

Barrow

William de Trafford

See also MANORS: BARROW.

On Monday 4 December 1307 William de Trafford, Richard serjeant of John Lestrangle of Mickle Trafford and Richard son of Simon, John's reeve, seized 16 oxen of Robert de Hemington at a place called Martinslow in Great Barrow, and drove them to Dunham, where they were kept until the following Wednesday when they were released at the command of William de Trafford the coroner. Robert claimed £10 damages.

The defendants said that they were the bailiffs of John Lestrangle of Knokyn and Matilda his wife, and that they found these oxen grazing in a place in Little Barrow called Martinscroft, where Robert had no common of pasture, and so they seized them and took them to Dunham park. The bailiffs called on John and Matilda to attend the court to endorse them: but at the court of 8 October following it was reported that John had died.

Clearly it was of some importance to the case that the oxen had been at Martinscroft in Little Barrow, and not in Great Barrow. Moreover, Hemington had already sued Roger son of Ralph de Mouldsworth and Margery who was wife of Ralph de Mouldsworth for disseisin of common of pasture in Great Barrow and Great Mouldsworth belonging to his free tenement in Little Barrow, i. e., 4 acres pasture for all avers throughout the year.

It was then agreed by Roger and Robert that the common is the right of Robert, so that about 2 acres be included in his tenement, up to an old way towards Great Barrow, as his property; but that the tenement is in Great Barrow; and that Roger may approve about 2 acres on the far side of the old way, in Great Mouldsworth, in which Robert shall have no pasture or property.

8:229: 22 May 1296

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Preceptum est vic' q'd venire fac' ad p^xm Com' assi^am +no dis+ int^r Rob'm de He'myngton' & Ran' fil' Ran' de Moldeworth' & alios in br'i Et p^rt^r illos tot & tal' tam Mil' q^am alios lib'os & legal' ho'ies de Balli'a sua. Ita q'd assis^a no' remaneat p^r def'cu Jur'.

8:276: 3 July 1296

m'ie. alibi in finib^s

Recognic'o

Assis^a venit recogn' si Rog^rs de Moldeworth'. Ran's fil' Ran' de Moldeworth'. Marg^ria q' fuit vx^r Ran' de Moldeworth', disseis' Rob'm de He'myngton' de co'muna pasture sue in Magna Barwe & Magna Moldeworth' q' p^rinet ad lib'um ten' suu' in pua Barwe. vnde querit' q'd disseis' eum de ~~sex~~ +q^atuor+ ac's pasture vbi co'munare solebat cu' omnimodis auⁱiis cu' t^rpe anni Et p^rtea p^rd'cus Rob'tus. no' sequit'. I'o ip'e & pleg' sui de p^rs', in m'ia. Et p^rd'cus Rog^rs & alii inde sine die.

Postea conuenit int^r p^rd'cos, Rob'm & Rog'm. vid'lt q'd p^rd'cus Rog's cognouit p^rd'cam co'muna' esse ius ip'ius Rob'i Ita vid't q'd in ten' circit^r duas ac^as sicut includunt^r vsq' ad q^andam vet'em viam +v^rs^s magna' Baruwe+ Idem Rog's nⁱ clam[at qu]am ppⁱetate soli s' b'n cognouit p^rd'ca ten' esse in magna Baruwe. Et p^r hac recognic'one p^rd'cus Rob'tus concessit p^r se & h'edib^s suis, q'd p^rd'cus Rog's & h'ed' sui teneant p^rd'ca ten' q' continent circit^r duas ac^as q' +su't+ ex alia +pte+ illius vet'is vie in magna Moldeworth' approuiata absq' hoc q'd p^rd'cus Rob'tus & h'edes sui h'eant ibidem co'muna' v'l aliquem ppⁱetate' soli Et p^r hac recognic'one & concordia p^rd'cus Rog's dat p^rfato Rob'to viginti solidos

21:653: 10 June 1309

Will's de Trofford Ric'us seruiens Joh'is Lest^angre de Magna Trofford & Ric'us +fil'+ Simo'is p^rpo'iti eiusdem Joh'is attach' fueru't ad respondend'. Rob'to de Hemyngton' de pl'ito q^are cepu't au'ia sua & illa iniuste detinuer' cont^a vadiu' &c' Et vnde idem Rob'tus querit^r q'd p^rd'ci Will's & alii die Lune p^rx^a post festum S'ci Andree ap'li anno. r'. nu'c pⁱmo²³³ in villa de Magna Barowe in c^rto loco qui vocat^r Martyneslowe cepu't au'ia ip'ius Rob'ti videl' sexdecim boues. & eos fugaueru't vsq' Donh^am & ibide' impcaueru't & impcatos detinuer' vsq' ad diem M^rcurii p^rxi'o sequ'tem cont^a vadiu' &c' quousq' delib'ac'o f'ca fuit p^r Will'm de Troff[ord] Coron' &c' vnde dicit q'd det'iorat^s est & dampnu' habet ad valenc' .x. libr' &c' & inde p^rducit secta' – &c' Et p^rd'ci Will's & alii veniu't & defend' vim & iniur' q^ando &c' Et dicu't q'd ip'i su't ball'i Joh'is Lest^angre & Matild' vx'is & inueneru't p^rd'cos boues in pua Barowe in c^rto loco qui vocat^r Martinescroft in sepali p^rd'cor d'nor suor vbi p^rd'cus Rob'tus nulla' comuna' habet & ibi eos cepu't & impcaueru't sicut eis licuit &c' Et p^rd'cus Rob'tus dicit q'd ip'i cepu't p^rd'cos boues apud Martineslowe in magna Barowe & no' i' pua Barowe & hoc pat^s est verificare p^rp^riam &c'

Et p^rd'ci Will's & alii dicu't q'd Huiusmodi v^rificac'onem sine p^rd'cis Joh'e & Matilde^e d'nis &c' exp^ctare no' possunt. I'o ip'i sum' q'd si't hic ad p^rx'm Com' &c' alioq'n &c' — Postea ad Com' die M^rrtis p^rx^a post Octab' s'ci Mich'is p^rxi'o sequ'ns²³⁴ testatu' est q'd p^rd'cus Joh'es Lest^angre obiit. Et +p^rd'cs ven'. &+ p^rd'ci Will's, Ric'us & Ric'us ven' & tamq^a ball'i p^rd'ce Matild' cognoscu't capc'onem p^rd'cam iustam, vt petiit, sine qua &c' I'o ip'a sumo'eat^r q'd sit ad p^rx' Com' &c'

Before John's death another case had sprung up: Hugh le Despenser senior sued John Lestrangle and Matilda his wife, Richard son of Simon de Trafford and William de Trafford for having disseised him of his free tenement in Great Barrow. Richard and William said that they had no claim in the property: John and Matilda, by William their bailiff, said that, firstly, the place in question was in Stony Dunham and not in Great Barrow; and, secondly, they had not disseised Despenser. Between 2 September and 25 November John Lestrangle died, but the suit continued unabated until June 1310 when Despenser abandoned the action.

The national writ for John Lestrangle's inquisitions post mortem was issued 8 August 3 Edward II (1309), but there was no return for property in Cheshire, where he was perhaps not a tenant in chief. Edward the king's son was not created earl of Chester until 24 November 1312. The Cambridgeshire return stated that his son John, aged 27 and more, was his next heir. (Inq p m iv

²³³ Monday 4 December 1307

²³⁴ Tuesday 8 October 1308

211 [111]). That would indicate that John senior and Matilda married before 1282.

21:723: 22 July 1309

p^r e'

Ass^a noue diss' int^r Hugone' Le Despencer senior' quer', Joh'em Le Est^angre de Knokyn & Matild' vx'em ei^s, Ric'm fil' Sim' de Trafford & Will'm de Trofford de ten' in magna Barowe²³⁵ ponit^r in resp'cu vsq' ad +px'm+ Com' p^r def'cu iurator^r qa null' &c' I'o vic' H'eat corpa &c' Et p^rt^r illos tot & tales &c'.

21:723: 22 July 1309

p^r e'

Assi'a venit recogn'. si Joh'es Le Estraunge de Knokyn & Matill' vx^r eius, Ric'us fil' Simon' de Trofford & Will's de Trofford iniuste &c' diss' Hugon' Le Despencer seniore' de lib'o ten' suo in Magna Barowe postq^a &c'. Et vnde querit^r q'd diss' eum de vna acra t're cum ptin'. &c'

Et p^rd'ci Ric'us & Will's dicu't q'd ip'i nich' h'ent in p^rd'cis ten' nec aliquid clam' nec aliq^am iniuria' aut diss^am ei inde fecerunt. & de hoc ponu't se sup^r ass^am &c'. Et p^rd'ci Joh'es. & Matild'. p^rd'cm Will'm de Trafford ball'm suu' tamq^a tenentes p^rd'cor^r ten' dicu't q'd assi'a inde fieri no' debet. qa dicu't q'd ten' in visu po'ita. su't in Stony Donh^am. et no' in Magna Barowe. Et si co'uincat^r &c' tu'c dicu't q'd ip'i n'llam iniuria' aut disseis' ei inde fec'unt. & de hoc ponu't se sup^r ass^am. Et p^rd'cus Hug' p^r attorn' suu' simil'r. I'o capiat^r assi'a. Set ponit^r in respectu' vsq' ad px'm Com' p^r def'cu Jur'. &c' I'o p^rceptu' est vic'. q'd venire fac' ad px'm Com' tot & tales &c'.

21:789: 2 September 1309

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Ass^a noue diss'ie int^r Hugone' Dispensator' quer' & Joh'em Lest^angre de Knokyn & Matild' vx'em, Ric'm fil' Simon' de Trofford & Will'm de Trofford. de ten' in Barowe ponit^r in resp'cu vsq' ad px'm Com' p^r def'cu iurator^r qa nullus &c'. I'o p^rcept' est vic' q'd h'eat corpa eor^r ad px' Com', & p^rt^r illos. tot & tal' &c'.

22:118: 25 November 1309

p^r e'

Assis^a +no dis+ quam Hugo le Despenser senior arram' u^rsus Matildem que fuit vx^r Joh'nis Lestraunge de ten' in magna Barwe ponit^r in respectum vsq' px'm Com'. p^r def'cu Jur', I'o p^r est vic' q'd h'eat corpa +eor+ &c' Et p^rt^r ill' tot & tal' &c'.

22:147: 25 November 1309

p^r e'

Assis^a noue disseis' quam Hug' le Despenser senior arram' u^rsus Matild' que fuit vx^r Joh'nis le St^aunge de Knokyn Ric'm filiu' Simo'is de Troghford & Will' de Troghford de ten' in magna Barwe pon^r in resp^{cu} vsq' ad px'm Com' p^r def'cu Jur' qa nullus &c', I'o vic' h'eat corpa. Et p^rt^r illos tot & tales. &c'.

22:275: 30 December 1309

p^r e'

Ass' no. dissis' q^a Hug' le Despenser senior ariam' v^s Matild' que fuit Joh'is Lestraunge de Knokyn Ric'm fil' Simonis de Trofford & Will'm de Trofford de ten' in Magna Barwe ponit^r in resp'tu vsq' ad px^m Com' p^r defectu Jur^a qa null's &c' I'o vic' h'eat corpa &c'. et p^rt^r illos tot & tales &c'

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22:367: 17 February 1310

p^r.e'

Assisa noue disseisine qua' Hug' le Despens^r senior arram' vers^s Matild' que fuit vx' Joh'is [Lestrange] de Knokyn Ric'm fil' Simo'is de Trofford & Will'm de Trofford ponit^r in Respect' vsq' ad [px' Com'] p defectu Jur', I'o p^rcept' est vic' q'd h'eat corpa &c' Et p^rt^r illos tot & tales &c'

22:382: 17 February 1310

p^r. alibi

Assis^a no dis q^am Hugo le Despens^r +senior+ arram' u^rsus Matild' que fuit vx' Joh'nis Lestraunge de Knokyn, Ric' fil' Simo'is de Trofford & Will'm de Trofford de ten' in Magna Barwe ponit^r in resp^cm vsq' ad px'm. Com'. p def^cu Jur' qa nullus &c' I'o p^r est vic' q'd h'eat corpa &c'. ad p^rfatu' t^rminu' & p^rt^r illos tot & tales &c'.

22:495: 31 March 1310

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Assis' noue disseis' quam Hug' le Despens^r arram' uersus Matild' que fuit vx' Joh'is Lestraunge de Knokyn, Ric'm fil' Simo'is de Trofford & Will'm de Trofford +de ten' in magna barwe+ ponit^r in Respect' vsq' ad px'm Com' pro defectu Jur'. quia nullus &c' I'o pecept'²³⁶ est vic' q'd h'eat corpa eor &c' ad p^rfatu' t^rnu', Et pref^r illos tot & tales &c'

22:573: 12 May 1310

p^r.e'

Assisa. noue diss' qua' Hug' le Despens^r senior arram' uersus Matild' que fuit vx' Joh'is Lest^ange de Knokyn Ric'm fil' Simo'is de Trofford & Will'm de Trofford de ten' in magna Barwe ponit^r in respect' usq' ad px'm Com' p def^r Jur', Quia nullus &c', I'o prec' est vic' q'd h'eat corpa &c'. Et p^rt^r illos tot & tales &c'.

22:599: 12 May 1310

Mⁱie.xv-s'

Petrus de Dutton' +.xl.d'+. Thom' de Tyntenleg' +.xl.d'+. Joh' de Wetenhale +.ij.s'+. Rog^r de Chedele +.xij.d'+. Rob'tus de Praers +.xij.d'+. Joh' de M^rbury +.xij.d'+. & Ad' del Wode +.xij.d'+. qa no' ven' in ass'. no. diss', q^am Hug' le Despenser senior & Matild' que fuit vx' Joh' Lestraunge & al' in br'i, id'o ip'i in m'ia.

22:709: 30 June 1310

.....s'. r^s

Hug' le Despens^r senior qui tulit br'e assis'. no. diss'. uers^s Matild' que fuit vx' Joh'is le Straunge de Knockin & alios in br'i no' est ps' I'o ip'e & pleg' sui de ps' in m'ia videl' Rog^rus de Bulkelegh' & Ad' del Shawe &c'

26 March 1378 at Westminster, Richard II (Patent Roll 1 Richard II iv m.4) pardoned, for

'divers trespasses hereinafter mentioned in the alienation and acquisition, without licence from the king or the earl of Chester, of the manors of Dunham by Boudon, Kelshale, Hale, Altryncham, Budeston, Salghale and Morton and the advowson of the priory of Birkeheved, held in chief. Hamo de Mascy, knight, first enfeoffed Richard Trestell and Adam Drake of Dunham or of Makesfeld, chaplain, of the premises, and then by fine levied in the county of Chester between the said Hamo and Joan his wife, plaintiffs, and the said Adam, deforciant, acknowledged the right of the latter to the premises, whereupon the said Adam granted them to the said Hamo and Joan and the heirs of the body of Hamo, with remainder,

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failing issue of Hamo, to Oliver de Ingham in fee simple. Joan being dead and Hamo also, without issue as aforesaid, the following appeared as claimants: Cicely, wife of John Fiton of Bolyn, Thomas Lestrangle of Knokyn, Lucy his wife and Alice her sister, Thomas de Hakeford and Katherine his wife, Richard de Bradeshawe and Cicely his wife, Ranulph de Ditton, Margaret his wife and Matilda her sister, William de Hide and Katherine his wife, alleging that the eight females named were heirs of the body of the said Hamo. Whereupon they intruded upon and occupied the premises until ejected by the said Oliver. It was afterwards found by inquisition that Hamo held the premises of the late earl of Chester, who on Hamo's death delivered them to the said Oliver, and when he died they descended to Mary daughter of John Curson and Joan, wife of Roger Lestrangle the elder. Then the claimants aforesaid, by recognisances of assizes of novel disseisin recovered the premises, one moiety from the said Mary and others, and the other from the said Roger and Joan and others, and enfeoffed Henry de Lancaster, then earl of Derby, thereof. Subsequently the said William [de Hide] and Katherine his wife, Matilda, Thomas Lestrangle, Ranulph [de Ditton] and Richard de Bradshawe by fine levied, granted the manor of Claghton with the premises (excepting fifteen messuages, eighty acres of land and five of meadow in the manor of Dunham) to the said earl of Derby to hold in fee simple of the earl of Chester, whereupon the said claimants quitclaimed to the said earl of Derby, who by the name of the duke of Lancaster enfeoffed Roger Lestrangle of Knokyn and Richard de Longenorle, who granted the premises to the said duke, for life, after whose death they revert to the said Roger and Richard. As the parties named successively entered without licence, the king for a fine of 100l. paid by the said Roger, now pardons all the trespasses therein committed, and, saving to himself the issues whilst the premises were in his hands, grants restitution to him in fee simple.'