

THE HUNDRED OF BUTTINGHILL.

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A MANUSCRIPT BOOK, which has been lent to the writer from a private source, contains the records of the Sheriffs turns of Courts holden in and between the years 1613 and 1621 for a large number of Hundreds in Sussex. The book, which is written on paper in Latin, bears the signature of John Rowe¹ on the inside of the parchment cover, and appears to be throughout in his handwriting. The extensive Hundred of Buttinghill has been selected for the subject of this article, because it has special interest, particularly in the findings as to bridges, from a topographical point of view, and while of use to genealogists, it also sheds light on the "local government" of former days.

Buttinghill is situate on the western side of the London and Brighton road, where it is crossed by the road from Ditchling to Hurstpierpoint, near where Stone Pound gate formerly stood. One entry in the record, dated 17th April, 1615, refers to the road between Buttinghill and Friars Oak.

In Domesday Book the Hundred of Botingelle, which is Buttinghill, is described as comprising Hurstpierpoint, Clayton and Keymer. In 1274-5 it is called the Hundred of Bottynghill.² In the subsidy roll of 1296 the Hundred included the villis of Kymere, Clayton, Hurst, Cuckfield and Crawley.³ In the subsidy rolls of 1327 and 1332 it also included Worth, Burlye Arches and Slaugham.⁴ In all three of these rolls the half hundred of Windham, which consisted of Twineham and Bolney, is separately

¹ For John Rowe see *S.A.C.*, Vol. XXIV., p. 84.

² *Rotuli Hundredorum*, Vol. II., p. 210.

³ *Sussex Record Society*, Vol. X., p. 45.

⁴ *Ib.*, pp. 176 and 290.

assessed. In 1477 the hundred is called Buttinghill-strete.⁵ Burlye Arches, in the parish of Worth, was in 133 $\frac{4}{5}$ found by inquisition to be in this hundred.⁶

The first of the following translated records is given *in extenso* :—

BUTTINGHILL. View of frank pledge holden there 29th Sept^r 1613.

THOMAS WARD	gent.	Alderman	appeared ⁷
RICHARD PARSON	constable	of the southern part	of the Hundred
JAMES JENKYN	„	of the northern part	
THOMAS WEEKER	„	of Worth and Crawley	
ROBERT MARLYN	„	of the Half hundred	of Windham
William Baker		headborough	of Worth
George Chantler	„	„	Crawlye
John Virgoe	„	„	Kymer
John Russell (sick)	„	„	Hurste
John A Tree	„	„	Clayton
John Burtenshawe	„	„	Cuckfilde
Richard Butcher sen ^r	„	„	Windham
Richard Nourton	„	„	Slaugham
Thomas Nicholas jun ^r	„	„	Burly Arches

The xij to inquire for the Lord the King :—

Richard Parson, James Jenkyn, Thomas Weeker, Richard Brewer, Thomas Luxford, John Homewood, John Vincent, Stephen A Gate, Thomas Aveye, John Lyntott, John Fawkenor, Nicholas West, Thomas Coulstocke, Nicholas Feirall, Thomas West, Francis Alexander, John Jefferye, Thomas Geere, John Standen, Nicholas Burt of Clevers, Stephen Anstye of bridge, John Roberts, Richard Gander, John Langford, Richard Hall.

The headborough of *Worth* comes with his tithing and the jury presents that their common fine is 2^s 2^d but it is not paid so they are in mercy 3^s 4^d And further they present that Thomas Bryan, John Weller, Thomas Geale, William Colcocke, Stephen Burges, George Goldsmith, Thomas Wood, James Hide, John Butcher and Richard Jenner are resident within this view, and on that day make default [in attendance] so each is fined 3^d And they nominate as headborough for the year following Alexander Ashen for his lands according to the custom of the tithing who is elected.

The headborough of *Crawley* comes with his tithing. Their common fine is 12^d but not paid so in mercy 2^s John Marten gent: John Geale Giles Cuddington John Yonge Humfry Hatton gent: William Ashin Nicholas Geale and Robert Hill resident within this view have made default and each fined 3^d And Humfry Hatton gent: and Giles Cuddington are each nominated headborough for the year following and Giles is elected.

⁵ *Rot. Parl.*, Vol. VI., p. 168.

⁶ *S.A.C.*, Vol. LIII., p. 275.

⁷ Thomas Ward, gent., was buried at Cuckfield, 17th June, 1623.

The headborough of *Kymer* comes with his tithing. Their common fine is 2^s 6^d but not paid so in mercy 5^s Richard Aucocke and Edward Davye residents have made default and each fined 3^d And Drew Luxforde and Thomas Turnor are each nominated headborough for the year following and Drew is elected.

The headborough of *Hurst* is sick so that he can not attend this view nor does he send 5^s for the common fine so fined 6^s 8^d And the tithing men present that John Wickham Thomas Chatfield Edward Burtenshawe and Edward Masters have made default so each fined 3^d And John Feist and Edward Luxford are each nominated headborough for the year following and John is elected.

The headborough of *Clayton* comes with his tithing. Their common fine is 2^s 6^d but not paid so in mercy 4^s John Ward resident within this view has made default so fined 3^d And William Scrase and John Parker are each nominated headborough for the year following and William is elected.

The headborough of *Cuckfilde* comes with his tithing. Their common fine is 3^s 10^d but not paid so in mercy 5^s Nicholas Burt of Brantridge Richard Pickham Edward Jenner Edward Thompsett al^s Carver John Lashmer Richard Parke John Gasson of bridge Richard Blaker Richard Coxe John Marten Stephen Jupp Robert Thornden Thoman Newnam John Newnam and William Illman resident within this view have made default so each fined 3^d And John Gatland of Stone and John Weller of Combers are each nominated as headborough for the year following and John Gatland is elected.

The headborough of *Slaugham* comes with his tithing by John Hill his deputy and pays their common fine of 2^s 6^d And John Gatfer Robert Archpoll Robert Ridley and Richard Page resident within this view have made default so each fined 3^d And Gerard Wheeler for his lands according to the custom of this tithing is nominated headborough for the year following.

The headborough of *Windham* comes with his tithing. Their common fine is 6^s but not paid so in mercy 6^s 8^d and they present that all is well and nominate Robert Terrye for his lands according to the custom of this tithing to be headborough for the year following.

The headborough of *Burlye Arches* does not come with his tithing nor does he send 12^d as his common fine so in mercy 2^s

Henry Gatland the inspector of leather and Richard Wood the stamper of leather present that all is well and William Parson is nominated as inspector and the aforesaid Richard as stamper for the year following.

THE XII PRESENT that all the above are thought to be true and further that John A Ven has not cleansed his ditches by the "vicarage land" by the day given to him at the last View so he forfeits 12^d for two perches not cleansed.

And that William Ashfold [blank] Cooke widow Richard Bartley Thomas Abbott and Philip Morton have not repaired "Stanbridge's bridge" by the day given to them at the last View so they forfeit 20^s

And that John Dunton has not reduced the flow of water out of the King's highway within the half hundred of Windham nor amended such highway by the day given to him at the last View so he forfeits 5^s and is to reduce the watercourse to its former state by 1 Nov^r next under penalty of 10^s

And that William Scrase has not thoroughly cleansed his ditch nor has taken the water incumbering the King's highway into his great meadow below the church of Clayton as he ought by the day at the last View given to him so he forfeits 5^s

And that Francis Reps gent: has not repaired the bridges called Eylesforde bridge and the bridge by Hamons near St John's Common by the day given to him at the last View so he forfeits [blank].

And that Thomas A Wood has not received the water out of the King's highway near Frye's ponde by the day given to him at the last View so he forfeits 10^s

And that Edward Masters and James Cooper have not repaired Homewoode bridge by the day given to them at the last View so they forfeit 10^s

And that the aforesaid Edward Masters and James Cooper together with Johanna Cooper widow Edward Harland Ninian Burrell arm: and Francis Alexander are to repair sufficiently the said Homewoode bridge by the Feast of All Saints next under penalty for each delinquent of 2^s 6^d

And that Johanna Cooper widow and Edward Harland have not amended "a gutterlogge" near their lands by the day given to them at the last View so they forfeit 5^s

And that Thomas Ersfilde knt: Benjamin Pellatt knt: John Wood John Holmewood John Burtenshaw Richard A Gate William Parson Richard A Wood Thomas Gravelye Robert Shudd Richard Butcher Richard Harland John Haselgrove Roger Langforde and John Vyncent Robert Vyncent and John Rickward have not nor has any of them repaired Stayerbridge in Windham as they ought before the Feast of Pentecost last so each of them forfeit 20^s and they are to repair the said bridge by 7 Nov^r next under penalty of £5.

Benjamin Hide and [blank] Ashdowne widow and William Bates are to repair sufficiently Farthinge bridge in Worth by 10 Nov^r next under penalty of 10^s

Ralph Willarde is to cleanse his ditches on either side of the King's highway leading between Slaugham and Crawley and lying between Brodefilde and Tylgate by the Feast of St. Andrew next under a penalty of 4^d for each perch uncleansed.

Richard Fawkenor William Illman Nicholas Burte of Brantridge and Edward Fawkenor are to repair Groveland bridge leading between Cuckfield and Balcombe by 10 Nov^r next under penalty of 10^s

The same day under the like penalty is given to John Shurley knt: and Ninian Burrell to repair Hye bridge between Cuckfield and Ansty Crosse.

The same day under the like penalty is given to Edward and Henry Gatland for lands called Lakes to repair Shotborne bridge between Cuckfield and Bawcombe.

The same day is given to the tithing men of Worth sufficiently to repair the bridge called "Le three bridges."

Edward Savage and John Butcher are to cleanse their ditches on the north side of the King's highway leading between Crawley and Worth near le three bridges by the feast of All Saints next under penalty of 6^d for each perch uncleansed.

John Newnam and Thomas Vynall are to cut their hedges on either side of the King's highway between their tenement and the shop of [blank] Parker in Balcombe before Christmas next under penalty of 5^s

Richard Fawkenor is to cut his hedges on either side of the King's highway between the tenement of said Richard and Slaugham before Christmas next under penalty of 5^s

Jonas Owden and William Parker are to repair "a gutter logge" at Breenes before Christmas next under penalty of 3^s 4^d each.

[Christopher] Swale S.T.P. is to divert his gutter of late newly made out of the King's highway in the town of Hurst where it now runs to the injury of the neighbours before next View under penalty of 10^s

Richard Blaker sen^r Thomas West Richard Holcombe and the tenants of lands called Weskupp together with others whom it concerns are to repair Wortleforde bridge in Cuckfield by the Feast of St Andrew next under penalty of 40^s

The same day under the like penalty is given to William Lashmer and the tenants of lands called "the farmes" at Wortleford with others whom it concerns sufficiently to repair Wortleforde bridge in Hurst.

The tenants of lands called Hookelande Lyes and Ridges with others whom it concerns are to repair sufficiently the bridge at Michells in Clayton by the feast of All Saints next under penalty of 20^s

Thomas A Lye is to cleanse his ditches beside the Kings highway from St. John's Common gate to Gorwood common and to receive the water from such highway in the lands called Fowle's mead by the Feast of All Saints next under penalty of 5^s And is also sufficiently to amend the footpath between Bolney and Ditchling by him impeded by "a marlepitt" there made before the Feast of Christmas next under penalty of 10^s

The occupiers of lands on either side of the King's highway between Brodstrete and the southern part of Ocklye lande to be penalized in 12^d for each perch at Christmas next if they have not thoroughly cleansed their ditches.

The jurors lastly say that Henry Smith about the feast of St Bartholomew last past by force and arms broke the pound at St John's Common in Kymer and took away divers animals viz: one gelding and five "wenyers" impounded there by John Anstye al^r Holcombe and he was fined 3^s 4^d

BUTTINGHILL. View of Frank pledge holden at Cuckfield 3 May 1614.

THOMAS WARDE	gent	Alderman
JAMES MATHEWE	constable	of the southern part (ill)
JOHN LASHMER	„	„ northern part
EDWARD ROFFEY	„	„ Crawley and Worth
JAMES WICKHAM	„	„ Half hundred of Windham (made default)

Alexander Ashen	headborough	of Worth
Giles Cuddington	„	„ Crawley
Drew Luxford	„	„ Kymer
John Feist	„	„ Hurste
William Scrase	„	„ Clayton
James Eede	„	„ Cuckfield
Edward Wheeler	„	„ Slaugham
Robert Terrye	„	„ Windham
John Smith	„	„ Burlye Arches

After the names of the jurors and the presentments of the headboroughs and after presentments by the jurors as to many of the works ordered to be done at the preceding View they further presented as follows:—

Thomas Weeker of Cuckfield on the 24th Feb^y last past broke the pound at Cuckfield within the jurisdiction of this Court and took away one gelding impounded there by Thomas Warde gent and he was fined 5^s

Thomas Pickham and John Wickham are to thoroughly cleanse their ditches on either side of the King's highway near lands called "le long acres" in Cuckfield by Pentecost next under the penalty of 12^d for each perch uncleansed.

The same day under the like penalty is given to the occupiers of lands on either side of the King's highway between Polstubb and Bridger's Mill and to William Jupp on the northern side of the King's highway between Staplefield common and Homsted hammer and to Thomas Page on the southern side of the highway between Slowe greene and Whitman's greene.

Ninian Burrell arm: to repair the bridge at the iron mill called Homsted hammer by Pentecost next under penalty of 10^s

William Ashfold Walter Anstye the tenants of Stanbridges land the tenants of land called Abbotts land and Snells land sufficiently to repair the bridge called the mill bridge between Staplefield Common and High Streate by Pentecost next under penalty of 20^s

The occupiers of the lands on either side of the King's highway between the gate near the tenement of Nathaniel Hussey gent and Wortleforde bridges to cleanse their ditches by the last day of May next under penalty of 12^d for each perch uncleansed.

The occupier of lands adjacent to the bridge in Bolney called Water Michell's bridge to repair the said bridge by the Feast of St. John Baptist under penalty of 10^s

Richard Butcher of Stuckells to amend "a gutterlogge" in Hurst near the lands called Cuckfildes by Pentecost next under penalty of 5^s

The occupiers of lands on either side of the King's highway between Wayfilde's crosse and Cookes gate in Windham to cut their hedges and cleanse their ditches by Pentecost next under penalty of 12^d for each perch.

The occupiers of lands opposite the land called Hunter's cross leading from Herringe bridge to the tenement of Richard Butcher in Windham to thoroughly cleanse their ditches under penalty as above.

The occupiers of lands on either side of the King's highway between Kymer and Broadstreate to cleanse their ditches before the last day of May next under penalty as above.

The jurors present that Christopher Swale S.T.P. has not yet diverted his gutter in the town of Hurst so he forfeits 10^s

BUTTINGHILL. View of Frank pledge holden at Buttinghill 10 Oct^r 1614

THOMAS WARDE gent: Alderman

The constables and headboroughs the same as at the last View except that Thomas Bachelor had become headborough of Windham.

After the names of the jurors and the presentments of the headboroughs and presentments by the jurors as to works not executed they further presented as follows:—

That the bridges called Eylesfforde bridges are ruinous in default of Francis Repps gent and he is to repair them before the Feast of St. John Baptist under penalty of £5.

The parishioners of Clayton are to repair the King's highway between the Higgerdens and the Copyhold meade by the day and under the penalty aforesaid

Thomas Anstye al^s Holcombe is to cut his hedges overhanging the King's highway on either side near his lands in Kymer by the Feast of the Purification of the blessed Mary next under penalty of 12^d for each perch.

The parishioners of Hurst are to repair and amend "a gutter bridge" in the King's highway between Stocker's field and Isaak's field by the Feast of St. John Baptist next under penalty of 5^s

Thomas Whatman arm: and [Christopher] Swale S.T.P. have diverted their gutters and sinks into the King's highway in the village of Hurst to the great injury of their neighbours and each of them is to stop up his aforesaid gutters and sinks newly made by the Feast of St. James next under penalty for each delinquent of 20^s

John Shurley knt: and Ninian Burrell arm: are sufficiently to amend the Highbridge in Cuckfield before Christmas next under penalty of 20^s

William Broderton and George Alfrey have deposited filth in the highway in the village of Cuckfield and they are to remove it before the Feast of All Saints next under penalty for each delinquent of 5^s

Chatebridge in Windham is ruinous through the default of William Homer so he is fined 12^d and is to repair it before the Feast of St Andrew under penalty of 10^s

The farmers of the lands and tenements called Hamondes in Clayton are to repair a bridge near Hamon's gate before the like day under penalty of 10^s

The parishioners of Kymer are sufficiently to fill up and amend "the deepe hole" in the Kings highway between Kymer and Ditchling partly in the hundreds of Buttinghill and Streat so far as it belongs to them before the feast aforesaid under the penalty of 20^s

BUTTINGHILL. View of Frank pledge holden at Cuckfield 17 Ap^l 1615.

THOMAS WARDE gent.	Alderman
ROBERT WHITPAYNE	constable of southern part
RICHARD PARKES	" " northern part
HUMFRY HATTON gent:	" " Crawley and Worth
THOMAS A GATES	" " Windham
Thomas Blackstone	stamper of leather
Richard Goddard	inspector of leather
Giles Netlingham	headborough of Worth
Thomas Feist	" " Crawley
John Coulstocke	" " Kymer
Edward Brooker	" " Hurst
Edward Burtenshaw	" " Clayton
William Frances	" " Cuckfield
Thomas West	" " Slaugham
Francis Langford	" " Windham
Geoffrey Onnsted	" " Burlye Arches

After the names of the jurors and the presentments of the headboroughs the jurors present;—

That "a nagge" of black colour has remained within this Hundred as a stray in the custody of Jewell Parvys gent: since the feast of St James last so let proclamation be made. In a marginal note it is stated that "20^s was paid to Mr. Parvys for keapinge."⁸

And that Thomas Brockett and [blank] Venne widow are to cleanse their ditches between the lands called Woodcrofte and the orchard of Brockett; And that Richard Parke is to receive the water incumbering the King's highway from Pilstye bridge unto the turn of the lane there; And that Ellis Jenner is to cleanse his ditches there; And that Roger Butler gent Richard Burte of Brantridge George Burt and [blank] Beacheley widow are to repair Tyes bridge; And that Edward Geale is to cleanse his ditch opposite his croft and receive the water into the same from the King's highway; And that John Butcher is to cleanse his ditch opposite the "Parke meade" near "the three bridges" And that Edward Serridge is to cleanse his ditches between "the three bridges" and the meadow called the "little Stubb meade" and also his ditches opposite "the little Fullers;" And that John

⁸ After this date the fines, &c., are omitted in this article.

Lindridge is to cleanse his ditches and receive on his lands the water from the King's highway; And that John Younge is to cleanse out his common watercourse; And that Thomas Wright of Crawley is to cleanse out the common watercourse in Crawley; And that Hugh Nash is to cleanse the watercourse by his lands; And that the tenants of lands called Pickwell are to repair the bridge there; And that Edward Harland is to amend the bridge near Cobbets croft; And that the tenants of the land are to repair "a gutter logge" between Porters lane and the Breeme; And that the tenants of land called Wickham are to cleanse their ditches by the Wagmores between BUTTINGHILL and ffryes oake; and that William Lashmar Robert Skelton and others are to repair the bridge at Wortleford; And that John Feest and Thomas Denman are to amend Pookeborne bridge; And that the occupiers of lands are to cut the hedges on either side of the King's highway between "Scrases gate" and the rectory of Clayton; And that [Francis] Killingbecke cler: is to cleanse the ditches on the west side of the lane between Slip and Herringe's bridge in length about 12 perches; and that [blank] Stapley gent. is to cleanse the ditches for about 12 perches on the east side of that lane between Sakebridge and Heighton porne.

BUTTINGHILL. View of frank pledge holden there 2 Oct^r 1615.

The Alderman, constables and headboroughs the same as at the last View. After the names of the jurors and the presentments of the headboroughs and those of the jurors as to works not executed they further presented as follows:—

That Lawrence Norton is to cleanse six perches of the common watercourse in Crawley; and that Elizabeth Jenner is to cleanse her ditches and to receive in her lands the water out of the lane leading by the tenement of John Fawkenor to Pilstye; and that Thomas Warde gent. Johanna Tasker widow John Bluett gent. James Eede Edward Sherman William Broderton John Patchinge Thomas Gatland Alice Harbert widow Henry Gatland John Stamer John Gasson John Willard and Thomas Stanbridge are to amend and repair "the town well" in Cuckfield; and that Henry Alfrey cler. and others occupying tenements in Cuckfield are to thoroughly cleanse their ditches in the village of Cuckfield; and that Edward Michelborne arm: is to repair two bridges in Clayton of which one is near Hamond's house and the other is called Eyelsforde bridge together with the road next adjacent which is often inundated by "penninge of the water by John Haselgrove the miller at Hamonds mill;" and that Edward Masters is to amend Rough bridge; and that John Holmewood and Thomas Fawkenor are to amend the bridge by their lands in Bolney; and that William Holmer and Thomas Haselgrove are to repair the little bridge between their lands in Bolney; and that Robert Skelton of Hurst since the last view and within the jurisdiction of this Court by force and arms made a rescue against the servants of Thomas Avery and took cattle from them which they were leading to the pound to be impounded so fined 6^s 8^d; and that William Bristowe of Cuckfield is "a common drunkard" within six months last past

BUTTINGHILL. View of frank pledge holden there 10 April 1616.

THOMAS WARDE	gent Alderman		
GEORGE OVERYE	gent constable of the southern part		
EDWARD GILLAM	" "	northern part	
NICHOLAS BROOKE	" "	Crawley and Worth	
JOHN HOMEWOOD	" "	Windham	
John Parker	headborough of	Worth	
John Yonge	" "	Crawlye	
Anthony Alexander	" "	Kymer	
Edward Luxforde	" "	Hurste	
Thomas Cooke jun ^r	" "	Clayton	
Edward Gatland	" "	Cuckfild	
Thomas Betts	" "	Slaugham	
Thomas A Gate	" "	Windham (ill)	
Benjamin Hide	" "	Burlye Arches	
Thomas Blaxton	stamper of leather		
Richard Goddard	inspector of leather.		

After the names of the jurors and the presentments of the headboroughs there follow the presentments of the jurors as to works not executed and then are two blank half pages where the new presentments ought to have been enrolled.

BUTTINGHILL. View of frank pledge holden at Cuckfild 2 Oct^r 1616.

The names of the Alderman constables and headboroughs are identical with those given in the last preceding View and the names of the jurors are given and then there are two pages in blank

BUTTINGHILL. View of frank pledge holden there 29 April 1617.

THOMAS WARDE	gent Alderman		
JOHN ROBERTS	constable of the southern part		
JOHN NEWNAM	" "	northern part	
JOHN BAWCOMBE	" "	Crawley and Worth	
ROBERT VYNCENT	" "	Half Hundred of Windham	
Henry Gatland	inspector of leather		
John Stamer	stamper of leather		
John Wood	headborough of	Worth made default	
Edward Serredge	" "	Crawley	
Richard Jenner	" "	Kymer	
Thomas Herryott	" "	Hurste	
Henry Homewood	" "	Clayton	
Richard Thomson	" "	Cuckfield	
William Gatfer	" "	Slaugham	
Thomas Michell gent	" "	Windham	
[Blank]	" "	Burly-Arches	

After the names of the jurors and the presentments of the headboroughs the jurors made presentments of noncompliance with earlier orders and then presented, That: South wortleford bridge is very badly in decay for want of repairs by William Lashmer for two perches

namely for the lands called Dumbrells and Deneland by Robert Skelton for the land called Wortleford on the one side by Thomas Trendle tenant of John Trendle of land called Aldridges on another part and by Edward Masters for land called Selfe's land on another part; And that Edward Masters for the land called Selfe's land lately Nurtons and Jane Burrell widow for land called Southlands are to repair Rewebridge; And that John Bluett gent is to cleanse his drain under the tenement late Alfreys; And that Henry Gatlande for the land called Lakes is to repair Shotborne bridge; And that the occupiers of lands on either side of the King's highway between Anstie's crosse and Slowe greene are to cleanse the ditches there; And in like manner between Slowe greene and Hasting lane for which Jane Burrell widow John Nye Richard Bartley John Weller and Thomasine Nye widow are in default And in like manner between the tenement of Nathaniel Hussey gent: and Wortleford bridges on either side of the King's highway where there will be necessity; and that Henry Gallop is to cleanse his ditch on the southern side of the King's highway by lands called the Harweddes and little Danworth land; And that John Anstie al^s Holcombe and Thomas Luxford are to cleanse the ditches running by the western part of the street at the tanhouse (?) to "the gutterlogge" also the ditch by the Harwells in Hurst; and that Roger Jarden has thrown refuse into the high street of Hurst; And that the ditch of John Wickham in Hurst ought to be thoroughly cleansed; And that the ditches between Wayfield crosse and Bolney Common and on either side of Bobbers Lane for ten perches also those between Covemill bridge and the lane leading from Staplefield Common to Bolney ought to be cleansed by the occupiers of lands on either side of the King's highway; and that Walter Lucas ought to repair fludgate bridge near Holmsted hammer; And those liable ought to repair Stayrebridge; And that Thomas Streater is to conduct the water from the King's highway into his "marlepitt" within the western side of his hedge; And that William Homer Thomas Homer and John Homer have dug a "marlepitt" in the King's highway to the danger of his liege subjects; And that Stephen Boorde knt: has placed logs in the town of Cuckfield to the common nuisance; And that Abraham Harland as to three parts and John Bartley as to one part ought to repair Cevemill bridge now in decay lying between Cuckfield Slaugham and Bolney; And that one horse of a bay colour with a star on its forehead has remained within this View since the Feast of St. James in the custody of Thomas Beach of Keymer as a stray; And that one young mare has remained as a stray within this View since Michaelmas last in the custody of Edward Suredge of Crawley; and that John Galfer is to cleanse his ditches by the footpath leading from Handerosse to the Church of Slaugham; And that 8 rods are "to be scoured" on Housegreene; And that Thomas Goffe has encroached by half a rood of land upon the King's highway in Windham.

BUTTINGHILL. View of Frank pledge holden there 30 Sept^r 1617.

The Alderman Constables and headboroughs the same as at the last View except that John A Wood is named as the headborough for

Burlye Arches. After the names of the jurors and the presentments of the headboroughs and those of the jurors as to works not executed they further presented as follows;—

That Richard Butcher son of Thomas Butcher has newly erected a cottage in Hurst contrary to the form of the Statute; And that Roger Nutlye has received as a guest and in cohabitation a “consortem Anglice an Inmate” in Kymer contrary to the form of the Statute; And that the occupiers of lands in Hurst between the tenement of [blank] Brewer widow and land called Awborneland ought to cut their hedges and cleanse their ditches; And that the occupiers of lands are to cleanse their ditches and cut their hedges by the highway between Dunstall hill and Bolney Common; And that where Northwotleford bridge in Cuckfield is now in decay for want of reparation so that the subjects of the King cannot cross over or beyond the same without great peril to the common injury of all the lieges of the King those men whose names follow and others whose houses and lands are near are to repair the said bridge from time to time and at all times as often as necessary. The names of the said men are

1. Thomas Geere for Westupp.
2. John Burtenshaw for Misbrookes.
3. Richard Bartley for part of Haselinge.
4. [Blank] Nye widow for part of Haselinge.
5. Richard Bartley for Lowe fields.
6. Richard Blaker for Blakers.
7. Thomas Anstye al^e Field for Wylles.
8. Thomas West for Hodesherve.
9. Richard Ansty for part of Westland.
10. Richard Dumbrell for part of Westland.
11. The same Richard for Scannons.
12. Richard Myles for Furners crosse.
13. William Woldred for Woldredges.

And that those who ought to repair Hooker's bridge in Windham as ordered at the View holden 26 March 44 Eliz: (1602) namely the tenants of lands called Lamborne, Millande, Barnardes, Slypeland, Southgravelye, Northgravelye, the lands of John Wood at Collwoode and the lands of [blank] Parson at Windham and the messuage of Richard A Wood at Collwood streate are sufficiently to repair the said Bridge; and that George Alfrey is thoroughly to cleanse the drain under his tenement in Cuckfield; And that the occupiers of lands called Lyesland, Ridgesland, Harvest hill, Hookland and the two Moonehills are to repair the bridge near Michells; And that the parishioners of Worth are to repair “three bridges” lying between Worth and Crawley and to amend the adjacent highway containing 6 perches in length; And that [blank] Lindredge widow is to receive the water out of the King's highway into her lands between Crawley and Tilgate; And that Richard Harraden on the 22nd Aug^t last past at Balcombe rescued from John White as he was driving four oxen of the same Richard to the lord's pound in order to impound them and by main force took the said oxen from the same John, and drove them away.

BUTTINGHILL. View of frank pledge holden there 8 April 1618.

THOMAS WARDE	gent.	Alderman
THOMAS AVERY	constable of	southern part
THOMAS GEERE	„ „	northern part
ANDREW NICHOLAS	„ „	Crawley and Worth
JOSEPH COSTIDELL	„ „	Half Hundred of Windham
Henry Gatland	inspector of	leather
John Stamer	stamper of	leather
Thomas Kinge	headborough of	Worth
Thomas Haythorne	„ „	Crawley
Thomas Holcombe jun ^r	„ „	Kymer
James Cooper	„ „	Hurst
John Parker	„ „	Clayton
Walter Holcombe	„ „	Cuckfield
Thomas Wyn	„ „	Slaugham
Richard Lashmar	„ „	Windham
[„]	„ „	Burlye Arches

The roll for this View contains only the presentments of the various headboroughs which are followed by two blank pages.

BUTTINGHILL. View of frank pledge taken there 30 Sept^r 1618.

The names of the Alderman Constables Leather officials and headboroughs are the same as at the last view with the addition of [blank] Wetherby as headborough for Burlye Arches.

After the names of the jurors and the presentments of the headboroughs the jurors presented:—

That Walter Lucas had not repaired Fludgate bridge near Holmsted Hammer; And that Thomas Cottingham had not cut three perches of hedges between Wilderbyes Hill and Colewood; And that John Homewood had not cut his hedges nor cleansed his ditches between Colewood gate and Homewode's mill; And that John Butcher had not cut his hedges nor cleansed his ditches between Mill Lane and Ingleford Bridge; And that Thomas Parson had not removed his encroachment on the King's highway in the village of Cuckfield near his house; And that Nicholas Burt of Brantridge Richard Spurling Elizabeth Holman widow John Burt and Thomas Harman had not sufficiently amended Sayers Bridge in Cuckfilde; And that Nicholas Jenner had not cleansed his ditches next the highway at the "fayer place" in Kymer; And that Edward Michelborne arm: had not received the water from the highway leading from Hamonde's gate to the church of Clayton and led the water there into his meadow whither it ought to flow.

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BUTTINGHILL. View of frank pledge holden there 4 Oct^r 1618.

THOMAS WARDE	gent.	Alderman
THOMAS AVERYE	constable of	southern part
THOMAS ABBOTT	„ „	northern part
AMBROSE WICKHAM	„ „	Worth and Crawley
THOMAS GRAVELYE	„ „	Half hundred of Windham

George Ritch	headborough of	Worth
William Senocke	„	„
Nicholas Jenner	„	„
John Russell	„	„
John Warde	„	„
Robert Thornden	„	„
William Stifling	„	„
Walter Michell	„	„
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The xij to inquire for the King. Thomas Avery, Ambrose Wickham, Thomas Gravelye, Richard Beach, Robert Whitpayne sen^r Nicholas West, John Lintott, Andrew Alexander, Thomas Renfild, Richard Hall, John Standen, Walter Challoner gent, Thomas Luxford, James Mathewe, John Chatfild, Thomas Turner, Robert Whitpayne jun^r, Edward Brooker, John Brooker, John Smith, Henry West, Francis Alexander, Richard Luxford, Thomas A Gate Edward Gillam and Drew Luxford.

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BUTTINGHILL. View of Frank pledge holden there 10 Oct^r 1620.

THOMAS WARDE	gent.	Alderman
THOMAS TURNER	constable of	the southern part
WILLIAM GATFORD	„	„
ABRAHAM EDWARDS	„	„
HUMFREY WALES	„	„
Ambrose Wickham	headborough of	Worth
Thomas Jeale	„	„
Richard Boniface	„	„
William Burte	„	„
John Haselgrove	„	„
William Illman	„	„
Richard Nye	„	„
Barnard Burtenshaw	„	„
William Nicholas	„	„

The xij to inquire for the King;—Thomas Turner, Abraham Edwards, Humfrey Wales, Richard Beach sen^r, Thomas Hurst, Nicholas West, Thomas ffawkner, James Wickham, John Brooker, Richard Burtenshaw, Francis Scrase, Edward Gillam, Francis Alexander, John Warde, Drew Luxford, John Lashmer, Thomas Verrall, Anthony Alexander, Richard Costidell, Thomas A Gate, John Smith, John Chatfield, Edward Masters, Philip Morton, Thomas Avery and Thomas Herriott.

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BUTTINGHILL. View of Frank pledge holden there 17th Ap^l 1621

THOMAS WARDE	gent	Alderman
FRANCIS ALEXANDER	constable of	southern part
JOHN FAWKENOR jun ^r	„	„
GILES CUDDINGTON	„	„
RICHARD PARSON	„	„

Peter Burnell	headborough of	Worth
Richard Brasty	„	Crawley
William Ridge	„	Kymer
Robert Whitpaine jun ^r	„	Hurst
Thomas Brasier	„	Clayton
Henry Verrall	„	Cuckfield
James Edwardes	„	Slaugham
Edward Hills	„	Windham
John Nicholas	„	Burlye Arches
John Stone	stamper of leather	
John Page	inspector of leather	

The xij to inquire for the King ;—Francis Alexander, John Fawkenor, Giles Cuddington, Richard Parson, Nicholas West, Richard Feist, Thomas Avery, John Gatland, John Holford, John Standen, Edward Brooker, Thomas Rendfild, John Wickam sen^r, Hugh Ansty al^s Feild, Thomas Coulstocke, John Warde, William Illman, Thomas Abbott and Edward Virgo.

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