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Agreement of the Freeholders in Eyam to the
Award for dividing Eyam Pasture,
12th Nov: 1702.

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(The original is not punctuated.)

To all Christian People to whom these presents shall come We
William Eyre of Highlow in the Co. of Derby Esq^r John
Bradshaw of Brampton in the Co. of York Esq^r Henry Bradshaw
of Marple in the County of Chester Esq^r Benjamin Ashton of
Hathersage in the County of Derby Gent Tho^s Wright of Eyam
in the s^d County of Derby Gent Rich^d Bagshaw of Castleton
in the s^d County of Derby Gent Rob^t Moore of Woodseats in
the s^d County of Derby Gent Martha Moorewood of Alfreton
in the s^d County of Derby Sp^r & Mary Moorwood of Alfreton
afs^d Sp^r Daūrs & Legatees of John Moorwood late of Alfreton
afs^d Esq^r decēd Rich^d Mills of Chesterfield in the s^d County of
Derby Gent Joseph Hunt Cl^k Rector of Eyam afs^d Thos
Robinett of Wales in the s^d County of York Gent John Wilson

of Eyam afs^d Yeom Rob^t Middleton of Eyam afs^d Ironmonger
 ffrancis Moor of Eyam afs^d Yeom Tho^s Froggat of Calver in
 the s^d County of Derby Yeom Rob^t Tagg of Normanton in the
 s^d County of Derby Yeom Geo Brownehill of Banford (? Bamford)
 in the s^d County of Derby Yeom & Amy his wife John
 Townsend of in the s^d County of Derby Yeom James
 Hibbert of Eyam afs^d Yeom Godfrey Massland of Baslowe in
 the s^d County of Derby Yeom Humphry Brushfield of Fowlowe
 in the s^d Co. of Derby Yeom Tho^s Gould of Chesterfield afs^d
 Yeom & Dorothy his wife Ann Redferne of Eyam afs^d widow
 Alex^r Dam of Basslowe afs^d Yeoman Peter Furnyse of Eyam
 afs^d Yeom Philip Sheldon of Eyam afs^d Yeom Pp Sheldon of
 Eyam afs^d Yeom Rob^t Morten of Brosterfield in the s^d County
 of Derby Yeom Tho^s Gregory of Folowe afs^d Yeom Tho^s Wylde
 of Folowe afs^d Yeom Tho^s Brushfield of Folowe afs^d Yeom
 Eliza Frith of Eyam afs^d widow Mary Fearne of Eyam afs^d
 widow Adam Gile of Chesterfield afs^d Ironmonger Christ^r
 Leyland of Briningred in the County of Chester Yeom all
 ffreeholders within Eyam afs^d send Greeting Whereas we
 together with the Heirs & Legatees of the late Marquess of
 Hallyfax are promiscuously seized in Coñon of a certain mean
 & undivided Pasture called Eyam pasture within the Liberty of
 Eyam afs^d the Occupⁿ & Enjoym^t whereof is of very great Loss &
 Inconvenience to the s^d owners & proprietors of the same for want
 of a Just & Adequate Stint for Adjustm^t or an Equal Division or
 partition thereof Wherefore to the Intent that for the future
 every parclar ffreeholder may have & Enjoy his equal share
 proporçon thereof without the Surcharge or Oppression of one
 ffreeholder more than another We the s^d ffreeholders of Eyam
 afs^d seriously considering the Inconveniences that did unavoidably
 happen both to us & our Tenants for want of such Stint
 or Division as afs^d & Concluding a Division to be the more
 secure Method to prevent future Trouble & Confusion Did
 Unanimously & Mutually Consent & Agree to Elect Nominate
 & App^t John Hall of Darley Hall in the s^d County of Derby
 Gent R^d White of Wardlow in the s^d County of Derby Yeom

& Sam^l Eaton of Blackwell in the s^d Co: of Derby Yeomⁿ to Survey Separate & Divide the s^d parcel of Gro^d called Eyam pasture (Quantity & Quality consid^d) into adequate & proportionable parts according to every Man's Quantity & proportion of freehold Land in Eyam afs^d to Order Allot & Determine unto every parcl^r freeholder within Eyam afs^d w^t Quantity of the s^d Eyam pasture he sh^d distinctly have & enjoy in Severalty & where the same sho^d lye And also to set forth & direct the ways to be used to every freeholders Part & what fences sho^d be made therein & how & by whom the same sh^d be respively made And whereas the s^d John Hall Richard White & Sam^l Eaton as such Surveyors Directors & Arbitrators did accordingly undertake the Managem^t of the s^d Survey Division & Allotm^t who having bestowed a great many Days thereon did Survey the whole pasture into 153 Acres 2 Roods & 36 perches which upon Serious Deliberation they did Order app^t & Allot to the s^d freeholders in Eyam To hold in Severally the sev^l pieces & parcels of Land hereinafter ment^d in such Quantities & lying in such places in the s^d Pasture as are herein after expressed beginning at the East End of the s^d pasture & so going regularly on to the West End thereof thereby to keep a more Intelligible Regular & Certain Order (that is to say) Unto the s^d Francis Moore at the extreame Eastward point of the s^d Pasture the Quantity of four Acres & two Roods of the Land of the s^d Pasture for his proportionable Share & Dividend thereof To the s^d John Wilson at the West End of the s^d Francis Moors part the Quantity of six Acres two Roods & six & twenty perches of the s^d pasture for his Share & part thereof the Land allotted to the s^d Francis Moore lying Eastwardly & the Land allotted to the s^d Tho^s Froggat lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Tho^s Froggat for Land belonging to himself & also purchased of other freeholders at the West Side of the s^d John Wilsons part the Quantity of five Acres & three & thirty perches of the s^d pasture for his Share & Allotm^t thereof the Land appointed to the s^d John Wilson lying Eastwardly & Lands allotted the s^d Rob^t Tagg lying

Westwardly thereof To the s^d Rob^t Tagg Geo: Brownhill & Amy his wife at West end of the s^d Tho^s Froggats part the Quantity of one Acre & eight & twenty Perches for his Share & part thereof the Land allotted to the s^d Tho^s Frogatt lying Eastwardly & the Mean Lands app^{ted} to the s^d Wm Eyre Henry Bradshaw lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Wm. Eyre & Henry Bradshaw for Mean & Undivided Lands at the West Side of the s^d Rob^t Tagg's part the Quantity of one Acre two Roods & Eighteen Perches of the s^d pasture Land the Land Allotted to the s^d Rob^t Tagg lying Eastwardly & the Lands Allotted to the s^d John Townsend & James Hibbert lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d John Townsend & James Hibbert at the West Side of the s^d Mr. Eyre & Mr. Bradshaw's Land the Quantity of two Acres two Roods & thirty-two perches to be equally divided betwixt them at their Discretion as their Share & Dividend of the s^d pasture Land the Mean Lands Allotted to the s^d Mr. Eyre & Mr. Bradshaw lying Eastwardly & the Lands Allotted to the s^d Benjā Ashton lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Benjā Ashton at the West side of the s^d John Townsend & Jas. Hibberts Land the Quantity of fifteen Acres two Roods & eight Perches as his Share or Div^d of the s^d pasture Lands the Lands allotted to the s^d John Townsend and James Hibbert lying Eastwardly & the Lands allotted to the s^d Godfrey Massland lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Godfrey Massland at the West End of the s^d Mr. Ashton's Land the Quantity of two Acres & four & twenty perches as his Share or part of the s^d pasture the Lands now allotted to the s^d Benja^s Ashton lying Eastwardly & the Lands allotted to the s^d Humphrey Brushfield lying westwardly thereof To the s^d Humphry Brushfield at the West Side of the s^d Godfrey Maslands Land the Quantity of four Acres & 16 Perches as his Share & Dividend of the s^d pasture Land the Lands allotted to the s^d Godfrey Masland lying eastwardly & the Lands appointed to Mrs. Gold & Widow Redfearn lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Tho^s Gold & Dorothy his wife & Ann Redfearn Widow at the West side

of the s^d Humphrey Brushfield's Land the Quantity of two Acres two Roods & 20 perches to be divided as followeth viz^t To the s^d Tho^s Gold & Dorothy his wife the Quantity of One Acre and two perches & to the s^d Ann Redfearn the Quantity of one Acre two Roods & eighteen perches for their respective Shares & Dividends of the s^d Pasture the Land now allotted to the s^d Humphrey Brushfield lying Eastwardly & the Lands Allotted to the s^d Alex^r Dam lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Alex^r Dam at the West Side of the s^d Gold's & Redfearn's Land the Quantity of One Acre two Roods & nine & twenty perches as his part or Share of the s^d Pasture Land the Lands allotted to Golds & Redfearns lying Eastwardly & the Lands allotted to the s^d M^r Moore & M^r Robinett lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Rob^t Moor & Tho^s Robinette at the West side of the s^d Alex^r Dam's Land the Quantity of Six Acres three Roods & one perch for their Share & Dividend of the s^d pasture Land the Land Allotted to the s^d Alex^r Dam lying Eastwardly & the Sev^l parcels of Land allotted to the s^d Peter Furnisse pp Sheldon & R^d Bagshaw lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Peter Furnesse on the West side of the s^d M^r Moor & Robinett's Land the Quantity of one Acre & 33 perches as the Share or part of the s^d pasture Land the s^d Land allotted to M^r Moor & M^r Robbinett lying Eastwardly & the Lands allotted to the s^d Rob^t Morton lying westwardly & the Lands allotted to the s^d Philip Sheldon lying Southwardly thereof To the s^d Philip Sheldon at the S^o End of the s^d Peter Furnisse's Land the Quantity of two Roods for his part of the s^d pasture the Land allotted to the s^d M^r Moor & M^r Robinett lying Eastwardly & the s^d Land allotted to the s^d Rob^t Morton lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Richard Bagshaw at the South End of the s^d pp Sheldon's Land the Quantity of one Rood & thirty perches for his Share of the s^d pasture Land allotted to the s^d M^r Moor & M^r Robinett lying Eastwardly the s^d Lands now allotted to the s^d Rob^t Morton lying Westwardly & the s^d pp Sheldons Land & the way leading from the great pasture lying Northwardly thereof To the s^d Rob^t Morton for Lands

allotted to him & purchased of others at the West Side of the s^d Peter Furnisses & M^r Bagshaws Land the Quantity of three acres three Roods & five & twenty perches for his part or Dividend of the s^d pasture Land the Lands Allotted to the s^d peter Furnisse \overline{pp} Sheldon & M^r Bagshaw lying Eastwardly & the Lands allotted to the Heirs or Legatees of the late Marquess of Hallyfax lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Heirs or Legatees of the s^d late Marquess of Hallifax at the West side of the s^d Rob^t Mortons Land the Quantity of One Acre & three Roods for their Share & Dividend .of the s^d pasture the s^d Land allotted to the s^d Rob^t Morton lying Eastwardly & the Land now allotted to the s^d W Eyre Esq^{re} lying Westwardly thereof More to the s^d W^m Eyre Esq^{re} at the West Side of the s^d Land of the Heirs or Legatees of the s^d late Marquess of Hallyfax the Quantity Six Acres two Roods & eight perches for his Share or Dividend of the s^d pasture Land the Lands allotted to the s^d Heirs or Legatees of the s^d late Marquess of Hallyfax lying Eastwardly & the Land now allotted to the s^d Tho^s Gregory & Tho^s Wild lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Tho^s Gregory & Tho^s Wild at the West Side of the s^d M^r Eyre's Land the Quantity of One Acre two Roods & 18 perches to be equally divided betwixt them at their Discretion as their Share or Dividend of the s^d pasture the Land Allotted to the s^d M^r Eyre lying Eastwardly & the Land allotted to the s^d Tho^s Wright lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Tho^s Wright at the West Side of the s^d Tho^s Gregory & Tho^s Wild's Land the Quantity of Thirteen Acres three Roods & Six & thirty perches as his Share or Dividend of the s^d pasture Land the Land Allotted to the s^d Tho^s Gregory & Tho^s Wild lying Eastwardly & the Land now Allotted to the s^d Tho^s Brushfield lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Tho^s Brushfield at the West Side of the s^d M^r Wrights Land the Quantity of three Acres one Rood & Seven Perches as his Share or part of the s^d Pasture the Land allotted to the s^d Tho^s Wright lying Eastwardly and the Lands now allotted to the s^d John Bradshaw lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d John Bradshaw

at the West Side of the s^d Tho^s Brushfields Land the Quantity of fifteen Acres and two Roods as his Share or Dividend of the s^d pasture Land the s^d Land Allotted to the s^d Tho Brushfield lying Eastwardly & the Lands now Allotted to the s^d Rob^t Middleton lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Rob^t Middleton at the West Side of the s^d M^r Bradshaw's Land as well for Lands belonging to himself as for some parts purchased of one Rob^t Anderton the Quantity of seven Acres one Rood & three & twenty perches as his Share or Dividend of the s^d pasture Land the s^d Land allotted to the s^d M^r Bradshaw lying Eastwardly and the Lands allotted to the s^d Rich^d Mills lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Richard Mills at the West Side of the s^d Rob^t Middleton's Land the Quantity of seven Acres and twenty perches as his Share & Dividend of the s^d pasture Land the Lands allotted to the s^d Rob^t Middleton lying Eastwardly and the Lands allotted to the s^d Joseph Hunt lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Joseph Hunt at the West Side of the s^d M^r Mill's Land the Quantity of six Acres three Roods & four & thirty perches as his Share & Dividend of the s^d Pasture Land the Lands allotted to the s^d Richard Mills lying Eastwardly & the Lands now Allotted unto the s^d Eliza Fryth widow & the s^d Mary Fearn Widow lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Eliza Fryth widow & M^{rs} Mary Fearn widow at the West End of the s^d M^r Hunt's Land the Quantity of two Acres three Roods & one Perch to be divided betwixt them as followeth viz^{te} To the s^d Eliza Frith Widow one Acre one Rood and fifteen perches & to the s^d M^{rs} Mary Fearn Wid^o One Acre one Rood & six & twenty perches as their respective Shares or Dividends of the s^d Pasture Land the Lands allotted to the s^d Joseph Hunt lying Eastwardly and the Lands allotted to the s^d Adam Gill Christ^r Leyland lying Westwardly thereof To the s^d Adam Gill on the West Side of the s^d Widow Frith's and Widow Fearn's Land the Quantity of three Acres one Rood & Seven Perches as his share and Dividend of the s^d pasture Land the Lands allotted to the s^d Eliza Fryth widow & Mary Fearne widow lying Eastwardly the Lands allotted to the

s^d Martha & Mary Moorwood lying Westwardly & the Lands now allotted to the s^d Christopher Leyland, lying Southwardly thereof To the s^d Christopher Leyland also at the West Side of the s^d Widow Frith's & Widow Fearn's Land the Quantity of Two Acres & one Rood as his Share or Dividend of the s^d Pasture Land the Land allotted to the s^d Widow Fearn & Widow Fryth lying Eastwardly & the Lands now allotted to the s^d Martha & Mary Moorwood lying Westwardly thereof And to the s^d Martha & Mary Moorwood on the West Side of the s^d Adam Gill's & Christ^r Leyland's Land the Quantity of Twenty Acres & three Roods being their Share & Dividend of the s^d pasture Land the Lands allotted to the s^d Adam Gill & Christ^r Leyland lying Eastwardly & part of the Ring fence of the s^d pasture lying Westwardly thereof And the s^d John Hall Richard White & Sam^l Eaton have set out ordered Directed & Appointed the Ways & passages into the s^d Eyam pasture in manner & fform foll viz^o One way of six Yards in Breadth called the way from the little pasture which comes in at the South End of John Townsends & Ja^s Hibberts part & so goes along the South side of the Ring fence Eastwardly thro' the s^d Townsends and Hibberts part and so thro' the s^d Eyre & Henry Bradshaw's part unto the s^d Rob^t Taggs part & Westwardly out of the s^d John Townsends & James Hibbert's p^t unto the s^d M^r Ashton's part One other way of Six Yards in Breadth called the Way from the Great pasture which comes in at the South Corner of the part belonging to Widow Redfearn & Tho^s Gold and so going Eastwardly at the South Side of the s^d Ring fence thro' that part & thro' Humphry Brushfields to Godfrey Masland's part & Westwardly from the s^d Redfearn & Gold's part thro' Alex^r Damm's & M^r Moor's & M^r Robinett's part & so betwixt pp Sheldon's & M^r Bagshaw's parts & on along the West Side of Philip Sheldon's part to the North End thereof & so thro' near the Middle of all the other parts Westwardly till the same comes to divide the s^d Ad^m Gill & Christo^r Leylands part & so unto the s^d Martha & Mary

Moorwood's part Provided that it be in the Choice or Election of every particular freeholder thro' whose parts the s^d ways are laid out as afs^d whether they will wall or fence And it is also Ordered by the s^d John Hall Rich^d White & Sam Eaton that the s^d Richard Mills shall have a certain piece of Land called the Common Patch at Crooked Acre Side in Lieu of & Satisfaccon for a Way laid out thro' his Land at Crosslowe into the little pasture And also that Widow Redfearn is to allow a way thro her Land called the Barn Close at Crosslowe in Consⁿ of Land allotted her over & above her proportion at a certain place in the s^d pasture called the Milking place And in regard the s^d M^{rs} Martha Mary Moorwood's West fence is already made being part of the Ring fence of the s^d pasture It is Ordered that they shall make a wall thro' Widow Redfearn's Close And they are also to make the West Wall of the Lane going Northwardly after the s^d pp Sheldon's part And the s^d John Hall Richard White & Samuel Eaton have ordered & Directed that every particular freeholder above mentioned shall erect & make at the West Side of his respive part a good & Suff^t Wall Mound Hedge or fence

And Whereas We the s^d freeholders of Eyam afs^d are very well pleased contented & satisfied with the s^d Division & Allotm^{ts} of Lands laying forth & appointing of ways & fences Surveying & other Managem^t & proceedings of them the s^d John Hall Rich^d White & Sam^l Eaton as will appear by our Sealing & Executing of these presents Therefore We the s^d freeholders for the Coroborating Confirming & Establishing of the s^d Division Allotm^t & other Proceedings afs^d Do Severally Mutually & Reciprocally Declare & Affirm that we are very well pleased & contented with the s^d proceedings And for that Reason We do severally mutually respively reciprocally for ourselves and our sev^l & respive Heirs Extōrs Admōrs & Ass^s Cov^t promise Grant & Agree Each with the other & to & with the sev^l & respive Heirs Extōrs & Admōrs of each other that We will stand to obey abide perform fulfill &

keep the sev^l & respive Orders, Divisions Allotm^{ts} Surveyings Appointings & Direccōns of them the s^d John Hall Richard White & Sam^l Eaton of & concerning the preñes in such manner and fform as the same are Ordered Directed Surveyed & allotted by these presents And We thro' whose Lands Ways are laid out and directed as afores^d will also permit and Suffer the severall ffreeholders of Eyam above mentioned to pass & repass thro' the same without any of our Molestation or Interruption And to that End We Do severally and respectively Grant to all & every the s^d persons who have such Right and Title to the s^d Ways free Ingress Egress and Regress upon into and out of the same And that we and Every of Us our several Heirs Executors and Adñors will at any time hereafter as Council Learned in the Law shall Advise make do and Execute any further or better Conveyance Assurance Deed or Instrument whatsoever for the better and more perfect Assuring Coroborating Confirming and Establishing of the Divisions Allotments Directions and proceedings aforesaid And We do hereby severally and particularly Covenant Promise and Grant to & with Rowland Merill of Eyam afs^d and Thomas Hardy of Eyam afs^d that We will upon Demand well & truly pay unto them the said Rowland Merill & Thomas Hardy or one of them our severall and respective parts Shares and proportions of the Charges Disbursements and Expences concerning as well the s^d Division & Allotments as the Charges of this present Writing In Witness whereof the s^d ffreeholders have hereunto Set their Hands & Seals this 12th Day of Nov^r in the first Year of the Reign of our most Gracious Sovⁿ Lady Ann by the Grace of God over England &c., Queen Annoq Dom 1702.

Signed by W^m Eyre J. Bradshawe Ben Ashton Tho^s Wright Tho^s Froggat Fran: Sharpe Eliza Frith Fran: Mower Rob^t Morten Ann Redferne p (Peter Furnisse) p (philip Sheldon) Humphrey Brushfield Robert Middleton John Wilson Rich Milnes Jun^r Adam Gill.

Endorsed—"Dated 12th Nov^r 1702

"Copy of freeholders in Eyam their
 "Agreem^t to the Award for Dividing
 "Eyam Pasture."

Copied from the Original Copy in my possession.—Charles
 E. B. Bowles.

