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General

Despite the existence of the borough, Knutsford sent townshipmen to Bucklow hundred court: when acting as *quatuor villate* Knutsford was joined by Tatton, Ollerton and Mobberley (16:152), or Ollerton, Bexton and Mobberley (22:197, 937)

Alicia daughter of William de Tabley sued him, Richard del Moyne and Godusa his wife and Adam son of Walter de Toft for two messuages in Knutsford township. The actual tenant was Richard del Moyne, who said that he had been enfeoffed by Tabley. The jury said that William de Tabley had indeed enfeoffed Moyne, and that William de Tabley had in fact received it from Alicia herself, who had surrendered it to him. Alicia was amerced 12d for false claim. This did not dissuade her from bringing a similar case two years later against her brother John. She dropped the suit and was amerced another 12d.

8:20: 25 October 1295

m'ia .xij.d'

Assis' venit recogn' si Will'ms de Tabill' Ric'us del Moyne & Godusa vx' eius & Ad' fil' Walt'i de Toft inuste &c' disseis' Aliciam fil' Will'i de Tabill' de lib'o ten' suo in Knutesford vnde querit' q'd disseis' eam de duob^s mesuag' cum p^{tin}' in ead'm villa pstq^m &c'

Et p^rd'cus Ad' dic' q'd nich' tenet nec tenere clamat in p^rd'cis ten' & q' n'llam fecit iniuria' nec disseisi^am, petit q'd inqⁱrat'. Et p^rd'ca Godusa d'it q'd ip'a nich' tenet nisi r'one Ric'i del Moyne viri sui. Et q'd n'llam fecit iniuria' nec disseisi^am &c'. Et p^rd'cus Ric's tanq^m tenens de p^rd'cis ten' dicit q'd ip'a⁴⁵ ingr'us est p^rd'ca ten' p^r quemdam Will'm de Tabill' qui ip'm inde feoffauit. Et q'd n'llam fecit iniuriam nec disseisi^am, petit q'd inqⁱrat'. Et q'd inqⁱrat' p^r assi^am Et p^rd'ca Alic' simil'r Jur' d'nt sup^r sacr'm suu' q'd p^rd'cis Ad' nich' tenet &c'. nec aliqua' fecit iniuria' & q'd p^rd'ca Godusa nich' h't &c' nisi r'one p^rd'ci Ric'i del Moyne viri sui. & p^rd'cus Ric'us ingr'us est p^rd'ca ten' p^r p^rfatum Will'. & ip'e Will' p^r ip'm Aliciam qⁱ illa ei reddidit I'o cons' est q'd p^rd'ca Alic' nich' capiat p^r querelam istam, s' sit in m'ia p^r falso clamore ppl' [blank] Et p^rd'ci Will' & alii inde sine die

9:118: 29 January 1297

m'ia.xij.d'

D Alic' fil' Will'i de Tabbeleg'h', qa no' est ps'. u^s. Joh' fil' Will'i de Tabbeleg'h'. de pl'ito no. dis'. de ten' in Knottesford ppl' Ric'i Grindelof.

Thomas Snowball of Knutsford brought but abandoned a case against Alice daughter of Thomas Prat alleging some unspecified trespass.

11:64: 13 January 1299

⁴⁵ sic

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m'ia xij.d'.

*D Thom' Snoubal de Knotesford quia no' e' ps' u^s Alic' fil' Thome Prat, de pl'ito t^ans.
ppl' Joh' de Leygh'*

Robert Clericus (Clerk) of Knutsford sued William de Tabley for detention of gage before the justiciar in eyre.

11:133: 17 February 1299

*Rob's cl'icus de Knuttesford, quer' de Will'o de Tabbeleg', de pl'ito det' vad', coram
Justic' in Itin'e, pl' de ps' Rog's Mekemon, & Will' Le M'cer. ppl' de respond' Adam de
Tabbeleg' & Will' de Modburleg' Ad que' die' p'd'cs Rob's, op. se. u^s. eu'. Et p'd'cus. W.
fuit esson'. Et h'nt diem. &c'.*

William de Toft accused Hugh de Pott of Knutsford and William son of Ralph de Bidenley of having disseised him of a messuage and an acre of land in Knutsford. Pott said that he had the premises from Bidenley; Bidenley said that Toft had enfeoffed him of them. The jury rejected this and ordered the property to be restored to Toft, with 6d damages, and Pott and Bidenley were amerced a shilling each.

11:402: 22 September 1299

m'ie. ij.s'.

*Assi'a venit recogn' si Hugo de Potte. de Knottesford, & Will'ms fil' Rad'i de
Bydenleg', iniuste &c', diss' Will'm de Toft de lib'o ten' suo in Knotesford, postq^am &c',
vnde quer' q'd diss' eu' de vno mes' & vna acra t're cu' ptin' in eadem villa*

*Et p'd'cs Hugo venit & dicit, q'd ass^a no' debet inde pcedere. Dicit eni', q'd ip'e
ingressus est p'd'ca ten' p p'fatu' Will'm fil' Rad'i, & q'd nulla' fecit iniur' neq' diss' petit
q'd inquir' p ass^am — Et p'd'cs Will's fil' Rad'i, dicit, q'd p'd'cs Will's de Toft feoffavit eu'
de p'd'cis ten' p cui^s donu' & feoffam'tu'. ip'e stetit in bona & pacifica seis^a, absq' aliqua
iniuria eidem Will'o de Toft inde facienda; & hoc petit q'd inquir' p ass^am Et p'd'cus
Will'ms de Toft dicit, q'd ip'e fuit seis' de p'd'cis ten', quousq' p'd'ci Hugo & Will'ms ip'm
diss' &c'. — Ideo cap' ass^a — Jur' dic' sup' s'crm suu', q'd. p'd'cus Will'ms de Toft diss'
est de p'd'cis ten' p p'fatos Hug' +xij.d'.+ & Will'm +xij.d'.+ — Ideo ip'i in m'ia p diss^a, Et
p'd'cs Will's recuperet seis^am sua' p vis' recogn', & dampna que taxant' &c'. ppl'm +Rog'i+
Mekehone & Joh'is de Mascy
— Dampna — vj.d'. — T. C.*

After William de Tabley's death, Alice his widow sued Thomas de Weaver for a third part of the watermill in Clive, as reasonable dower. Weaver called the Tableys' son, William, to warrant, and he said that he had already given his mother reasonable dower from the family property in Knutsford. The jury found that she had not been given dower to the value of the third part of the mill.

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12:137: 8 March 1300

p^r.

Alic' que fuit vxor Will'i de Tableg' petit. u^s. Thom' de Weuere t'ciam ptem vni^s Molendini aq^atici cu' ptin' in Clyue vt r'onabile' dotem suam q' eam conti'git de lib'o ten' quod fuit p^rd'ci Will'i q^ondam viri sui &c', Et p^rd'cs Thom' venit & petit inde visum, & h't & p^rceptum est vic' q'd h're faciat visum &c'

12:221: 31 May 1300

p^r.

Alic' que fuit vxor Will'i de Tabeleg' petit. u^s. Thoma' de Weuere t'ciam ptem vnus Molendini aquatici cum p^rinenciis in Clyue vt dotem suam vnde nich' h'et &c', Et p^rdictus Thomas venit, & vocat inde ad war^m Will'm de Tabeleg', qui sumoniatur in isto Com', Ideo p^rceptum est vicecomiti q'd sumoniat &c', q'd sit &c', ad respondendum &c'.

12:248: 12 July 1300

p^r. m'ia alibi

Alic' que fuit vx^r Will'i de Tabeleg' petit u^rsus Thom' de Weu^re q^artam + t'ciam + ptem vni^s molendini aquatici cu' ptin' in Clyue, vt dote' &c'.

Et p^rd'cs Thom' venit & alias vocauit inde ad warant' Will'm de Tabel', qui modo venit p^r sumonic'oem & ei warantizauit & dicit vlt^r[ius] q'd p^rd'ca Alicia no' debet inde dotem hab'e, qa ip'e dicit q'd statim p^st morte' p^rd'ci Will'i p^ris sui, ip'e dotaui ip'am Alic' in villa de Knottsford ad valenc' dotis q' ip'am contingebat de om'ib^s ten' q' fu^runt p^rd'ci Will'mi p^ris sui, Ita q'd ip'a nu'c dotata est de valore d'ce t'cie ptis d'ci Molendini. & hoc petit q'd inquir', Et p^rd'ca Alic' dicit q'd ip'a nich' habet nec vnq^am h'uit in reco'pensaco'em dotis sue de p^rd'co molendino & hoc petit q'd inquir' — Ideo fiat inde Inq^s' ad p^rx'm Com', Et p^r. e' vic' q'd venire fac' .xij. &c', & qui n^c &c'. Postea ad Com' die Martis in vigilia s'ci Barth'i anno r' r' E xxvij^o.⁴⁶ ven' Jur' qui d'nt q'd p^rd'ca Alic' nu'q^a dotata fuit de aliquo ten' ad valenc' dotis sue de p^rd'co Molend'. I'o cons' est q'd p^rd'cus ip'a Alic' recuperet seisinam suam u^rsus p^rd'cm Will'm de Tabbeleye ad valencia' t'cie ptis p^rd'ci Molend' Et p^rd'cus Tho' teneat in pace, & Will's de Tabbeleye in m'ia

12:319: 23 August 1300

[m'ia]

[D] Will'mo de Tabeleg' p^r iniusta detenc'one dotis, ad valenc' t'cie ptis vni^s Molendini aq^atici cu' ptin' in Clyue p^r Warantiam suam, u^rsus [Alic]ia' m'rem suam. ppl'm vic'. Et p^rcept' e' eid'm vic' q'd h're faciat eid'm Alic' seis^am suam + ad valenc' + eiusdem t'cie ptis &c'. qua' ip'a peciit in Cur' ista u^rsus Thom' de Weu^re

Robert Cunliffe clerk sued the same William and Alice, Hugh son of Elena, Robert Jay, Elias Roter of Knutsford, Ranulph son of Amelia and Alexander Michelman of Knutsford for disseising him of the common of pasture in Knutsford belonging to his tenement in the same township, i.e. 11 acres 1 rod of woodland, heath, moor and pasture for all his beasts throughout the year. Hugh, Robert and Alexander said that they held 6 acres of the land in question, by demise from William the lord of Knutsford. Elias and Ranulph said

⁴⁶ Tuesday 23 August 1300

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that they held 4 other acres there, again by demise from William. Alice said that her only interest in the property was as dower granted to her by her son William, after the death of her husband, William de Tabley. William said that Cunliffe had no property in Knutsford with any right of common. He himself was lord of the manor and had the right to approve any common, so long as sufficient was left to the traditional commoners for their beasts, with free right of entry to the same. The jury said that Tabley had right to 1 acre 1 rod of the premises: Cunliffe had been disseised of the remaining 10 acres, from which the tenants that Tabley had put in should be ejected. Cunliffe was awarded two shillings damages, and each of the defendants was amerced one shilling.

Two years later a quarrel arose between Cunliffe and Tabley in Knutsford. Tabley claimed that Cunliffe had followed him to his house insulting him, and would have beat him in his own home had he not attacked Cunliffe. Cunliffe sued Tabley for 100s.

15:251: 26 June 1302

m'ie .vij.s'

Assisa ven' rec', si Will'us, d'ns de Knottesford +xij.d'+, Alicia que fuit vx' Will'i de Tabbel' +xij.d'+, Hugo fil' Elene +xij.d'+ Rob'ts Jay +xij.d'+, Elyas Rotar' de Knottesford' +xij.d'+, Ran's fil' Amelye +xij.d'+, & Alex' Muchelmon de Knottesford', iniuste &c'. diss' Rob'tm de Cunteclif cl'icum, de co'a pasture sue in Knottesford, que pt' ad lib'm ten' suu', in ead' villa, postq' &c'. Et vnde quer', q'd diss' eum de co'a pastur' sue, in vndecim acr' & vna roda bosci, bruere, more & pastur', ad o'ioda a'ialia sua, om'i t'pe anni.

Et p'd'ci Will'us, & alii, ven'. Et p'd'ci, Hugo fil' Elene, Rob'ts Jay, & Alex' Muchelmon', dic', q'd ip'i tenent sex acr' t're, de d'cis ten', ex dimissione Will'i, d'ni de Knottesford. & q'd nullam fec'unt iniur' n'c diss'; pet' q'd inquir'. Et p'd'ci Elyas & Ran's, ven', & dic', q'd ip'i ingressi su't in quatuor acr' t're de d'cis ten', ex dimissione d'ci Will'i d'ni de Knottesford, ad t'm annor. & q'd nullam fec'u't iniur', n'c diss'; pet' si'lr, q'd inquir' p' assis'. Et p'd'ca Alic', dic', q'd nich' clam' in d'cis ten', nisi no'oe dot', p' morte' Will'i q'nd' viri sui, ex assign' Will'i fil' sui. Et q'd nullam fec' iniur' nec diss'; pet' q'd inquir' Et p'd'cus Will's d'ns de Knottesford, dic', q'd d'cus Rob's no' h't aliq'd lib'm ten', in Knottesford, ad quod; co'a pasture ptineat. Et si comptum sit, q'd h'eat lib'm ten' in ead' villa, ad quod, &c'; dic' vlt'ius, q'd ip'e est d'ns, ville de Knottesford, p' quod, ip'e, tanq'm d'ns, aproiauit se, de vasto sup in ead'm, sicut ei b'n licuit p' stat', saluo tenentib' suis in ead', sufficienti co'a, & lib'o ingr'u & egr'u, &c'. & q'd, p't' hoc, de quo se aproiauit, idem Rob's, h't sufficientem co'an, q'n'o p'tin'. &c'. cu' lib'o egr'u, & ingr'u, ad eand', si illam h're debeat. Et q'd nullam fec' iniur'; pet' q'd inquir' p' assis'. Et p'd'cus Rob's sil'r. Jur' dic' sup sacr'm suu', q'd p'd'cus Rob'tus de Cunteclyf, h't lib'm ten' in villa de Knottesford, ad quod; co'a pastur' p'tinet, & dic' vlt'ius, q'd d'cus Rob'tus diss' est, de co'a p'd'ca, in decem acr' de p'd'cis vndecim acr' & vna roda. p' p'd'cos, Will'm, Alic', & alios, in br'i contentos, Et q'd vna acra & vna rod', de eisd' ten'; possunt p'mitti d'co Will'o d'no capiand'. Ideo cons' est, q'd d'ce decem acre reiciant' ad co'am. p' vis', &c'. Et q'd id'm Rob's recuperet inde seis', & dampna sua, que taxant' &c'. Et d'ci Will's & alii, in m'ia. alr' alt'ius pleg'.

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.Dampna .ij.s'.T. C.

17:102: 7 December 1305

Will' de Tabbel' attach' fuit ad r' Will' de Counteclyf de pl'ito t^{ns} vnde idem Rob'us⁴⁷ quer^r q'd p^rd'cus Will' die Lune prox^a post f'm s'ci Wolfr'i anno r'.r'. E. xxxij.⁴⁸ vi & arm' in ip'm Rob'm apud Knotesford insult' fecit & ip'm v'berauit malet^actauit & alia enormia ei intulit ad g^aue dampnu' ip'ius Rob'to & cont^a pacem &c' vnde dicit q'd deter' est & dampna h'et ad valenc'. Cent' solid' & inde produc' sectam. Et p^rd'cus Will' venit & def' vim & iniur' q'n &c'. & dicit q'd p^rd'cus Rob'us ip'm pros' fuit verbis contumeliosis ad domu' ip'ius Will' & ip'm Will' in domo sua ppria verberasse voluit Idem Will' causa maioris mali euitandi p^rd'cm Rob'm fugasse voluit Ita q'd idem Rob'us aliquod dampnu' sustinuit; hec fuit insultu suo pprio & no' alio modo & hoc petit q'd inquir'. I'o [p^rc'] est vic' q'd de visn' de Knotesford ven' fac' &c' .xij. &c' qui n^c &c'

17:198: 11 January 1306

p^r.

Prec' est vic' q'd de visn' de Knotesford ven' fac' ad prox' Com' .xij. &c'. p quos &c'. sup hiis quer' patent in rotul' Com' die M^{rt}s prox^a post f'm s'ci Nich' prox' p^rter⁴⁹ int' Will' de Tabbel' & Will' de Cunteclyf.

17:233: 15 March 1306

M'ia .xii.d'

D Rob'to de Cunteclyf qui tulit br'e de t^{ns}. u^s. Will' de Tabbel' p lic' quer' meli^s br'e. u^s. eu'd'm Will'.

17:250: 15 March 1306

M'ie. iiij.s'.vi.d'

D Ric'o de Lostok +.xii.d'+, Thom' fr'e ei^s +vj.d'+, Galfr' Starky +xii.d'+ Rob'to le Mascy de Sale +xii.d'+ & Adam de Vrmyston' +xii.d'+ quia no' ven' in inquis' int' Will' de Cunteclyf & Will' de Tabbel'

17:265: 15 March 1306

Et q'd de visn' de Knotesford ven' fac' ibid'm .xij. &c'. p quos v'itas sciri pot'it sup hiis que patent in rotulis Com' die M^{rt}s p^xa post f'm S'ci Nich'i prox' p^rter⁵⁰ int' Will' de Tabbel' +al' vad'+ & Will' de Cunteclyf.

John de Legh sued William Tabley in June 1302 to keep to an agreement concerning 26 acres of land in Knutsford.

15:250: 26 June 1302

Joh'es de Legh', op. se. u^s. Will'm Tabbeleg'h', de pl'to conuenc' Et ip'e no' venit Et p^r fuit vic' ad vltim' Com' q'd pon'et eu' p vad' & saluos pl'os, q'd e'et hic ad hu'c diem. Qui mandauit q'd le Cartewricth +xij.d'+, & Ran's fil' Buey +xij.d'+, fu'unt pleg' sui, &c'. Ideo ip'i in m'ia. qa no' h'uerunt que' pleg' [Et] p^r. est vic', q'd distr' eu' p om'es t^ras & catalla, q'd sit &c'. ad .r'. &c'.

15:279: 7 August 1302

⁴⁷ sic

⁴⁸ Monday 18 October 1305

⁴⁹ Tuesday 7 December 1305

⁵⁰ Tuesday 7 December 1305

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m'ia. ijs'.

D Joh'e de Legh'. p. li. con. cu' Will'mo de Tabbeleghe', de pl'o conuenc'. viginti & sex acr' t're cu' ptin', i' Knotesford. ppl' d'ci Will'mi.

The townships of Knutsford, Tatton, Ollerton and Mobberley presented that Adam the chaplain of Tatton killed Thomas son of Richard de Mixon and straightway fled. Adam's possessions amounted to 12 beasts, cows and calves, worth 70s 6d and 24 ewes worth 12s, which had been taken to Chester castle by the sheriff's serjeants; and one acre of land sown with oats in Knutsford and 2 acres sown with barley which he held from John de Legh for a term, and a third part of 5 acres of land in Tatton sown with barley, which third part he held for a term of 8 years. Adam also had four oxen in the keeping of master Roger de Alderley; and various other goods. The court doubted the appraisal of the goods and called for a further inquiry.

16:152: 22 June 1305

Villate de Knottesford, Tatton', Olreton', Modburl' p'sentant q'd Adam cap'll de Tatton' occidit Thom' fil' Ric'i de Muxen' qui postea in continenti fugit & h'uit in bon' .xij. au'ia p se vna' vacca' cu' vit'lo +p'c' Lxx.s'.vj.d'+ viginti quatuor oues p'c' .xij.s'. que ducta fuer' ad Cast^m Cestr' p s'ue'tes vic' & vna' acr' t're se'iat' cu' auen' in Knottesford & duas acr' t're se'iat' cu' auena quas tenet de Joh'e de Legh' ad t'minu' [blank] & t'cia' pte' quinq' acr' t're in Tatton' se'iat' cu' auen' q^am t'ciam ptem tenet ad t'minu' octo annor +It' ide' Ad' h'uit q^atuor boues in custod' Mag'ri Rog'i de Alderdel' p't', It' h'et .vj. velsera lane xij.d'. in man' Joh' del Wes' s' .xij.d' in man' Joh' del Herd. & .xij.d' in man' Rog'i Molend'. & ij. m^r. in man' Th' Fylcok & Ad' fil' Adah..... que quidem blada vendebant' Joh'i de Legh' pro. x.s'.⁺⁵¹ Et qa p'sentamentu' min^s est suffice's quo ad p'ciu' cat' & de al' circu'stanciis ad p'd'cm p'sent' spectantib^s. p' est vic' q'd inde pleni^s inquirat v'itatem. Et quid inde fec'it constare fac' Justic' Cestr' ad px' Com' &c'.

In August 1307 the coroner of Bucklow hundred presented that John Kilting of Knutsford had fled, leaving chattels worth 3s, for which the township of Knutsford would answer.

19:211: 18 August 1307

[Ex]act^s p'mo [cat'] iij.s'

Id'm Coron' p'sent' q'd Joh'nes Kilting de Knotisford fugit &c' Id' ip'e no' exig^r p'mo, Cat' eius iij.s' vnd' villat' de Knotisford respondebit &c'

William de Tabley sued Richard de Fowlshurst for having on Friday 3 November 1307 at Knutsford taken a mare of his and led it away to Wych Malbanc (Nantwich).

⁵¹ the reading of much of this interlineation is doubtful

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Fowlshurst said that he was sheriff of Cheshire, holding the hundreds in the county at yearly farm from the king: Tabley was lord of the town of Knutsford, for which he owed suit at Bucklow hundred court from fortnight to fortnight. Tabley had failed to do suit at the hundred of 30 September 1306, so he had been distrained. Tabley disputed whether he or his ancestors had ever done suit at the hundred court. It seemed to the court that a challenge to the earl's seisin could not be admitted. Robert de Massey faced the same question in the county court two years later. This time the matter was put to a jury, who said that Massey indeed did not owe suit at Bucklow hundred court for the township of Knutsford.

20:470: 23 April 1308

Ric'us de Fouleshurst sum' fuit ad respond' Will'o de Tabelegh' de pl'ito capc' cui^sd' iument' Et vnde id'm Will's querit' q'd die ven'is p^xa post festu' o'ium s'cor anno regni Reg^s nu'c p'mo⁵² ap'd Knotesford id'm Ric' cepit & capi fec' quodd' iument' suu' & duxit & illd duci fec' vsq' Wyc' Malban' & ibi illd detinuit con^a vad' &c' quousq' &c' vnde dic' q'd det'iorat^s est & dampn' h'et ad val'nc' decem solidor' & inde pduc' s^ctam &c'

Et Ric's ven' & def' vim & iniur' q^ando &c' Et vt Minister D'ni Reg^s aduoc' capc' iustam &c' Dic' eni' q' ip'e est Vic' Cestris' & ten' hundredos in eod'm Com' ad firmam de d'no Rege p certo p annu' Et q'd pred'cs Will's +est d'ns ville de Knottesford p qua+ debet sectam ad Hundred' de Bulkelawe in eod'm Com' de q'nd' in quindenam [blank]. de qua quid'm secta D'ns Rex +nu'c+ & an'cess' sui & coram Com' te'pe Com' semp hactenus s'siti fuerunt p man^s d'nor' eiusd'm ville vnd' dic' q'd id'm Will's ad Hundr' de Bulkelowe tent' in crasti'o S'ci Mich'is anno regni reg^s E p'ris Reg^s nu'c t'cesimo q^arto⁵³ p quib^s quid'm defalt' pred'ce secte no' facte pred'cs Ric's vt Minister &c' capt' &c' aduoc' &c' no'ie d'ni Reg^s &c'

Et pred'cs Will's dic' q'd d'ns Rex nu'c n^c ancess' sui n' Com' tempe Com' vncq^a s'siti fuer' de s^cta p'd'ca p man^s suas aud an'cess' suor' siue aliquor' d'nor' pred'ce ville de Knotesford Et hoc patus est verificare s'cdm q'd Cur' considerau'it

Et qa videt' Cur' q'd hui^smodi verificacio sup seisinam d'ni Reg^s in hac pte non est admittend'⁵⁴

22:618: 12 May 1310

Pro Secta ad Hundr'.

Rob'tus de Mascy attach' fuit ad respond' d'no. R'. de eo q're, cu' id'm Rob'tus secta' debeat ad Hundr' d'ni Reg' de Bockelowe tent' apud Northwicu' p villat' de Knottisforde. Id'm Rob' sectam illam p magnu' te'pus iam subt^axit ad dampnu' & in co'te'ptu' d'ni Regis .C.s'. &c'. — Et p'd'cus Rob' ven' & dic', q'd ip'e nullam sectam debet ad Hundr' de Bukelowe p villat' de Knottisforde, n^c ip'e n^c an'cessores sui aliq^am secta' ad p'd'cm Hu'dr' p p'd'ca villat' fec'unt, nec fac'e debuer't, Nec d'ns Rex n^c an'cessores sui de secta faciend' ad pred'cm Hundr' p ip'm Rob' n^c p an'cessores +suos+ vnq^a seisiti fu'unt. Et de hoc ponit se sup p'riam &c'. — Jur' dicu't sup sacr'm suu' q'd p'd'cs Rob'tus nulla'

⁵² Friday 3 November 1307

⁵³ Friday 30 September 1306

⁵⁴ text breaks off here

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secta' debet ad Hundr' de Bukelowe p villat' de Knottysforde, n^c ip'e n^c an'cessores sui aliq^am vnq^a fec'unt, Nec d'ns Rex n^c an'cessores sui, vnq^a de s^cta illa seis' fu'unt, I'o p'd'ca Rob' inde sine die, saluo iure d'ni. R^s, cu' alias &c'.

In 1308 William de Tabley let the township of Knutsford to William de Mobberley for 10 years at 50s a year.

1308

Helsby i 490 n.c

Hoc sc'ptu' Cyrographacum testatur q' ego Will's de Tabeleg' d'no de Knotesford concessi et ad t'minu' dimisi Will'o de Modburleg' totam villam de Knotesford &c. cu' quibuscuq' in ptin' sine aliquo retinem'to salvo in molendino H'nd' &c. ad t'minu' decem annor' &c. incipient'm in Nat' S'ci Joh'is bapt'. Anno d'ni 1308, ⁵⁵ yielding a rent of 50s. &c. Test. Rob'ro de Macy, Joh'e de Legg', Thom de Legg', Rog'o de Tofte, Ad' de Tabeleg', Henr' de Modburleg.

In May the coroner of Bucklow hundred and the township of Mobberley, together with the adjoining townships of Tatton, Marthall and Knutsford, presented the death of a girl drowned by accident in a marlpit in Mobberley.

20:575: 28 May 1308

.iiij.s'. m'ia.ij.s'.

Coronator de Bock' & similit' q^atuor villate scilic' Motburley, Tatton', Marthale & Cnotesford p's' q' quod' Puella. subm'sa fuit in quod' Marlerio apud Modburley Et nullus inde male credit'. Judiciu' Infort'. Villata de Tatton' fecit defaltam coram Coronatore +Id'o in m'ia+ D p'd'cis iiij vill' p' licenc' comorandi dom' iiij.s'.

Margery daughter of Richard the reeve of Knutsford accused Thomas son of Robert the smith of Ewood of rape. She did not pursue the case and was amerced 12d.

21:704: 22 July 1309

Thom' fil' Rob'ti fabri del Ewode optulit se u's^s Marg'ia' fil' Ric'i p'rpo'iti de Knotesford de pl'ito raptus. Et ip'a no' venit. & fuit quer'.

21:846: 2 September 1309

M'ia.xij.d'.

Marg'ia' fil' Ric'i p'rpo'iti de Knotesford'. qa no' est ps'. u's^s. Thom' fil' Rob'i fabri del Ewode de pl'ito rapt' in m'ia. ppl'. Henr' fil' Godefridi de Lacheford' & Daukyn de eadem

In July 1309 Thomas Liricok of Knutsford sued Peter Kyrioul for a debt of 12d due the previous Easter. Kyrioul denied the debt.

⁵⁵ Monday 24 June 1308

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21:773: 22 July 1309

p^r e'

Thom' Liricok de Knotesford op. se u^rsus Petru' Kyrioul de pl'ito deb'i. Et ip'e no' venit. Et +sicut alias+ p^rceptu' fuit vic' q'd distr' eum p^r om'es t^ras &c'. Et q'd de exit'. &c'. Ita q'd h'eret corp^s eius ad hunc Com'. &c'. Et vic' modo mand' q'd p^rd'cus Petrus nich' h'et p^r quod &c'. Et testatu' est q'd h'et ad suffcienc' p^r quod &c'. I'o sicut pluries p^rceptu' est vic' q'd distr' eum p^r om'es t^ras &c'. Et q'd de exit'. &c'. Et q'd h'eat corp^s ei^s ad p^rx'm Com'. &c'. xij.d' r' die ad Pasch'

21:893: 2 September 1309

quer' It' p^r e'

Petrus Kiryol attach' fuit ad respondend' Thome Liricok de Knotesford de pl'ito debiti. Et vnde Idem Thom' querit^r q'd p^rd'cus Petr' ei debet & iniuste detinet duodecim denar' quos ei soluisse debuit ad Pascha p^rxi'o p^rt^rit^r ⁵⁶ & ei no' du' soluit vnde dicit q'd det^riorat^s est & dampnu' habet ad valenc' .x. denar' & hoc pat^s est u^rificare s'cdm consuetudine' Itin^ris &c'

Et p^rd'cus Petr' venit & dicit q'd nullos denar' ei debet n^c detinet, sicut ei impo^rit, & de hoc ponit se sup^r p^rriam & p^rd'cus Thom' similit^r. Ideo p^rceptu' est vic' q'd venire fac' ad p^rx'm Com' xij. &c' p^r quos &c' Et qui n^c &c' quia tam &c'

22:24: 7 October 1309

[Pet' Kyrioul] op se v^rs^s Thom' Liricok de Knotesford de pl'ito deb'i Et ip'e no' venit et fuit quer' I'o id'm [Petrus sine die] Et p^rd'cus Thom' & pleg' sui de p^rs' in m'ia scil't Thom' le Warde & de

The coroner of Bucklow hundred, with the townships of Knutsford, Ollerton and Bexton (Mobberley failed to appear and was amerced 1 mark (6s 8d)) presented that Cecilia daughter of Roger del Stubbs had killed Roger son of Roger del Shaw and fled. She had had two burgages in Knutsford and 17s 6d cash in the hands of Adam del Stubbs. She was exacted from court to court five times and waived.

22:197: 25 November 1309

Exigat^r. t^rra. Cat'.xvij.s'.vj.d'

Coronator Hundr' de Bokelawe +& sil'r villat' Knotesford Olreton' & Bexton'+ p^rsentat q'd Cecilia fil' Rogeri del Stubbes int^rfecit Rogeru' fil' Rogeri del Sghawe viru' suu'. Et statim p^st f^rcm fugit nec alicubi fuit receptatus. Et male credit^r. I'o exigat^r &c' Inuentor Rogerus del Sghawe & no' male credit^r. Catalla p^rd'ce Cecilie. H'uit lib'm ten' videl't duo burg' in Knotesford +in feod'+. It' .xvij.s'.vj.d'. in manu Ade del Stubbes. I'o p^rd'ca ten' cap' in manu d'ni R^s. Et p^rd'ci den'. leuent^r de p^rd'co Ad'

M'ia.J.m'.

villata de Modberlegh' quia no' veneru't simul cu' aliis villat' ad p^rsent' +p^rd'cam felon'+ I'o. in M'ia.

22:299: 25 November 1309

⁵⁶ Sunday 30 March 1309

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Ex pⁱmo
Cecilia filia Rog'i de Stubbes ad sectam d'ni Reg^s p morte Rog'i fil' Rog'i del Sghawe
virii sui Et ip'a ad hunc Com' exacta no' venit I'o exigat' pⁱmo.
22:430: 17 February 1310
Ex. j^o.
Cecil' fil' Ric' de Stubbes ad sectam d'ni .R'. p Morte Rog' fil' Rog'i del Schawe virii
sui, Et ip'a ad hunc Com' exact^s pⁱmo no' ven' I'o exigat' s'cdo.
22:549: 31 March 1310
Ex. s'cdo.
Cecil' fil' Ric' de Stubbes ad sectam d'ni Reg^s p morte Rog'i fil' Rog' del Schawe virii
sui. Et ip'a ad hu'c Com' exact' s'cdo, no' ven' id'o exig' t'c'o. 22:672: 12 May 1310
Ex. iij^o.
Cecil' fil' Ric' del Stubbes ad secta' d'ni .R^s. p morte Rog' fil' Rog' del Schawe virii
sui ad hu'c Com' exact' t'c'o. no' ven', id'o exig' q^orto.
22:790: 30 June 1310
Exig' q^orto
Cecil' fil' Ric' del Stubbes ad sectam d'ni Reg^s p morte Rog' fil' Rog' del Schawe virii
sui ad hu'c exact' q^orto no' ven'. I'o manucap' p .H.de Copenhale
22:948: 4 August 1310
Wayuiat'
Cecilia fil' Ric'i del Stubbes ad sect' d'ni Reg^s p morte Rog' fil' Rog' del Schagh' virii sui ad
hu'c Com' exact' qⁱnto no' ven', Ideo ip'a Wayuyat', Et inquir' de catall' &c'.

On Saturday 15 February 1309 Hamon de Toft was killed at Knutsford by John son of Adam de Marton and Thomas Gough. Gough fled but Alicia, Hamon's widow, was able to sue Marton in the county court. He challenged her statement as omitting many of the technical details necessary for a murder charge. The doomsmen and *sectatores* of the court considered this, and dismissed her charge, and she was gaoled, but paid a fine for release.

Meanwhile the court considered the case on its own account. Marton said that he would not stand trial except by hand to hand combat. The court gaoled him on diet as a refuter of the common law.

William Godclerk, Adam del Peak and Alicia his wife and Lucia wife of Walter le Hore were meanwhile gaoled on suspicion of having sheltered Gough after his flight: but at a gaol delivery in March 1310 they were acquitted. Gough was put on the serjeants' list of wanted persons, and was found and beheaded.

22:104: 7 October 1309
Ex. iij^o.v^o.
Alicia q' fuit vx^r Hamon' de Toft. op se & sequit' u'sus Thom' Gogh' & Joh'em fil'
Ad' de M'ton' +p'sone. diet'.+ de morte p'd'ci Hamon' virii sui vnde eos app'llat. Et ip'i ad
hunc Com'. exacti quarto. no' ven' set manucap'. p Hug' de Copenh'. I'o &c'.
22:207: 25 November 1309
Vtlagatus.

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Alicia que fuit vxor Ham' de Toft. op. se. u^s. Thom' Gogh' de pl'ito mortis p'd'ci Ham' q'nd' viri sui vnde eum appellat. Et id'm Thom' ad hu'c Com' exactus q'nto no' ven' I'o vtlaget'

22:210: 25 November 1309

Alicia q' fuit vx' Ham' de Toft appellat Joh'em fil' Ade de M'ton' de morte p'd'ci Ham' q'nd' viri sui int' brachia sua int'fecti vnde ead' Alicia dicit, q'd p'd'cs Joh'es die sabb'ti p^xa p^st carnip'uiiu' a^o r' R^s nu'c s'cdo⁵⁷ ap'd Knotesford int'fecit Ham' de Toft viru' suu'. vnde pet' q'd iusticia ei inde fiat Et p'd'cs Joh' ven' & def' omne' feloniam' &c' & q'cquid fu'it cont^a pace' &c'. Et pet' alloc' de appello isto quia dic' q'd p'd'ca Alicia in appello suo fac' omissione' fecit de hiis q' in quol' appello su't ncc^aia quia dic' q'd in appello fac' dixisse debuisset q'd idem Joh' ven' de pte aust^ali vel boriali orientali vel occidentali felonit' vt felo & p'd'cm Ham' virum suu' cu' c'tis armis cui'cu'q' generis fu'it fac' mencione' de longitudi'e. latitudi'e & gen'is illi' armi cu' quo int'fect' fuit vnde pet' iud'm &c'. It' pet' alloc' de eo q'd ead' Alicia in appello suo fac' no' fec' mencione' qua pte seu quo loco ville p'd'ce d'cs Ham' vir suus int'fectus fuit. It' pet' alloc' de eo q'd p'd'ca Alicia in appello suo fac' no' dix' q'd ip'a p'st f'cm Hutes' leuauit & Hutes' illud de villa ad villam vsq' ad q^atuor villat' sequita fuit. Et de quatuor villat' ad Coronatore'. Et de Coronatore ad Com' hic. Et & de hoc q'd ip'a dixisse debuisset q'd ip'a pata est hoc pbare cont^a ip'm sic' Mulier cont^a viru'. Vnde pet' alloc' &c'. Et qa p'd'ca Alicia in fac' appellum suu' omissione' fecit de plurib^s artic'lis q' in quol' appello su't ncc^aia I'o cons' est p Judices & sectator' Com' q'd p'd'ca Alicia nich' cap' p appellu' s' p falso appello co'mittat' gaiole. Et p'd'cs Joh' quo ad sectam ip'ius Alicie inde quietus, &c'. Postea p'd'ca Alicia fecit fine' vt p' in rotulo de finib^s

Id' Joh' ad sectam d'ni R^s quesitus qualif' se velit de morte p'd'ci Ham' ~~ind~~ acq'etare Def' omne' feloniam' &c'. Et q'd no' est inde culpabil' patus est defender' se p manu' sua' & no' p pat'am. I'o tanqua' co'munis legis refutator Comittit' p'sone ad dietam. &c'. Postea fecit fine' pro secta Reg^s relaxanda vt patet in Rotul' de finib^s

22:553: 31 March 1310 Gaol Delivery

Will'us Godclerk capt' p receptam'to Thom' Gogh' vtlagat' p morte Hamon' de Toft, Et Ad' del Pek & Alic' vx' eius capti p receptam'to eiusd'm Thom' vtlagat' p morte p'd'ci Hamon'. Et Lucia vx' Walt'i le Hore capta p receptam'to eiusd'm Thome le Gogh'.

...

Jur' dicu't sup sacr'm suu' q'd p'd'ci Will', Ad' & Alic', Luc', Rob't', Adam, Thom', Joh' +&+ Hug', non sunt culpabiles de feloniiis p'd'cis, immo om'no inde quieti nec se ret^axeru't, Id'o ip'i inde quieti. &c'.

22:1079: 15 September 1310

P'cept' fuit seruient' pacis q'd capent Ric'm de Brescy, Hug' s'uiiente' Rob'ti de Huxl' Will' le Cachepol, Hug' Misthache de Peuere, Rog' Kytte & Henr' Pese de Berterton', Will' Sydware de Medio Wyco +alloc'. fin'+ Ric'm Clubbe, Th'm Gogh' +decol+, Walt'm fil' Ric'i le Hond', Ric'm Halyday, Ad' de Parys & vx'em eius, Ceciliam Stotane, Joh' Terstone +finis+, Ric'm le Dene de Milinton', Hanne Snaubal, Anabill' vx' Ade le Tasker, ...

In February 1310, the coroner of Bucklow hundred presented that Roger son of Roger de Biddulph of Sutton had killed Alexander de Plumley at Aston

⁵⁷ Saturday 15 February 1309

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juxta Pickmere, aided by John de Terston, Thomas Russell, Jordan son of Thomas le Bordhewer and others unknown. They were sheltered by Jordan's father and then all fled. Thomas le Bordhewer held a messuage in Knutsford from Robert de Massey, which would have been seized, but later he paid a fine.

4 August 1310 William de Castro as keeper of the Seneschal claimed Thomas le Bordhewer. We know that Bordhewer lived in Knutsford, and that his house was let from the Massey family; nevertheless it was successfully claimed that he was in avowry. Avowry is hereditary, and not tied to property.

22:420 [17 February 1310]

Exig'

Terr'

Coronator Hundr' de Buckelowe & villat' de Aston', Legh', Buddeworth' Pykem'e p'sent' q'd Rog's +fil' Rog'i+ de Buddulf' +de Sutton'+ occidit Alex' de Plumlegh', Et Joh'es de Terston Th'm Russel, Jordan's fil' Th'm le Bordhewer & alii ignoti fuer' in auxilio. Et Th'm le Bordhewer' receptavit eos post felon' p'd'cam, & postea fugeru't, nec alicubi receptati fuer' & male credunt', I'o exiga't' Catalla p'd'cor Rog'i, Joh'is Th'm & Jordani, nulla, Et Th'm le Bordhewer' h'uit lib'um +ten'+. vid' vnu' Mes' in Knotesforth'. q'd tenuit de Rob'to de Mascy Redd' p annu' .xij.d'. Et valet p annu' ult^a s'uiciu' .ij.s'. postea p'd'cs Thom' fecit fine' I'o. de t'ra. nich'. &c'

22:544 [31 March 1310]

Ex. p'mo

p'r.

Rog'us fil' Rog'i Bydolf de Sutton' ad sectam d'ni Reg's p Morte Alex' de Plumley ad hu'c Com' exact's p'mo [non ven'] Id'o exigat' s'cdo. Et prec' e' s'uiantib's pacis q'd capiant Thom' Russel. Jordanu' fil' Thom' le Bordhe[were & Th'] le Bordhewere indictatos de vi & auxilio & receptam'to p'd'ci Rog'i

22:667 [12 May 1310]

[Exact'] ij^o p'r.

Rog' fil' Rog' de Bydolf de Sutton' ad sectam d'ni. R's. p morte Alex' de Plumleye ad hu'c Com' exact's s'cdo no' ven' id'o exigat' t'cio. Et p'r. e' s'uiantib's pacis q'd cap' Thom' Russel, Jordanu' fil' Thom' le Bordhewere & Th' le Bordhewere +finis+ indict' de vi & auxilio & receptam'to p'd'ci Rog'. Postea p'd'cs Thom' le Bordehewer fecit fine' vt patet in Rot'lo de finib's. I'o q^o ad ip'm cessat &c'.

22:788 [30 June 1310]

Ex'.ij^o.

Rog' fil' Rog' Bydulf de Sutton' ad sectam d'ni Reg's p morte Alexandr' de Plumlegh' ad hu'c Com' exact's t'cio no' ven'. I'o exig' q'rto, Et p'r est s'uiant' pac's q'd cap' Th'm Russel & Jurdan' fil' Th'm le Burdhewer indict' &c' de vi & auxilio & receptam'to eiusd' Rog'.

22:946 [30 June 1310]

Ex .iiij^{to}. v^{to}.

.p'r.

Rog' fil' Rog' Bydulf de Sutton' ad sect' d'ni Reg's p morte Alex'i de Plumlegh' ad hu'c Com' exact' q'rto no' ven' set manuc' p .H. de Copenhale, I'o &c'. Et p'rcept' est

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s'uiant' pacis q'd cap' Th' Russel & Jurdan' fil' Th' le Bordhewer indictat' de vi & auxilio &c', & receptament' eiusd' &c'.

22:987 [4 August 1310]

[lib' Sen']

Th'm le Bordhewer de Knotesford +finis+ indict' &c' & capt^s &c' & ad prison' duct^s &c' Et s'r hoc ven' Will's de Castell' Custos aduocar' Rob'ti de Monte alto Sen' Cestr' & pet' p^rd'cm Th'm in aduocar' p^rd'ci d'ni sui existent' sibi lib'ari Et ei lib' ad h'nd' corp^s ei^s ad p^xm Com' sub pena qua decet &c'

22:1069 [15 September 1310]

Vtlag'

.p^r.

Rog^r fil' Rog^ri Bydulf de Sutton' ad secta' d'ni Reg^s p morte Alex'i de Plumlegh' ad hu'c Com' exact' q'nto no' ven', Ideo vtlagat', Et p^r. est s'uiant' pacis q'd cap' Th'm Russe; & Jurdanu' fil' Th'm le Bordhewer p vi & auxilio &c' & recept' eiusd' &c'

22:1079 [15 September 1310]

P^rcept' fuit seruient' pacis q'd capent Ric'm de Brescy, Hug' s'uiante' Rob'ti de Huxl' Will' le Cachepol, Hug' Mithache de Peuere, Rog^r Kytte & Henr' Pese de Berterton', Will' Sydware de Medio Wyco +alloc'. fin'+ Ric'm Clubbe, Th'm Gogh' +decol+, Walt'm fil' Ric'i le Hond', Ric'm Halyday, Ad' de Parys & vx'em eius, Ceciliam Stotane, Joh' Terstone +finis+, Ric'm le Dene de Milinton', Hanne Snaubal, Anabill' vx' Ade le Tasker, Rog^rm fil' Joh'is sutor' de Milneton', Rob' fil' Rad' de Brailesford, Joh' de Fykedene Henr' fil' Capell'i de Sale, Agnet' fil' eius, Rob' Wyther, Hug' le Voudrey, Hicke de pua Ou'e mane'te' in Werinton', Henr' sterche & Magge fil' Joh' Molend' de Bolington', Ric'm le Hayward de Norton', Will' le Messenger de Halton', Magot' de Trenth^am, Will' de Balschaghe q'nd' Parker de Halton', Hug' Champayn, Will' Pyngk, Hug' fil' Joh'is le Taillour de Hale, Maykin fil' Ric'i le Swon, Ad' fil' Hug' Helle, Hicke fil' Hug' fil' Walt'i de Acton', Hyche fil' Edden' qui vocat' Hyche le Walshe, Ric' fil' Will'i Sydware, Rog^r Cut de Oure, & vx'em ei^s, Joh' fil' Joh' del Hokes, Henr' fil' Joh'is del Heth', Ric' Gobifore, Ric' le Palfraimon de Kynderton +finis+, Johanna fil' Hug' fil' Warini de Wau'ton, Mariot' de Abrah^am, Th'm yeulmont, Ric' fil' Ph'i de Small, Joh'em Ryng' de Bagenhale, Henr' fil' Henr' del Styghele, Ad' de Vittokeshale, Ric'm fil' Gille de Leftewys, Rob' Doun fil' Alex'i le Nailer, Rog^r Wry, Th'm fr'em eius, Th' Baisbole, Jacke fil' Rob'ti le Streteward, Sydde vx'm Th'm M'lyng, Th' Hereward, Jacke Maryot, Rog^r le Tromile, Rob' fil' Joh'is de Kelsale, Ric' Coxe, Will' fil' Lylie de Walu'ton +finis+, Honde Brondrez Nich'm Bercar' de Byrchoure +p^rsone finis.+, Rob' fr'em Petⁱ de Balderdeleg', Petr' fil' Th'm de Denston', Rog^r Way, Rob' fil' Joh'is de Huxl' +obiit+. Howel ap Gronou, Ric'm le Arkemaker de Cestr', Eyno' Voyle ap Eynon Vagh^an, Daid ap yeuan ap Phelip de Maillourseysnek, Wentilian' del Lee, Daid fil' eius, Sestyn de Maillorsaysnek, Madyn Epol, Tudyr ap Gronou Simindelson, Alic' q'nd' vx'em Colyn de Wodeford, Agn' fil' eiusd' Alic', Joh' fabr' de Barou, Will' le yonge de Cestr, Alanu' & Jacke fil' eiusd' Will'i, Will' de Northyate de Cestr', Symon' le Tannour de Cestr', Nich'm fil' Emme de Aluendel', Henr' fil' Hobecok de Kyngaley, Will' de Balshawe, Will'm le Tasker de Wymbaldestrofford, Matild' fil' eius, Joh' Stoup', Will' Gosetong, Honde fil' Aldus, Will' fil' Joh'is de Kelsale, Henr' Scher, Henr' fil' Hobcook de Vall' Regal', Rog^rm le Wryghte, Ric'm Halyday, Hakyn fil' Reginald' de Steinton +finis+, Rob' le Blak de Hereford +finis+ Monacu' +vall' Regal'+, Joh' de Handesacr', Rob' de Ruggel', Hug' Myst, Will' de Balschagh', Dragon' de T'uen &c' de

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*diu'sis latrocin' & felon' indictat', Et s'uiant' modo mand' q'd p'd'ci Ric's & om'es alii no'
su't inuenti, Ideo ip'i exigant' quousq' &c'.*

The coroner of Bucklow hundred and the townships of Knutsford, Mobberley, Ollerton and Bexton present that Hamon le Taylor of Knutsford killed William Croc, and William de Ryecroft aided him. Alicok de Poundshoc found the body. Taylor's only property was 8d worth of flax growing in the ground in Rostherne. Taylor fled and was exacted for a first time, but paid a fine. The serjeants of the peace were ordered to capture Ryecroft, who also paid a fine.

22:937: 4 August 1310

finis Ex^r.; Cat' felon'.viij.d'

*Coronator Hundr' de Buckelowe & simil'r villat' de Knotesford, Modburlegh',
Olreton' & Bexton', p'sent' q'd Hamo le Taillour de Knotesforth'. +finis+ occidit Will' Kroc
& Will' de Ryecroft +finis+ fuit in vi & auxilio, Et postea fuger' nec alicu in recep su't, Et
malo credunt' +Ideo+ ip'i exigant', Inuentor Alicok de Poundeshoc fab' & no' male credit',
Cat' Ham' le Taillour linum crescens in t'ra apud Rowethesthorn p'c': viij. den', vnde villat'
respondebu't*

22:1067: 15 September 1310

Exact' pⁱmo e' .P^r.

*Hamo le Taillour de Knotesford +cessat qa finis+ ad sectam d'ni Reg^s p morte Will'i
Crok ad hu'c Com' exact' pⁱmo no' ven' Ideo exig' s'cdo, Et p'cept' est s'uiant' pacis q'd
cap' Will'm de Ryecroft p vi & auxilio eiusd' mortis –*