmer Iles and Cowling went to see Wilkins but he refused to let them see his timber or let them have a plank to make a bridge.

(iii) 23 September 1732, Alexander Ready at Fairford to Edward Marton requesting to add the life of his son to his lease of his uncle's, Mr Goddard, tenement in Kempsford.

(iv) 16 December 1732, Alexander Ready at Fairford to Edward Marton in which he states that in 1706 Captain Parker [or Packer?] rented his estate at Kempsford with all his furniture and Ready built a dairy house, two rooms for a kitchen, and a dog kennel there for him costing £50, the same estate was let to Thomas Curtis for six years and then to Walter Edwards for the last 14 years who has included in it a little purchase made of Thomas Constable. Ready would now like to add a life to the estate and also requests a lease of Whelford water for Mr Lambe to preserve the fishery.

(v) 14 February 1732/3, Daniel Iles to Edward Marton wanting to know if the rumours are true that he is to be turned out of the farm in favour of his brother Jenner and stating that Wilkins keeps close possession of the farm house and other houses which would be of great use to him.

(vi) 18 February 1732/3, John Bedwell of Meysey Hampton to Edward Marton informing him that he has sent his lease of 'Furzenhill' to his brother in London who gave it to Marton's brother who both agree that Bedwell should have roof timber sufficient to carry on the building.

(vii) 10 March 1732/3, Thomas Cowling (bailiff) to Edward Marton concerning the estate of the late John Packer of Whelford (brother of Henry Packer) whose widow wants to add the lives of two of her relations to the lease which Cowling does not think is proper.

(viii) 26 May 1733, Thomas Cowling (bailiff) to Edward Marton informing him that it will cost £40 to build a dairy house at Dudgrove; Mr Morgan of Stert would like his [?out] house rebuilt. Mr Colman and Mr Wilkins let so many things run to ruin about the parish that it must now be repaired. Mr 'Garsord' continues 'indifferent well'.

READY + PACKER MARRIED CONSTANCE + KATHELINE BUT DON'T KNOW WHO MARRIED WHO

9/11/01

Dear Julie

Thanks for your letter of 12 Oct and I must apologize for being so long in answering it. Fact is I have my right arm in plaster and I can't write properly and I also have trouble with the mouse on the computer, but as I now have the plaster for another month I shall try it left handed. Any errors, of typing, fact, spelling, grammar or taste can be ascribed to this.

Now the Goddards in your list. Of the two marriages at Aston Somerville the Mary who married John Green is the oldest known child of John Goddard and Elizabeth b circa 1766. There were nine other children bapt by them in Aston Somerville between 1768 and 1785, the last being named 'Betty', who might be the Elizabeth who married John Dallaway in 1808. They are descended from the Childswickham Goddards and I believe that I have sent you family trees for them; if not let me know. Both of these parishes were in Gloucestershire and are now in Worcestershire.

The Buckland marriages. I have been interested for some years in the Buckland Goddards as it seems likely that all of the north Glos. Goddards of whom I have written are descended from them; the family of Jean Crabtree of Mirfield, Yorks. (via the Goddards of Eckington and Snowhill) certainly are. All the Buckland family appear to descend from William Goddard whose burial in April 1539 is the first entry in the parish register. The first baptism and the first marriage are also of Goddards and the register is beautifully written and legible. Unfortunately it is a copy made in 1600 and was probably taken from sheets of paper, some of which seem to have been lost, though it seems churlish to complain, as there aren't many parishes so well served for the 16c

The Joan who married Richard Gloucester in July 1539 was either the widow or the daughter of the above mentioned William, probably the former.

Thomas who married Margaret Raie in nov 1541 would be the right age to be William's son, though he just could have been his younger brother

Katherine who married Wm White in Oct 1562 may have been his granddaughter and would most likely have been born before the start of the parish register.

Richard who married Elizabeth Bowlton in Feb 1580 was probably his Grandson, bapt in 1541, son of another Richard.

John who married Anne Chapleyne in Jan 1604 makes no other appearance in the register, though as there were no Chapleyne's in Buckland it was presumably his parish. They are pretty certainly the couple who had several children in Broadway from 1608 on.

Henry Goddard, gent does not seem to have been connected directly with the others in the parish and in his marriage allegation he is said to be of Castle Eaton in Wilts and so is one of Brian's subjects, probably 05 344 in chapter three of *The Goddards of North Wiltshire*. He had a daughter, Mary, who was buried on 4 April 1686 and this is the last Goddard event in the Buckland parish register.

The Edward Goddard esq of East Woodhay seems to be another one of Brian's and I don't think I have come across him or his daughter. The same might be said of Edmund, he being of Swindon, though there are some Goddards at Guiting who might be looked at.

I will have to do some work on Buckland as the family there are probably of some significance in the early years of the Goddards of Gloucestershire. There are supposed to be some Manorial Court books at Longleat for the 16c and they could perhaps fill in some of the gaps in the record. I have included some data from the Glos. military surveys of 1606 and 1522 which contain some references to the Buckland family, a family tree and a resume of what I know of them.

Best Wishes



Leslie of Brum

The John of the 1604 marriage to Anne Chapleyne would be of the same generation as the children of William(4) but William's will makes it clear that he is not of that family. The John who was father of William baptised and buried in 1645, likewise would be of the same generation as the children of William(5), but there is no evidence for or against him being of that family. The dates and identification are firm enough for the last three Williams, though we do not know anything further of the three children of William(6). The first three generations inevitably contain some speculation as the actual ages of the first two are not known, there being no baptismal dates for them. The assumptions and indirect evidence used in making the family tree are detailed above.

The parish register is not as complete as might appear at first sight; the 1600 copy states that the baptisms for 1553 were 'not to be founde' and there are baptisms and burials not recorded, e.g. Barbara daughter of William (4) and William(4)'s burial, which his will implies was in 1623, is also not to be founde. The average number of burials per annum between 1539 and 1610 was around five, but there were some big years, such as 1545 when there were twenty two burials recorded including the parson, after which there was something of a gap in the record. These look like plague years and some burials may have been missed in such circumstances.

THE MILITARY SURVEY OF GLOUCESTERSHIRE, 1522.

Book edited by R.W. Hoyle in the Glos. Record Series, VI 1993. The City of Gloucester and its liberties not included. On open shelves at Gloucester Record Office.

In spite of its name this is really a taxation survey and the value of the person's property is recorded but not his military capability. It purports to be complete for the county, with the exception noted above and the comparison with the 1608 military survey, which covers the same ground, is quite interesting. There are far fewer names, c 5,000 (I failed to note the exact number), but this is to be expected as the population of the country may well have doubled in the intervening years. However, compared the 19,000 or so of 1608 it still looks too few, though this may be due to there being less interest in those below the tax threshold. Another contrast is the ownership of the land. The three places noted were all in monastic lordship, Buckland to the Abbot of St Peters in Gloucester, Snowhill the Abbot of Winchcombe and Stanway the Abbot of Tewkesbury.

There is only one Goddard recorded in the county and he is in Buckland, where there are forty names on the list. He is William Goddard and his property is assessed at Fifteen pounds. He must be the William who died in 1539 and left a will leaving his property to his wife Jone¹. One of the witnesses is his brother named Richard (what else?) and another is his father-in-law Ralph Stevens who also appears on the list, rated at Thirteen pounds Six shillings and Eight pence. They are clearly of the Yeoman class.

Also available at Gloucester are copies of the 1539 survey. This is not complete but covers that part of the county which is of interest. This is a genuine military survey and it contains only a few names per parish, suggesting that they are the men chosen to serve if required. Again there is only one Goddard listed, Richard Goddard of Buckland where there are nine names given. What we are told about him is that he is able bodied and an archer. He is almost certainly the son of the William of 1522 and one wonders if either of them were engaged in any of Henry VIII's many wars.

¹ He also left a few shillings to each of his children but frustratingly did not name them. He did however say that there were three of them. I suspect that Jone may have been his second wife.

THE 1608 MUSTER ROLLS
FOR GLOUCESTERSHIRE

Compiled by John Smyth of North Nibley who appears on the roll for that parish. Preserved at Berkeley Castle and Published in 1902 as "Men and Armour in Gloucestershire 1608". Reprinted with index in 1980 by Alan Sutton, Gloucester, in a limited edition of 400. Copy on open shelves at Glos. CRO.

Smyth's subtitle reads:-

"The names of all the Able and Sufficient men in Body fit for His Majesty's Service in the Wars within the County of Gloucester" then "Viewed by the Right Hon. Henry Lord Berkeley Lord Lieutenant of the said County by direction of His Majesty in the month of August 1608 in the sixth year of the reign of James the First". There are 19,402 names listed including four Goddards on the rolls and one other alluded to*.

There is a key as follows:-

The figure (1) Sheweth that the age of the man bee about Twenty

The figure (2) Sheweth that the age of the man bee about Forty

The figure (3) Sheweth that the age of the man bee between Fifty and Threescore

The L'r (P) Sheweth the man bee of the tallest stature fit to make a Pikeman

The L'r (M) Sheweth the man bee of middle stature fit to make a Musketeer

The L'rs (Ca) Sheweth the man bee of lower stature fit to serve with a Caliver

The L'rs (Py) Sheweth the man bee of meanest stature fit for a Pyoner or little other use

The L'rs (Tr) Sheweth that at the taking of this view hee was then a Trained Soldier

The L'rs (Sub) Sheweth that the said man was then a Subsidy man

The Goddards listed are, by parish, as follows:-

Buckland & "Laberton". Forty nine names are given including

William Goddard Jun. (1) (M) (Sub)

Richard Batte Servant to

William Goddard Sen*. (1) (M)

Snowshill. Twenty four names given including

William Goddard, mason (1) (Tr) Also his apprentice Thos. Bromley (1) (P)

Robert Goddard, mason (1) (Ca)

Leckhampton. Twenty seven names given including

William Goddard, husbandman (1) (P)

These are all the Goddards listed. There are none at Stanway, though Nathaniel Goddard should be either there or at Leckhampton where he baptized a child in 1610.