Manor of Laighton Bussard alias Groverbury

View of Frankpledge with Court Baron for the Honerable Thomas Lord Leigh Baron of Stonleigh farmer Deacon and Canon of the liberty of the Chapel Royal of St George within the Castle of Windsor held at Laighton Bussard the Thursday in the feast of Pentecost namely sixteenth day of May in the fifth year of the reign of our Lady Anne by grace of God Queen of England Scotland France and Ireland Defender of the Faith etc. the year of the Lord 1706 before Francis Neale gentleman deputy steward and Thomas Maisterson Esquire steward of the Manor foresaid.

Essoin as manifested in the Roll of Names of Sectators etc.

Suits-null

Sworn:

Edward Ashwell Jun.	Thomas Coles	John Capon
John Ashwell Jun	Richard Leach Sen.	Michael Higbed
Wiliam Whipham Jun.	Richard Poynton	John Partridge
Arthur Tarsey	Thomas Burntham	John Cooke
Richard Yates	John Bedcott	Henry Dean

Tenants in Default

Who were sworn and charged with diverse articles touching the Court View of Frankpledge and Court Baron saying and upon their oath believing that Joseph Gurney 6d Francis Dell 6d Joseph Honnor 6d the heirs of William Wilkes 6d John Searl 6d William Stare 6d the heirs of Thomas Veerey 6d Robert Parratt 6d Richard Fowler 6d Benjamin Ashwell 6d Geoffrey Willison 6d Henry Wells 6d the heirs of Katherine Temple 6d Robert Stone 6d Richard Ashwell 6d John Marshe gentleman 6d Joseph Snoxall 6d Thomas Prentice 6d Daniele Ellingham 6d Thomas Greene [1s?] John Wells Esquire 2s 6d Thomas Hunt 6d Robert Meade gentleman 1s John Vaux Esq 2s 6d Richard Meridaile 6d William Sharp 6d William Seare 6d Caleb Tomlinson 6d John Hillersden gentleman 1s William Pym Esquire 2s6d Jarvis Whitehead 1s Thomas Townesend 1s James Ashwell 1s Thomas Brugis 1s William Theed gentleman 1s Edward Stanbridge 6d Richard Andrews 1s Jeremy Stokes 1s William Wells 6d Richard Browne 6d Edward Jones gentleman 1s and Phillip Clarke gentleman 1s now are tenants or residents of this Manor and owe suit to this Court and now on

this day made default so each of them are in Mercy as manifest above their names etc.

Officials elected and continuing

At this court Thomas Porter junior George Baker John Fry and William Lawley were elected and sworn to serve in the office of Constable for Laighton Bussard alias Grovebury for the year following.

Likewise At this Court Glen Robinson and Robert Goodspeed were elected and sworn to serve in the office of Constable for Heath and Reach for the year following.

Likewise At this court Edward Broxon Richard Norkett were elected and sworn to serve in the office of Constable for Billingdon for the year following

Likewise At this court William Dean and John Dean were elected and sworn in the office of Taster of Ale for the year following

Likewise At this court William Bull and John Truelove by agreement are continuing to serve in the office of [keeping the court seal?] for the year following

Likewise At this court William Lawley and Edward Osmond are continuing in the office of taster of meat for Laighton Bussard for the year following

Likewise At this court Richard Owen is continuing by his agreement to be Hayward for Laighton Bussard for the year following

Likewise At this court John Windmill is continuing by his agreement to be Hayward for Egginton for the year following

Likewise At this court John Hearne is continuing by his agreement to be Hayward for Billingdon for the year following

Likewise at this court it is found and believed by the homage that Richard Doggett lately a customary tenant of this manor who whilst he lived held to himself and his heirs from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the custom of the manor aforesaid all those separate pieces or parcels of meadow or pasture in Egginton called Ardells with appurtenances he died since the last court thus seised on his death and that Thomas Doggett is his eldest brother and next heir and off full age to whom the premises aforesaid ought to descend and furthermore it is believed by the homage that the said Richard Doggett in his life specifically on the sixth day April the year of the Lord 1705 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod into the hands of John Ashwell and Thomas Coles two other customary tenants of the same manor according to the custom of the manor aforesaid all those his aforesaid separate pieces or parcels of pasture and meadow in Egginton aforesaid in the parish of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford called or known by the name of Ardells together with all woodlands underwoods hedges ditches frontpieces commons profits and appurtenances thereto belonging to the land called Churchway on the northern side thereof and the lane called West Lane on the northeastern side thereof and the fields thereto called Heydon Hill Field on the southern side thereof and all other his customary land lying in and being within the manor aforesaid To the Use and Behoof such person and persons and for such use and uses intention and purpose of what kind the said Richard Doggett in and by his last will and testament in writing attested by three or more credible witnesses limited or declared Provided Always and upon this condition that if the said Richard Doggett should be living on the seventh day of April which is in the year of the Lord 1706 or if the said Richard Doggett on or before the said seventh day of April revoke the said surrender or declare the said Surrender aforesaid to be void that then the surrender aforesaid would be void otherwise to remain in full force and furthermore it is found and believed by the homage that the said Richard Doggett soon after granting the surrender aforesaid and before the said seventh day April in the clause died and that the said surrender aforesaid was never revoked or declared to be void and now stands in full force but to whom the said Richard Doggett granted his last will and testament in writing attested as aforesaid or not the homage are ignorant nevertheless Thomas Doggett brother and heir of the said Richard Doggett although solemnly required to come to court to make and receive etc. did not come and so the first proclamation is made etc.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the homage that John Cogsdell lately a customary tenant of this manor who whilst he lived held to himself and his heirs from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the custom of the manor aforesaid one cottage or tenement in which he dwelt from the surrender of Anne Hopgood widow since the last court he died or exited his body thus seised and that William Gogsdell in the parish of St. Brides London is his brother and next heir and of full age to whom the premises aforesaid ought to descend and now to this court comes the aforesaid William Cogsdell in his own person and asks of the lord to admit himself tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid William Cogsdell his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the custom of the manor aforesaid by rents and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to lord the fine for his entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise at this court it is found and believed by the homage that James Gregory lately a customary tenant of this manor who whilst he lived held from the lord to himself and his heirs by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid four acres of customary land lying dispersed in its [common fields?] he died since the last court thus seised and that Hannah wife of Stephen Broome is his only daughter and next heir to whom the premises aforesaid should descend nevertheless although Hannah the wife of Stephen Broome is solemnly required to come to court to make and receive etc she did not come and so the first proclamation is made etc.

Likewise at this court it is found and presented by the homage that William Tompkyns lately a customary tenant of this manor who whilst he lived held to himself and his heirs from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the custom of the manor aforesaid a half or half part of one cottage with appurtenances he died since the last court thus seised and that Martha wife of Robert Hood is his only child and next heir to whom the premises ought to descend nevertheless although Martha wife of Robert Hood is solemnly required to come to court to make etc. she did not come and so the first proclamation is made.

Likewise at this court it is found and believed by the homage that Matthew Disney clerk a customary tenant of this manor outside court and since the last court namely on the twenty seventh day of March in the year of the lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of John Ashwell and William Whipham senior two other tenants of the manor aforesaid according to custom of the same manor All that his piece or parcel of arable land called a Thoroughout containing by estimation two acres more or less being lying in the fields of Egginton and Clipson in the parish of Laighton Bussard in the County of Bedford next to that pasture called Hockcliffe Pastures on the western side thereof with all hades lyres and appurtenances whatsoever thereto belonging To the Use and Behoof of Thomas Burton Professor in Holy Theology and a Canon of Christchurch in Oxford his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the said Thomas Burton and asks of the lord to admit him tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Thomas Burton his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the custom of the manor aforesaid by rents and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise at this court it is witnessed by the deputy steward aforesaid and it is found and believed by the homage that Edward Elliott citizen and cordwainer of London son and heir of Edward Elliott lately citizen and combmaker of London aforesaid deceased (who was the brother and next heir of Mary Elliott spinster his sister lately deceased) lately a customary tenant of this manor outside court and soon after the last court surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid according to the custom of the same manor all those his separate pieces or parcels of customary arable land with their appurtenances lying and being dispersed the common fields and communal places of Laighton Bussard

aforesaid in the county of Bedford lately in the tenure or occupation of Edward Ashwell junior containing by estimation four and a half acres more or less and all other his customary lands tenements and hereditaments whatsoever held by copy of the Court Roll of this Manor with all trees fences ditches road ways water courses commons profits privileges easements and advantages whatsoever belonging to the previously mentioned land and premises or any way appertaining To the Use and Behoof of Edward Ashwell junior of Laighton Bussard aforesaid yeoman his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid Edward Ashwell and asks of the lord to admit himself tenant to the premises aforesaid with appurtenances to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and To Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Edward Ashwell his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rents and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise at this court it is witnessed by the deputy steward and is found and believed by the homage that Rebecca Deards spinster and Elizabeth Deards spinster customary tenants of this manor outside court and since the last court namely on the ninth day of May in the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid according to the custom of the same manor aforesaid All that their half or half part of a small piece or parcel [of endowed, foundation, base?] pasture lying in Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford on the rear side of one messuage or tenement belonging to Anne Harris widow next to the lane called Friday Lane on the northern side thereof and to the [free, unrestricted?] land of the said Anne Harris on the southern side thereof similarly all woods trees fences ditches hedges fences profits common rights and appurtenances thereto belonging To the Use and Behoof of the aforesaid Anne Harris of Laighton Bussard aforesaid widow her heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid Anne Harris and asks of the lord to admit herself tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Anne Harris her heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the custom of the manor aforesaid by rents and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and she gives to the lord the fine for her entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise to this court come Giles Dent of the parish of St Giles Cripplegate in the county of Middlesex gentleman through Stephen Perry of Coleman's Ally in the said parish of St Giles pymmaker his lawful attorney now made and constituted by his writing or letter of Attorney under the hand and seal of the said Giles Dent here in court produced bearing the date fifteenth May in the year of the Lord 1706 as by the letter of Attorney now certified and assimilated into the court [roll]related therein fully clear and apparent and for and in the name of he himself Giles Dent he asks of the lord to admit him tenant to all those customary lands lying in the common fields of Heath and Reach and Leighton Buzzard within the manor aforesaid to wit sixty acres and one half part of an acre more or less lying and being in the fields aforesaid lately in the occupation of Edward Martyn senior [or] his assigns and to two hedges and the foundation upon which they stand all parts thereof known by the names of Long Hedge and Shenley Hill Hedge adjoining to the land aforesaid and all that parcel of common land all parts thereof called Blacks Meade Haden and Hayways containing by estimation five acres more or less being lately in the tenure of

the said Edward Martyn or his assigns and to forty acres more or less of meadow or pasture land part thereof [commons?] called by the name of Inward Rushaus Penward Rushaus now or lately in the occupation of Richard Wynch or his assigns and all separate butts of arable land all parts thereof adjoining to Outward Rushaus now or lately in the occupation of the said Richard Wynch or his assigns with all roads hedges ditches common rights profits easements and appurtenances belonging to the aforesaid premises in any manner appertaining (except The Hedge at The Blackmore Meadow and the piece or parcel of pasture at the upper end of the furlong called Long Furlong being in a haden adjoining to three selions and one rood of land there lately in the occupation of William Chad deceased) and to the reversion and reversions and remainder and remainders thereof and all legal estates titles interests use claims and demands in law or in equity of William Jellings from in and out of the premises or any part thereof according to the tenor and form and effect of that surrender of the premises aforesaid to the said Giles Dent lately made by a Jellings of Gardeners Lane in or near Kings Street Westminster and before then of Warwyck Lane in the parish of Christchurch London Corn Merchant eldest natural son and heir of John Jellings citizen and cheesemonger lately a customary tenant of this manor deceased bearing the date the first day of June in year of the Lord 1704 to the use of the said Giles Dent his heirs and assigns for ever and now in the proper manner presented by the homage before the court held for the manor aforesaid upon the thirty first day of May in the year of the lord 1705 and then and there enrolled by the steward of the said manor according to custom of the manor aforesaid as related in the rolls of the same court fully clear and apparent therein to whom the same Stephen Perry attorney of he himself Giles Dent for and in the name of the said Giles Dent from the lord of the manor aforesaid through his steward aforesaid granted thence seisin by the rod to Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid by the aforesaid Giles Dent his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rent and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise at this court it is found and believed by the homage that Robert Haile a customary tenant of this manor and Susanna his wife and Elizabeth Truelove widow (she herself the said Susanna being examined alone and secretly by Francis Neale deputy steward of the manor aforesaid and declaring that she herself did without pressure or intimidation of her husband) outside court specifically on the twenty-eighth day November in the year of the Lord 1705 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell junior and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of the same manor aforesaid according to custom of this manor all those four acres by estimation more or less by of arable land being lying dispersed in the fields precinct and parish of Laighton Bussard aforesaid in the county of Bedford afterwards particularly mentioned to wit one acre thereof lying in Grovebury Field in Pitman Furlong the land of Henry Dean lying on the southern side thereof one acre thereof lying in the Middle Field in the furlong called Leckbrook Furlong the land of Joanne Turney widow lying on both sides of the part thereof one half acre thereof being fore-crossing land in English Foreshooter lying in the same field the land of Richard Poynton on the eastern side thereof one half acre thereof lying in Shenley Hill field abutting across the Windmill the land of Benedict Worrall on the southern side thereof and one acre remaining being the head acre in English a head acre lying in the same field and extending into the Slow land of Thomas Foster lying on the eastern side thereof with all and singular their and all of their appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of Francis White junior of Laighton Bussard aforesaid castrator his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid Francis White and asks of the lord to admit himself tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Francis White his heir and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rents and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise at this court it is found and believed by the homage that Mary Lord widow a customary tenant of this manor aforesaid outside court namely on the twenty ninth day of March in the year of the Lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell junior and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of the manor aforesaid according to the custom of the same manor All those four acres and one half acre of arable land by estimation more or less being lying dispersed in the fields of Laighton Bussard aforesaid in the county of Bedford here afterwards particularly mentioned and to wit three half acres thereof lying together in Grovebury Field Way the land of Henry Miller lying on the southern side thereof one acre more thereof being three sharp selions in English Picked Ridges lying together in Shenley Hill Field next to the road called Hunt's Way on the northern side thereof and one further acre thereof lying in the field called The Middle Field abutting upon the torrent called Leckbrooke next to the land of John Marshe gentleman on the western side thereof with all woodland trees hedges ditches hades liras profits rights of common and appurtenances thereto belonging or appertaining To the Use and Behoof of Leonard Walters of Grove in the County of Buckinghamshire yeoman his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid Leonard Walters and he asks of the lord to admit himself tenant to the premises aforesaid with appurtenances to whom the lord granted thence seisin to the aforesaid Leonard Walters his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rents and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise at this court it is found and believed by the homage that William Whittamore son and heir of William Whittamore deceased lately a customary tenant of the manor aforesaid and Ann Whittamore widow outside court namely on the twenty ninth day of October in the year of the Lord 1705 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Edward Ashwell junior and Arthur Tarsey two other customary tenant of the same manor according to custom of the manor aforesaid All those two acres of arable land by estimation more or less being lying dispersed in the fields of Laighton Bussard aforesaid in the county of Bedford hereafter particularly mentioned and expressed to wit one acre thereof lying in The Middle Field next to the road called Clipson Way the land of Thomas Prockter to the north east thereof and one acre more thereof lying in Shenley Hill Field in the furlong extending up to the house called Bowdens House the land of Henry Dean lying to the south thereof with their appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of Thomas Reeve of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid Thomas Reeve and asks of the lord to admit himself tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and To Hold the premises aforesaid with

appurtenances by the aforesaid Thomas Reeve his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the custom of the manor aforesaid by rents and services formerly owed and by accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise at this court it is found and believed by the homage that Elizabeth Collett widow a customary tenant of this manor and John Collett son and heir appearing with the said Elizabeth outside court namely on the second day of April in the year of the lord 1706 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Andrew Gladman and John Ashwell two other customary tenants of this manor according to the custom of the manor aforesaid All that Cottage or tenement with appurtenances in which the said Elizabeth Collett and John Collett then lived with all houses buildings yards and backsides thereto adjoining and belonging situate in the The Leck of Laighton Bussard aforesaid in the county of Bedford with their appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of John Willett of Horwood parish in the county of Buckingham yeoman his heirs and assigns for ever provided always and upon this condition that if the said Elizabeth Collett and John Collett or one or other of them their heirs executors or their administrators or some of them shall well and truly pay or cause to be paid to the said John Willett [or his] executors administrators or assigns the full sum of thirty and one pounds and ten shillings of English lawful money on the second day of April it would be in the year of the lord one thousand seventeen hundred and six that then the surrender aforesaid to be void otherwise to be in full force and furthermore it is found and believed by the homage that the said sum of thirty one pounds and ten shillings in the condition in the said surrender mentioned before and expressed was not paid nor still paid for that cottage or tenement and premises so the surrender as aforesaid the forfeiture goes to the aforesaid John Willett and his heirs according to the form and effect of the surrender aforesaid and now to this court comes the aforesaid John Willett and asks of the lord to admit himself tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and To Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid John Willett his heirs and assigns from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid and according to the form and effect of the said surrender by rents and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise at this court it is found and believed by the homage that Mary Hall widow a customary tenant of this manor outside court specifically on the twenty first day of March in the year of the Lord 1705 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of John Ashwell and William Whipham two other customary tenants of the same manor according to custom of the manor aforesaid All that her small close or pightie of pasture containing by estimation half of one acre (more or less) lying in the Leck End of Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford next to the land belonging to the paupers of Laighton Bussard aforesaid on the eastern and southern side thereof and next to the land or orchard of John Geadon deceased on the northern side and abutting upon the land of the lord of the manor aforesaid on the western side thereof together with all trees woodland hedges ditches enclosures fences enclosures ways easements profits rights of commons and appurtenances thereto belonging To the Use and Behoof of Thomas Shepherd cleric Edward Ashwell senior and Edward Ashwell junior their heirs and assigns for ever the lawful trustees to and for the uses mentioned and expressed in and by the last wish and testament of Richard Jones gentleman deceased bearing the date the twenty third day of July last past next before the date of this same surrender of the said closes or pighties being purchased in the sum of twenty pounds that the said Richard Jones ordained to be [taken from?] the land for piety and charitable uses mentioned in the said testament and now to this court comes the said Edward Ashwell senior and Edward Ashwell junior in their own persons and the said Thomas Shepherd through John Ashwell his lawful attorney in this regard constituted in his writing aforesaid made and executed in the proper manner and they ask of the lord to admit themselves tenants to the premises aforesaid according to the form and effect of the said surrender to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Thomas Shepherd Edward Ashwell senior and Edward Ashwell junior their heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to the custom of the manor aforesaid according to the tenor and effect of the said surrender by rents and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and they give to the lord the fine for their entry and they are admitted thence tenants doing fealty to the lord and upon this Edward Ashwell senior and Edward Ashwell junior did fealty to the lord but the fealty of Thomas Shepherd is respited etc.

Likewise at this court it is found and believed by the homage that Charles Pym senior gentleman a customary tenant of this manor and Sarah his wife she herself the said Sarah being examined alone and secretly by Francis Neale deputy steward of the manor aforesaid and declaring that she did without intimidation or pressure from her husband outside court namely on the twelve day of March in the year of the lord 1705 surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of John Ashwell and Richard Poynton two other customary tenants of the same manor according to custom of the manor aforesaid All that piece or parcel of meadow or pasture called or known by the name of Claribolls containing by estimation five acres more or less being lying in Laighton Bussard in the county of Bedford next to the road there called Clariboles Lane on the southern and western sides thereof and next to the lands in the same place on the northern side thereof with its and all of its appurtenances To the Use and Behoof of Arthur Tarsey of Laighton Bussard aforesaid yeoman his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid Arthur Tarsey and asks of the lord to admit himself tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Arthur Tarsey his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rents and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant

Likewise at this court it [is] found and believed by the homage that Ann Fillpott widow a customary tenant of this manor outside court namely on the fourteenth day of March in the year of the lord 1705 surrendered into the hands of the lord of manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of Ralph Jeffs and Richard Chaddock two other customary tenants of this manor All that his half or half part of the whole of that cottage or tenement in which Mary Filpott now or lately dwelt together with the half or half part all and singular the houses outhouses structures barns yards backsides and appurtenances thereto belonging situated and lying in The Leck End of Laighton Bussard aforesaid in the county of

Bedford To the Use and Behoof of John Johnson of Laighton Bussard aforesaid labourer his heirs and assigns for ever and now to this court comes the aforesaid John Johnson and he asks of the lord to admit himself tenant to the premises aforesaid to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid John Johnson his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rents and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise at this court it is found and believed by the homage that Charles Pym senior gentleman a customary tenant of this manor and Sarah his wife and Charles Pym junior son and heir of the said Charles Pym senior surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod through the hands of John Ashwell and Richard Poynton two other customary tenants of the same manor aforesaid according to custom of this same manor All that his Close of pasture or grassland called or known by the name of The Lamas Close containing by estimation two acres more or less being lying in Laighton Bussard aforesaid in the county of Bedford next to the land of Henry Miller on the eastern side and to the land of Richard Leach on the northern side and to the road called Cobbin Lane on the eastern side thereof together with all woods trees hedges ditches profits privileges rights of common and appurtenances whatsoever thereto belonging To the Use and Behoof of Jane Leach daughter of the said Richard Leach of Laighton Bussard aforesaid Grocer her heirs and assigns for ever nevertheless although Jane Leach is solemnly required to come to court to do and receive etc she did not come so the first proclamation is made.

Likewise to this court comes John Clarke son and heir of John Clarke lately of Heath prior to his decease and asks of the lord to admit himself tenant to all that customary cottage or tenement with appurtenances in Heath aforesaid within the manor aforesaid held from this manor which came or descended to him upon the death John Clarke his father lately deceased according to the presentation made by the homage to this court held for the manor aforesaid on the thirty first day of May in the year of the lord 1705 and there and then in the proper manner enrolled by the steward of the said manor as reported within the rolls of this same court therein it is fully clear and apparent to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid John Clarke junior his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rents and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord his fine for his entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise to this court comes Ann Harris widow lately wife and relict of Richard Harris deceased and asks the lord to admit herself tenant to the half of one piece or parcel of customary land lying in the pig sty near her messuage in which the said Ann Harris now lives in Laighton Bussard aforesaid according to the tenor of the surrender aforesaid made before then by William Deards to the Use and Behoof by she herself Ann as related in the rolls of the Court held for the manor aforesaid on the twenty eighth of May in the year of the lord 1702 it is fully clear and apparent therein to whom the lord through his steward aforesaid granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Ann Harris her heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rent and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and she gives to the lord the fine for her entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise to this court comes Hezekiah Walker son and heir of Thomas Walker and asks the lord to admit him tenant to an acre by estimation more or less of customary arable and grassland being lying in the fields and precinct of Laighton Bussard aforesaid and to all other customary land held and hereditaments by the late Thomas Walker held from this manor which should come or were surrendered by the said Thomas Walker to the Use of the said Hezekiah Walker his heirs and assigns according to the tenor form and effect of that surrender thereto made by the said Thomas Walker his father and it is believed by the homage at this court held for this manor on the thirty first day of May in the year of the lord 1705 fully clear and apparent to whom the lord through his steward granted thence seisin by the rod To Have and to Hold the premises aforesaid with appurtenances by the aforesaid Hezekiah Walker his heirs and assigns for ever from the lord by the rod at the lord's wish according to custom of the manor aforesaid by rents and services formerly owed and by right accustomed and he gives to the lord the fine for his entry does fealty to the lord and is admitted thence tenant.

Likewise at this court the second proclamation is made for Samuel Stonnard grandson in English grandson of Samuel Stonnard to come to court to do and receive etc All and singular the customary land and tenements which were surrendered to the said Samuel Stonnard junior and his heirs by the said Samuel Stonnard senior his grandfather deceased.

Likewise at this court the second proclamation was made for Giles Jenkins junior son of Giles Jenkins senior to come in to Court to take out of the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid All and singular the customary land tenements and hereditaments that were surrendered to the said Giles Jenkins junior and his heirs by the said Giles Jenkins senior his father and believed by the homage at the last court held from the manor aforesaid.

Likewise at this court the second proclamation is made for Mary wife of Anthony Allar Joanna Lord and Phoebe Lord come to court to take out of the hands of lord of the manor all those customary lands tenements and hereditaments held from this manor which were previously surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid by the rod to the Use of themselves Mary Joanne Phoebe by William Lord their father lately deceased.

Likewise at this court the second proclamation is made for Joseph Taylor son and heir of Oliver Taylor to come to court to take out of the hands of the lord of the manor All and Singular the customary lands tenements and hereditaments which descended to him upon the death of the said Oliver Taylor lately deceased his father.

Likewise at this court the second proclamation was made for Susan Scrivener to come to court to take out of the hands of the lord of the manor All customary lands and tenements which descended to her upon the death of Alice Scrivener wife of John Scrivener lately deceased her mother deceased.

Likewise at this court the second proclamation was made for Thomas Carpenter the heir of Ann Carpenter widow to come to court to take out of the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid All customary lands and tenements which descended to him upon the death of the said Ann Carpenter his mother lately deceased.

Likewise at this court the third proclamation was made for Gabriel Norkett to come to court to do and receive etc All and Singular the customary lands and tenements which were surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor aforesaid to the use of the said Gabriel Norkett by Richard Norkett his father deceased.

Likewise at this court the third proclamation was made for Andrew Messidor alias Toby and Mary Messidor alias Toby to come to court to take all lands and tenements which were previously surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor by the rod to the use of themselves Andrew and Mary by Thomas Messidor alias Toby their father deceased.

Likewise at this court the third proclamation was made for John Lake junior son of John Lake senior to come to court and to take out of the hands of the lord of the manor All customary land and tenements held from this manor which were lately surrendered in the hands of the lord of the manor by the rod To the Use of he himself John Lake junior by Thomas Messidor alias Toby deceased.