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Thomas de Macclesfield

Thomas de Macclesfield clerk was witness to some early undated Macclesfield charters.

[undated]

Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,255

Sciant p^rsentes & fut^ri q^d nos Joh^{'s} & Hug['] nut^ri Joh^{'is} de Byrchel dedim^s ccessim^s ac p^rsenti carta n^ra c^fmauim^s & ad feodi f^rma dimisim^s Ysabelle filie Ric['] de Falingrom in Macclisf['] totu['] ill^{'d} burgag['] q^d q^ondam fuit Rob['] Louekyn de Macclisfeld exepta ac^a ad d[']cm burgag['] p^rtinente Tenend['] & H^{'nd}' de nob['] & h[']edib^s n[']ris p^rd[']ce Ysabelle & h[']edib^s suis v[']l suis assig^atis v[']l cuicu[']q['] dare vend^re v[']l legere v[']l assig^are volu^rit totu['] burgagiu['] p^rd[']cm cu['] om[']ib^s p^rtin['] suis & lib[']tatib^s ex^{ta} ac^a ad p^rd[']cm burgag['] adiacente vt p^rd[']cm /. lib[']e & q[']ete b[']n in pace honorifice & integ^e Redd^{'o} inde annuatim d[']no Capitali de Macclisf['] totu['] s[']uiciu['] debitu['] & c^suetu['] & nob['] & h[']edib^s n[']ris v[']l assig^atis t[']s solid['] s[']rlingor['] ad duos anni t[']i[']os silic['] ad festu['] natiuitatis b[']i Joh^{'is} bap['] octodecim den['] & ad frest['] o[']im s[']cor octodec['] den['] p['] om[']ib^s s[']uiciis c^suetudinib^s demand['] v[']l exacc[']oib^s ad nos v[']l h[']edes n[']ros v[']l assig^atos sp[']c[']tantib^s s['] si ita contingat d[']cam Ysabellam v[']l h[']edes suos v[']l assig^atos in aliq^o tempe defic[']e de p^rd[']ca feodi f^rma nob['] & h[']edib^s n[']ris v[']l assig^atis annuatim soluenda vt s[']rius est distinctu['] b[']n liceat nob['] & h[']edib^s n[']ris v[']l assig^atis d[']cm burgagiu['] ing[']di optin[']e & possid[']e s[']n cont[']dicc[']one v[']l inpedim[']to d[']ce Ysabelle v[']l h[']edu['] suor['] v[']l assig^ator['] v[']l Alic^{'s} alius q[']usq['] nob['] & h[']edib^s n[']ris v[']l assig^atis de p^rd[']ca feodi f^rma debite & plenarie fu[']it satisf[']cm Et nos p^rd[']ci Joh^{'s} & Hug['] & h[']edes n[']ri totu['] burgag['] p^rd[']cm cu['] p^rtinenciis d[']ce Ysabelle + & h[']edib^s + suis v[']l suis assig^atis cont['] om[']s gentes inppetuu['] Warentizabim^s Hiis testib^s Rog^{'o} de Dauenepord H Byran Thom['] de Macclisfeld cl[']ico Will^{'o} del Greue Rog^{'o} Thorstle Rog['] del Boyle Heruico de sutton['] & Aliis M.V.L.T.I.S.

Jordan de Hulley and Cecilia his wife granted Thomas de Macclesfield an acre in the Boothfield by Edusecros which Richard de Crossley, Cecilia's father, bought from Richard de Davenport; in exchange for Thomas giving Sibilla, Cecilia's mother, one of the house under one roof opposite his house (the one next to the cowshed).

[undated]

Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,259

[Omnibus] ad quos p^rsens sc[']ptum puen[']it Jordan['] de Heeleg['] & Cecil['] vx['] eius sal[']m In d[']no Nou[']itis nos vnanimi assensu & voluntate beniuola dedisse [conc]essisse & om[']o q[']et['] clamasse Thom['] de Macclesfeud & h[']edib^s suis u[']l assignatis vnam acra['] t[']re cu['] p^rtinent['] in le Bothefeld iux^a Edusecros [eadem] scil['] q[']m Ric^{'s} de Crosleg['] par['] p^rd[']ce Cecil['] emit q[']onda['] de Ric^{'o} de Dauenepord p['] q[']a quide['] acra p^rd[']cus Thomas dedit & assignauit Sybil['] mat['] p^rd[']ce C[eci]l['] vnam domu['] de domib^s q['] sunt sub vno cumulo ex op[']ito dom^{'s} d[']ci Thom['] illa['] scil['] q['] est pp[']nq[']or bou[']ie eid['] [adiac[']] habenda['] & poss[idenda[']] inppetuu['] idem Thom['] & h[']edes sui v[']l assign[at]i lib[']e quiete solute & h[']editarie Ita videlicet q[']d n^{'c}

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h'edes n'ro seu alius ex pte n'ra aliquid iuris v'l clamej in p'd'ca acra cu' p'tinencijs exig'e v'l vendicar' pot'im^s imppetuu' Et nos vero p'd'ci Jurdan' & Cecil' & h'edes n'ri p'd'cam acram t're cu' p'tinent' p'd'co Thom' & h'edib^s suis v'l assignatis cont^a om'es ho'ies & feminas Warantizabim^s adquietabim^s & defendemus In c' rei testimoniu' p'senti sc'pto sigill' n'ra apposui^s [Hiis] testib^s Jurdano de Tyderinton' Ad' Biran Will'o Spore Ric' de Leghes Will'o Thorstel' Rob'to Tincto^r Ric'o Dap'f[er]d' Carles Rad' fil' Rob' Henr' fil' Ric' Ada' le Knyt Thom' de Schadehurst Ric' Sourwode Hug' le Mercer Rad' [M]arescall' Will' Clypping & alijs

Thomas de Macclesfield clerk enjoyed by right of his wife Milicent lands and rents in Macclesfield, which had been left to Milicent by the will of Robert de Worth. This undated charter of William de Stretton quitclaimed any right in the premises.

[undated]

Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,253

Om'ibus xp'i fidelibus ad quos p's'ns sc'ptum puen'it Will's de Stretton' sal'm in d'no s'mpit'nam Nou'itis me relaxasse necno' & p me & h'edibus meis quietu'clamasse Thome de Macclisfeld' clerico & Milysand' vx' sue & eor' h'edibus totum Ius & clamiu' quod h'uj u'l aliquo Iure u'l casu cting'nte h're potuj in t'ris & ten' Redditib^s & eor' p'tin' in villa de Macclisfeld' & in t'itorio ej'd' ville que Rob'tus de Wrht' p'd'ce Milysand' in vltima sua voluntate Legauit In cuj^s rei testimoniu' hujc sc'pto sigillum meu' apposuj Hijs testibus Rob'to de Dounis Joh'e de Motton' Ric' de Wrht' Wellco' senescallo de Dagen' Jordan' de Tyderinton' Rog'o de Boyis Rog'o fil' Reginald' Sewallo de Wrht' & multis alijs

undated

Ormerod iii 349

21 Edw. I.¹⁴⁸ Jordan de Tiderington died seized of the said vill, holding it of the king in capite, by the service of a knight's fee in the marches of Wales, leaving Hugh son and heir, aged 26 years. [Ibid. The following extracts from Mr. Stafford's MSS. relate to other sons of this Jordan: By deed without date, Jordan lord of Tyderington grants to Henry his son, certain lands in the vill of Tyderington, to be holden of him and his heirs by said Henry and the heirs of his body, &c. with liberty to grind at his mill of Tyderington toll free. Attested by sir Geoffrey de Oxdele, sir Eadmond Phitton, knights, Robt. de Dennys, Thomas the Clerk, bailiff of Macclesfield, John de Mottram, Adam Byran, William Pygott, and others.]

Adam Furst son of Jordan Furst of Hurdsfield granted Thomas de Macclesfield clerk all his land in Little Hurdsfield and the Cockshoot.

[undated]

Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,285

¹⁴⁸ 1292-1293

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Notum sit vniu'sis hoc presens sc'ptum visuris v'l auditor' q'd ego Adam Furst filius Jurdani Furst de Hirdesfeld' dedi concessi & hoc p'senti sc'pto meo confirmaui Thome de Macclesfeld' cl'ico totam t'ram cu' p'tinent' q'm habui u'l aliquo Jure h're debui in pua Hirdesfeld' & in le Cokshete Habend' & tenend' p'd'co Thom' & h'edib^s suis siue suis assignatis lib'e quiete bene & in pace h'editarie imppetuu' cu' o'ib^s lib'tatib^s co'moditatib^s & asiamentis p'd'ce t're sp'cantib^s vbiq' Reddendo & faciendo inde annuatim capitalib^s d'nis feodi redditum & s'uiciu' inde debitum & consuetum p o'i s'uic'o exact'one & demanda seculari Et ego Ada' & heredes mei p'd'cam t'ram cu' p'tinencijs p'd'co Thom' & h'edib^s suis siue suis assignatis cont^a om's homi'es & feminas fidel'r Warantizabim^s In cui^s rei testimoniu' p'senti sc'pto sigillu' meu' apposui Hijs testib^s Rob'to de Dounes Joh'ne de Sutton' Alex' de Hirdesfeld' Will'o de ead'm Rob'to de Berecroft Rog'o de Rauenok Heruic^s de Sutton' Ad' del Schidyord Ric'o de Leg' Ad' Byran Joh'e Ancre & alijs

By an undated charter Adam del Deane son of Richard Brown of the Deane granted Thomas de Macclesfield all his land in Little Hurdsfield.

[undated]

Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,289

vniu'sis ad quos p'sens sc'ptum puenerit Ad' del Dene fil' Ric'i Bron del Dene sal'm In d'no sempit'na' Nou'itis me dedisse concessisse & hoc p'senti sc'pto meo confirmasse Thom' de Macclesfeud totam t'ram q'm habui u'l aliquo Jure h're debui in villa de pua Hirdesfeld' cu' suis p'tinencijs sine aliq'o retenemento Habend' & tenend' eid'm Thom' & h'edib^s suis v'l suis assignatis lib'e quiete bene & in pace & h'editarie imppetuu' cu' o'ib^s lib'tatib^s co'moditatib^s & asiamentis p'd'ce t're p'tinentib^s vbiq' Reddend' & faciendo inde annuatim capitalib^s dn'is illius feodi redditum & s'uiciu' inde debitum & consuetu' p o'i s'uic'o seculari consuetudine exact'one & demanda q'cumq' Et ego Ad' & h'edes mei v'l mei assignati p'd'cam t'ram cu' p'tinenc' p'd'co Thom' & h'edib^s suis v'l suis assignatis cont^a omnes ho'ies & feminas fidel'r Warantizabim^s In cui^s rei testimoniu' p'senti sc'pto sigillu' meu' apposui Hijs testib^s Rob'to de Dounes Joh'ne de Sutton' Ad' Byran Thom' de Wrth' Rob'to Champayn Ric'o del Legh' Will'o de Hirdisfeld' Alex' de ead' Heruico de Sutton' Rob'to de Berecroft Ad' de Schidyord' Ada Balle & alijs

Thomas de Macclesfield clerk gave William de Hurdsfield a plot of land called Cockshoothalfacre with a butt adjoining next to the meadow in the fields of Hurdsfield in exchange for Longhalfacre by Cartlach with a butt called Cartlachl...

[undated]

Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,290

Hoc p'sens sc'ptum testat' q'd tale est escambiu' int' Thom' de Macclesfeud' cl'icum ex vna pte & Will'm de Hirdisfeld' ex altera videlicet q'd p'd'cus Thom' dedit concessit & hoc p'senti sc'pto suo confirmavit p'd'co Will'o q'da' placeam t're que vocat' le Cocschetehalfacre cu' vno butto pximo adiacente iux^a p'tum in campis de Hirdisfeld' Habend' & tenend' p'd'co Will'o & h'edib^s suis lib'e [bene & quiete] imppetuu' In escambiu' illius t're que vocat' le Longehalfacre iux^a Cartelache cum vno butto quod vocat'

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Cartelachel.... [que] quide' t'ra p'd'cus Will's hoc p'senti sc'pto suo confirmavit p'd'co Thom' & h'edib^s suis tenend' & habend' lib'e & quiete imppetuu' Ita q'd alt' alteri escambiu' p'd'cm Warantizabit In cui^s rei testimoniu' ut^aq' ps alt'us sc'pto sigillu' suu' apposuit Hijs testib^s Rob'to de Dounes Joh'e de Sutton' Jurd de Tyderunton' Joh'e de Mottru' Ad' Byran Ric'o de Leg' Rob'o de Berecroft Alex' de Hirdisfeld' & alijs

On 5 February 1309 a jury found that every township in Macclesfield hundred used to present hues raised and similar things once a year at the eyre in Macclesfield, until about 16 years before Reginald Grey, justice of Chester, ordered one Thomas de Macclesfield, bailiff of the hundred, that he should take such presentments in the hundred court, and townships not presenting should be punished, after which several townships indeed made presentments in the hundred court. A hue was raised in Eaton in the time of both Reginald Grey and Thomas de Macclesfield, and not presented in the hundred court, and the township was amerced, but Grey then pardoned the amercement. Thereafter no presentment was made by Eaton in the hundred, but only in the eyre. The jury concluded that as Eaton had not anciently presented hues in the hundred court, the amercement in this case was invalid, and Eaton should have return of the mare. (see below, under Ivo de Sulton).

Mark de Orlinlegh granted Thomas de Macclesfield clerk an acre of land, of which half an acre abutted on Thomas's meadow at the town head by the land of Adam de Pexall, and the other half lay in the Boothfield next to the land that was of one Lovekin Mercator (Mercer).

undated

Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,244

Vniu'sis ad quos p'sens sc'ptum puenerit Marc^s del Holrinleg' sal'm In d'no Nou'itis me dedisse concessisse & hoc p'senti sc'pto meo confirmasse Thom' de Macclesfeld' cl'ico & h'edib^s suis vnam acram t're in t'itorio cui^s dimidia ac^a abuttat sup p^atu' d'ci Thom' ad capud ville iux^a t'ram Ad' de Pexul & alia dimidia ac^a Jacet in Le Bothefeld' iux^a t'ram que fuit q^ondam Louekyn M'catoris Habend' & tenend' eid'm Thom' & h'edib^s suis v'l suis assignatis lib'e quiete h'editarie imppetuu' Et ego v^o marc' & h'edes mei v'l mei assignati d'cam ac^am t're c' p'tinent' d'co Th' & h'edib^s suis v'l suis assignatis cont^a om's ho'ies & fe'ias Warantizabim^s In c' rei testimoniu' huic sc'pto sigill' meu' apposui Hijs test' Henr' Byran Rog'o Thorstel' Ric'o del Leg' Joh'e del Dene Ad' Byran Ric'o Dapsy Rob'to Tynctor' symon' Tannator' Joh'e fil' Ad' Will'o fabro & alijs

An undated charter by which Henry Sparry quitclaimed to Adam del Deane in the land that William Sparry, Henry's father, held in Lower Hurdsfield, was witnessed by both Thomas the clerk then bailiff of Macclesfield and Henry Byran, as was a matching charter by which Henry quitclaimed to

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Adam son of Richard Brown of Deane all the land that William his father had held in Little Hurdsfield.

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Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,286

vniu^r sus ad quos p^rsens scⁱptu^r puen^rit visur^r u^rl auditor^r Henr^r Sparry sal^m in d^rno sempit^rnam Nou^ritis me dedisse concessisse & om^rino quiet^rclamasse Ad^r del Dene & h^redibus suis v^rl suis assignatis totu^r Ius & clamiu^r q^d h^rui v^rl aliquo iure h^re potui in tota t^rra q^am Will^s Sparry pat^r meus tenuit in Hirdisfeld^r inferiori H^rnd^r & tenend^r lib^e qⁱete bⁿ & in pace Ita q^d n^c ego Henr^r n^c h^redes mei n^c aliqⁱs ex pte n^ra aliqⁱd iuris u^rl clamij in p^rd^rcam t^rram exig^re pot^rim^s imp^petuu^r Faciendo d^rno capitali de Macclesfeld^r s^ruiciu^r inde debitu^r & consuetu^r p^r om^ri s^ruic^ro exacc^rone & demanda q^acumq^r Et ut h^r mea donac^ro necno^r & qⁱetclamac^ro rata & stabilis p^rmaneat huic scⁱpto sigillu^r meu^r apposui Hijs testibus Thom^r cl^rico t^rc ball^ro de Macclesfeld^r Henr^r Byran Joh^r de Mott^m Joh^r de Sutton^r Ad^r Byran Ric^ro del Leg^r Rob^r de Berecroft Alex^r de Hirdisfeld^r Will^ro de ead^rm & multis alijs

undated

Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,287

Vniu^r sis ad quos p^rs;ns scⁱptu^r puen^rit visur^r u^rl auditor^r Henr^r Sparry sal^m in d^rno sempit^rnam Nou^ritis me dedisse co^rsessisse & omnino qⁱet^r clamasse Ad^r fil^r Ric^r Brovn de Dene & h^redib^s suis u^rl suis assignatis totu^r ius & clamiu^r q^d habui u^rl aliq^o iure h^re potui in tota terra q^am Will^s Sparri p^rr meus tenuit in puo Hirdisfeld^r Salua vna acra terre iacente in loco qⁱ dicit^r le cocscude H^rnd^r & tenend^r lib^e & qⁱete bⁿ & in pace ita q^d ego Henr^r n^c heredes mei n^c aliqⁱs ex pte n^ra aliqⁱd iuris u^rl clamij in p^rd^rcam terram exig^re pot^rim^s imp^petuu^r faciendo d^rno capitali de Maclusfeld^r s^ruisiu^r inde debitu^r & co^rsuetu^r p^r om^ri s^ruicio exacc^rone & demanda q^acu^rq^r Et vt hec mea donac^ro n^cno^r & qⁱet^r clamac^ro rata & stabil^r p^rmaneat huic scⁱpto sigillu^r meu^r apposui Hiis testib^s Th^e clerico tu^rc Ball^ro de Maclusfeld^r Henr^r Byran Joh^re de Mottrum Joh^r de Sotton^r Ad^r Byrun Ric^r de Legh^r Rob^r de Berecroft Alex^r de Hyrdisfeld^r Will^r de eade^r & multis aliis

By an undated charter Agnes de Pedley widow granted Thomas de Macclesfield, then bailiff of Macclesfield, half a burgage in Macclesfield, which she bought from William Fox son of Matte.

[1287-1302]

Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,245

vniu^r sis ad quos p^rsens scⁱptum pven^rit Agnes de Peddeleg^r sal^m In d^rno Nou^ritis me [i^r pura] & ligea viduitate mea vendidisse Thom^r de Macclesfeld^r tu^rc balli^ro vnu^r dimidiu^r burgagiu^r in villa de Macclesfeld^r illud scil^r quod emi de Will^ro fox fil^r Matte Habend^r & tenend^r eid^r Thom^r & h^redibus suis v^rl assignatis lib^e quiete imp^petuu^r faciendo inde d^rno Regi redditu^r & s^ruiciu^r inde debitu^r & consuetu^r p^r o^ri s^ruic^ro & ego Agnes & h^redes mei p^rd^rcm dimidiu^r burgagiu^r cu^r p^rtinenc^r p^rd^rco Thom^r & h^redib^s suis v^rl assignatis cont^a om^rs ho^ries & feminas Warantizabim^s & defendem^s In cui^s rei testimoniu^r p^rsenti scⁱpto sigillu^r meu^r apposui Hijs testib^s Ad^r Byran Will^ro Spore Ric^ro de Leg^r Joh^rne de Astebur^r Th^r fil^r suo Rog^ro Den Jurd^r Carles Symon^r p^rcario ad Marescall^r Galfr^r Ruffo & alijs

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By an undated Macclesfield charter of a similar period, Sybilla once wife of Richard de Crossley quitclaimed to Jordan de Hulley all right in the lands which she had given Jordan when he married her daughter Cecilia. It was witnessed by Thomas bailiff of Macclesfield.

[1287-1302]

Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,247

vniu^rsis ad quos p^rsens scⁱptum puen^rit Sybilia q^ondam vx^r Ricⁱ de Crosseleg^r sal^m In d^{no} sempit^rnam Nou^ritis me in pura viduitate mea concessisse & p^r me & h^redib^s meis om^o qⁱetu^r clamasse Jurdano de Heleg^r & h^redib^s suis v^l suis assignatis totu^r Jus & clamiu^r quod h^rui v^l aliquo Jure H^re potui in oⁱb^s t^rris & tenementis cu^r suis p^rtinenc^r que pⁱus dedi & concessi eid^m Jurdano in lib^{um} Maritagi^u cu^r Cecil^r fil^r mea absq^r vllo retenemento Ita q^d nec ego nec h^redes mei nec aliquis Jure seu no^{ie} n^{ro} aliquid Juris v^l clamij in p^rd^rcis t^rris & tenementis exig^re v^l vindicare pot^rim^s imp^petuu^r In cui^s rei testimoni^m p^rsenti scⁱpto sigillu^r meu^r apposui Hijs test^r Th^r tunc balli^o de Macclesfeld^r Rog^o Thorstel^r Ad^r Byran Ric^o de Leg^r Joh^{ne} de Astebur^r Rog^o Den Will^o Spore Jurd^r Carles Galfr^r Ruffo Symon^r Tannator^r Ad^r Fabro Will^r Clyppyng Regin^r Tannator^r & alijs

Thomas the clerk, bailiff of Macclesfield, witnessed an undated charter by which Alexander de Hurdsfield and Matilda his wife granted to Adam de Deane a plot of land called Ulricsisle in the territory of Hurdsfield, to wit two thirds of that isle. Henry Byran and Roger the vicar of Prestbury were also among the witnesses.

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Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,291

Sciant p^rsentes & fut^ri q^d ego Alex^r de Hyrdisfeld^r Et Matildis vx^r mea dedim^s c^{cessim}^s & hac p^rsenti carta n^{ra} c^firmauim^s Ade de Dene & h^redib^s suis vnam placiam t^rre que notat^r Vlrechishele in t^ritorio de Hyrdisfeld^r videlicet totam p^rte^r n^{ram} illius insule Habe^rdam & tenend^r de nob^r & h^redib^s n^{ris} sⁱ Ade & h^redib^s suis u^l assig^atis qⁱb^sc^q lib^e quiete bⁿ & in pace cu^r oⁱb^s co^mmoditatib^s in^r p^rvenientib^s Et ego Alex^r Et Matild^r vx^r mea & h^redes n^{ri} t^rram p^rd^rcam cu^r p^rtinenciis vt p^rnotatu^r e^r d^rco Ade & h^redib^s suis u^l assig^atis c^a om^s gentes Warentizabim^s inppetuu^r aqⁱetabim^s & defendem In c^s rei test^r h^c scⁱpto sigilla n^{ra} apposuim^s Hijs testib^s d^{no} Rog^r tu^c vicar^r de Presteburij Thom^r cl^rico tu^c balliuo de Maclisfeld H^{nr} byran Joh^e de Sutton^a Hervi de eade^r & alijs

8 July 1287 Macclesfield Forest Pleas in Eyre

Chester 17/12 m.7d [232-233]

The twelve jurors present that Vivian de Davenport father of Roger de Davenport held a serjeanty in Staffordshire pertaining to the manor of Maklesfeud, but it is withdrawn and alienated by the abbot of Deulacresse and many others whose names are not known. Because inquiry cannot yet be made as to the holders of the serjeanty, Thomas the bailiff of

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Maclisfeud was ordered to inquire as to the manner of withdrawal and alienation and to certify the justiciar.

William de Hulley and Thomas the bailiff of Macclesfield were accused by Peter de Arderne for taking his grazing animals, but he failed to prosecute. At his death in 1292 Peter de Arderne (of Aldford castle) held various manors, including [Over] Alderley in Macclesfield hundred.¹⁴⁹

4:186: 6 April 1288

M'ia di'.m'.

Petrus de Ardern' qui tulit br'e .u^s. W'llm de Holey & Thom' Balliu' de Makelisf' de pl'o capt' au'io^r, no' ps' Id'o ip'e & pleg' sui scil't Patr' de Barton' in m'ia ppl' vic'

4 October 1288

Macclesfield Eyre: CHES 17/12 m.9d [239-240]: Forest Pleas

The abbot of Deulacres claimed to be quit of pannage for all his swine in all the woods of Cheshire belonging to the earls, by virtue of the following charter of earl Randle.

*Universis &c. Ranulfus comes Cestr' et Lincoln' salutem. Nouerit uniuersitas uestra me dedisse et concessisse Deo et beate Marie et monachis meis de Deulacresse quietanciam pannagii de omnibus propriis porcis suis per omnia nemora mea. Volo eciam et precipio quod predicti monachi mei hanc libertatem habeant in puram et liberam et perpetuam elemosinam. Et ut hec mea donacio rata et inconcussa permaneat cum sigillo meo roborauimus &c.*¹⁵⁰

He alleges that they had always enjoyed this quittance until the queen's bailiffs stopped it. Thomas de Machelisfeld, the queen's bailiff, said the charter did not grant the quittance in the queen's woods and they had never had it there. The abbot said the charter had been held good by Thomas de Boulton, justiciar of Chester¹⁵¹, in a former eyre there. Asked if he would verify this by the record, he said No, but it could be proved sufficiently by the foresters. The foresters and others accordingly gave testimony in favour of the claim and it was allowed, saving the right of the king and queen.

...

¹⁴⁹ 17 September 1292

Inq. p. m. iii 44 [36]: Peter de Arderne

Writ to brother Robert de Valle Regali escheator in co. Chester, 12 Sept. 20 Edw. I.

Chester. Inq. Wednesday after the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, 20 Edw. I.

Aldeford. The manor.

Elton. The town.

Alderdeleg. The town.

Modberleg. A moiety of the town.

All held of the king in chief by service of 2 knights' fees.

Alvaldeleg. The town held of Richard son of Alan, rendering to him 20s. yearly, and doing suit every three weeks at his court of Dunham.

Upton. The town held of Robert de Preeris by service of a knight's fee.

John his son, aged 26, is his next heir.

¹⁵⁰ 1217 to 1232

¹⁵¹ 1267 to 1270

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Hugh de Dutton claimed a third part of the king's manor of Bolington, because Adam de Dutton his uncle died seised of that third part and he is next heir. It was said in reply that the king had been fully enfeoffed by sir H. le Despenser, and was in peaceable possession. [Unde dictum fuit ei quod sequatur &c]. Hugh also claimed for himself and his men dwelling in 8 bovates of land in Bolynton, quittance of pannage for their pigs in the wood and gathering of the nuts, which was denied by Thomas de Maclisfeld the bailiff. Thomas replied that Hugh and his men had in the time of sir H. le Despenser given compensation (satisfecerunt) for pannage and gathering the nuts just like the other men of the town if they had any pigs in the wood. This was confirmed by the foresters, and judgment was given against Hugh's claim.

In 1297 Thomas the bailiff of Macclesfield stands pledge for John de Mottram in his recognizance with the abbot of Basingwek of a debt of £28 for ward of the lands of Christiana daughter and heir of John Bernard, and her marriage. Within four years Christiana had been married to Jordan de Mottram, perhaps John's son.

9:225: 16 July 1297

Recognic'o

Joh's de Mott^m recogn' se deb'e Abb'i de Basingwerk .xxviii.lj'. soluend' ad f'm Assumpc'ois b'e Mar'¹⁵² .xxiii.lj'. & iiij.lj'. residuas ad f'm O'im s'cor pxi'o seq'nt'¹⁵³. p custod' t'rar' & ten' Cristiane fil' & hered' Joh'is Bernard, & maritag' eiusd' Cristiane Et inde pl'. d'nm Ric'm de Mascy. Rob'm de He'mington'. Thom' Ball'm de Maccl'. Joh'm fr'em ei's. & Joh'em de Legh'. Et [si non] fec'it, vult &c'.

13:142: 21 March 1301

p^r. [m'ia] alibi

Ric'us Bot'kake de Okhull quer' de Math'o de Alph^am eo q'd ip'e die sabb'ti p^x^a ante f'm Nat' b'te Mar' anno .xxviii^o.¹⁵⁴ cepit quoddam Jume'tum suu' apud Okhull, & illud iniuste detinuit + con^a vadiu' &c' + quousq' delib'at' fuit p ball'm. R^s. ad dampnu' suu', &c'. Et p^rd'cus Math's venit & defend' vim &c', & aduocat capc'om illam iuste esse f'cam, eo q'd quidam Joh'nes Bernard pater Cristiane vx'is Jordani de Mottrom. tenuit de eod'm Math'o p^rd'cm ten' vbi p^rd'cm Jumentu' captu' fuit sim'l cu' aliis ten' p homag' & s'uic' .v.s'. & p redditu' vni^s porci p annu', ad f'm s'ci Martini, & quia homag' & fidelitas s'uicij p^rd'ci ei aretro fu'u't de p^rd'cis ten', cepit ip'e p^rd'cm Jum'tum in ten' p^rd'co sup p^rd'cos Jordanu' & Cristiana', tanq^am super tene'tes suos, Et p^rd'cus Ric's Botercake dicit q'd nich' clam' in p^rd'cis ten', nisi t'm annor ex dimissione p^rd'cor Jordani & Cristiane sine quib^s no' potest on'are p^rd'cm ten', & petit de eis auxiliu', Qui modo ven' p sum' & d'nt q'd p^rd'cs Math's nu'q^am seis' fuit de homag' aut aliquo s'uicio p manus Joh'nis Bernard p'ris p^rd'ce Cristiane de illo ten' vbi p^rd'cm Jume't' captu' fuit, & hoc off'unt u'ificare, Et p^rd'cs Math's dicit q'd ip'e fuit seis' de p^rd'cis s'uiciis p man^s p^rd'ci Joh'nis r'one d'cor ten'. & hoc petit q'd inquir' &c', Ideo p^r. e' vic' q'd venire fac' .xij. &c'.

¹⁵² Thursday 15 August 1297

¹⁵³ Friday 1 November 1297

¹⁵⁴ Saturday 3 September 1300

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Jur' d'nt sup sacr'm suu', q'd p^rd'cus Math's cepit p^rd'cm Jumentu' ex^a ten' suu', I'o cons' est q'd p^rd'cus Ric'us recu^pet dampna sua que taxant' &c' Et p^rd'cus Math's p^r iniusta capc'oe &c' ppl' Hug' de Caluileg', & Will'i de Bulkileg', Et Rog^rus de Clotton' & Thom' del Brok de Leghton' Jur' illi^s inquis' in m'ia qa no' ven'

This Thomas le Clerk of Macclesfield, sued for debt by Thomas de Cotgreave and Agnes his wife in 1298, may well refer to the same man:

10:381: 21 October 1298

Thomas de Cotegreue & Agnes que fuit vx' Will'i de Crophull Exec' testamenti Will'mi de Crophull, op. se. u^rsus Thomam le Clerk de Maclesfeuld de pl'ito q'd reddat eis sexdecim libr', & decem solidos, quos ei iniuste detinet &c' — Et ip'e no' venit, Et alias p^rcept' fuit vic' q'd sumon' eum q'd esset hic ad hunc diem, qui nichil inde fecit — I'o p^rcept' est eid'm vic' sicut alias q'd su'mon' &c'

11:39: 2 December 1298

[p^r.]

Thomas de Cotegreue & Agnes que fuit vx' Will'mi de Crophull, Executores testamenti Will'mi de Crophull op. se. u^rsus Thom' le Clerk de Maclesfeuld de pl'ito q'd reddat eis sexdecim libr' & decem solidos quos ei debet &c', Et p^rd'cus Thomas no' venit, Et sumon' testat^r, Ideo p^rcept' est vic' q'd ponat eu' p^r vadiu' & saluos pleg', &c' q'd sit &c'

11:81: 17 February 1299

Dies datus est Thome de Coteg^aue & Agn' que fuit vx' Will'i de Crophull, executorib^s testam'ti, Will'i de Crophul, pet' & Thome le Clerk de Macclesfeld, de pl'ito debiti, vsq' ad px'm Com', p^rce ptiu'. sine esson'

11:141: 21 April 1299

p^r.

Thom' de Coteg^aue & Agnes q' fuit vx' Will'i de Crophull, executores testam'ti Will'i de Crophull, p^r attorn' suu', op. se. u^s, Thom' le clerk de Macclesfeld. de pl'ito debiti. Et ip'e no' venit, & h'uit diem, ad vltim' Com', p^rce ptiu' sine esson', essendi hic ad hu'c diem. Jud'm. Distr'. p^r om's f'ras & cat'. &c'. Ita q'd nec ip'e. &c'. Et q'd de exitib^s &c'. Et ip'e sum', q'd sit hic ad px'm Com'. ad respondd'. &c'.

11:218: 26 May 1299

Dies datus est Thom' de Cotegreue & Agneti que fuit vx' Will'mi de Crophull execut' testamenti Will' de Crophull quer' & Thom' le Clerk de Mackelesfeuld, de pl'ito debiti, vsq' ad px'm Com' p^rce pciu'.

20 June 1300: see 21 April 1303, below.

Richard son of Adam de Withington accused Thomas the bailiff of Macclesfield and William son of Adam de Withington of having disseised him of the bailiwick under the serjeant of the hundred of Macclesfield, of receiving returns from the sheriff of Cheshire's writs and making execution thereon, returnable to Chester exchequer. Richard subsequently withdrew this claim.

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12:241: 12 July 1300

~~m'ia~~ xijd'.

Ass^a venit recogn' si Thom' ball's de Maclesfeuld & Will'ms fil' Ade de Wythington', iniuste & sine iudic'o diss' Ric'm fil' Ade de Wythington' de lib'o tenem'to suo in Hundr' de Maclesfeuld, postq^am &c'. vnde quer' q'd diss' eu' de ball'a s'iantie Hundr' de Maclesfeuld, ad recipiend' retorna br'iu' de vic', & ad faciend' execuc'ones inde respondend' ad scc^am Cestr' &c'. — Postea p^rd'cus Ric'us fil' Ade +xijd'+ petiit licencia' recedendi de br'i suo & h't. ppl'm [blank]

7 February 1301

Charter Roll 29 Edward I m. 9: Nettleham

Gift to Edward, the king's son, of all the king's lands of North Wales, Anglesey and Hope, with all their appurtenances within the four cantreds and all the king's lands of West Wales and South Wales, that is the counties of Carmarthen and Cardigan, the castles and manors of Haverford and Buelt, all the lands late of Res ab Mereduk, which are in the king's hands by the forfeiture of the said Res, and all other lands in those parts which are in the king's hands, excepting the castle and town of Montgomery, which the king has assigned to his consort Queen Margaret by way of dower; with further gift to the said Edward of all the county of Chester with the manors of Maclesfeld and Overton and all the land of Mailor Saisnek; to be held with all appurtenances including wreck of the sea by the said Edward and his heirs being kings of England, saving to the queen the castle and town of Montgomery, by rendering such service to the king as it shall be found that the king rendered to his father king Henry for the same lands.

Mandate, in pursuance, to Philip Abhowel, keeper of the castle and town of Buelt.

The like to William Chykun, keeper of the castle and town of Aberconeweye, John de Haveryng, keeper of the castle of Beaumareys and of the land of Anglesey, Thomas de Makelesfeld, keeper of the manors of Makelesfeld and Overton and of the land of Mailor Saisnek, and Walter Haklut, keeper of the castle and town of Haverford.

Letter close to John de Warennia, earl of Surrey, to pay to Sir Edward 40l. yearly for the farm of the castle and land of Hope, which he holds for life.

7 February 1301

Patent Roll 29 Edward I m. 25: Nettleham

Mandate to Philip Abhowel, keeper of the castle, town and land of Buelt to deliver them to Edward the king's son, the king having granted them to the said Edward and his heirs, kings of England.

The like to William Chykum, keeper of the castle and town of Aberconewey; John de Havering, keeper of the castle of Beaumareys and the land of Anglesey; Thomas de Makelesfeld keeper of the manors of Makelesfeud and Overton, and the land of Maillor Seisnek; and Walter de Haclut, keeper of the castle and town of Haverford.

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30 September 1301–29 September 1302 expenses in Chester chamberlain's accounts:¹⁵⁵

To Jakemin of Selby carrying letters of the Chamberlain of Chester to Macclesfield to Thomas, bailiff of Macclesfield, and to Adam de Baa for buying oxen in the fair of Macclesfield for the Prince's larder, on the feast of All Saints, by mandate of the Treasurer, for his expenses going and returning 4d.

To Robert De La More carrying letters of sir Thomas de Cantebrug, Thomas de Macclesfield, and the sheriff of Chester for the Prince's affairs, for his expenses on the 6th day of June 6d.

Thomas de Macclesfield made his will in December 1302 and it was proved in January 1303. It is the earliest surviving Cheshire will, and shows that the archdeaconry of Chester exercised probate jurisdiction separate from that of the diocese of Coventry and Lichfield. He left his body to be buried in All Saints church, Macclesfield, before the altar of the Blessed Virgin Mary, on the side where his son Richard lay. As well as his horse as principal, he left to the church a young ox; to Lichfield cathedral 2s; to the Franciscans of Chester 40d; to the Domicans there 40d; to the Carmelites of Chester half a mark (6s 8d); to brother Richard Andrew 20s; and to Robert his son 40s. The moneys owing to him from his tenure of Overton and Maelor Saesneg he left to the Chapter-General of England: the Franciscans and Dominicans to have 20s each for their pittance on the day of his funeral from his larder or otherwise. He left all his lands and rents in Macclesfield, with the Boothfield, to his wife Milicent for life: and also she should have the lands of Halleggh and both Hurdsfields so long as she remain unmarried. As well as various household goods, he left to Roger his son 16 oxen together with the corn sown in the ground at Gawsorth; to Milicent de Davenport 6 oxen, 6 cows, 6 younger avers, 20 sheep, 10 swine and two mares (one being then in the forest and one in the park); to Jordan his son 10 oxen at Mottram with the corn and forage there, but so that the sheep at Staveley could be fed from the hay there that winter; and a bay foal in the park. He left to the three boys of his daughter Cecilia 6 cows and 12 heifers, together with 5 marks (£3 6s 8d). To the recluse of Macclesfield 40d; to the dean of Macclesfield a cow, and to each parisg chaplain in his deanery 6d. Various gifts of money, cattle and clothing follow: to Robert de Staveley's boys; to Thomas de Hegham; to William de Rainow; to Richard his brother; to Thomas de Tytherington; to Emma his maid. He made his brother master John (called in the administration John de Upton), his son master Jordan, Milicent his wife, Adam Byran, Roger his son and William de Rainow his executors.

20 December 1302

¹⁵⁵ CCA 7: PRO SC6 771/2

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In nomine patris & filij & spiritus sancti amen Die Jouis in vigilia beati Thom' ap'li anno Tⁱcesimo pⁱmo¹⁵⁶ Ego Thomas de Macclisfeud' condo testamentu' meu' in hunc modu' In pⁱmis lego anima' meam deo & beate Marie virginis & omnib^s s'cis Et corpus meu' ad sepeliendum in ecclesia omniu' s'cor de Macclisfeud' coram altar' beate virginis expte ubi Ric' filius meus iacet Et coram corpor' meo meliorem equ'm meu' no'ie pⁱncipal' lego opi ecc'e de Macclisfeud' vnu' aueriu' Juniore' bouu' & opi ecc'e Lichesfeld' ijs' It'm lego fr'ib^s minorib^s Cest'e xls' Et fr'ib^s p^rdicatorib^s ibid' xls' Et fr'ib^s minorib^s de sallopia xls' Et fr'ib^s p^rdicatorib^s ibid' xls' Et fr'ib^s de Monte Carmeli Cest'e di' m^ac It'm lego fr'i Ric' andreu xxs' Et fr'e Rob' fil' meo xls' Ista lagata fr'ib^s bene possunt leuari de bonis Et debitis meis apud Ouerton' & Meleorseysneck & amplius Lego & uolo q in capitulo gen'ali angl' q^ondo littere mee quas h'eo de eor' frat'nitare debent ostendi & anima mea missis & orac'onib^s come'daui q ut'q' fratres .s. minores & p^rdicatores h'eant .xx.s' ad eor' pitancia' Lego & uolo & q honesta p^ticipac'o fiat p me die sepulture mee aut de Lardario meo aut aliunde Lego & milicent' vxor' mee omnes t'ras de Macclisfeud' cum le Bothefeld' ad totam vitam suam +vna cum redd' ass' de Macclisf' + Ita q de hereditate sua pp'a faceat libitu' suu' volo & q ip'a h'eat t'ram del Halleleg' & de ambab^s Hurdesfeld' dum continent' & sine viro vixerit Et q nich' int'im clamar' possit de aliis t'ris & tenem'tis n^c in Wallia n^c alibi Lego & eid' Milisent' omnia vtensilia mea domus & alia jocalia mea saluis Rog' filio meo duab^s ollis eneis vna pelue cu' lauatoria duab^s mappis cu' manu'tgiis & vna masera cu' pede Et q d'cm Milicent' inueniat vnu' uestrime'tu' ad altar' beate Mar' ualde ydoneu' cui^s casula & parure cu' stola erunt de auro contexte in quo capellanus ibid' celebrans possit Honestius beate virgini deseruire Et corpus xⁱ confic'e quib^s die sabbati Lego & eid' Milicent' vx' mee .xvj. boues de meliorib^s .xx^e. vaccas de melior' & .c. bidentes masculos u'l femellos p libitu suo eligendos & duos affr'os Lego & Isabelle filie mee .xx.lj'. vna cu' blado & bonis suis pp'is ad se maritandam post conciliu' amicor' suor' cum auxilio mat'is sue Lego & Rog' fil' meo .xvj. boues cu' blado in t'ra seminato apud Gouzeworthe Ita q h'eat ibid' semen & foragiu' p t'ra sua pseminand' t'pe q^otragesimali +lego & eid' pullanu' meu' redeu' q'e' apud ouerton'+ Lego & Milicent' de Dauenport .vj. boues .vj. uaccas & .vj. aueria Juniora .xx. bidentes .x. porc' & .ij. Jumenta cu' secta q^ar I est in foresta & alia in pco Lego & Jurdan' filio meo .x. boues qui su't apud Mott^m cum blado & foragio ibid' existentib^s set q bidentes de Staueleg' possunt sustentari de feno ibid' existent' hoc hyeme Lego & eid' iurdan' .I. pullanu' bay qui est in pco Lego & t'bus pueris filiis Cecilie +filie+ mee .vj. Vaccas & .xij. Juuencula vna cu' .v. m^arcis quos eisd' debeo & aliis catallis suis que p'us Habuerunt Lego magistro Joh' fr'i meo pullanu' meu' bay & qui est apud ouerton' & aliu' equum ferra't q' est ibid' Lego & s'uaic'o beate Marie vnu' au'iu' ydoneu' It'm Recluse de Macclisfeud' xld' It'm d'no ad' decano de Macclisf' I vacca' It'm cuil' capellano parochiali istius deconatus .vj.d' It'm cuil' de pueris Rob' de Staueleg' .I. au'iu' ydoneu' It'm Thom' de Hegh^am .xx.s'. Will'o de Rauenok .ij. boues & .ij. vaccas & .ij. au'ia Juniora & robam de russett' It'm Ric' fr'i meo .I. boue' & .I. vacca' & .I. au'iam Juniore' +& vna de Rob' meis .s. suptunica' de virid' cu' tunica p^tinent'+ It'm ad fr'i meo .I. boue' .I. vacca' & .I. au'ia' iunior' cu' aliis catallis que h't de me & condono ei debitu' in quo mⁱ tenet' It'm Thom' de Tyderunton' iiij vacc' iiij au'ia Junior' & robam mea' noua' It'm Emme ancille mee .ij.s'. Et si quid de bonis meis residuu' fu'it indistincte legatu' volo q executores mei inde faceant & ordinent s'cdm q ad salute' anime mee melius viderint expedire

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Huius aut' testamenti mey ordino & constituo executores meos subscⁱptos videl' Magistru' Johanne' fr'em meu' Magistru' Jurdanu' filium meum Milicent' vxorem meam Adam Biran Rog' filiu' meu' Et Will'm de Rauenok quib^s omnib^s & singul' do & concedo plena' lib'am potestatem administrandi in omnib^s bonis meis sicut ego p^rsens essem in cuius rei testimoniu' p^rsenti scⁱpto sigillu' +meu'+ apposui Et sigilla executor meor apponi pcuraui

Die Mercur' p^x post festum s'ci Hyllar' Anno d'ni M^o CCC s'cdo¹⁵⁷ coram nob' Offic' d'ni Archid'i Cestr' prese's probatum extitit test'm & concessa est admi'st^ac'o in forma constituc'ois Mag'ro J de Vpton' Mag'ro Jordano fil' d'ci defuncti Rog'o fil' eiusd'm Ad' Byran & Will'o de Rauenok executor' in testamento no'iatis Ita q'd Milisand' vx' d'ci defuncti sit eisd'm supuidens & iux^a eor' consiliu' co'une' facia't ea que incu'bu't de bonis testatoris suprad'ci

21 April 1303

Close Roll 31 Edward I m. 12: Beverley

To him who supplies the place of the treasurer and to the barons of the exchequer. Order to discharge Thomas de Maclesfeld of the [portion of his] ferm of 800l. due for the manor of Esseford from 14 November, in the thirtieth year of the king's reign, as the king committed to him on 20 June, in the twenty-eighth year,¹⁵⁸ by letters patent under the exchequer seal the manors of Esseford, co. Derby, Mackesfeld, co. Chester, and Overton, co. Flint, to be kept from Michaelmas following for seven years, rendering therefor 300l. yearly, and the king, on 14 November aforesaid, granted by other letters patent to Ralph Pypard the manor of Esseford for life, and ordered Thomas to deliver it to him.

Thomas de Macclesfield's son Roger made this agreement with Milicent his mother that, by way of dower, she should have all the lands in the Boothfield and the Hallegh and both Hurdsfields, and in Shrigley.

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Jordan de Macclesfield Charters: Add. 37,288

Hec est conuenc'o f'ca int' Rog'm de Macclisfeud ex vna pte & Milicent' m'rem suam ex alt'a vid' q p'd'cs Rog's concessit p'd'ce Milicent' m'ri sue no'ie dotis om's t'ras & ten' subscⁱpta .s. tota' t'ram q' uocat' le le Bothesfeld' cu' le Halleleg' & ambab^s Hyrdesf' & tota' t'ram sua' de Scriggeleg' cum p^atis pascuis domib^s & edificiis & o'ib^s aliis p^{ti}n' Ita q p'd'ca Milic' nich' amplius de t'ris u'l ten' q' Thom' de Macclisf' q^onda' marit^s xsuus tp're decessus sui h'uit possit uendicar' H'nd' & ten' ad tota' vita' sua' sine o'i cd'cone p'd'ci Rog'i u'l alic^s no'ie suo Redd' & faciend' d'nis capitalib^s debita & s'ruicia inde c^usueta Insup p'd'cs Rog's ratificavit & c^ucessit p'd'ce Milic' m'ri sue o'es t'ras & ten' in villa de Macclisfeud' & in t'ritorio eiusd' cu' redd' & omnib^s aliis p^{ti}n' q' p'd'cs Thom' q^onda' marit^s p'd'ce Milic' ei in vlti'a sua uoluntat' legauit nulla' faciend' menco'm de t'ris & ten' +ip'i^s + p'd'ce Milic' de quib^s p'd'cs Rog's se int'omitte' no' h't p'd'cs u^o Rog's & h'edes sui u'l assignati omnes t'ras reddit^s & ten' p'd'ca p'd'ce Milic' c^a om's ho'ies & feminas Warentizabu't adquietabu't & defendent Et ut hec c^uenc'o rata & stabil' pmaneat alt' alt'i

¹⁵⁷ Wednesday 16 January 1303

¹⁵⁸ 20 June 1300

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tale scⁱptu' Cyrograffatu' f̄*i fecit & alt' alt'ius scⁱptu' sigill' sui in p^rssion' robouarit Hiis
testib^s Rob' de Dounes Ad' Byra' Joh' de Astebur' Ric' de Leg' Will' e Rauenok & aliis*