

ART. XV.—*An Award of 1535 relating to "Adelaide Hill," Windermere, the Boundaries of the Manor of Windermere in 1614, and a Rental of 1675.* By GEORGE BROWNE, of Troutbeck.

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THE Award, besides its relation to the property formerly known as Oakbank but of late become famous as Adelaide Hill, recently purchased for the public by the National Trust, has some bearing on the vexed question of a ferry at Millerground. It shows that before 1535 there was no public road down to the "common corn milne," which was situate within one hundred yards from the margin of Windermere water. I think we may credit our ancestors with having more common sense than to have a ferry at the widest and most stormy part of the lake, which is here about a mile broad; and this document adds to the doubt that may be naturally entertained on the subject. It is rather interesting, also, that twelve men upon their oaths found one honest miller.

In the second document it is shown that the whole of the lake was within the Manor of Windermere; and the third gives some particulars of interest relating to the fisheries and ferrying.

COPY OF AN AWARD made in 1535 relating to part of the property at Adelaide Hill (formerly Oakbank) and recently acquired by the National Trust for the use of the Inhabitants of Windermere and others.

This Award indented and made the xiiijth daie off the month off Decemb^r In the xxvijth yere off the Reigne off o^r Sofferand lorde King Henry the VIIJth Witnesses that we^r, as ther hath beyn discord, Trobles, stryve and debate betwyn John Dicson of the

Myln hows and his p'tie takers appone that one p'tie. And the late chylder of Hught Batman and their p'ties takers appone that other p'tie, and in especiall as concernyng the coñon Corne Milne, ffor dyvers grounds, and hieways w^t other appurtenances therto belongyng, both the said p'ties ar contente and sworn appon a book affor Syr James layburn Knyght to abyde kepe and fulfill the Dome Jugment and award off xij men Indeверently chosyn and sworn appon on book for the same, whos naymes is Rob^t Thom^{son}, Rog^r philipson, George Sewerde, James brathwyet, Thomas Collynson, Thomas Dicson, Thomas dromelmyre, Rič Ydill, George byrkhed, Rič Wilson, and Willm̃ Cookson and Ewan barwicke, moreov^r the hamletts off the pareshe unto which the corn mylne appertayne and belongs that is to saie Trowtbeke, Allpulthwhet, and under Myln beke, are fully content to abyde the ordynance Jugment doome and Award of the said xij men above writtyn, therefore know ye that we the said xij Men haith hade all the p'ties afor us w^t all their challenge, claims, titles and defences, and w^t good delyberason, at large hath understand theryn therefore we said xij men demythe Award, on Any ground w^t on hows ther appon standyn to ye tenement latlye In the holdyng off Hught batman, Also we fynd that Ihon Dicson is one able honest leffell Mylner ffor the holl parishe, moreov^r we fynd y^t the said howse ground hathe beyn in the occupason off Walt^r byrkhed, Thomas byrkhed & Iohn byrkhed Mylners to the said parishe yerly paying the Rent, Also we deme and Awarde whosoev^r be Mylner ffor the parishe to paie iis. yerly to the chylder of the said Hught batman or theye assignes also y^t the said Mylner or Mylners in the tyme comyng ffayll of payment off the said iis. yerly then it shalbe leffull for ye chylder of ye said Hught batman or these Assignes to enter Agayn appon the said howes and ground. Itm. we the said xij men demythe and Award one able and leffull hie waie wynter and somer for hors and man through the Oake banke and so down to the under Syde off the Scottyshe bushe to the for said com'on myln Also we deme Award and saie howe for the said com'on Mylne, as it is merkyl at the land meerd for the well off the holl parishe. Also we the said xij Men demeythe and Award that if the said John dicson or any other Mylner or Mylners In time comyng doe wrong or appos theym-selves to the parishe then it schal be lefull for the said iii Men set abovementioned to pute furthe ye Mylner or Mylners and soe to chose an other at the seght of xxiiij Indeferently chosyn by y^e holl parishe afforsaid and for the trwe accomplishment and performanse off all and every article above rehersed.—We the said

xii men as above rehersed to this o^r award tryplid that is to saie ii for the p'ties above writtyn and one p'te for the Hamletts afforsaid, putts to owre seales the daie and year abovesaid. Itm we the said xij men demyth and Award the forsaid Scottysh bush to ly to ye com'on corn Myln for ev' mor^e for the well off all the parishe.

"THE BOUNDARIES OF THE MANOR OF WINDERMERE as ridden by Christopher Phillipson Esquire for sir Henry Savile K^t & Baronet Chiefe Steward of the Richmond Fee," ridden July 19th 1614.

The nineteenth day of July in the twelfth year of the Reign of our Sov'raign Lord Iames by the grace of God of England France and Ireland King defender of the faith, and of Scotland the forty seventh.

The Boundaries of the King's Majtyes Lands called the Richmond ffee, being within the sev'all Lordships Appertaining to the Court of Wind'mere Rydden the day and year above said by Christopher Phillipson Esquire for S^r Henry Savill K^t and Barronett, Cheife St'ward of the Richmond ffee, viz. From the Blacke roote of Windermere all along the Black becke to the old house beck, and so down the same to the River of Winster, & down the River of Winster forward to Draper ford & from thence to the cross stone oth Topp of Annas banke & so streight to Annas Well, And from thence to a place called five Sines at the foot of Winster and so on to the Yew ith Cragg from thence to Gilpin becke so along with the whole water of Gilpin unto Toove ith Terne, And from thence to Whinshatt & so to the broken bridge yeatt & straight from thence to White Moss Gate, And so along the straight fence to Stotfolde head, And from Stotfold head to the cross stone Ith seaves, and so from thence to a cross stone oth topp of Capple how, from thence unto the buck Cragg & so to the hollow gate end, from thence as heaven water deales to thorn-thatcragg from thence to stoney cove pike & so along to John Bell Banner and straight from Banner as heaven Water deales to the piked How in Woundall head and from the piked how unto a borran oth topp of seat Sandall Moore, & from thence to the heart Cragg & from the heart Cragg as heaven Water deales to the topp of the spindle head, from thence to the [] Cragg from thence to the cove head above the little dove cragg & so to the high pike of Rydall & from the high pike to low Pike of

Rydall & so on with the whole River of Rowthey & the whole Water of Windermere unto y^e Readhow at the foot thereof.

Christopher Phillipson.

EXTRACTS FROM A LORD'S RENTAL MADE IN 1675.

Richmond ffee.

An Inquisition taken at Kirkby Kendall in ye County of Westm'land ye fifth day of Aprill in ye twenty eight yeare of ye reign of o'r most gracious Sov'raigne Lord King Charles ye second of England, Scotland ffrance and Ireland Defend'r of ye faith &c. Before Sr. Iohn Otway Knt. Deputy Steward to o'r Sov'aigine Lady Quen Catherine, of ye sd Manor of ye Richmond ffee w'thin ye Barony of Kendall and County of Westm'rland afores'd, by ye oathes of ye se'vall p'sons hereafter named being Ten'ts w'thin ye s^d ffee, being sworne to enquire to y^e best of their knowledge and such evidence as to them should be given, to certaine Articles from ye right honorable ye Queens councell at Denmarke house. Dated ye Twenty third day of December one Thousand Six hundred Seaventy and ffive to y^e said Steward Directed.

The names of Jury.

Mr. Tobias Knipe	John Cookeson
Thomas Becke	Willm Longmire
Robert Thompson	George Longmire
John Haukrigg	John Kelseck
Thomas Dixon	John Philipson
Willm Harrison	James Dixon
James Cookeson	Richd. Pearson
	Matthew Birkett.

To y^e third Article as for Dry rents and customary and other rents, Due to her Maj^{ty}tie w^{thin} the said ffee the said Jurors doe present as followeth.

(PRESENTMENT RELATING TO WINDERMERE LAKE, APPLETHW^T.)

	£	s.	d.
Chr. Philipson Esq. for Longholme	00	05	00
The rent for ye fishes of Windem ^e Wat'r due to her Maj ^{ty} tie for fishing and ffirring. not fineable.			
Roger Parke	01	04	00
Martin Dixon	00	15	10
Chr. Robt ^s	00	06	08

Mr. Chr. Philipson .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	£00	06	08
Tho. Brathw ^t .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	00	06	08
Tho: Dixon .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	00	06	08
Mich: Bell and Hen'y ffisher	..	..	..	..	..	00	07	06
Tho: Brathw ^t .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	00	04	00
Miles Gurnell and Geo: Robinson	..	..	..	..	..	00	06	06
John Greene .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	00	06	06
John Ashburne & Will'm: Rigg	..	..	..	..	..	00	06	06
Robt: Thompson .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	00	06	06
Mr. Samuel Sands .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	00	06	06
Will'm: Addyson .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	00	06	06
Miles Harrison .. .. .	..	..	..	..	..	00	01	00
						06	00	00

Mdm: this rent is collected and payable by y^e water grave.

The Lord's rents of the Fisheries are Free rents, neither subject to fines, Heriots, suits or services.

Longholme is the only island on Windermere that pays a Lord's rent. It is a customary rent and subject to the same fines, etc., as the rest of the Customary Tenants of the Richmond Fee. The island was for a long time the property of the Philipson of Crook Hall. It will be seen from the following extracts from an Estreat of Admitting fines (made by Alan Chambre, Steward of the Court) that Frances Hutton, daughter of the last of the Philipsons of Crook, sold it about 1739 to Thomas Brathwaite of Crook:—

MANOR OF APPLETHWAITE.

At Court held June 29th 1739, of ffances Hutton for	Fines
Holme Island of the yearly rent of 5s.—by descent	
from Sir Christofer Philipson her Father	£0 15 0
of Thomas Brathwait for y ^e same alien'ed by ffances	
Hutton, elder & ffances Hutton, younger	0 15 0