

Roll 40a

Wylyton

View of Frankpledge with Court of lord John, Viscount Beamond and Katherine Duchess of Northfolk held there on the Wednesday next after the feast of St. Luke the Evangelist [18th October] in the xxx^o [30th] year of the reign of king Henry VIth [20th October 1451]

Essoin Robert Bawde by the bailiff

Tithing men

John Clerk, John Flaunders, sworn constables

John Yarwey the elder, John Gostwyk, John ^{tithing man} Yarwey the younger, sworn tasters of ale¹

John Legge, John Palmer, John Stones', Randolph Bawde, John Redy, John Salt, John Ferthyng, Walter Yarwey, sworn men

They present that they gave vijs iiijd [7s 4d] as common fine on this day.

Amercements viijd [8d], vjd [6d]

And that Edmund ^{iiijd [4d]} Grey, the Prior ^{iiijd [4d]} of Newnham, John ^{ijd [2d]} Stoughton owed suit this day and did not come. Therefore they are amerced.

And that John ^{iiijd [4d]} Waryner Roper assaulted John Skynner with a certain stick and [it is] in profit of no value and therefore he is at mercy.

Amercement iiijd [4d]

And that the same ^{iiijd [4d]} drew blood from the aforesaid John Skynner unlawfully. Therefore he is at mercy.

Amercement ijd [2d]

And the ^{ijd [2d]} same assaulted the same John Waryner, against the peace, with a certain stick valued at jd [1d]. Therefore he was amerced.

Amercement ijd [2d]

And that Thomas ^{ijd [2d]} Myller made an assault against the peace on Thomas Whyte with his fist. Therefore he was amerced.

Amercement ijd [2d]

And that John ^{ijd [2d]} Clerk the younger made an assault against the peace on Nicholas Waryner with his fist. Therefore he is amerced.

Tasters amercements xd [10d], vjd [6d]

¹ Later in this document John Yarwey is not listed as an aletaster, John Redy is listed instead.

John Yarwey the elder, John Gostwyk, John Redy² tasters of ale present that John^{vjd [6d]} Stoughton brewed constantly and broke the assize of ale, Emma^{iijd [4d]} Skynner constantly, John^{ijd [2d]} Tylere once, Robert^{ijd [2d]} Taylour, Thomas^{ijd [2d]} Myller once.

Penalty incurred xxd [20d]

And that John Stoughton has incurred the penalty of xld³ [40d] following ancient custom for brewing one day at the time of a service^{at the church}.

Amercement vjd [6d]

And they present that John^{ijd [2d]} Gostewyke has one ditch not draining causing nuisance to all the tenants. Therefore he is amerced.

And that Thomas^{ijd [2d]} Maryon has one ditch not draining next to his holding, causing nuisance. Therefore he is amerced.

And that Thomas^{ijd [2d]} Myller has depastured⁴ with his horses in the lord's pasture in the Bury which William Launcelyn held. Therefore he is amerced.

And that the tenements called Trycat' and Wyltschyre, which William Launcelyn held to repair, have not been sufficiently repaired. And the aforesaid William, present in Court, petitioned for a day until the next feast of Saint Michael to do the repairs.

And that the malt-kiln belonging to Robert Rydere which the aforesaid William held to repair is not sufficiently repaired and he petitioned for a day until the next to do the repairs.

And that the holding lately belonging to the Fesaunts is in the hand of the lord and is ruined and needs repairs.

And that the tenement lately in the holding of Agnes Partrych is in the hand of the lord, is ruined.

And that the tenement called the Legge in the holding of William Launcelyn was ruined and needed repair and putting right.

And that the holdings lately belonging to the weaver, the Fysshers and the acremen were ruined and in the hand of the lord, because of needing repairs.

And that John the Warrenner has many defective repairs in his holding. And he was ordered to put them right before the next under a penalty of half a mark [6s 8d].

And that John Crews has thatched the barn well, but has not covered it with earth⁵.

Therefore he is ordered to put it right before the next feast of Saint Martin [10th November] under a penalty of xld [40d].

Surrender heriot valued at viijs [8s]

John Rodland came to this Court and surrendered one tenement and x [10] acres of land and meadow, for which he rendered and paid xiiij [14s] a year, into the hand of the lord against⁶ the feast of St. Michael the archangel next in the future. And a new heriot of one

² At the top of the document the third taster of ale is different, it is given as John Yarwey the younger

³ The penalty written in the margin is xxd [20d] not xld [40d]. The total of the court includes the lower figure.

⁴ That is, grazed his animals

⁵ The document uses the word 'terre' here. No other references to putting earth on thatched buildings have been found in the records, but Kevin Ward remembers that earth is put on ridges of thatched roofs on the Continent and plants established there,

⁶ That is before?

horse valued at viijs [8s] fell due to the lord, in respect thereof [there were] pledges by John Cook and John Gostwyk. And it was found by all the homage that the aforesaid tenement was repaired at some time and they asked for a day until the Hall moot⁷ to make better inquiries.

Also they present that Emma Skynner held a common brothel.⁸ Therefore the bailiff was ordered to put her outside the demesne.

Sum of this court xiijs vjd [13s 6d]

Assessors of fines John Cook, John Myton, sworn men

In expenses of the steward and other surveyors iiijs viijs [4s 8d]

⁷ Court baron

⁸ *Lupanar*