

messuage called "le Newehouse," lying near "le Church steele" of the Parish Church of Cartmell, in the county of Lancaster; also of 2 barns and 2 gardens to the said messuage belonging, containing half an acre of land in Cartmell; also of the moiety of another messuage in Cartmell called "le ffarmerie," and of 1 garden and 1 orchard thereto belonging; of 3 other orchards in Cartmell containing 1 acre of land; 1 meadow called "le ffarmerie meadowe," containing 1 acre and 3 roods of land and meadow; also of another meadow in Cartmell called "le Holme," containing 1 acre of meadow; and of 12 acres of arable land and pasture called "Braken-rigges" in Cartmell, formerly in the tenure of *James Keene*, and lately in the tenure of *John Wright* or his assigns.

All the premises aforesaid are held of *the King*, as of his Honour of Hampton Court, in the county of Middlesex, by the 200th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann. (clear) 6s. 8d.

John Wright, so seised, died 9 April last past [1624]. *Anne Wright* is his daughter and sole heir, and was aged at the time of her father's death 14 years and 3 days. She was 14 years old on 7 April last past [1624]. *Jane Wright*, late wife of the said *John Wright*, still survives at Cartmell.

Robert Holt, of Ashworth Hall, Esquire.

Inquisition taken at Manchester, 2 Sept., 22 James [1624], before *Edward Rigby*, Esq., Escheator, after the death of *Robert Holt*, late of Ashworth,¹ Esq., by the oath of *Edmund Ashton*, *Edmund Hopwood*, and *Edward Rostorne*, Esqs., *Thomas Cheatom*, *John Shacklogg*, *Edmund Tetlowe*, *Giles Ainsworth*, *Thomas Byrome*, *John Duncalffe*, *Peter Holt*, *John Scoles*, *Thomas Bolton*, *Ralph Hobson*, *William Herwood*, *John Alred*, and *Thomas Blumyley*, gentlemen, who say that long before his death *Robert Holt* was seised in fee of the manor and hamlet of Ashworth; also of 1 capital messuage in Ashworth, called "Ashworth Hall"; 18 messuages, 10

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¹ In Middleton parish.

cottages, 20 gardens, 20 orchards, 1 grain water-mill, 4 fulling mills, 200 acres of land, 80 acres of meadow, 200 acres of pasture, 100 acres of wood and underwood, 200 acres of moor, moss, and turbarry in Ashworth, Wostenholme,¹ Marcrofte, Yate, Cheesden,¹ Bamford,² Middleton, and Spotland;¹ and 10 messuages, 2 cottages, 10 orchards, 10 gardens, 100 acres of land, 20 acres of meadow, 100 acres of pasture, 100 acres of moor, moss, furze, and heath in Butterworth.¹

So seised, by deed, dated 20 Dec., 8 James [1610], and by execution thereupon had on 11 Jan. of the same year [1610-11], he enfeoffed *William Davenport*, Knt., *Ralph Ashton*, *John Greenhalgh*, and *Robert Herwood*, Esqs., of all the premises aforesaid. To hold to them and their heirs to the uses declared in a certain Indenture bearing even date therewith, and made between *Richard Ashton*, Knt., of the one part, and *Robert Holt* of the other part, viz. as to all that part of Ashworth hall and the rooms and parcels of land therein specified³ to the use of *Robert Holt* until such time as *Richard Holt*, then son and heir of *Robert Holt*, son and heir of *Robert Holt* (named in the writ), should accomplish the age of 21 years (if he should so long live), and after the determination of such term, then to the use of *Richard Holt* and the heirs male of his body; and for default to the use of *Robert Holt* and his heirs male; and for default to the use of *Robert Holt* and his heirs for ever. As to the residue of the premises, to the use of *Robert Holt* and his assigns for life, without impeachment of waste; and after his decease to the use of *Robert Holt* and his assigns until such time as *Richard Holt* should accomplish the age of 21 years (if he should so long live), with remainders as above; with power to *Robert Holt* by Indenture to make demises of any part of the premises (those already limited to his own use during the minority of the said *Richard*, as well as Ashworth Hall and the demesne lands of Ashworth, and the lands then or within 6 years then last past occupied as part thereof, and the corn-mill of Ashworth excepted) to any person for 21 years in possession and not in reversion, the yearly rents theretofore payable being reserved. As by the said deed and Indenture shown to the Jurors in evidence more fully

¹ In Rochdale parish.

² In Middleton parish.

³ Here described at great length as on page 443.

appears. By virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses *Robert Holt* was seised of all the premises aforesaid as required by law, with remainder as above said. Afterwards, viz. before the death of *Robert Holt*, *Richard Holt* came of age and was then seised in fee tail, to himself and his heirs male, of all the premises aforesaid, with remainder and reversion thereof as aforesaid. They being so respectively seised, a Fine was levied at Lancaster on Monday in the 5th week of Lent, 16 James [1618], between *Theophilus Ashton* and *John Greenehalgh*, Esqs., and *Ralph Ashton* and *John Cudworth*, gentlemen, plaintiffs, and *Richard Holt* and *Robert Holt*, deforciant, of Ashworth Hall, 2 gardens, 2 orchards, 120 acres of land, 40 acres of meadow, 90 acres of pasture, 10 acres of wood in Ashworth and Middleton to the uses expressed in an Indenture tripartite dated 11 March, 16 James [1618-19], and made between *Robert Holt* of the 1st part, *Richard Holt* of the 2nd part, and *Theophilus Ashton* of the 3rd part, viz. as to all that part of Ashworth Hall and the rooms and parcels of land therein specified to the use of *Richard Holt* and *Mary*, then his wife (now the wife of *John Greenehalgh*, Esq.), and their issue male; and for default to the use of the heirs male of *Richard Holt*; and for default to the use successively of *Robert Holt* and his heirs male, and of himself and his heirs for ever. As to the residue of all the premises, to the use of *Robert Holt* and his assigns for life, without impeachment of waste; and after his decease to the use of *Richard Holt* and his heirs male by *Mary*; and for default to the use of *Richard Holt* and his heirs male, with remainder as above. Certain closes should immediately after the levying of the said Fine be charged with a rent-charge of £13 : 6 : 8 to *Richard Holt* and *Mary* during the life of *Mary*, and after her decease to *Richard* during the life of *Robert Holt*, with power of distress. And certain closes (except 1 acre and 1 rood of land and 34 falls of land) therein mentioned to be charged with a yearly rent-charge of £5 to *Robert* and *Mary Holt*, younger children of *Robert Holt*, son and heir of *Robert Holt* (named in the writ), for 11 years then next following if they or any issue of both or either of them should so long live, with power of distress, as by the said Indenture and by a transcript of the Fine, shown to the Jurors in evidence, this appears.

Robert Holt, the younger, and *Mary*, his sister, still survive at Manchester.

By virtue of the said Fine and Indenture and by force of the Statute of Uses *Richard Holt* and *Mary*, his wife, and *Robert Holt* (named in the writ) were respectively seised of the premises aforesaid. *Robert Holt*, being seised of the premises in Butterworth, by deed dated 8 June, 18 James [1620], enfeoffed thereof *Theophilus Ashton*, *John Greenhalgh*, *Ralph Ashton*, and *John Cudworth*, to hold to them, their heirs and assigns, to the uses expressed in a certain schedule to the said deed annexed, viz. to the use of *Robert Holt* for life, without impeachment of waste; and after his decease, to the use of *Richard Holt* and his heirs male by *Mary*; and for default to the use of the heirs male of *Richard Holt*; and for default successively to the use of the heirs male of *Robert Holt* and of his right heirs for ever, with power to *Robert Holt* to demise all or any of the premises, as by the said Charter and Schedule, shown in evidence to the Jurors, more fully appears. By virtue whereof and by force of the Statute of Uses *Robert Holt* was seised of all the premises in Butterworth as of freehold for life, with remainders as aforesaid.

Long before his death *Robert Holt* was seised as of freehold for life of 12 messuages, 3 cottages, 12 gardens, 12 orchards, 200 acres of land, 60 acres of meadow, 100 acres of pasture, 6 acres of wood, and 200 acres of furze and heath in Quick and Saddleworth, in co. York; with remainder to *Richard Holt* and the heirs male of the body of *Robert Holt* (his father); with remainder to *William*, another son of *Robert Holt*, and his heirs male; with remainder to the heirs of *Robert Holt* by *Agnes*, his wife (now deceased); with remainder to the right heirs of *Agnes* for ever.

Richard Holt and *Mary*, being so respectively seised, *Richard* died 14 June, 18 James [1620]; *Mary*, late his wife and now the wife of *John Greenhalgh*, still survives at Manchester.

Robert Holt died at Ashworth 31 July last past [1624]; *Richard Holt* is his kinsman and heir, viz. son and heir of *Richard Holt* (deceased), son and heir of *Robert Holt* (deceased), son and heir of *Robert Holt* (named in the writ), and is aged at the time of taking this Inquisition 5 years 1 month and 6 days, and no more.

Robert Holt (named in the writ) and *Robert Holt*, named in a certain Inquisition taken at the Castle at York 2 Aug., 18 James [1620], whereby he was found to be seised of the premises aforesaid in co. York for life, are one and the same person.

The manor, capital messuage, and all the premises in Ashworth, Wostenholme, Bamford, Middleton, Spotland, Marcrofte, Yate, and Cheesden are held of *Ralph Ashton*, Esq. (now in the custody of *the King* by reason of his minority) by knight's service and 3s. 4d. yearly rent, and are worth per ann. (clear) 40 marks. Of whom the messuages, lands, and other the premises in Butterworth are held the Jurors know not, and they are worth per ann. (clear) 40s. The messuages, lands, and other the premises in Quicke and Saddleworth are held of *the King in capite* by knight's service, viz. by the 40th part of a knight's fee, and are worth per ann. (clear) £6 : 13 : 4.

James Lomax, of Pilsworth, Gentleman.

Inquisition taken at Manchester, 3 Sept., 22 James [1624], before *Edward Rigby*, Esq., Escheator, after the death of *James Lomax*, late of Pilsworth,¹ gentleman, by the oath of *John Leaver*, *Giles Ainsworth*, *Thomas Byrom*, *Peter Holt*, *Edmund Tetlowe*, *Edmund Byrom*, *James Chadwicke*, *George Milnes*, *John Alred*, *Thomas Bolton*, *Thomas Bromeley*, *Richard Chorleton*, *Ralph Hobson*, *Thomas Owen*, *John Lomax*, *Edmund Dicconson*, *Richard Whitworth*, and *Richard Grant-ham*, gentlemen, who say that *James Lomax* long before his death was seised in fee of 20 acres of land, 6 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture, and 20 acres of moor, moss, furze, and heath in Tormerden, in the town of Hundersfield.²

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The lands, tenements, and other the premises in Tormerden are held of *the King* in free and common socage, viz. by fealty only, and not *in capite*, and are worth per ann. (clear) 20s.

¹ In Middleton parish.

² In Rochdale parish.