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RECORDS OF THE COURTS

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| 1-18. | 1418-1792 | Manorial Court Rolls:                       |
|       |           | 1. 1418-1422                                |
|       |           | 2. 1424                                     |
|       |           | 3. 1503, 1446, 1447, 1428, 1426, 1429, 1427 |
|       |           | 4. 1481-1486, 1538-1544                     |
|       |           | 5. 1499, 1486, 1501-1508                    |
|       |           | 6. 1554-1558                                |
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|       |           | 9. 1617-1619                                |
|       |           | 10. 1625-1633                               |
|       |           | 11. 1635-1691                               |
|       |           | 12. 1692                                    |

13. 1693-1702
14. 1704-1718
15. 1719-1729
16. 1731-1754
17. 1755-1773
18. 1777-1792
  
19. 1832 Manor Court Book.
  
20. 1644-1650 Copy court rolls and memoranda.
  
21. 19th cent. Transcriptions of court rolls:  
 1418-1422  
 1423-1429, 1446, 1453  
 1481-1482, 1485-1487, 1501-1508  
 1538-1545, 1557, 1561-1568  
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 1562-1571, 1579, 1588-1595, 1601-1602  
 1617-1619, 1625-1633  
  
 Notes re descent of certain pieces of  
 copyhold land.  
 Index.
  
- 22-31. 1545 - 1592 Copies of court rolls re cottage and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre  
 called Peter Mytches, formerly John Welde,  
 at Oldhethe, cottage with garden and  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre  
 called Hamkyns, alias Bolyfante.  
  
 Parties: Johanna Pilgrym, widow of John  
 Pilgrym, Richard Waltham, John,  
 his son, Robert Waltham, Margaret,  
 his sister, William Preston, Mary,  
 his wife, Katherine, his second wife,  
 George Chrystmas, Samuel Clampe,  
 Katherine, his wife, Samuel, their  
 son, and Katherine Chambers, widow.
  
32. 1636 Index to court rolls.

#### WORKING PAPERS OF THE COURTS

33. 1602-1603 Drafts of court proceedings, with memorandum  
re Robert Gosnall's surrender of Reades and  
 Haukins.
  
34. 1605 Drafts of court proceedings, with list of  
 tenants.
  
35. 1607 Partially illegible admission to Reades and  
 Haukins, quoting terms of the will of Robert  
 Gosnolde re his sons, Symon and Marke.

36. 1610 Draft of court proceedings and other papers. Very poor condition.
37. 1611 Draft of court proceedings.
38. 1612 Draft of court proceedings and other papers. Very poor condition.
39. 1613 Draft of court proceedings and essoins.
40. 1614 Draft of court proceedings.
41. 1615 Draft of court proceedings.
42. 1616 Draft of court proceedings. Poor condition.
43. 1640-1644 Draft of court proceedings, with list of matters falling within the province of the Court Baron.
44. 1651 Draft of court proceedings, list of copyhold tenants and memoranda re surrenders, by Thomas Edwards to Martha Roberts, widow; by Joane Harwood, now wife of Joseph Cole, to Thomas Mason of Colchester, weaver; by Johan Argent, widow, of Peter Miches and Pilgrims, to Thomas Watson of Colchester; by Thomas Edwards to the uses of his will; and by Margery Hubberd of a messuage in the Old Hith, parish of St. Giles, Colchester, to John Harrison of Colchester, grocer.
45. 1653 Draft of court proceedings, list of copyhold tenants and memoranda re surrenders, by Ralph Creffeild, snr., of Goodwins, alias Michells, to William Athie of Colchester, yeoman; and by John Bonner of Colchester, saymaker, and Sarah, his wife, daughter of Anthony Kent, of cottage called Barnelande and garden called Edons, to Christian Edwards, widow, sister of Sarah.
46. 1658 Draft of court proceedings, notes entitled "At the Courte houlden in the Sixte yeere of Hen. the 6" 1427-8 (but mentions Edward VI and Elizabeth); memoranda of surrenders, by Thomas and Dorothy Tenneth to their daughter Anne Tenneth; by Martha Roberts to Edward Prentice, jnr.; and by Richard Allen, of Reades, Hawkins and Lastills alias Lymkill, to his daughter Mary, wife of William Davenport; list of copyhold tenants and attornment of tenants.



47. 1661 Draft of court proceedings, memoranda re surrenders, by Ralphe Creffield, jnr., of Songers, to William Carter; and by Gregory and Elizabeth Hilliar, of Balcotes Garden, to John Erberry; and admittance of Anne Scrivener, late Anne Tenneth, widow, into Stories; and list of copyhold tenants. Poor condition.
48. 1663 Draft of court proceedings and memoranda re surrenders, by John and Miriam Harrison, of messuage in the Old Hithe, to John Erbery of St. Giles parish, Colchester; and by Anne Penneck, wife of Christopher Penneck, late of Bocking, Essex, clothier, and daughter of John Kent, late of Earlecolne, Essex, clothier, deceased, the eldest uncle of Mary, the wife of Thomas Parrish, of all the late Mary Parrish's property, to Thomas Parrish.
49. 1664 Draft common recovery in Battleshall court.
1. Thomas Upsheir, gent.
  2. William Athy and Martha, his wife.
  3. John Potter.
- Messuage, four gardens and ten acres, called The Bell, formerly called Goodwins or Miches, in the Old Hithe.
50. 1668 Draft of court proceedings (April and May), precept, and memoranda of surrenders, by John Tyall, of Stories, alias Hawkins, to Gilbert Tyall, his brother; by Elizabeth Smith to the uses of her will; and by William and Martha Athie, of the Bell, to Henry Franckley.
51. 1668 Draft of court proceedings (June).
52. 1672 Draft of findings of the jury and memoranda of surrenders, by William and Martha Athie, of the Bell, to Daniel Jaggard of Colchester, linen draper; and by Elizabeth Smith, widow of Cornelius Fisher, of Borehams, to Susan Steventon.
53. 1673 Draft of findings of the jury and memoranda of surrenders, by John Erbery to Joseph Thurston of Colchester, woollen draper (poor condition); by Daniel Jaggard, of the Bell, to Joseph Thurston of Colchester; by Robert Hands to John Hancock (very poor condition); and by John Allen, of Reads, Hawkins and

Lastlies, alias Lyme Kilne ground, to Henry Garland of Wivenhoe, Essex, yeoman.

54. 1676 Draft of court proceedings and memoranda of surrenders, by Anne Scrivener, of Stones, to her son Thomas Tenneth; by John Allen, of the Lymekell land to Ralph Creffeild; by John Archer, of Cleveland, to William Cockerell; and by Robert Edwards of Colchester, baymaker, of Northens and Peacocks Garden, re marriage with Mary Princett. Poor condition.
55. 1676/7 Draft admission of Luke Harlow to messuage called Reads and Hawkins, late John Adams, sold to redeem a house called the Ancher. Poor condition.
56. 1678-1680 Memoranda of surrenders, by William Watson, to the uses of his will; by Benjamin Erbery, of property adjoining Clap Gate, to John Barker; by Joseph Thurston, of the Blew Bell, to James F - ; by Luke Harlow, of Reads and Hawkins, to Moses Delight; and by Joseph Thurston, of messuages, garden and three roods with a cottage, to John Stosse. Very poor condition.
57. 1680 Draft of court proceedings.
58. 1681 Draft of court proceedings. (Sept.)
59. 1681 Draft of court proceedings. (Oct.)
60. 1681 Draft admission of Thomas Fletcher to Borehams with four crofts of land, under the will of Susan Stevenson.
61. 1687 Draft of court proceedings and memoranda of surrenders, by James Fromantele, of the Bell, to Joseph Thurston; by Francis Tayspill to Anne Pelham; by Christian Wattson, of Peter Mitche and Pilgrims, to William Clarke; by Thomas and Anne Paine, of Peter Mitches and Pilgrims, to William Clarke; and by Moses Delight, of Reades and Hawkins, to Margaret Russet.
62. 1691 Draft of court proceedings and memoranda of surrenders, by Margaret Russell, of Reads and Hawkins, to Richard Shepherd; by Francis Tayspill, of six acres, to James Tayspill; by William Athie, of the Bell, alias Goodwins,

re marriage to Martha Bennett, widow; by Gilbert Tyall, of Stories, alias Hawkins, to Jacob Hendricks; and by Robert Durrell, of the Cleave Lands, to Grace Lock, wife of Edward Lock.

63. 1692-1693 Draft of court proceedings, note of fees, and remembrances for the next court.

SURRENDERS AND OTHER PAPERS RE SPECIFIC PROPERTIES

The Blue Bell

64-68. 1783-1801 Memoranda of surrenders and receipt re messuage called the Blue Bell and nine feet of land, with five feet of ground near the premises of Simon Sherwood, and a piece of land of 3½ roods, part of Belcotts Garden, all at the Old Hythe in the parish of St. Giles within the liberties of the town of Colchester.

Parties: John Alston of Pebmarsh, Essex, blacksmith, Thomas Stedman of Mount Bures, Essex, yeoman, John Stedman of Bures hamlet, Essex, yeoman, Ann, his wife, Thomas Willingham of Beerchurch, Colchester, Mary Barns of Colchester, widow, and James Page of Mayland, Essex, farmer.

69-70. 1825 Warrant to bailiff to seize property of the late Mary Barns, whose heirs have not come forward, and order to Daniel Powell, occupier of the Old Heath Bell public house, to pay rent to nobody save the lord of the manor.

71-75. 1828-1837 Memoranda of surrenders, warrant of satisfaction and letter of attorney re same property as 64-70.

Parties: James Thorn, late of Colchester, now of the Kings Parade, Chelsea, Middx., esq., Elizabeth Ann Thorn, his wife (nee Barns), Henry Gaitskell of the Paragon, Surrey, esq., John Posford Orsborne of Colchester, merchant, Samuel Bignold of Norwich, esq., Hannah, Amelia and Maria Daniels, daughters of William and Frances Daniels, Matthew Clark of Great Tower Street, London, wine broker, James Gandy, jnr., of Kendal, Westmoreland, merchant, Samuel Gregson of Austin Friars, London, and William Evans.

- 76-81.            1852-1853            Costs occasioned by the death of John Matthew, esq., extract from the admission of his son, Mr. John Matthew, and licence to let the same property as 64-75.
82.               1872               Memorandum of surrender by James Gandy Gaitskell of Waldon House, Cheltenham, Glos., esq., at the request and by the direction of Bonamy Mansell Power of No. 13 Park Street, Grosvenor Square, Middx., esq., Maria, his wife, Sir John James Trevor Lawrence of No. 9 Princes Gate, Kensington, Middx., bart., Dame Elizabeth, his wife, John Gosling of Linden Cottage, Lewisham, Kent, esq., and Theo Aston of No. 4 Elm Court Temple, London, esq., barrister at law, the trustees under the will of John Matthew, late of Burford Lodge, Box Hill, Surrey, and of Greenwich, Kent, esq. Same property as 64-81, with an allotment of waste land on the Old Heath, allotted by Enclosure Act to Mary Barns. To the use of John Forster Pettekin Osborne and Arthur Thomas Osborne.
83.               1874               Memorandum of conditional surrender by John Foster Pettikin Osborne and Arthur Thomas Osborne, both of Colchester, brewers and porter merchants. Same property as 82. To the use of Frederick Blomfield Philbrick of Colchester, gent., and Walter Payne Gepp of Chelmsford, Essex, gent.
- George Christmas's lands
84.               c.1625               Rough accounts re John Christmas.
85.               1652               Memoranda of admissions of Martha Roberts of Colchester to one close of meadow or marshground, about one acre, which James Wheeler, B.A., surrendered to Thomas Edwards, messuage and pightle of land in the Old Heith, which Thomas Lucas surrendered to her, and cottage with garden called Englands, which Sara Hawkins, widow of John Warden, and her son John Warden, jnr., surrendered to Thomas Edwards.
- 86-87.            1704               Account of Mr. Joseph Stanley's freehold land in Battleswick, and receipt by John Godschall, lord of the manor, for entry fine into copyhold lands.



88.

1704

Abstract of the Rolls 1553-4 -1704 of John Godscall, gent., belonging to the Manor of Battleswick, alias Battleshall, in East Donyland, with reference to the estate of George Christmas.

#### Properties

named: cottage with two acres called Bigges at the old Heith, late Thomas Pilgrimas; cottage with two acres called Andrews and Mitches at the old Heith;  $\frac{1}{2}$  acre called Piggesles, late John Mitches; croft called long acre, late part of a tenement and 7 acres of --- Cleve, Henry Hamkyn, afterwards John Greene and late John Fuller, at the old Heith next to Ealestrete; cottage called Gales at the old heithe, cottage and six acres, part of seven acres late --- Cleve at the old heithe; cottage called Goodwynns alias Miches with part of its garden at the old heathe; cottage with garden called Goodwinns at the Old Heithe; messuage called Flingants, and cottage called Inglands alias Pottards.

Parties: George Christmas, Bridgett, his wife, John Christmas, gent., their son, Hellen Christmas, his sister, later wife of Francis Williams, John Brettle, gent., John Brettle, his son, Thomas Edwards of Halsted, Essex, gent., Martha Roberts of Colchester, widow, Edward Prentice, jnr., Joseph Stanley, son of John and Mary Stanley of Walden St. Pauls, Herts., John Stanley, his son, and Joseph Stanley, his brother.

Enclosed: Abstract of Mr. Christmas's lands taken out of the Survey book, 1584, and "particular of parcels of land which have pasture of common both free and copy and liable to make up the aforesaid ditch" 1650's, lands named as Playters, Flingants, Reynolds, Coles, Robert Harveys, Griggs, long acre, Andrew Myches or Goodwyns, Gales late Fabyans, Piggslyes or the Anchor, Crabbs two pieces lying behind the widow Argents house, Newlands late Walter Harrisons called Inglands alias Pottards, Leonard Lisles, and rood of ground next the Anchor late Pasfields before Grymes.

89. 1750 Licence to Joseph Stanley to pull down a cottage. Endorsed "Ingglands".
90. 1755 Abstract of Court Rolls 1625-1755 re customary lands and tenements of John Christmas. (see 88 for details of property).
- 91-93. 1755 Admission of Susanna Belfield, niece of Joseph Stanley, and drafts of papers re surrender by Henry Belfield of Studham, Herts., farmer, and Susanna, his wife. Same property as 88.
- 94-96. 1755-1757 Brief, including description of property, list of lands of Mr. Belfield, schedule of Court Rolls 1624-1729, list of John Christmas's quit rents and correspondence, mainly between Leonard Martin and William Davies, attorney, of Colchester, re Chancery case between John Godschall, lord of the manor, and Henry and Susanna Belfield.
- 97-99. 1788 Memoranda, letter of attorney and deputation of stewards, re surrender by Rev. Henry Belfield, jnr., of Studham, Herts., clerk. Same property as 88.  
To the use of Joseph Green of Colchester, merchant.
100. 1788 Memorandum of surrender by James Ram of Beer Church, Colchester, gent.  
Messuages, lands and tenements called Songers, containing six acres, at the Old Hythe.  
To the use of Joseph Green of Colchester, merchant.
101. 1790 Memorandum of surrender by Nathaniel Taylor of Colchester, millwright, and Frances, his wife.  
Cottage called Peter Mitches and Pilgrims. (see also 22-31) .  
To the use of Joseph Green of Colchester, merchant.
- 102-103. 1864 Two drafts of proceedings before the steward of Battleshall Manor, in pursuance of the Copyhold Acts, at the request of Charles Cooke, re land of the late Joseph Cooke, same property as 88. One has an interpolation "Also of all those lands and tenements called Songers ... And also of all that cottage or tenement called Mitches and Pilgrims ..."

Benjamin Firman's lands

- 104-108.            1792-1801            Memoranda of surrenders and warrants of satisfaction re messuage called Cleavelands in the Old Hithe, and a piece of customary land of six acres, formerly in the occupation of John Pointer, then of John Smith, John West, Cleer West, widow of John, and Benjamin Firman successively.
- Parties: Rev. Nicholas Corsellis of Wivenhoe, Essex, clerk, Elizabeth Wallis of Colchester, widow, John Eglonton Wallis, her son, Benjamin Firman of Wivenhoe, farmer, and Mary Poyner of Colchester, spinster.
109.                1815                Memorandum of surrender by James Blyth Wayman of Castle Street, Finsbury Square, Middx., gent.  
Messuage and lands called Reeds and Hawkins, in the occupation of Jacob Verlander.  
To the use of Benjamin Firman of Wivenhoe, Essex, farmer.

Northerns and other lands

110.                1789                Memorandum of surrender by William Cook of Hoxne, Suffolk, miller, and Mary, his wife, daughter of the late John Bennett.  
Messuage called Borehams and close of land called Homefields, about four acres.  
To the use of John Ram of Colchester, Essex, farmer.
- 111-112.           1793-1796           Memorandum of conditional surrender and receipt re two messuages called Northerns alias Northens, a close of land called Peacocks Garden, three fields called Upper Broomfield, St. Giles Field and the Lower Broomfield, and the same property as 110.
- Parties: John Ram of Colchester, gent., Joseph Winch of Fingringhoe, gent., and Joseph Green and John Collins Tabor, the assignees of the estate and effects of John Ram, a bankrupt.
- 113-116.           1796-1815           Memoranda of conditional surrenders and warrants of satisfaction re same property as 111-112, and piece of land called the Lime Kiln.
- Parties: Jacob Verlander of Colchester, farmer, Mary Poyner of Colchester,



spinster, Benjamin Gibson of Halstead, Essex, surgeon, and James Mansfield of Colchester, baymaker, executors of Mary Poyner's will, Benjamin Strutt of Colchester, gent., and William Francis of Colchester, gent.

117-118. 1810-1825

Memorandum of conditional surrender and warrant of satisfaction re same property as 111-112.

Parties: Jacob Verlander of Colchester, farmer, and Rev. James Bass of Halsted, Essex, minister.

119-121. 1811-1825

Memoranda of surrender and conditional surrender, and warrant of satisfaction, re customary lands called Carters.

Parties: James Walford, miller, Jacob Verlander, farmer, Elizabeth Eglonton Thorn, widow, James Thorn, merchant, Henry Thorn, silversmith, and William Francis, gent., all of Colchester.

122-123. 1814-1817

Memorandum of conditional surrender and warrant of satisfaction re two messuages called Northernns alias Northens, close called Peacocks Garden (excluding piece of land called Broomfield, piece of land called the Folley, piece of land called Rootseys Marsh and piece of land formerly called Symonds pasture, later called Seamans Garden, all of which were formerly part of Peacocks Garden and then were enfranchised by the lord of the manor and sold by Jacob Verlander to Samuel Bawtree and George Savill, both of Colchester, distillers) three fields called Upper Broomfield, Saint Giles's Field and the Lower Broomfield, messuage called Borehams, and close called Homefield, all in the parishes of St. Giles and St. Botolph.

Parties: Mark Beauchamp Peacock of Chelmsford, Essex, gent., Jacob Verlander of Colchester, farmer, and Judith, his wife.

124. 1818

Memorandum of grant of licence by Samuel Blomfield, gent., lord of the manor, surviving bargainee and assignee of the real and personal estate of Henry Thorn, a bankrupt, to Jacob Verlander.

To demise same property as 113-120, and a piece of land late part of the Old Hythe Marsh, bounded on the north-west by Cut Marsh, and on the north-east by the River Colne, and a piece of land, part of the marshes and wastes of the manor, containing eight acres, abutting north-west on the channel of the River Colne.

125-127.      1823-1825      Memorandum of conditional surrender and warrants of satisfaction re piece of land, part of the Old Hyth Marsh, bounded on the north-west by the Cut Marsh, and on the north-east by the River Colne.

Parties: Jacob Verlander of Colchester, farmer, later of Granchester, Cambs., gent., Elizabeth, his wife, Rev. Thomas Stollery of Charlotte Street, Fitzroy Square, Middx., dissenting minister, executor of the will of Mrs. Sarah Gibson of Tottenham Court Road, Middx., widow, and John Gibson of Chelmsford, Essex, surgeon.

128-131.      1825-1826      Memoranda of Jacob Verlander's surrenders of all his aforementioned lands to Edward Wakefield of Pall Mall, Middx., esq., and letter of attorney to Edward Daniels of Colchester, gent.

#### Risbee's cottage

132.      1819      Memorandum of surrender by Samuel Bawtree of Colchester, esq., of all his copyhold lands and tenements to the uses of his will.

133-134.      1849-1850      Memoranda of admission of Samuel Bawtree, late of Colchester, now of Port Philip, South Australia, esq., to Risbee's Cottage in the parish of St. Giles after the death of his mother, and his surrender of it to George Gilbert of Colchester, land surveyor.

#### Unnamed properties

135-136.      1794      Memorandum of surrender and receipt re three houses in the occupations of Susan Ward, widow, John Strick and John Southernwood, at or near the Old Hythe in the parish of St. Giles.

Parties: Simon Shearwood of Buttsbury, Essex, yeoman, John Ward of Battleswick in East Donyland, farmer, and William Stanway of Colchester, tailor.

137-138. 1796-1810

Memoranda of surrenders of messuage and premises with orchard near a place called the Clap Gate at the Old Hythe in the parish of St. Giles.

Parties: John Baines of Stisted, Essex, farmer, William Bunnell of Colchester, esq., Joseph Bunnell of London, esq., and Thomas Cooper of Langenhoe, Essex, farmer, the heirs of William Bunnell, and Henry Thorn of Colchester, silversmith.

139-142. 1821-1849

Memoranda of surrenders and copy of the will (1822) of Joseph Downes, re piece of land, late part of the heaths, commons and waste lands of the manor, situate in St. Giles parish, Colchester, abutting north-east upon the road from the Bell Inn to Battleswick, and south-west upon Roundabout Field, and a piece of land with a messuage with outhouses and buildings.

Parties: Joseph Downes of Colchester, yeoman, Dinah, his wife, Naphthali Goose of Colchester, chemist and druggist, Sarah Goose of Ipswich, Suffolk, widow, and Edward Gridley of Wivenhoe, Essex, shipwright.

143-147. 1831-1858

Memoranda of surrenders and warrant of satisfaction re piece of demiseable land, about one rood, with five messuages, situate on the Second Old Heath in the parish of St. Giles, Colchester, abutting towards the south west on the public road from Colchester to East Donyland.

Parties: James Purkiss of Colchester, farmer, Emanuel Gregory of Colchester, later of Kings Hill, Wednesbury, Staffs., engineer, Sarah, his wife, James Brown of Elmstead Market, Essex, innkeeper, Horatio Oakes of Woolwich, Kent, engineer, and Edward Williams of Colchester, doctor of physic.

148-150. 1843-1857

Memorandum of conditional surrender, draft admittance and abstract of title re messuage and the piece of ground upon part of which the messuage stands, formerly part of the

waste of the manor situate at Old Bell Heath in the parish of St. Giles, between the road leading to Rowhedge and the road leading to Battleshall, a messuage divided into two tenements and the piece of ground on which the messuage stands, formerly part of the waste land on Old Bell Heath, abutting on the road to Battleshall and on a field belonging to Edward Austin, to all of which property James Purkiss was admitted in 1833 on the death of James Osborn Purkiss.

Parties: James Purkiss, formerly of Birch, Essex, now of Barn Hall, Colchester, farmer, Harriett Elliss, his wife, Thomas Fenn Addison of Chilton Lodge, Sudbury, Suffolk, esq., Francis Brewin of Old Kent Road, Surrey, esq., William Toller of Kettering, Northants., shopkeeper, Anna Addison of Sudbury, widow, and John Francis Syke Gooday of Sudbury, her second husband.

#### ESTATE CORRESPONDENCE

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| 151. | 1853      | Letter from John (?), the lord of the manor, to "My dear John" <u>re</u> J. Matthew's estate (see 76-81), visit to Birmingham.   |
| 152. | 1853      | Letter from John Gregson to the lord of the manor <u>re</u> admission to the Bell at Old Heath (see 82).                         |
| 153. | 1857      | Letters to and from Mr. Manning, sergeant at law, steward of the manor, <u>re</u> admission to Purkiss's copyhold (see 148-150). |
| 154. | 1857      | Letter from J. Savile to John Edge <u>re</u> visit of Sergeant Manning, with covering letter from Mr. Manning.                   |
| 155. | 1857      | Letters from Langley and Gibbon to Sergeant Manning <u>re</u> purchase of Purkiss's copyhold .                                   |
| 156. | 1857      | Letter from J. and F.I. Cuddon to Sergeant Manning <u>re</u> value of Battleswick lands.   |
| 157. | 1857      | Letter from Langley and Gibbon to Sergeant Manning <u>re</u> administration.   |
| 158. | 1859-1860 | Letters from George Lay to Sergeant Manning <u>re</u> enfranchisement of Purkiss's copyhold.                                     |



159. 1860 Letters from William Jaguel to Sergeant Manning re Mr. Matthew's lease of the Blue Bell (see 76-81).
160. 1863-1864 Letters from F.I. Cuddon and Howard, Inglis and Keeling re administration.
161. 1864-1866 Letters to Sergeant Manning re Mr. Cooke's copyhold lands, enclosing plan of Place Farm, Old Heath, St. Giles, Colchester, and 18th cent. estimate of acreage of fields at Old Heith Place Farm.
162. 19th cent. Drafts of letters and notes.

#### ESTATE ACCOUNTS

163. c.1600 Rental of Battleswick in Oldhethe in Donyland.
164. early 17th cent. Rental for the Lords Rent one half yearly.
165. 1624 Note of the chief rents.
166. 1625 Rental for the half year both of free and copyhold lands.
167. 1644 Rental. Two copies, one heavily annotated.
168. 1651 Rental. One copy for March (in poor condition), Two copies for September (one in poor condition, one annotated).
169. 1653 Rental.
170. 1658 Rental.
171. c.1677 Rental, entitled "the names of the houses and tenniments that belong to bartles wicke manore".
172. 1679 Rental.
173. 1698 Rental.
174. 1704 Rental. Two copies.
175. Post 1704 Rental, endorsed "1698 & 1704".

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| 176.     | 1716-1717 | Rental. Two copies.   |
| 177.     | 1729-1732 | Rental.   |
| 178.     | 1735      | Rental.   |
| 179-199. | 1742-1790 | Rentals, found bundled together, No. 186 includes notes <u>re</u> Borehams and Homefield. |
| 200-208. | 1778-1802 | Accounts and business correspondence of William Man Godschall.                            |

#### DEEDS AND RELATED PAPERS

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| 209. | 1815 | <p>Memorandum of agreement. Two copies.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Samuel Daniell of Colchester, gent.</li> <li>2. William Downes of Colchester, land surveyor.</li> </ol> <p>To relinquish purchase of Battleshall Manor.</p>   |
| 210. | 1820 | <p>Lease and release.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Isaac Sewell of Colchester, gent.</li> <li>2. Samuel Blomfield of Brightlingsea, farmer, surviving assignee of the estate and effects of Henry Thorn of Colchester, rag-merchant, dealer and chapman, a bankrupt.</li> </ol> <p>Manor of Battleswick alias Battleshall with its lands in East Donyland, West Donyland, Battleswick, Old Heath and Colchester.</p>   |
| 211. | 1820 | <p>Assignment of mortgage.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Henry Thorn of Colchester, rag merchant, and Samuel Daniell of Colchester, gent., the executors of the will of John Gosnall, late of Colchester, carpenter.</li> <li>2. Samuel Blomfield of Brightlingsea, farmer, surviving assignee of Henry Thorn, a bankrupt.</li> <li>3. Samuel John Edgell Martin of Colchester, gent.</li> <li>4. John Roger Rush of Crown Court, Thread-needle Street, London, gent.</li> </ol> <p>Manor of Battleshall alias Battleswick.</p> <p>Endorsed: 1825 Assignment to William Henry Pattisson of Witham, Essex, esq., to the use of John Cutts of Witham, gent.</p> |

212. 1820 Lease and release.
1. Samuel Blomfield (no 2 in the deeds above).
  2. Henry Thorn.
  3. Samuel Daniell of Colchester, gent.
  4. William Downes of Colchester, land agent.
  5. Samuel John Edgell Martin of Colchester, gent.
  6. Henry Sampson Quilter of Hadley, Middx., gent.
- Battleshall Manor with all its lands and tenements, except for a tenement late copyhold of the manor, bought by Henry Thorn from the executors of William Bunnell and sold to James Osborn Purkiss.
213. 1820 Surrender.
1. Edward Daniell of Colchester, gent.
  2. Isaac Sewell of Colchester, gent.
  3. Samuel Blomfield of Brightlingsea, Essex, farmer.
  4. Samuel John Edgell Martin of Colchester, gent.
- Battleswick Manor.
214. 1825 Lease and release, furthering a trust.
1. Samuel John Edgell Martin of Colchester, gent.
  2. John Cutts of Witham, Essex, gent.
  3. Jacob Howell Pattisson of Witham, esq.
- Battleswick Manor.
215. 1834 Copy probate of the will (1833) of William Blomfield of the parish of St. Leonard, Colchester, yeoman.
216. 1848 Release.
1. John Cutts, late of Witham, now of Little Bardfield Hall, Essex, esq.
  2. James Cuddon, snr., of Norwich, esq.
  3. George Gardiner of Horsford, Norfolk, esq.
  4. John Hawes of Colchester, esq.
- Manor of Battleshall.
217. 1853 Release.
1. James Cuddon of Norwich, gent., and Francis Thomas Cuddon of Norwich, esq., devisees of their father James Cuddon, snr.
  2. Clarissa Peach Manning, Rose Frances Manning, Elizabeth Adelaide Manning and



Louisa Manning, all of Upper Southwick Street, Hyde Park, Middx., spinsters.

Manor of Battleshall.

With schedule of deeds 1820-1853, and details of the income from the manor (average 1837-1852).

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| 218-222. | 1880      | Particulars of manors to be sold at auction, including Battleshall, particulars of estates of Battleshall Manor, schedule of deeds 1820-1853, abstract of title 1848-1880, and requisitions on title.  |
| 223.     | 1880      | <p>Conveyance.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Clarissa Peach Manning of 34 Blomfield Road, Maida Hill, Middx., spinster.</li> <li>2. Hannah Jane Clarke of No. 4 Chepstow Villas, Bayswater, Middx., widow, and Elizabeth Adelaide Manning of No. 35 Blomfield Road, spinster.</li> <li>3. Louisa Tanfani of No. 433 Fulham Road, Middx., wife of Achille Tanfani.</li> <li>4. Elizabeth Adelaide Manning (as in party no. 2.)</li> <li>5. Richard Henry Wood of Penrhos House, Rugby, Warwicks, esq., J.P.</li> </ol> <p>Manor of Battleshall.</p> |
| 224-227. | 1880-1882 | Correspondence of Richard Henry Wood with solicitors <u>re</u> purchase of Battleshall and intended purchase of other manors, with particulars of manors of East Dereham, Kavenham, Wereham Hall, Iron Hall, Great Snoring, Hadleigh Hall, Stowmarket, Westhorpe Hall, Westleton with the members, Wicken, and East and West Deeping.  |
| 228.     | 1894      | Particulars, schedules and plan of Battleswick Farm, enclosing newspaper cuttings advertising the sale of the premises.  |

#### ABSTRACTS, SCHEDULES AND PARTICULARS

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| 229.     | 1791 | Abstract of title to estate called Woodhouse alias Woodhewers, 1567-1777. |
| 230-231. | 1818 | Abstracts of title to Manor of Battleshall, 1720-1815 and 1818.           |
| 232.     | 1820 | Abstract of lease and release ( <u>see</u> 210).                          |

233. 1847 Abstract of title of John Cutts to the Manor of Battleshall 1820-1825.
234. 1848 Schedule of deeds, etc. 1820-1848 re Battleshall.
235. 1851 Abstract of title of the executors of James Cuddon's will to the Manor of Battleshall 1848-1850.
236. 1853 Abstract of release (see 217).
- 237-238. 1868-1880 Particulars of manors of Cockfield and Earl's Hall, Suffolk, Battleshall alias Battleswick, and Henney, alias Much Henney, alias Great Henney, contiguous to the town of Sudbury and near the town of Colchester, Essex.
239. 1880 Draft declaration re the lord's title.

#### MAPS AND PLANS

240. 1818 Plan of Battleswick Manor with terrier.
241. 1876? 2 maps of different parts of Battleshall manor, surveyed 1876.

#### STEWARD

- 242-243. 1853 Drafts of appointment by the Misses Manning of James Manning, H.M. Sergeant at Law, as steward of their manors of Battleshall, Cockfield, Earl's Hall and Great Henney, and licence to hold courts, the latter written on the back of draft codicil (1843) to James Manning's will.
244. 1853 Appointment of John Edge Manning of Dawlish, Devon, as deputy steward.
245. 1880 Appointment by Richard Henry Wood of William Howard, jnr., as steward of the manor of Battleshall, with related correspondence.
246. 1850 List of costs in special court.
247. 1857 Lists of fees payable to the steward re Addison's trustees (see 148-150).

MANORIAL RIGHTS AND DUTIES

248. 1648-1652 Survey of all the length of the Marsh Ditch to be cleared by the tenants of Battleswick in Donyland. Two copies.
249. late 17th cent. Particulars of "the Severall parcells of Land which have pasture of common, both Free and Copy hold , & is liable to make upp this aforesaid Ditch".
250. 1778 Memorandum of agreement, for John Springett of Peldon, Essex, waller, to clear the marsh ditch.
251. 1778 Authorization to attorney at law re rights of the tenants to feed the commons with a greater number of cattle and sheep than the law or custom of the manor do allow.
252. 1811 Act for inclosing lands in the Manor of Battleshall.
253. 1855 Table of enfranchisement of ordinary copyholds of inheritance subject to arbitrary fines.
254. 1865 Certificate of custom of descent of copyhold land.
255. 1881 Bill to amend the Copyhold Acts, and to promote the gradual enfranchisement of lands of copyhold and customary tenure.

MISCELLANEOUS

256. 18th cent. Notes re the heirs of George Harrington.
257. 1761 Copy of Court Roll, Manor of Chich Saint Osyth, Essex.  
Admission of Elizabeth, wife of William Horton of Terling, Essex, farmer, and Susan, wife of Thomas Martin of Chich Saint Osyth, farmer, into a messuage in Mill Street, St. Osyth, and two customary tenements in the occupation of John Whiting and Thomas Hagger.
- 258-259. 1767 Stebunheath alias Stepney Manor.  
Surrender by John Bullock of the Tower of London, gent., of two messuages on the east

side of Swan Yard on the south side of Broad Street, Ratcliff, and one messuage thereunto belonging on the west side of Swan Yard, with use of the pump in the passage leading from Ratcliff Street to the River Thames, to the use of Richard Haviland of the Tower of London, gent.

Admission of Richard Haviland, and his surrender to the uses of his will.

260.                    1957                    Part of "The Times" newspaper.