



Feet of Fines for Berkshire.

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EASTER 28 GEO. II. (continued).

(301.) John Richards, Harry Austin Deane and Nathaniel Merriman and Katherine White, widow, and Edward Skeate White; houses, etc., and lands, etc., in Newbury and Thatcham. £260.

(302.) George Jones and John Steptoe and Mary, w; houses, etc., and lands, etc., in psh of Kintbury. £160.

(303.) Abraham Paice the elder and George Blagrove, Abraham Paice the younger, William Paice, Daniel Dibble and Mary, w, Ann Paice, spinster, Richard Smith and Elizabeth, w, John Taylor and Sarah, w, and Jane Paice, spinster; houses, etc., and lands, etc., in psh of Brightwalton als Brickleton. £160.

HILARY 28 GEO. II.

(304.) William Billingham and Susanna Sayer, widow, and Thomas Gil and Elizabeth, w; Manor of Pithouse Farm, in Ashampsted, houses, etc., and lands, etc., in Basildon als Bastildon, and Ashampsted and the advowsons of Basildon and Ashampstead. £1,300.

(305.) Edward Coles, gent, and Caleb Parfect, clerk, Mary Parfect, spinster, Elizabeth Tomlin, widow, and John Parfect, clerk; houses, etc., and lands, etc., in Loucott, in psh of Shrivenham. £60.

(306.) John Paterson and Richard Beale and John Maxwell and Sarah, w, and John Guy; lands, etc., in New Windsor. £100.

(307.) Roger Spanswick, John Beale, gent and Benjamin Symonds and Thomas Norris and Eleanor, w, and William Waight and Ann, w; houses, etc., and lands, etc., in Inkpen. £100.

(308.) John Blagrove, Esq., and William Thomson, Esq., and Thomas Blagrove, gent; land in Tilehurst. £60.

(309.) William Staples and William Hurford and Jeremiah Morrell the younger and Sarah, w, and Ann Tew, spinster; house, etc., in Wallingford. £100.

(310.) Henry Elliot and Thomas Harmsworth; cottage, etc., in Streatley. £60.

(311.) Samuel Palmer, gent and William Walter Knight, gent; houses, etc., and lands, etc., in Ruscombe. £100.

(312.) William Kember and Edward Hide and Elizabeth, w; houses, etc., in psh of Speen. £100.

(313.) John Pugh and William Mavery and Mary, w; houses, etc., in Reading. £60.

(314.) Andrew Lagrange, gent, and Rebecca Sherwood, widow; house and lands, etc., in psh of East Garston. £120.

MICHAELMAS 28 GEO. II.

(315.) John Winter, Esq., *and* Ann Fletcher, widow, William Pither and Amy, w, Rhodes Green and Mary, w, and Richard Green and Mary, w ; land in Wokingham. £60.

(316.) William Tyrrell, gent, *and* Anne Poole, widow, James Poole and Sarah Poole, spinster ; house in New Windsor. £60.

(317.) John Clarke *and* Ann Teeling, Matthew Teeling and Martha, w, Elizabeth Drayson, Thomas Teeling and Elizabeth, w, and Charles Littlewood ; houses, etc., and lands in Winkfield. £60.

(318.) William Gore, Esq., *and* John Gabriel, clerk, and Elizabeth, w ; houses, etc., and lands, etc., a ferry over river Thames and free fishery in same, in pshs of St. Mary, in Reading, Tilehurst, Hurley, Beenham and Streatley. £400.

(319.) Richard Hansard *and* Richard Simeon, gent and Ann, w ; house, etc., in psh of St. Lawrence, in Reading. £60.

(320.) William Wroughton, clerk, *and* James Musgrave, Doctor of Laws, and Thomas Leigh, clerk ; houses, etc., and lands, etc., in Longworth. £160.

(321.) James Crease *and* Francis Hone and Mary, w ; house, etc., and land, in Waltham. £60.

(322.) John Hocker *and* Joseph Charteris and Mary, w, Francis Clarke and Elizabeth, w, and Ann Eyles, spinster ; house, etc., in psh of St. Lawrence, in Reading. £60.

(323.) John Beesly *and* Thomas Joel ; houses and lands, in Newbury. £200.

(324.) Abiam Tubb *and* Edward Scarlett and Ann, w ; house, etc., and land in Hungerford and Sanden Fee. £60.

(325.) Charles Goodchild *and* Robert Parran Burgess ; house, etc., and land, etc., in Finchampstead. £60.

(326.) Richard Wilkins *and* Elizabeth Barrett, widow, Elizabeth Barrett, spinster, John March and Mary, w, and Ann Barrett, spinster ; house, etc., and land in Clewer. £60.

(327.) Bernard Brocas, Esq., *and* Elizabeth Stratford, widow, Timothy Pearce and Elizabeth, w, and Samuel Ford and Mary, w ; house and lands in Shinfield and Stratfield Sea. £100.

(328.) Henry Davies, clerk, *and* John Maxey, gent, and Mary, w ; house, etc., in Wallingford. £60.

(329.) John Festin, gent, and Thomas Pais *and* Nicholas Baily and Mary, w, and John Clements and Mary, w ; houses, etc., and land in Wokingham and Barkham. £100.

(330.) Francis Browne *and* Edward Woods and Jane, w, and William Taylor and Elizabeth, w ; houses, etc., and land in New Windsor and Winkfield. £120.

(331.) Mary Lovejoy, widow *and* James Cowdery and Margaret, w ; a moiety of 3/5th parts of houses, etc., in New Windsor. £60.

(332.) Sir John Wandesford, Bt. Viscount Castlecomer in our Kingdom of Ireland *and* George Watson, Esq., and Clementine, w ; houses, etc., in Wallingford Co. Berks, and property in Co. Oxford. £400.

(333.) Mary Pocock, widow *and* Thomas Murray and Elizabeth, w ; a moiety of houses, etc., and lands in psh of Bucklebury in Co. Berks, and also a moiety of property in the City of London. £460.

TRINITY 27 AND 28 GEO. II.

- (334.) Joseph Kirk, Esq., *and* James Morgan, Esq., *and* Katherine, w; houses, etc., and lands, etc., in pshs of Stratfield Mortimer, Sulhampstead Banister, and Burghfield. £260.
- (335.) George Goddard *and* Thomas Wigmore *and* Rebecca, w, William Harris *and* Frances, w, *and* John Smith *and* Ruth, w; land in Charlton, Wantage, Ardington, Crookham *and* Thatcham. £60.
- (336.) Thomas Mulliner, gent, *and* Charles Northcote, Esq.; house, etc., and land in Sunninghill. £60.
- (337.) John Bannister *and* William Miller *and* Sarah, w, *and* Samuel Roberts *and* Mary, w; 2/3rd parts of house, etc., and land in Lambourne Woodlands in psh of Chipping Lamborne. £60.
- (338.) John Youin the younger *and* Richard Neale *and* Mary, w; lands in Aston Tirrold *and* Aston Upthrup als Upthropp. £60.
- (339.) John Tyrrell, Esq., *and* Avery Tyrrell, gent, *and* Henry Fludger *and* Joan, w; a moiety of houses, etc., and lands in Longworth als Worth. £400.
- (340.) William Mackworth Praed, Esq., *and* Mary Pearse, widow; land in psh of Warfield. £60.
- (341.) Henry Brown, Thomas Light, Dodington Egerton, *and* George Hayter *and* Thomas Brothers; house, etc., and lands in Sanden als Samin Fee in psh of Hungerford. £60.
- (342.) John Line, gent, *and* George Wernham; house, etc., and land in Cheively. £60.
- (343.) James Tisoe *and* Edward Francis *and* Ann, w; house, etc., and land in East Ilsley, West Ilsley *and* Chipping Ilsley. £60.
- (344.) John Read *and* William Ware *and* Elizabeth, w; houses in Thatcham. £120.
- (345.) Joseph Casebrook *and* Sarah Young, widow, Elizabeth Vaughan, widow, Sarah Young, spinster, Daniel Pinnock *and* Mary, w, *and* Ann Young, spinster; house, etc., and land in Old Windsor. £60.
- (346.) John Jennings *and* Bryan Reynolds *and* William Hinton *and* Sarah, w; lands in Fawler in psh of Sparesholt. £60.
- (347.) John Townsend *and* George Street *and* Jane, w; houses, etc., in Newbury. £160.
- (348.) Samuel Wilkins the younger *and* Thomas Norris *and* Elinor, w; land in Inkpen. £60.
- (349.) William Gregory *and* Joseph Simes *and* Martha, w; lands, etc., in South Moreton. £60.
- (350.) William Lewis *and* John Emmett *and* Elizabeth, w, *and* John Burchett *and* Mary, w; house, etc., and lands, etc., in Old Windsor. £60.
- (351.) John Birch, clerk, *and* John Otwell *and* Ann, w; land, etc., in psh of Binfield. £60.
- (352.) William Lyford *and* Thomas Wheatley *and* Elizabeth, w; land in Winkfield. £60.
- (353.) James Smith the younger *and* John Hazell *and* Elizabeth, w, *and* John Crocker *and* Elizabeth, w; lands in psh of West Hanney. £60.
- (354.) Joseph Swindall *and* Thomas Daverson *and* John Turquand *and* Ann, w; ¼th part of Manor of Mays *and* houses, etc., and lands in psh of Wokingham, Co. Wilts, *and* ¼th part of Manor of Breaches *and* Mays *and* of houses, etc., and lands in psh of Wokingham, Co. Berks. £280.

EASTER 27 GEO. II.

- (355.) Robert Young *and* Hugh Dean *and* Elizabeth, w ; house, etc., and lands in Lawrence Waltham als Waltham St. Lawrence. £60.
- (356.) Peter Robins *and* John Wellman the elder *and* Mary, w, *and* John Wellman the younger ; houses, etc., and land in Bradfield. £60.
- (357.) William Colshell *and* Thomas Batten *and* Mary, w ; land in Aldermaston. £60.
- (358.) James Dewe *and* Richard Stanbroak *and* Elizabeth, w ; cottage, etc., and land in psh of Sparsholt. £60.
- (359.) Joseph Morris *and* George Chapman *and* Elizabeth, w ; houses, etc., in psh of St. Mary in Reading. £60.
- (360.) John Blagrave, Esq., *and* Elisha Biscoe, Esq., Jane Thompson, spinster, Frances Thompson, spinster, *and* Philip Jennings, Esq., *and* Ann, w ; lands in Tilehurst. £60.
- (361.) Francis Martin *and* John Browne ; houses, etc., and land in Wantage, Grove *and* the psh of Wantage. £120.
- (362.) Robert Nedham, Esq., *and* Edward Bradford *and* Mary, w, *and* John Cox *and* Elizabeth, w ; houses, etc., in Wallingford. £100.
- (363.) Mathew Barlow *and* Joseph Sayer ; house, etc., and lands in psh of Hagborne. £60.
- (364.) Edward Towsey *and* Joshua Stroud *and* Mary, w ; house, etc., in Wantage. £60.
- (365.) Robert Kelham, gent, *and* Robert, Duke of Manchester *and* Harriet, w ; a moiety of houses and lands, etc., in Brightwell, Little Wittenham, Long Wittenham, North Moreton *and* Tilehurst in Co. Berks, *and* a moiety of property in Co. Oxford. £1,200.

HILARY 27 GEO. II.

- (366.) Bernard Brocas, Esq., *and* Francis Burgis *and* Hannah, w ; house, etc., and lands in Burghfield. £60.
- (367.) Richard Fuller *and* Thomas Humfrey *and* John Fuller *and* Martha, w ; house, etc., and lands in Aston Tirrold *and* Aston Upthrup. £160.
- (368.) Thomas Clark, Thomas Smith *and* Samuel Taylor *and* Richard Ovey *and* Ann, w ; houses, etc., and lands in Oakingham als Okingham. £60.
- (369.) Thomas Field *and* Richard Harrison *and* Elizabeth, w, *and* Henry Gosden *and* Elizabeth, w ; house, etc., in Warfield. £60.
- (370.) Thomas Wise *and* William Puzey *and* Mary, w, *and* Robert Wise *and* Margaret, w ; houses, etc., and land in Letcombe Regis *and* Wantage. £100.
- (371.) Henry Simeon, gent, *and* John Allen *and* Elizabeth, w ; houses, etc., and lands in Tilehurst. £60.
- (372.) Peter Whitfield *and* Richard Clarke *and* Rebecca, w ; house, etc., and lands, etc., in Easthampstead *and* Wargrave. £60.
- (373.) Nathaniel Sheffield, gent, *and* Benjamin Fuller *and* Mary Fuller, spinster ; house, etc., and land in Milton. £100.
- (374.) Edward Pasmore, gent, *and* Charles Holdship *and* Elizabeth, w, Richard Holdship *and* Elizabeth, w, John Tindall *and* Esther, w, *and* John Towers *and* Alice, w ; land in Winkfield. £60.
- (375.) William Kimber *and* Mary Clarke, widow, Hugh Hamersley *and* Ann, w, *and* Jonathan White, clerk, *and* Mary, w ; house in New Windsor. £60.

MICHAELMAS 27 GEO. II.

- (376.) Richard Mallam *and* Ann Wildey, spinster, Joseph Hulcup *and* Elizabeth, w, Mary Field, widow, William Rayner *and* Margaret, w, *and* Dorothy Wildey, spinster; land in Milton. £60.
- (377.) Rebecca Cox *and* Abell Pogrem (? Pegrem) *and* Elizabeth, w, *and* William Baker *and* Jane, w; 2/3rd parts of houses, etc., *and* lands in Binfield, *and* in the psh of St. Giles in Reading. £60.
- (378.) John Lawrence *and* Mary Lawrence, widow, William Lawrence, Richard Warman *and* Ann, w, *and* Mary Lawrence, spinster; house, etc., *and* lands, etc., in Childrey. £60.
- (379.) William Towsey *and* James Ball, gent, *and* Martha, w, *and* John Pearson; an annual rent out of houses, etc., *and* lands in psh of Wantage. £200.
- (380.) Edward Towsey *and* Joseph Stroude *and* Mary, w; house, etc., *and* land in Wantage als Wanting. £60.
- (381.) William Soaper *and* William Hudson *and* Edith, w; house, etc., *and* land in psh of Winkfield. £60.
- (382.) John Langham *and* John Wicks *and* Martha, w, Richard Andrews *and* William Lay *and* Mary, w; house *and* moiety of house, etc., *and* land, etc., in Longworth *and* Kingston Bagpuize. £60.
- (383.) Richard Allen, Esq., *and* William Gore, Esq., *and* Mary, w; house, etc., in psh of St. Mary in Reading. £60.
- (384.) Philip Burton, gent, *and* Richard Carter, gent, *and* Anna Maria, w; a moiety of land in Tilehurst *and* 1/3rd of yearly rent of £50 out of lands *and* tenements in Cookham. £360.
- (385.) John Warner *and* James Shipton, gent, *and* William Strong *and* Dianah, w, Daniel Page *and* Christian, w; house, etc., *and* land in Stanford *and* Inkpen. £60.
- (386.) Jeremiah Hands *and* Henry Sambourne; moiety of houses, wharfe *and* land *and* a ferry across river Thames in Moulsoford. £60.
- (387.) James Marshall *and* John Brasier, the younger, *and* Jane, w; houses, etc., in Burghfield. £60.
- (388.) John Slade *and* Richard Hatton *and* William Pope *and* Ann, w; houses, etc., *and* lands, etc., in South Moreton. £120.
- (389.) George Goddard *and* Thomas Field; land in Cookham (? Crookham) *and* Thatcham. £60.
- (390.) William Nash *and* William Ockenden, Esq.; houses, etc., *and* lands in Buscott als Burwescott. £220.
- (391.) John Loyd *and* Mary Hunsdon, spinster; houses, etc., *and* lands in Sunning Hill *and* Winckfield. £260.
- (392.) John Elisha *and* John Herbert *and* Elizabeth, w; houses, etc., in Swallowfield. £60.
- (393.) Peter Body *and* William Johnson *and* Mary, w, *and* Edward Bullock; house, etc., *and* land in Shinfield. £60.
- (394.) Simon Herbert *and* Thomas Mapleton *and* Sarah, w; house, etc., *and* lands in Worth als East Longworth. £200.
- (395.) William George, clerk *and* Samuel Phillips *and* Hannah Roberts, spinster; moiety of houses, etc., in Abingdon. £60.
- (396.) Thomas Fuller *and* William Field *and* Richard Godwin *and* Mary, w; house, etc., *and* lands in Bray *and* Clewar, in Co. Berks, *and* property in Upton Gray, Co. Southton. £380.

TRINITY 26 AND 27 GEO II.

(397.) William Saxon and John Collins and Mary, w, John Blanchard and Ann, w, and Martha Northcroft, spinster; houses in Newbury. £200.

(398.) William Reddington and Henry Isherwood and Roger Jenyns, Esq., and Elizabeth, w; house, etc., in New Windsor. £60.

(399.) John Bostock, clerk and Richard Wingfield and Thomas Wingfield; house, etc., and land in Bradfield. £60.

(400.) Joseph Sedgwick, gent and Elizabeth Sergrove, widow; a moiety of houses, etc., and lands in Stanford in the Vale of the White Horse. £60.

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The Yew and the Bow.

By Ernest W. Dormer.

“The eugh, obedient to the bender’s will.”

Spenser.

AS Professor Boulger has truly said:—“The Yew is a tree which in its varied surroundings reflects many aspects of our history, religion and social life.” From very early times the tree has been held as one of baleful influence, and Statius, Livy and others refer to it in this connection. It is a tradition also that beneath the dense shade of the Yew the Druid dispensed justice and wisdom to his clan and enjoyed those mystic rites peculiar to his belief.

The presence of the Yew tree in and near our old parish churchyards has been a subject of no little conjecture. When and why these gnarled and knotted denizens of centuried growth were introduced as in keeping with religious edifices appears to be very uncertain. There have been many suppositions, the two most feasible of which would appear to be that the yew was planted to protect the churches from storms and to furnish the parishioners with bows. Allowing that their dense foliage would afford considerable protection, it would seem that the slow growth of these trees rendered them unsuitable for the purpose. There is a