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MALT RATE LEVIED IN THE PARISH OF WOODBURY, CO. DEVON. FROM A MS. IN THE POSSESSION OF THE LATE GENERAL LEE OF EBFORD BARTON.

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March 12, the 27th Year of K^s Henry 8th 1536. [Copied from Woodbury Church Ledger, formerly called the Malt Book.]

The hole P'ishners of the P'ishe of Woodbury by their hole assent & consent hath agreed to gyff ev'y yere yerely to the Alle Wardyns of the P'ishe Church of Woodbury for the tyme beyng so muche malt or monye to the valew of the malt for the mayntenaunce of the Church as apperyth upon ev'y of ther names hereafter folowyng. And also the seyde P'ishners hath ferder agreed, that is to saye, to dyne togethers the Tuysday yn the Whitsonweke & the later seynt Swythyn Day¹ at the Church House of Wodbury, & thei & ev'y of them to bryng there meyte & brede w^t them & to paye at ev'y of the seide dayes afore rehersyd for there Dryncke at ther Dyners yerely for a man & his wyff the sum or sumes set on ther names hereafter folowyng, And also the seide P'ishners hath ferder agreed that wⁿ thei do not inⁱ to dyne at ev'y of the seide dayes beffore lymtyed thet thei so paye at ev'y of the seide dayes for theire Dyn's the seide monye hereafter folowyng not w^t standyng to the Church Wardyns for the tyme beyng. And also that no wedow man or widow woman to paye for a place but ii^d | & for di' | a place i^d.

THE EST SYDE OF WODBURY		
P'ISHE.		
<i>Houndbere.</i>		
Joh'es Haydon Gent.	iiii Bushels	
Joh'es Hyll	- i —	
Joh'es Myddleton	- i —	
<i>Gryndell.</i>		
Joh'es Fermor ali'		
Wescott	- iii —	
Cecilia Shrerewyll,		
Vid.	- i —	
Will'ms Webber	- i Pecke	

<i>Hoggysbroke.</i>		
Joh'es Dobbryn	- i Bussell	
Roger Pow	- Di' —	
Joh'es Comyng	- i —	
Rich ^d Faytor	- Di' —	
<i>Wotton.</i>		
Ric' Ellyott	- ii —	
Tho ^s Wreyfford	- ii	
<i>Hethfelde.</i>		
Henry Gybbe	. i Bussell	
Tho ^s Morys	- i —	
Joh'es Sydecomb	- i —	

¹ Mr. E. Peacock is kind enough to remind us that the date of the "later seynt Swythyn" is July 15th—see Bond's "Handbook of Rules and Tables for veri-

fying dates"—and to call our attention to the term "widow" being used alike for man and woman.—[ED.]

W^m Lutton - i bussell

THE WEST SYDE OF WODBURY
P'ISHE.

Wodbury Towne.

Joh'es Sym - Di' Bussell

Joh'es Andeby - Di' —

Tho's Smyth - 1 Pecke

W^m Sym - ii Q.

Jacobus Myllward - 1 Pecke

Joh'es Saunders - i Bussell

Rich. Leyt - Di' —

Joh'es Beryman - ii Q.

Grete Fenmore.

Hugo Pyle - Di' Bussell

Rich^d Campyn - Di' —

Joh'es Plympton - i Bussell

Sp'kehays.

Joh'es Legh - ii Bussell

W^m Hoper - i —

Woddington.

W^m Sym - ii

Joh'es Emb'y - i Pecke

Joh'es Rowe - i Bussell

Joh'es Northorn - i Pecke

Rich^d Oke - ii Q.

Tho's Pyne - i Pecke

Ja's Croft - ii Q.

Tho's Franke -

Joh'es Lucas - i Peck

Tho's Cove - ii Q.

Sm' L Bussells

Comb.

Joh'es Wescott, Sen^r iii Buss. &

Joh'es Wescott, Jun^r i Pecke

Lytell Fenmore.

Joh'es Cayt - Di Bussell

W^m Lucas - ii Bussells

Cuttysmore.

Joh'es Webber - ii —

Ryden.

Rich^d Tye - ii —

Golyfford.

Joh'es Bryght - i Pecke

Tho's Harrys - i —

Tho's Hylman - ii Q.

Joh'es Scott - ii Q.

Joh'es Yeatt - ii Bussells

Joh'es Trosse - i —

Rich^d Morys - Di'

Nuttwell.

Joh'es Adam - i —

W^m Tyll - i bussell

Joh'es Aysshe - i —

Rich^d Scott - i Bussell Di'

Rob't Adam - i —

Rich^d Smyth - ii —

Walterus Holdmede i —

Joh'na Scott, Vid. - ii —

Tho's Scott - ii Q.

Exton.

Joh'es Rendell - Di' Pecke

Thomas Boughton - i Pecke

Joh'es Boughton - Di' Pecke

Joh'es Sym - Di' —

Joh'es Hollwyll al'

Hoppyn - i —

Walt^s Gybbe - Di' Bussell

Rich^d Tyrpyr - Di' —

Joh'es Oke - i —

W^m Carter - Di' —

Rich^d Trappenell - Di' —

Walt^s Rede - i —

Alicia Courteney,

Vid. - i —

Rich^d German - ii —

Tho's Young - i —

Ebbeurth.

Tho's Haydon - iii Bussells

Joh'es Robyns, Vid. - Di' —

Tho's Wall - ii Q.

Rob't Pyne - i Bussell

W^m Jacobb - Di' —

Rich^d Jacobb - ii Q.

Rich^d Churchwyll - i Bussell

Mary Scott Widow for the

Tenement she lives in - 3 1

— For Bettyes Coate in

Woodbury Town - 7

W^m Lovering for his Tene-

ment - 1 2

Rob't Addams - 2 9

Joan Weekes Wid. - 1 2

Joan Addams Wid. - 1 2

Roger Nichol for his Tene-

ment - 7

— for Pollards Brook in

Woodbury Town - 2

Rob't Moore - 2 0

Barth' Webb - 2

W^m Headman - 6

<i>Exton.</i>		W ^m Pearse for the Tenement	
John Pearse for a Cottage at		he lives in	1 6
Exton Hill	1	— for his Tenement in	
Antho' Pearse	2	Woodbury Town	10
W ^m Cooke for his Cottage		John Beadon	2
and his Land	7	W ^m Hurford	5
Johan Roades	5	John Embery	2
Oliver Wittchalse	1	John Taylor	1
Peter Knott	6	Rabbish Pearse Wid.	1
W ^m Turpyn or Occupiers of		Tho's Crutchard	2
that Tenement	7	George Peeke	2
Arthur Spurr Gent. for the		Rich ^d Salter	9
Tenement he lives in	2 6	<i>Ridon.</i>	
— for Mr. Goves Tene-		Jane Holwill Wid. for the	
ment	1 4	Tenement she lives in	1 9
Joan Young Wid. for her		— for Broad Ridons	3
Tenement & Water Mill	2 4	Rob't Stogdon for Mosehills	3
Ambrose Snow for one Close		— for two Closes of	
called Long Park	2	Thomas his Tenement, &	
Peter Trapnell for his 2		the little meadow by the	
Tenements	1 9	Mill	3
W ^m Webber for a Cottage		— For two Cottages in	
at Marsh	4	Woodbury Town	6
Alex ^r Duke Gent. for Exton		Cath' Colsworthy for Sab-	
Farm	3 4	byn's Marsh	4
— for Sowell Ground	1 6	Geo' Colsworthy	6
— for Ellyotts Tenement		Christ' Hill Wid.	1 2
in Woodbury Town	1 3	John Hill the Younger	6
— for Bussells Tenement	5	<i>Little Fenmore.</i>	
— for Mr. Thos' Duke's		Rob't Caddew	2 11
Tenement	9	Anth' Pynse	6
John Leate for the Tenement		Tristram Thomas	9
he lives in	1 6	Jas' Vincent	6
— For his Tenement		<i>Great Fenmoor.</i>	
called Gilbroke	1	John Plympton	1 6
Tristram Pearse for a Close		John Spraett Gent.	1 8
called Stooke Bridge	2	— for Payges Meadow	15
Joseph Morrish	6	W ^m Smyth	1 0
<i>Ebford.</i>		<i>Scutts Moor.</i>	
Gideon Haydon Esq. for		Rebecca Hill Wid.	1 5
Ebford Barton	4 2	— for Hamns Close	4
— for Houndbear Farm	8 4	<i>Gullyford.</i>	
Christ ^o Wall	10	Tho ^s Cooke	2 4
W ^m Whetcombe for the		Philip Pyne	11
Tenement in lives in	2 6	W ^m Way	10
— for his Tenement at		— for his Cottage in Town	2
Exton	1 5	W ^m Salter	2
John Gibb	1 6	Cha ^s Stookes	1 7
Mary Dalby Wid.	9	Rob ^t Lovering the Younger	9
Rich ^d Bryant for the Tene-		Nich ^s Warren	4
he lives in	1 6	Joan Hayman Wid.	5
— for German's Tenement	7	Rob ^t Halfyard	6

Rob ^t Halfyard for that in Exton	6	Christ ^r Pressford for Rush-	
Rich ^d Smyth	3	moor	6
Tho ^s Manning	5	Nich ^s Scott	2
John Hillman	9	Christ ^r Brockwell	2
<i>Combe.</i>			
Amys Predyaux Gent.	3	Ric ^d Corney	2
W ^m Collings	1	And ^w Leonard for his house	2
Tho ^s Densham	1	—, for Barton Land	7
W ^m Cooke for his Tenement	6	W ^m Soper	2
— for Pearse' Ground	4	Rich ^d Mable the Younger	1 6
— for the Mill at Ridon-	1	Alice Ford Wid.	7
Christ ^r Ellett	3	Rich ^d Pigeon for his Cottage	
<i>Wood Manton.</i>			
Mrs. Joan Farrington for		& Silcomb Meadow	3
the Tenement she lives in	3	Alice Beale Wid.	1 10
— for Heath's Tenement	10	<i>Porslake.</i>	
John Heath the Elder	10	John Trosse for Porslake	
John Heath the Younger		Tenement	3 0
for Ham's Ground	5	— for his tenement at	
Rob ^t Symons for his Tene-		Salterton	1 9
ment	1	Rich ^d Johans & his Mother	1 11
—, for Tucker's Wood	5	<i>Pylehaies.</i>	
Amys Rochett	8	John Hill	1 9
John Perryam	10	Edw ^d Glass for his Tene-	
Joan Starr Wid.	1	ment there	1 5
<i>Sparkeshaies.</i>			
Thomas Lee for his Tenement	1	— for his tenement in	
—, for his tenement in	5	Ebford	9
Gulliford	8	<i>Heathfield.</i>	
Rich ^d Mallacke	3	Peter Sutton for his tene-	
W ^m Taylor	5	ment	1 3
Vincent Helhnan	1	— for the Ground of	
<i>Bridgepitt.</i>			
Rich ^d Hill	1	Johans	5
<i>The Wester Part of Woodbury</i>			
<i>Towne.</i>			
Rich ^d Parrett for his Tene-		Rich ^d Hill for his Tenement	1 3
ment there	7	— for that was Johan's	
—, for his Tenement in		Ground	7
Salterton	9	— for Coad's Ground	7
W ^m Mable	1	Susanna Biddicombe Wid.	1 3
Ric ^d Mable the Elder	4	John Turner	1 3
Joan Ballamant Wid.	3	George Gibb	3
James Payge	6	<i>Salterton.</i>	
W ^m Smeath	2	Ab ^m Parkyn	1 7
Tho ^s Addams	11	Marke Parkyn	4
<i>The Easter Part of Woodbury</i>			
<i>Towne.</i>			
Mrs. Joan Gove Wid.	1	John Bidgood for the tene-	
Edw. Bampfild, Esq. for		ment he lives in	10
Woodbury Wood	1	— for Heale	1 3
Christ ^r Labbett	2	— for ten Acres of Hop-	
		pings & Woods	5
		— for the tenement in	
		right of his wife	1 0
		John Hoppinge	3
		John Winter	3
		W ^m Pearse in right of his	
		wife	1 7
		W ^m Downham for Thatches	4

W ^m Downeham for Lamb Parks	5	Edw ^d Holwill for the Black-	
Ant ^o Howe	- 10	lands & Hoppings Hills	- 7
John Potbury	- 9	Oliver Hopping	- 10
John Wood	- 2	Thomas Aauxe	- 7
Joan Symons Wid.	- 1	Christ ^r Westcott for his	
W ^m Radford	- 2	Cottage	- 3
John Holwill for his Tene-		— for the Wood Parks	
ment	- 2 6	& the Brewhouse	- 6
— for a Cottage	- 3	Gilbert Drake Gent.	- 3 4
— for Wiscomb Meadow	11	Thomas Webber	- 1 4
— for Flemon's Ground	- 1 1	Humphry Smyth	- 1 4
— for Bagmoors	- 1 8	John Clarke	- 2
Ric ^d Payne for his Cottage	- 2	John Crutchard	- 1
— for Porslake Grounds	- 3	George Worthleigh	- 6
Robt. Brockwell	- 2	Henry Hann for Heathfield	
John Cheave	- 3	& Combs	- 9
Edw ^d Holwill for the Tene-		Joan Baker Wid.	- 3
ment he lives in & for 2		Henry Hopping for Kite-	
acres of Scotts Land	- 2 10	lands	- 2
— for Myll leates	- 8	W ^m Scott for his Tenement	- 3
— for the Tenement on		John Spare	- 3
Winsore Green	- 1 3	W ^m German	- 1
— for the Well Parkes	- 8	W ^m Lux	- 8
— for Lamb Parkes	- 6		

Woodbury.

The whole Parishoners of the Parish of Woodbury by their whole assente & condiscente have elected & chosen those sixteene men, whose names are hereafter written, in the Visitation Corte holden at Woodbury Church by Mr. John Leache Bachelor of Devynytie Official of the Dyocese, & Thomas Chaffe Register the 28th June in the 33 year of the raigne of our Sovereigne Lady Elizabeth the Queen's Majestye that now is. Upon wch election the s^d 16 men were sworn there in the s^d Corte by the s^d officiall, to make a true just & perfitte Rate or Taxatione of all the Land & Lands whatsoever lying within the P'she of Woodbury, towards the reperation & Mentaynaunce of the Churche of the s^d P'she. And now yt is fully concludet & agreed upon by & between the s^d Raters that every Person & Persons hereafter written shall paye everye yeare towards the mentaynaunce of the s^d Churche yearlye toe the Wardenes for the tyme beyng so muche Malte as appeareth & is set doune p'ticularly upon every of the name & names hereafter followinge. And it is further agreed upon by the said Raters toe paye in money for every Bushell of Malte Sixteen pence, and soe bee yt more or less after the same Rate.

1591.

The names of the Raters—

Gregory Goffe Gent.	W ^m Pearse.	John Hill.
W ^m Downam Gen	Thos. Halle.	Thos. Scott.
W ^m Beele.	Rich ^d Scott.	Greg ^s Stokes.
And ⁿ Holwill.	Tristram Whitcombe.	John Windover.
Robt. Cooke.	Philip Westcott.	Rob ^t Loveringe.
		John Sowile.

Nutwill.

Tho ^s Prideaux Esq. for his Barteyne, for Withisehaies, for that was Hole's Ground, for Thirtyne acres, that was Gregory Stokes for Bashaies, five Bushell in all	-	-	6	8
Robert Lovering one Bushell	-	-	-	16
Tho ^s Scott one Bushell & half & Half a pecke	-	-	2	2
John Tissard three Peckes	-	-	-	12
Eliz ['] Addame Wid. one Bush. & half & half a pecke	-	-	2	2
Nich ['] Scott, three Peckes	-	-	-	12
Rich ^d Addeme, three Peckes	-	-	-	12
W ^m Pike one Pecke & half	-	-	-	6
Henry Holmead one Bushell & a Pecke	-	-	-	20
John Watts half a pecke	-	-	-	2

Eason.

Tho ^s Webber half a pecke	-	-	-	2
W ^m Lange half a pecke	-	-	-	2
Roger Smith half a Bushell	-	-	-	8
Johan Robines Wid. half a pecke	-	-	-	2
Henry Knott a Pecke & Half	-	-	-	6
Henry Turpine a Pecke & half	-	-	-	6
Thomsine Brown Wid. half a Bushell & half a Pecke & half a Bushell for Ground in Ebford	-	-	-	18
Jone Yonge Wid. one Bushell	-	-	-	16
Jone Yeate Wid. one & half & half a peck	-	-	2	2
Geo. Morrice half a Bushell & half a pecke	-	-	-	10
W ^m Whetcombe one Bushell	-	-	-	16
Walter Trapnell half a Bushell	-	-	-	8
Nic. Trapnell half a Bushell & half a pecke	-	-	-	10
Henry Sanders one Bushell	-	-	-	16

Ebford.

Mistr ['] Christian Haydon fower Bushells	-	-	5	4
Tho ^s Wale half a Bushell	-	-	-	8
Tristram Whitcombe one Bushell & half	-	-	2	0
John Towill one Bushell	-	-	-	16
Alse Clapp Wid. half a Bushell	-	-	-	8
Wid. Bryante one Bushell	-	-	-	16
Rich ^d Pearse one Bushell & three Peckes & half & for Basteyn Land one Pecke & halfe toe in all toe Bushells & a pecke	-	-	3	0
Wid. Pike one Pecke	-	-	-	4
Wm. Cooe half a Pecke	-	-	-	2
George Churchuill one Pecke	-	-	-	4
John Pearse half a Pecke	-	-	-	2

Ryden.

Johan ['] Holwill Wid. one Bushell & half & half a Pecke	-	-	2	2
And. Holwill the younger one Bushell & half a Pecke	-	-	-	10

Great Fenmore.

Rich ^d Plymton one Bushell & half a pecke	-	-	-	18
John Hill two Bushells & a Pecke	-	-	3	-
John Pyle half a Bushell and half a Pecke	-	-	-	10

Wotton.

John Axe two Bushells	-	-	-	2	8
Tho ^s Parsons one Pecke & half	-	-	-		6
Rob ^t Scott 3 Peckes	-	-	-		12

Hogsbrooke.

Wid. Wheaton three Peckes	-	-	-		12
Wid. Wickes one Bushell	-	-	-		16
Ric ^d Scott one Bushell	-	-	-		16

Grindell.

W ^m Downname toe Bushells & half	-	-	-	3	4
... Martine toe Bushell & half	-	-	-	3	4
John Pridome one Bushell & half	-	-	-		2
Rich ^d Watts one Pecke & half	-	-	-		6
George Ellies one Pecke & half	-	-	-		6

Houndbeare.

Mistriss Haydone fower Bushells	-	-	-	5	4
Wid. Hill one Bushell	-	-	-		16

[Part of this Rate is missing, as the whole is said to be 137 bushels and $\frac{2}{3}$ of a Peck ; in money £9 2s. 11d.]

Woodbury, 1631.

Whereas the ancient Rate for the repairing of the Church of the said Parish is now too little & not sufficient to satisfy such yearly charges & payments as heretofore hath been accustomed, & now hereafter ought to be laid out & paid towards the said Church. Therefore it was ordered at the Visitation Court holden in the P'ishe Church aforesaid the 23^d of May in the year of our Lord 1631 by the Official & Register for the time being, that there should be a new Rate or tax made for the purpose aforesaid by the then Churchwardens & Sidemen, with others of the said P'ish. Whereupon the s^d Parishioners as well by the condisent of the Right Wors^d Sir Thomas Predyaux Knight as also by the assent of Divers others of the said P'ish whose names are hereafter to this rate subscribed, have now made & agreed upon this new Rate & Tax upon all the lands within the said P'ish, towards the reparation of the said Church & Charges above said yearly from henceforth to be paid from the feast of Easter last past these several sums of money & of these several persons whose names are hereafter in this present Rate expressed : viz.—

Nuttwell.

Sir Tho ^s Predyaux Kt. for his ancient Barten of Nutwell ; for that was Holes Ground ; for Withisaies ; for Basshaies ; for thirteen acres that was Stooks Ground ; for Rydon Meadow ; & for Broad Meadow ; in all	-	-	-	16	8
Robt. Lovering sen ^r for the tenement he lives in	-	-	-		11
„ for one Clove called the Horsepark	-	-	-		3
„ Two Cloves at Sowell	-	-	-		4
„ Five Cottages & a Meadow at Gulliford	-	-	-		6
Nathan ^l Salter for Horklake	-	-	-		2
Gilb ^t Thatcher	-	-	-		7
Gregory Prydham	-	-	-		4
Nath ^l Wood for his Tenement	-	-	-		8

Nath ^h Wood for that was Braggs	-	-	-	2
Rich ^d Dagworthy	-	-	-	9
Edm ^d Trumpe	-	-	-	2
Tho ^s Hopping for his Tenement	-	-	-	7
— for that was Nychols	-	-	-	7
— for the Hills	-	-	-	10
Richoard Earle Wid. for her Tenement	-	-	-	10
— for Culverley	-	-	-	3
Agnes Benyson Wid.	-	-	-	1
Edw ^d Halse	-	-	-	1
Rich ^d Wood	-	-	-	1
John Terry Gent. for Bridge	-	-	-	4 7
Peter Scott	-	-	-	1
Michael Leycock	-	-	-	2
— Carpenter	-	-	-	1
John Wood the Younger	-	-	-	2
Edm ^d Gallopp	-	-	-	10
Rich ^d Halse	-	-	-	1 2
W ^m Veale	-	-	-	10
Ellinor Bond Wid.	-	-	-	10
Tho ^s Hall	-	-	-	1 8
Rob ^t Hall	-	-	-	11
Ellinor Truscott Wid.	-	-	-	9
Rich ^d Melhuish	-	-	-	1 2
George Wood	-	-	-	2
Clement Watts	-	-	-	1
John Edwards	-	-	-	6
Edw ^d Eveleigh	-	-	-	3
W ^m Coole	-	-	-	1
John Maunder	-	-	-	1

Gryndle.

Walter Younge Gen ^t	-	-	-	9 2
Tho ^s Prydham	-	-	-	1 5
John Wescott	-	-	-	2 0
Rich ^d Watts	-	-	-	4
John Stowforde	-	-	-	4
W ^m Ellis	-	-	-	7
George Bussell	-	-	-	2

Wotton.

John Pynn	-	-	-	10
Christ ^r Morre	-	-	-	4
And ^w Hall	-	-	-	3
Thomsin Cooke Wid. for her Tenement	-	-	-	10
— for Hernes Land	-	-	-	1
— for the Souther Grounds	-	-	-	5
John Lee for Wotton Meadow	-	-	-	9
Francis Germyn	-	-	-	10
Rob ^t Symons	-	-	-	4
Rob ^t Scott	-	-	-	1 5
Tho ^s Bussell	-	-	-	2
Nicholas Halse	-	-	-	10

		<i>Hogsbrook.</i>				
Tho ^s Scott	-	-	-	-	1	7
Rob ^t Perry	-	-	-	-	1	4
John Scorkche	-	-	-	-	1	5
		<i>Houndbear.</i>				
John Hill	-	-	-	-	2	4
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This Rate beeng finished & published in the P^rishe Church aforesaid, was in the month of July in the aforesaid year of our Lord God 1631 put in & fixed to this Book [the Malt or Ledger] & so confirmed by the hands of those persons whose names are hereafter following set down, viz.:

Tho ^s Prydeaux		Tho ^s Webber
Tho ^s Atwill Minister		Ar. Spurre
Henry Henston	} Churchwardens.	Rob ^t Caddewe
Edw ^d Dally		John Perye
Will ['] Waye		Rob ^t Adams
Edward Holwill		W ^m Whetcomb
Rob ^t Halfyard		Rich ^d Bryant
Rich ^d Halse		Rob ^t Scott
Tho ^s Lee		Rob ^t Symons
Tho ^s Cooke		John Holwill
Charles Stokes		W ^m Pears