

**Birchober : An Inventory of the Lands  
of Henry de Aldwerk, in Birchober,  
A.D. 1413.**



ALL in Christ who may see or hear (this writing) Henry de Aldwerk saluting in the Lord. Know ye that I in this present charter have defined and bounded all my messuages, lands, and tenements, which I have in the vill and territory of Byrchoure, with all liberties, feedings, pastures, moors, and waters, with the appurtenances, that my heirs and posterity may obtain perfect knowledge in all the aforesaid messuages and lands, with all their appurtenances, for ever :—

One messuage is situated in the vill aforesaid between the mess. of Will. Harvy on the south, and the mess. of William Alan on the west, with a garden pertaining to the same.

Another messuage is situated between the mess. of Richard Fox on the east, and the mess. of John Smith on the west, with a garden pertaining to the same.

Three roods lying upon the Colepytt, butting upon Byrchoursyche.

Half-a-rood lying upon the Schawcoppe, and a mountain called Bramber.

Half-a-rood lying under the said Schawcoppe.

Three roods of meadow lying upon the Holme, butting upon the Byrchoursyche.\*

Three roods lying under the Grenehyll, butting upon the Rouetorre.

One acre of land lying in the Long acre, butting upon the said Rouetorr.

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\* "*Syche*"—an open dike or drain, dry in summer.

One rood of land lying under the Caldwell, butting upon the Merssch.

One rood of land butting upon the Claypytt.

One half-acre of land and meadow lying in Whyttewallsyche, in the open field of Bramber.

One half-acre of land butting upon the Lyddezate, in the Morefeld.

One half-acre of land lying under the Jakcrofte, butting upon the Kyrkeflatts.

One rood of land butting upon the Medewplekkes, and so as far as a Heydelonde of John Alan.

One rood of land lying in The Dale, and abutting upon the Hallflattes.

One half-rood of land butting upon the Wymondstones.

One rood of land butting over against the More, and lying near the land of John Smyth.

Three roods of land lying by the Hyllraw, and butting upon the Heth hyll.

Three roods of land butting upon the Coste, in the Morefeld.

One acre and a half butting upon the Pygreue, and in Collayhalgh.

Three roods of land butting upon the Coste, and upon the Stubbyngs.

One rood and a half butting upon the Paddokwallrowe.

One rood of land butting upon the Kyrke (*the Church*), in Costefelde.

One half-acre of land butting upon the Cowchote, and so on to a headlond of John Smyth.

Half-a-rood lying in the Lylepyttheyche, and so on as far as Denson's half acre.

Three half-acres of land lying in the Scottefeldhalgh.

One rood and a half of land butting upon Wynsterheythe, and so on as far as a half-acre of Denson's.

Three roods of land butting upon the said Wynstreheche and upon the croft of a messuage of mine before-named.

A parcel of meadow lying under the wood of Byrchour.

One half-rood of meadow also lying by the said wood.

Half an acre butting upon Byrchour and by the Rowdole.

And all these messuages, lands, and tents, render xij pence yearly to the chief lord of the fee, viz., vj<sup>d</sup> at the feast of the Annun. of Blessed Mary, and vj<sup>d</sup> on the feast of S. Michael the Archangel, by equal portions, and for all services and demands.

In testimony of which to this my present deed, I have affixed my seal.

Given at Aldewerk ("in cathedra Sci Petri," i.e., Feb. 22)

Anno 1, Henry V. (1413.)

(Belvoir Document.)

### Baslow.

Know all, as well present as future, that I, Robert de Stocheport, have given and conceded, and by my present charter have confirmed to William, son and heir of Richard de Vernun, the land of Basselawe and of Bunbēhul\*, with all the appurtenances, with Margaret, my daughter, in free marriage. But if the aforesaid William should not have heirs by the aforesaid Margaret, then the aforesaid William and the heirs of the said Rich<sup>d</sup> de Vernun shall hold the moiety of the aforesaid land of Basselawe to him and to his heirs, of me and of my heirs, performing to me and to my heirs the service of half a knight's fee.

These being witnesses:—Richard, son of Roger William de Bray, Rob. de Meinewarin, Thomas de Nortburi, Walter de Stocheport, Matt. de Bromhale, William his brother, Simon de Stocheport, John de Bredburi, Jordan de Bredburi, Rob fitz Bernard, Rob fitz Rahenald, Matthew the clerk of Stocheport, Richard his son, Gilbert de Louthian, Walter de Parles, Hugo his brother, Roger de Estun, John his brother, Henry, clerk of Tideswell, and many others.

Seal lost.

(Belvoir Charter.)

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\* Bubnall.