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## Court Leet and Court Baron 13 May 21 Elizabeth [1579]

**Giggleswick. Court Leet** & view of Frankpledge and Court Baron held the 13th day May in the 21st year of Queen Elizabeth by the grace of god of England, France & Ireland, defender of the faith etc Before Francis Clyfford Esquire Chief Steward & Edmund Elto[ ] his deputy

### Free tenants

**William** Catterall esq compar William Browne compar James Tennant essoin for tenn  
Richard Newhouse compar William Armytsted compar Thomas Armytsted essoin for ten  
Alan Carre defect Alan Carre defect Thomas Brayshey compar

### Tenants at will

Robert Brayshey for trespass in the Lord's wood	4d	Relict Richard Preston & William Preston for similar	?d
Richard Rome for similar	4d	Relict Richard Radclif for similar	4d
Adam Preston for similar	4d	John Brayshey for similar	4d
William Browne for similar	4d	Relict Christopher Browne	2d
Richard Browne for similar	4d	Rawlin Fallthroppe for similar	4d
Joan Foster widow & George Foster	?d	Robert Tailor for similar	4d
Hugh Claphamson for similar	4d	Relict Richard Foster & John Foster for similar	4d
Hugh Stackhouse for similar	4d	Adam Carre for similar	4d
Relict William Payley for sim	4d	Relict Bernard Browne for similar	4d
Thomas Brayshey for similar	4d	Roger Carre for similar	4d
Robert Tailor for similar	4d	James Payley	4d
William Lund for similar	4d	Richard Payley for similar	4d
William Foster for similar	4d	William Armytsted for similar	4d
George Lawson for similar	4d	Adam Armytsted for similar	2d
William Bankes for similar	4d	Roger Wilson for similar	2d
Thomas Bankes officer of the lord		Henry Tailor for similar	4d
Thomas Hynde for similar	4d	Henry Tennant	4d
Relict John Grave	2d	Relict Thomas Armytsted for similar	4d
William Craven for similar	4d	Roger Armytsted for similar	4d
Richard Lemyng for similar	4d	Thomas Lyndsey for similar	2d
Thomas Payley	2d	mort John Lyndsey	2d
Richard Armytsted	4d	Richard Lynsey for similar	4d
Relict Thomas Claphamson	2d	James Jackes for similar	4d
John Armytsted for similar	4d	William Lyndsey for similar	2d
mort George Foster	2d	William Rome for similar	4d
Christopher Cockett for sim	2d	Richard Newhouse for similar	4d
Mathew Newhouse for similar	2d	Oliver Newhouse for similar	4d
Robert Altham for similar	4d	Roger Carre for similar	4d
James Foster for similar	2d	Relict William Preston & Thomas Preston for similar	2d
Thomas Paycock for similar	4d	Thomas Brayshey for similar	4d
William Wildman for similar	4d	Alan Carre of Rathmell for similar	4d
Hugh Saylbank for similar	2d	Oliver Houghton <del>John</del> for similar	4d
Rawlin Newhouse for similar	4d		
Richard Claphamson for similar	4d		

Robert Kellett for similar	4d	John Houghton sen for similar	4d
Thomas Tailor for similar	2d	John Houghton Jun for similar	4d
Thomas Brayshey for similar	4d		
Richard Burton for similar & defect	4d	Summa xxij s ij d	
William Wilson for similar	4d		
Hugh Preston for similar	4d		
Michael Sigseweke for similar	4d		
Robert Crake for similar	4d		

<i>Jury for the Lord</i>	Thomas Brayshey	William Lund	Thomas P.....et
	George Lawson	William Craven	Raulin Falthrope
	Richard Rome	Richard Armytsted	William Lyndsey
	William Browne	Roland Newhouse	Roger Armytsted
		William Preston	

*Presentments*

Who say upon their oaths that .....

George Foster who was tenant of various tenements has died and his wife occupies the premises by indenture.

John Lyndsey has similarly died.

Robert Kellett

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Richard Armytsted 6s 8d Affray

Scabrous horse kept on the common pasture at Giggleswick contrary to the statute.

Richard Burton 12d put his cattle in the fields contrary to the by-law.

William Foster 3s cut down three ashes in his garden, from necessity, to repair his house and barn then in decay. Amerced at the lord and steward's pleasure.

The same William 6d cut down underwood without licence.

Thomas Lyndsey 12d(?) cut down an oak at Brodhead.

The same Thomas 12d had three trees delivered for maintenance of the lord's stang in the same place, which said Thomas sold one tree to Thomas Preston.

William Rome 6d cut down underwood at Mayne head without licence.

Robert Tailour cut down two small ashes value 2d and sold them to William Armytsted.

Dennis Jennyns 8d and Richard Claphamson 4d, late by-law men [*plebicitores*] of Giggleswick, did not perform their office.

Richard Burton encroached and enlarged his [?]farm upon the common fold.

William Lyndsey 3s 4d made an affray upon Thomas Eshe of Lackland at Giggleswick.

The same Thomas 3s 4d similarly made an affray upon William Lyndsey in the same place.

Richard Browne junior 20d and John Foster of Raithmell 20d made an affray between themselves.

Richard Browne 10s of Giggleswick drew blood upon Thomas Brayshey.

Robert Tailour 3s 4d of Giggleswick made an affray upon William Parkinson.

Richard Bradley 6s 8d of Raithmell broke the lord's soil at Romecragge and dug stones there.

Richard Burton 3s 4d cut down an oak.

Richard Bradley 6s 8d of Lithbanke in Raithmell mowed and got ferns called *Braccans* at Cluntergill.

Various people (Roger Armytsted 6d, Relict Richard Foster 6d, Roger Carre 4d, Relict Barnard Browne 4d, Richard Lyndsey 12d, James Payley 12d) trespassed in the neighbourhood pasture with their beasts.

Roger Armytsted 3s 4d broke the common fold and took his neighbour's horses away from Lackland.

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The jury further say that all Freeholders within the Lordship are bound to pay their *moulter* in haver ... bushel at their entry, and also all the tenants of Mewyth to pay their ... in haver after the rate of ... bushel at sixteen, saving Thomas Brayshey and George Lawson.

Also that all tenants, freeholders and lovetoken pay their moulter of all kind of corn and grain (haver only excepted) after the rate of one bushel at sixteen,

Also for service at the mill in meal they pay half a bushel at twenty,

And for all their hardroom, viz wheat, malt and all other grain (haver excepted) after one bushel at fourteen, viz after the rate to the lord two part[es] and the miller the third.

*Sum of presentments £3 19s 4d*

*Sum total for this Court 40s 7d ...*

*whereof in expenses of the Court 40s 7d*

*What remains £3 11d*

*Affer Cur*      William Lund    )  
                  William Preston ) Jur  
                  William Lyndsey )  
                  Rawlin Falthropp)

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**Court Baron ... Elizabeth Anglie &c Regine 21 [1579]**

... Foster ... & James Foster to be in beleve

Michael Siggesweke .. ...

George Middilten de Leighton in Com Lanc armiger pro Richard Payley attorney ...  
Richard Burton

Roger Wilson , Thomas Brayshey Jun ... .. wee fynd the both in beleve thay ar a  
gryed be twyxt them selves

~~departed sence last courte George Foster my lordes Tennant of a tenement rent John  
... a tenant of rent 2s & his wyf owyth the ....~~

*marks of several people*

*Separate document Chatsworth House archives L/28/8*

**Giggleswick - Verdict 21 Eliz [1579]**

*Source unknown (from Roy Price work) but probably held in the Yorkshire Archaeological  
and Historical Society Special Collection, Brotherton Library, Leeds University*

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Attention is brought to the section below

*'To the third article*

*Item to the third article we have made a book, as hereafter followeth'*

which suggests that DD121/15/10 is the book referred to starting with the record for 13 May  
21 Eliz (1579). However, this Verdict is not in the book.

**The Verdict of the Jurie of Giggleswick 26 September 1579**

1. Imprimis to the first article we cannot find that there is any demesne ground within the  
precincts of this lordship.

2. Item to the second article we find that Adam Carr, Thomas Brayshey and Oliver  
Newhouse are seised of and in four oxgangs of land and three tofts, containing in all by  
estimation 30 acres, be it more or less. The ancient rent is £3 for which they pay to the lord  
yearly 12½d and one pound of cumin.

The same Adam Carr holdeth and is seised of one close in Giggleswick at a place  
called Hunthwaite, containing by estimation Seven Acres and a half acre, and one cottage in  
Giggleswick in the occupation of one Robert Altham, containing by estimation two acres of  
ground, and they are both of the ancient rent of 19s 6d, for which he payeth yearly to the lord

2s. And one other close called Ridding, containing 3 acres. Ancient rent is 6s 8d. The free rent is 3d.

The same Adam Carr is seised of one other tenement and one oxgang of land containing by estimation 8 acres. The ancient yearly rent is 13s 4d, in the occupation of one Richard Rome. And also the said Adam is seised of one other cottage there containing by estimation one rood of ground, in the occupation of Thomas Hynde. The ancient rent is 5s. The free rent to the lord for both is 7½d.

Item William Catterale esquire is seised and holds of the lord one tenement in Giggleswick, one croft, one toft and one oxgang of land. The ancient rent is 24s. The free rent to the lord is one pound of pepper or 2s in money.

Item William Browne of Giggleswick holdeth and is seised of one tenement and ten acres of land in the occupation of one Richard Lynsey, and of two cottages, one in the occupation of Robert Kellett and another in the occupation of one Richard Payley. The ancient rent is 32s 6d. The free rent to the lord is 4s 4d.

Item Richard Newhouse of Giggleswick is seised of one tenement in Giggleswick, one croft being one of the 4 oxgangs abovesaid, containing by estimation ten acres of ground. The ancient rent is 15s. The free rent is paid in that 12½d and pound of cumin which the abovesaid Adam Carr, Thomas Brayshey and Oliver Newhouse do pay.

Item Richard Newhouse improvements 8d.

Item Roger Car improvement 9d.

Allan Carr of Capplesyde house is Seised of one cottage in Giggleswick, and one close, and two little parcels of ground containing by estimation three roods or thereabouts. The old yearly rent is 5s. The free rent is 12d. In the occupation of one Hugh Preston.

Item Thomas Armytsteade of Gisburn is seised of one cottage and 3 roods of ground, in the occupation of Rawlyn Newhouse. The ancient rent is 5s. The free rent is 12d.

Item William Armytsteade of Hunthwait is seised of one tenement at Hunthwait and five acres of ground or more. The yearly rent is 10s. And one cottage in Giggleswick in the occupation of one William Wildman. The ancient rent is 5s. The free rent of both is to the lord 16d.

Item George Middleton of Leghton esquire, tenant to the Queen's majesty of the parsonage of Giggleswick, is possessed of a lease of three tenements in Giggleswick, parcel of his said lease, one in the occupation of one Richard Lemying containing by estimation 6 acres of ground, one other tenement in the occupation of Richard Armytsteade containing 5 acres of ground, and one other tenement and two oxgangs of land in the holding of Richard Newhouse, Adam Browne, Robert Kellet and William Browne. The ancient rent is 40s.

Item William Catterall esquire and Alan Carr of Caplesyde are seised of one tenement now in the occupation of Thomas Browne of Kockhead, by estimation 12 acres, all enclosed in one field called Kockhead field. The yearly rent is 17s 6d. The free rent to the lord is 2s 3d.

Robert Brayshaw one messuage, one barn, one other house, one garden and ten acres of ground. The yearly rent 21s 4d. Improvements 1½d.

Thomas Bankes one messuage, one barn, one stable with other houses, one oxgang by estimation 16 acres of sowing and mowing. The rent 28s 4½d. Improvements 2s 5½d.

George Lawson one barn, 2 gardens with other houses, one messuage, 2 oxgangs of 19 acres. The rent 24 8d. Improvements 5d.

Thomas Palay junior one messuage, one barn, one garden with other houses, one oxgang and a half by estimation 7 acres, rent 10s. Improvements 7½d.

William Browne one cottage, one barn with other houses, one garden, one croft with one half acre of ground. Rent 6s. One improvement 15d.

Hugh Claphamson one messuage, one barn, one stable, one new house, with other houses, one garden, one halfe oxgang of land by estimation 7 acres, one close 6 roods, one other close 6 roods, the yearly rent of all 19s.

The relict of Hugh Slackehowse one cottage, one barn, one stable with other houses, 2 gardens 7s 4d. Improvements 16½d. Also one other improvement 2d.

William Foster one messuage, one barne with other houses, one half oxgang by estimation 7 acres. Rent 11s. Improvements 3d.

William Lunde one messuage, one barn with other houses, one garden, one half oxgang 7 acres. Rent 11s. Improvements 3d.

Robert Talyor one messuage, one barn, one garden with other houses, one croft, by estimation they are all 6 acres. The rent 10s 4d. Improvements 3d.

Thomas Brayshaye one messuage, one barne with other houses, one garden, one oxgang and one half oxgang 7 acres. Rent 10s.

Michael Sygsweke one cottage. Rent 6d.

Thomas Preston one cottage, one barn, one garden. Rent 2s.

John Brayshaye one cottage, one barn with other houses, and one half acre of ground, and other three [?]rethe by estimation. The whole rent 4s 8d.

William Rome one messuage, one barn with other houses, one garden, one oxgang by estimation 17 acres and 1 rood. The rent 20s 9½d. Improvements 9d.

[Part obscured by binding] ... fire-house and a little parcel of ground on the cragg by estimation one rood, lying in the out woods. Yearly rent is 3s 9d. This was exchanged between Thomas Hynde and Hugh Sailbanke, both cottagers and tenants to the lord, and they had licence so to do.

Wife of John Grave one cottage, viz a fire-house and a barn, one garden, one croft by estimation one rood, and two other closes with all Improvements, the one a rood and the other a half rood. Sum half an acre and half a rood. The hole rent is 23d.

William Craven one cottage, viz a fire-house, a stable and a barn, and one garden lying nigh the schoolhouse. Yearly rent is 3s. The garden was granted from William Foster's tenement in the old lord's time, and as yet never rented, and is by estimation the 8<sup>th</sup> part of a rood.

Thomas Payley one cottage, viz a fire-house, and the same enlarged at both ends. And a little house. Yearly rent is 2s 8d.

The relict of Thomas Claphamson one cottage, one fire-house and a stable, a garden and certain common in the field. Yearly rent is 2s 4d.

John Armytsteade one cottage viz a fire-house, a garden, a barn and a turf-house, and common in the field. Yearly rent is 2s.

The relict of George Foster. Improvement 2d.

Robert Carr one cottage viz one fire-house. Yearly rent is 6d.

Mathew Newhouse one cottage viz one house. Yearly rent 4d.

Richard Clapham one cottage viz a fire-house and a little other house and a garth. Yearly rent is 12d. The same is now in the occupation of one James Foster.

Thomas Paicocke one cottage viz a fire-house, a barn and a stable, and a little croft containing by estimation one half rood. Also a garden and a little close by estimation half an acre. Also the half of one water walk cloth mill. Yearly rent is 6s 8d. This is in the occupation of Thomas Hall by a convenience from the same Paicocke.

Hugh Sailbanke one cottage viz a fire-house and a barn. Yearly rent is 6d.

Thomas Hale for a close that he took of Thomas Lynsey, by estimation two acres. Yearly rent is 2s.

The same Thomas Hale for half of a close taken of William Taylyor, and one house. The same by estimation one half rood and a half. Yearly rent is 12d.

Richard Lemyng for an improvement of a close called the Buttes, by estimation a rood. Yearly rent 6d. And for a parcel of ground in Lenertwhaite [or Levertwhaite] by estimation half a rood and the 4<sup>th</sup> part of a rood. Yearly rent is 5d.

Richard Armitstead improvement 13½d.

Richard Claphamson one messuage, one barn and garden, and a croft by estimation half one acre, and one oxgang of land whereof one close lying under Aikothe, by estimation one half acre. One other close lying at Brakanbarr, by estimation 3 roods, and one other close at Feldeyate by estimation half one acre. Also eight acres of land and meadow in the

common fields. Sum total is 10 acres and a rood, whereof is of the tenancy nine roods. The yearly rent is 20s.

William Wilson one messuage, one barn and a little house with a garden, one croft containing by estimation half one acre. Also 13 acres of arable ground and meadow lying in the common fields, whereof is of the demesne ground 2 acres and three roods. The yearly rent is 21s 4d. Sum is 13 acres and a half acre.

Thomas Taylyor one cottage viz one fire-house, a barn, a garden, one parcel of ground in the Spring containing by estimation one rood, with the half of a close or croft by estimation one rood and a half lying under Cravenbanke. Yearly rent is 4s.

Richard Burton one messuage, one barn and a garden, one little close or croft by estimation one rood, one close at Browne Wattikers by estimation one acre, and of land and meadow in the common fields three acres. Sum total 4 acres and a rood. Yearly Rent is 8s. Improvements 18d.

William Browne and Robert Kellet for improvement [blank]

Robert Crake one messuage, a barn and a new house by him lately built, one garden, and half an oxgang of land and meadow containing by estimation six acres and three roods, lying in neighbourhood in the common fields, whereof is of the demesne ground one rood and one half rood. Yearly rent is 11s.

William Preston one messuage, one barn and two other houses, one close or croft by estimation one half acre, two gardens, one oxgang of land and meadow, whereof one close upon Esheton by estimation two acres and a half, one close at Feldeyeat by estimation one rood and a half, one close under Brodhead by estimation one rood, one close at Mylne Hill by estimation one rood, one acre in Thackthwaite and ten acres and a half in the common fields. Sum 14 acres whereof is of the demesne ground 4 acres and a half. Yearly rent is 29s 2d. Improvements 18d.

Thomas Brayshaye one messuage, one barn with other houses, one garden, one oxgang ten acres. 15s 11d. Improvements 2s 2d.

Rawlyne Fairthropp one messuage, one barn and two other houses, and 12 acres of land and meadow by estimation. Yearly rent is 16s 8d. All lying in the field at Roomehouses and 8d more of improvements.

The wife of Richard Foster one messuage, one barn, a turf-house and a little house, one garden, one close at Feldyeate, by estimation five acres, one close called Little Cokehead by estimation two acres. Yearly rent is 15s.

Adam Carr one messuage, a barn and one other house, one garden, and four acres and a half acre of land and meadow at Graynehouse, and two closes or parcels of ground by estimation 3 roods. Yearly rent is 12s 6d.

Roger Carr one messuage, one barn and two chambers, and one other little house, and 13 acres of land and meadow by estimation. Yearly rent is 21s. Lying in the Close House field. Improvement 1½d.

The wife of Barnard Browne, and Thomas Browne her eldest son, one messuage, one barn, one chamber and one other outhouse, and 13 acres of land and meadow by estimation, lying in the Close House field. Yearly rent is 21s. Improvement 1½d.

Robert Taylor of Room House and Thomas his eldest son, one messuage, one barn, two other outhouses, and 14 acres of land and meadow by estimation, lying in Roome House field. Yearly rent is 21s. Improvement 2d.

James Pailey one messuage, one barn and two other houses, one garden and twenty acres of ground (or more) land and meadow by estimation, lying all within one several close at Payley Green. Yearly rent is 30s 4d.

William Lynsay one cottage at Payley Green, and a close, by estimation 3 roods. Yearly rent is 2s.

The relict of John Lynsey one cottage, and half an acre of ground by estimation. Yearly rent is 2s. Lying at Lynetwhaite.

Adam Armytsteade one messuage without any houses, and four acres and a half in a close at Huntetwhait, and two acres and a halfe in Giggleswick fields by estimation, and one close called Girsegarthe by estimation 2 acres and a rood. Yearly rent is 16s 10d.

Roger Wilson one messuage, one barn and one house, one close called the Nether Field by estimation 5 acres and a half, and one other close by estimation 6 acres and a rood. Yearly rent is 10s.

Henry Taylyor one messuage, one barn and two other houses, and 18 acres and some thing more of ground, land and meadow, lying all in one several field upon The Moreside. Yearly rent is 13s 4d.

Henry Tenant one messuage and a barn called Newfield, and 18 acres of land and meadow by estimation, lying all in two closes. Yearly rent is 26s 8d. And also one cottage in Giggleswick, yearly rent is 2s.

Roger Armytsteade half a messuage viz a fire-house, a barn, a garden and two other outhouses, and 6 acres of land and meadow in a several field at Armytsteade. Yearly rent is 10s.

Relict of Thomas Armytsteade half a messuage, one fire-house, a barn, two other houses, a garthing, 8 acres of land and meadow by estimation, all in one several field. Yearly rent is 10s.

James Jackes a messuage, a barn and one outhouse, and a garden, and 8 acres of land and meadow by estimation, all in one several field. Yearly rent is 12s.

Thomas Lynsay one close at Lynetwhaite, and one house, the close by estimation 2 acres or more. Yearly rent is 2s.

Richard Newhouse one close called Mylne Hill by estimation 3 acres and a rood. Yearly rent is 16d.

John Howghton younger one messuage, a barn, two other houses, a garden, a croft by estimation 3 roods and 9 acres, and a rood in the common field of Rawthemell. Yearly rent is 9s 4d.

John Howghton the elder one tenement or messuage, a barn, one outhouse, a garden, one oxgang of land and meadow lying in the common fields by estimation 10 acres. The yearly rent is 8s 8d.

Oliver Howghton one messuage, a barn, a garden, a croft by estimation half an acre and one oxgang of land and 9 acres and a half. Sum is 10 acres. Yearly rent is 8s 8d.

Alan Carr, son of Thomas Carr, one messuage, one barn, two other houses and one garthing, one croft, two oxgangs of land by estimation twenty acres. The yearly rent is 17s.

To the third article

Item to the third article we have made a book, as hereafter followeth, and we find that my lord's tenants do now hold by warrants, Dennys Gynnynges only excepted who holdeth one tenement of my lord's of 28s 8d rent by lease.

To the fourth article

Item to the fourth we find that my lord's boundaries do begin without the field at a place called the Watter Fall at Kockhead. From that watter fall to one Copte stone of Aquoth noke. From that stone to a place called the Little Ladd Knott. From that knott to the Croke of the Dubbes. From thence to Cluntergill Foote, so up Cluntergill to the Four Corner stone. From that stone to the Resting stones. From thence to Dowker Dubbes. From thence to one Hurcle stones of the west side of Rowntescorth. From thence to the yew stub of Havelhaw, then to the Mirke Stile. From thence to four stones of the Ward Hawes. From thence to one Hutter of stones of the lands. From thence to Myddle Barr Coove. And so to Myddlay Barr Walles. And from thence to the sumppe in Keseden. From thence to Fellgill Well and so to the myddest of Rybble.

To the fifth article

Item to the fifth article we find nothing concealed from his lordship, neither any improvements unrented, saving that Robert Taylyor of Roome has enclosed one portion of ground, the 10<sup>th</sup> part of one rood by estimation, which is unrented.

To the sixth article

Item to the sixth article we do find that there is one close enclosed within the lordship of Rawthemell, and of Rawthemell Moor, wherein my lord's tenants of Rawthemell ought to have their portions, and have not. It is held from them, as they, the tenants there, say, by Sir Richard Shereburne, and not by Mr Catterell. It is by estimation 30 acres.

To the seventh article

Item to the seventh article we find two springs, both [?]lately felled and sprunged, by estimation five acres, but we find none meet or ready to be sprung or felled.

To the eighth article

Item to the eighth article we find no vast [?]ie waste] spoil, neither other misdemeanours, saving that we find one tenement at Huntewhete, of 16s 10d rent, now in the occupation of one Adam Armytsteade, my lord's tenant without any houses, for they are all gone and none left, for lack of great timber. Other things in this article we find none.

To the ninth article

Item to the ninth article we find my lord's honour to have blood fraye, weathe, stray, [?]ie waifs and strays], hunting, hawking, fowling, fishing, mines, nonages, with many other liberties, royalties, privileges and freedoms which we know not.

For witnessing that this is our verdict we have subscribed our marks the day and year above written.

Thomas Brashay  
George Lawson  
Hughe Claphamson  
William Lunde  
William Craven  
by me Thomas Palay  
Richard Claphamson  
William Preston  
Thomas Carr  
John Howghton junior  
Roger Carr  
Rowland Fawthrop  
Henry Taylyor  
Adam Carr  
Roger Willson