

X.—A TERRIER OF LANDS IN THE MANOR OF TINE-
MOUTH IN 1649; WITH NOTES BY HORATIO A. ADAMSON.

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SOMETIME ago, Mr. Robert Blair, one of your Hon. Secretaries, handed me a manuscript "Terraire or Accompt of Measure of certain Lands lying within the Territories of the Manor of Tinemouth and Preston, 1649." I looked over it, and found many of the names of places contained in it were unknown to me, but with others I was familiar.

The earliest plan of the Manor of Tynemouth of which I am aware is that made by Mr. Isaac Thompson in 1757, which is in Syon House. Of this plan I have a copy, but very few names of places are marked upon it. There are numbers and letters which, I thought, indicated that there must be an index to it. I placed myself in correspondence with Mr. Joseph Snowball, Commissioner to the Duke of Northumberland, and, through the courtesy of his Grace, his London solicitors furnished me with information in answer to questions I forwarded to them. With the information thus obtained there was still more that was wanting. I then referred to the grants from Queen Elizabeth, in 1587, to Edmund Downing and Miles Dodding, of the Rectory and Church of Tynemouth; and of the tithes from Preston, Tynemouth, and other townships, formerly belonging to the Monastery of Tynemouth. Also to the grant from King Charles I., in 1630, to William Collins and Edward Fenn, of the town of North Shields. But these documents gave little additional information, and the precise spots of some of the places mentioned in the Terrier are still unknown to me. I felt I would not be justified in longer delaying the notes which Mr. Blair asked me to write, and the Terrier now comes before the Society with such information as I have been able to obtain.

THE TERRAIRE OR ACCOMPT OF MEASURE OF CERTAIN LANDS
LYING WITHIN THE TERRITORIES OF THE MANNOR OF
TINEMOUTH AND PRESTON, 1649.

PART OF DEMESNES—				Acres	R.	P.
Imprimis in the Dagger Letch ¹	...	...	...	1	2	..
Itm. att Mardonside ²	...	...	...	1	..	..
Itm. in y ^e Pow dean ³	...	...	...	7	1	38
				9	3	38
LANDS BELONGING TO THE HOSPITAL OF ST ^r . LEONARDS— ⁴						
Impr. in Robert Ottways New Close 1 R*	...	...	...	..	..	24
Itm. on the Hundhill ⁵ 1 R	...	...	...	..	..	1 20
Itm. more there 2 Riggs	...	...	...	..	..	1 32
Itm. more there 1 R	...	...	...	..	..	1 15
Itm. on the south side of Millie House 3 R	...	...	...	..	..	3 2
Itm. at Chadletch 3 R	...	...	...	..	..	3 9
Itm. the West Feild of Preston 1 R	...	...	...	..	..	1 8

¹ Dagger Letch.—In former years at the foot of the Wooden Bridge, Clive Street, was a place called the Dogger Letch, where fishing vessels from the Dogger Bank lay.

² Mardonside.—Near Whitley.

³ Powdean.—The Pow Burn runs through the Spittle Dene, under the North-Eastern Railway, through the grounds of Mr. J. R. Procter at the Low Lights, and empties itself into the Tyne at the Fish Quay.

⁴ This Hospital was annexed to the Priory of Tynemouth, and is first mentioned in 1320. The site of the hospital is mentioned in Brand's *History of Newcastle*. He states the ruins were still to be traced a little to the west of Tinmouth, on the road to Newcastle. It may be well to explain that the old road to Newcastle went past Holy Saviour Church, across the Spittle Dene, and along Tynemouth Old Road (now called Preston Avenue) to Preston Road, thence southward to Christ Church, and from there westward through the village of Chirton. The present direct road to Tynemouth was not made until after the peace of 1815. Brand refers to Thompson's Map of the Manor in 1757, and states the place where the hospital stood is called "Spittle Yards," and contained 5 acres, 2 roods and 37 perches. The Spittle was one of the old burial places of the parish of Tynemouth. The first mention of it in the parish records is in 1645. The following is the entry:—"It is ordered that the burials shall be in the place appointed for burying, and if any other ground be broken at 'Spittle,' to pay to John Cramlington for every burial out of the ordinary place 6d." The first mention of a burial at the Spittal is in 1662, when, on the 19th April, is the following entry—"Ralph Pearson of North Shields buried Spittle." In 1662, out of thirty-one burials recorded on one page of the register, nineteen were at the Spittal. The last recorded burial was on the 6th January, 170 $\frac{1}{2}$, when Jane, daughter of Anthony Elsdon of Whitley, was buried. So completely was all trace of the old burial ground obliterated, that there were few of the old inhabitants who knew the exact spot, until, in January, 1885, in laying out the new park on land given by the Duke of Northumberland, the workmen came upon the site of the Hospital of St. Leonard, and in the course of their excavations, they came across two stone coffins and a number of skeletons. The site of the hospital and the two coffins are now carefully preserved.

⁵ Hundhill.—Now known as Hunt-hill, in Hawkey's Lane, to the southward of the Corporation Burial Ground.

* See note at p. 189.

	Acres	R.	P.
Itn. more there 1 R
Itn. another Syke ⁶
Itn. in the North Feild 1 R $\frac{1}{2}$ a Bank*
Itn. in the South Feild att Fennie Well 3 R
Itn. in the Spittle Flatt ⁷ 12 R and part of y ^e Headland*
Itn. on short Stony Lands 2 R
Itn. in the Brocks ⁸ a peice of a Tongue
Itn. more 3 R there
Itn. in the Sheell Bank ⁹ 4 R
Itn. more in Brocks 1 R
Itn. in Tinemouth South Feild Kirkway 1 R
Itn. att the Brocks Dike 4 R
Itn. in John Wolfs Park 2 R
	13	3	5

There is more in John Bowes Close 4 R
 Itm. 1 R in Crawlie Close
 Itm. 1 R in Chirton house close¹⁰
 Itm. in the Low Hope 1 R
 Itm. in Yarroes Hill 2 R
 Itm. in Chirton Sheell Bank 2 R

But not medled wth all in this Division.

LANDS BELONGING TO MY LORD HOWARD¹¹ CALLED BY
 THE NAME OF DAKERS LAND—

Impr. in the Milne Leazes 2 R	..	..	..
Itn. in Chedletch 1 R and a Headland	..	..	..
Itn. more southerly 2 R	..	..	..
Itn. more southerly 1 R	..	..	..
Itn. in Moor Spotts 2 R	..	..	..
Itn. more there 1 R	..	..	..
Itn. Colly Potts 2 Butts*	..	..	..

⁶ Syke.—It is not known where this Syke was. It means the upper feeder of a burn, or a small brook or rill in low ground.

⁷ Spittle Flatt.—Was probably part of Spittle Yards, where the Hospital of St. Leonard stood.

⁸ Brocks.—Christ Church, which was commenced in 1659 and consecrated in 1668, is built in the Brock Close. The land from Tynemouth Road to Preston Avenue (formerly Tynemouth Old Road, and latterly Cut-throat Lane), and thence to the east end of the Avenue, and northward of Linskill Terrace, is known as the Brock Closes.

⁹ Sheell Bank.—The high land overlooking the low town of North Shields was called Shields Bank Head.

¹⁰ Chirton House Close.—Chirton House is in the village of Chirton, and was devised to Lord Collingwood by his cousin.

¹¹ I am not aware how Lord Howard became possessed of these lands. They remained in the possession of his family until 1796, when they were sold to John Wright of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, gentleman, for £6,000. They comprised the land westward of Stephenson Street to Newcastle Street, and extended to Shields Bankhead and Henry Walker's land on the southward.

* See note at p. 189.

	Acres	R.	P.
Itm. more there 1 R
Itm. att the Long Dike 4 R
Itm. east from the Rake ¹² 3 R
Itm. in the middle Sheath 2 R
Itm. in broad Street 4 R
Itm. in the Hundhill 3 R
Itm. in the great Meadow Close 1 R
Itm. in Robert Ottways South Close 1 R
Itm. in Preston South Close 1 R
Itm. in Chirton Crawlie Close 1 R
Itm. in Yarrowes Hill near the Blew Pitt 1 R
Itm. in the Delves 1 R
Itm. more there 3 R
Itm. att the Brock close Style 4 R
Itm. more there 1 R
Itm. in the Sheell Bank a Headland Stent 1 R
Itm. more 3 R
Itm. more the Lantern 1 R
Itm. in Breadless Flatts 3 R
Itm. more there 6 R
Itm. more there 8 R
Itm. more there 10 R
Itm. more there 5 R and a peice
Itm. on the dean Bank 2 R
Itm. north from Breadless Flatt 8 R
Itm. on the east side of the Brock Dike 4 R
Itm. more there 1 R
Itm. on the Bank of Hospital ¹³ 4 R
Itm. in the Milne Close 1 R
Itm. on the Milne hill ¹⁴ 2 R
Itm. more there 2 R
Itm. more there 1 R
Itm. more there 2 R
Itm. more there 3 R
Itm. att Whitley Chare ¹⁵ 3 R
Itm. more there 2 R
Itm. more att Whittlay Chare 3 R
Itm. att Dunstone or the Park Side 2 R
Itm. more there 6 R
Itm. in the Crook 2 R
Itm. more there 2 R

¹² Rake.—At the north boundary of the Borough of Tynemouth is the Rake House Farm.

¹³ Bank of Hospital.—Part of the Hospital of St. Leonard.

¹⁴ On the main road to Tynemouth, where the Master Mariners' Asylum now stands, there stood a mill, and the lands around it were called the Mill Hill and Mill Field Demesnes.

¹⁵ Whitley Chare.—This field is to the south-eastward of the Monk House Farm, and adjoins the main road to Whitley.

	Acres	R.	P.
Itn. the Wayd Rigg there	1 28
Itn. att Kennersdeen ¹⁶ Yate 3 R	2 21
Itn. next the Dike there 2 R	1 ,,
Itn. on Kennersdeen Bank 3 R	3 28
Itn. in the Broad Sheath next y ^e middle way 1 R	1 24
Itn. more there 1 R	1 12
Itn. next the March dike 5 Butts	1 ,, 31
Itn. on the broad Sheath 1 R	1 28
Itn. next Whitley way Crook 1 B	,, 16
Itn. att the Crook 3 R	3 25
Itn. more there 2 R	2 12
Itn. att the Marsh Dike nook 3 R	1 24
Itn. more 1 R	1 12
Itn. beneath Stony Lands 1 R	1 10
Itn. more there 4 Riggs	1 3 24
Itn. att Mardonside 2 R	2 ,,
Itn. a Dale of Meadow	1 1 25
Total	48 2 29
ROBERT OTTWAYS ¹⁷ FREELAND IN TINEMOUTH—			
Imp ^{rs} . in Mardonside 2 R	2 16
Itn. more there 2 R	2 27
Itn. in short Stony Lands 1 R	1 36
Itn. more in the Hewes 1 R	,, 34
Itn. East the middle Way 1 R	2 7
Itn. more there one Butt	,, 33
Itn. in Kennersdeen 1 R	1 2
Itn. more there $\frac{1}{2}$ a Rigg	1 13
Itn. att Harestanns 2 R	1 15
Itn. next the Park dike 1 R	1 35
Itn. in the Brocks 1 R	2 1
Itn. in the Southfeild 1 R	,, 38
Itn. more there 2 R	1 8
Itn. in the Hospitall dean 1 R	2 16
Itn. in the Sheell Bank 1 R	,, 25
Itn. in the Milne Hill 1 R	,, 33
Itn. more half a Rigg	,, 30
			<u>6 1 9</u>

¹⁶ Kennersdeen is the name of the farm between Tynemouth and Cullercoats. The farm house is west of the Aquarium.

¹⁷ Robert Otway was one of the gentlemen of the Four-and-Twenty of the Parish of Tynemouth in 1645. In 1651, he was appointed with others to present a petition to the Commissioners for means for the minister. In 1653, he was a churchwarden, and in 1657 he was appointed treasurer for the building of Christ Church, in place of the ancient Parish Church of St. Mary forming part of the ruins of Tynemouth Priory. On the 3rd March, 1664, he was buried in the middle of the chancel at Tynemouth. Christ Church, the present mother church of the Parish of Tynemouth, was consecrated 5th July, 1668.

FREELAND—			Acres	R.	P.
Itn. Farm Lands in Tinemouth Feilds	...	...	6	2	7
Itn. Farm Lands in Preston	...	...	3	1	23
			16	0	39
ROBERT OTTWAYS ¹⁷ FREELAND IN PRESTON FEILD—					
Imp ^{rs} . in the West Feild 1 R	...	...	..	1	31
Itn. more there 1 R & 1 Butt	...	...	..	1	16
Itn. more there 4 R	...	...	1	1	7
Itn. more 4 R and 2 Banks	...	...	..	3	36
Itn. in Shedletch 1 R	...	...	..	1	10
Itn. more there 3 R	...	...	1	..	..
Itn. att moor Dike 1 R and a Bank	...	...	..	2	10
Itn. more there 2 R	...	...	..	2	33
Itn. more att the Long dike 1 R	...	...	..	1	20
Itn. more there 1 R	...	...	..	2	6
Itn. one short Headland	...	...	..	..	11
Itn. more 1 R	...	...	..	2	4
Itn. more 1 R	...	...	..	2	..
Itn. more there 1 R	...	...	..	1	32
Itn. more there 1 R	...	...	..	1	24
Itn. att Dikan Dubb ¹⁸ 6 R	...	...	2	1	28
Itn. more 3 R	...	...	1	..	..
Itn. more 1 R	...	...	..	1	5
Itn. next the Rake 3 R	...	...	1	..	32
Itn. more there 1 R	...	...	..	2	9
Itn. more there 1 R	...	...	..	1	14
Itn. more there 1 R	...	...	..	..	14
Itn. more there 2 R	...	...	..	1	..
Itn. more there 4 R	...	...	..	3	..
Itn. more there 1 R end	...	...	..	..	11
Itn. att Morton way 1 Headland	...	...	..	..	29
Itn. the watery Reens 3 R	...	...	1	1	20
Itn. in the Burnetts 3 R	...	...	..	3	33
Itn. in the Watery Reens ¹⁹ a Headland	...	...	..	..	17
Freelands			15	..	16
ROB ^t . SPEARMAN'S ²⁰ FREELAND IN TINEMOUTH—					
Imp ^{rs} . att Mardonside 1 R	...	...	..	1	36

¹⁷ See note on previous page.

¹⁸ Dikan Dubb.—I have not been able to trace the position of this place. Dubb is a piece of deep and smooth water in a rapid river.

¹⁹ Watery Reens.—I have been unable to trace this place.

²⁰ He belonged to the family of Spearman of Preston. In 1638, he is mentioned in the list of freeholders. In 1647, he was churchwarden of the Parish of Tynemouth. In 1651, he was appointed, along with others, to present a petition to the Commissioners for means for the minister. On the 25th January, 1653, he was buried. His son, John Spearman, who was Under-Sheriff of the County of Durham, and who died about 1703, bequeathed a silver flagon, weighing 36 oz. 12 dwt., to the Parish Church of Tinmouth, in which parish he was born. The flagon is still in use in the Parish Church.

	Acres	R.	P.
Itn. more there 4 R	1	"	17
Itn. more there 1 R	"	"	1 32
Itn. att short Stony Lands 1 R	"	"	2 24
Itn. more there 1 R	"	"	2 37
Itn. att the Hewes 2 R	"	"	1 24
Itn. East the middle way 1 R	"	"	1 16
Itn. in Long stony Lands 1 R	"	"	2 8
Itn. in the South Feild 1 R	"	"	21
Itn. more there 1 R	"	"	20
Itn. more there 1 R	"	"	23
Itn. more there 2 R	"	"	32
Itn. on the Sheellbanks 1 R	"	"	1 22
Itn. more there 1 R	"	"	1 9
Itn. more there 1 R	"	"	25
Itn. more there $\frac{1}{2}$ a Rigg	"	"	30
Itn. 1 R more	"	"	1 4
Freeland	6	2	20

ROBERT SPEARMAN'S²⁰ FREELAND IN PRESTON—

Itn. in the west Feild 1 R	"	"	1 30
Itn. in the miller Leazes 1 R	"	"	1 37
Itn. in Chedletch ²¹ 2 Riggs	"	"	2 16
Itn. more there 2 R	"	"	2 "
Itn. att the long Dike 1 R	"	"	2 8
Itn. more there 1 R	"	"	1 28
Itn. more 1 R	"	"	2 "
Itn. more 1 R	"	"	1 23
Itn. more 1 R	"	"	1 32
Itn. att Dikan Dubbs 3 R	"	"	2 9 $\frac{1}{2}$
Itn. next the Rake 1 R	"	"	2 15
Itn. more there 3 R	"	"	3 38
Itn. more there 1 R	"	"	2 26
Itn. more there 1 R	"	"	1 6
Itn. more there 2 R	"	"	" 30
Itn. att Morton Way 1 R	"	"	" 36
Itn. more there 1 R	"	"	" 31 $\frac{1}{2}$
Itn. more 1 R	"	"	" 23
Itn. in the Bunnetts 1 R	"	"	" 1 33
Itn. in the Wett Reens 2 Butts	"	"	" 1 20
Itn. in the Garland meadow 1 R and a meadow Spott	"	"	" 1 35
Itn. 4 severall R in the Hundhill	1	1	4
Freeland	10	3	1

²⁰ See note on previous page.²¹ The words Chedletch, Chadletch, and Shedletch, occur in the Terrier, but I cannot fix their position. Letch means a long narrow swamp, in which water moves slowly.

GEORGE GREY HIS FREELAND IN TINEMOUTH NOW

SOLD TO MR. JOHN CARRUTH—

	Acres	R.	P.
Imp ^{rs} . a Meadow spott att Mardonside ...	1	2	8
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	1	29
Itn. att the Marsh Dike 1 R ...	"	"	30
Itn. att the Hewes 1 R ...	"	1	20
Itn. East the Middle Way 1 R ...	"	1	2
Itn. more 1 R there ...	"	1	8
Itn. in Kennersdeen 1 R ...	"	1	24
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	1	15
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	"	35
Itn. at the Harestones 2 R ...	"	1	30
Itn. more there 2 R ...	"	1	20
Itn. more 2 R ...	"	3	16
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	1	5
Itn. more there 2 Butts ...	"	1	16
Itn. Long Stony Land 1 R ...	"	1	30
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	2	24
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	2	12
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	1	34
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	1	36
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	1	32
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	2	"
Itn. att Tinemouth cross ²² 3 R ...	1	"	18
Itn. East of the Cross 1 R ...	"	2	10
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	2	2
Itn. in the Southfield att the Park Dike 1 R ...	"	"	23
Itn. on the Milne Hill 1 R ...	"	"	31
Itn. more a Headland and a $\frac{1}{2}$...	"	"	2 12
Itn. more 2 R ...	"	1	20
Itn. more 1 R ...	"	"	32
Itn. more 1 R ...	"	"	21
Itn. more 1 R ...	"	"	32
Itn. more 1 R ...	"	1	16
Itn. in the Hospitall dean 2 R ...	"	1	31
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	"	24
Itn. on the Sheill Bank 2 R ...	"	3	30
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	1	11
Itn. more there 2 R ...	"	2	13
Itn. more there 2 R ...	"	3	3
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	1	6
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	1	2
Itn. more there 1 R ...	"	1	20
Itn. in John Wolfs Park 3 R ...	"	1	1

²² Tinemouth Cross.—This field indicates the spot where the Monk's Stone now stands. In Grose's *Military Antiquities* is an account of this stone.

	Acres	R.	P.
Itn. near the Lanthorn ²³ 1 R	...	...	...
Itn. more there 1 R	...	...	...
Itn. more there 1 R	...	...	...
Itn. West of the Toolebank 1 R	...	...	...
Itn. more there 1 R	...	...	...
Itn. more there 1 R	...	...	...
Itn. more there 1 R	...	...	...
Itn. more 1 R	...	...	...
Freeland	20	2	36
More of Mark Lands	7	2	32
Total	28	1	28

CAPT. WM. COLLINGSON'S²⁴ FREELAND WHICH HE BOUGHT
OF MR. THOMAS DAVISON—

	A	R.	P.
Itn. upon Yarrows hill 1 R
Itn. at the Fennywell 1 R
Itn. near the Hospital dean 1 Headland
Itn. more there 1 R
Itn. in the south feild 1 R
Itn. more there 1 R
Itn. more 1 R
Itn. more 1 R
Itn. more 1 R
Itn. more 1 R
Itn. more there 1 R
Itn. att Tinemouth Cross 1 R
Itn. more there 2 R
Itn. more there 2 R
Itn. att Long Stony Lands 1 R
Itn. att Harestones 2 Butts
Itn. more there 1 R
Itn. East the middle way 1 R
Itn. att the Hewes 2 R
Itn. att Mardon side a Headland
Itn. more att Tinmouth Cross 1 R
Freeland	8	2	27
More a mark Land...	7	2	32
Total	16	1	19

²³ Lanthorn.—This must have reference to the lighthouse which stood upon Shields Bank Head.

²⁴ He was stationed at Tynemouth Castle. In 1658, he engaged to give £10 towards the building of Christ Church. In 1672, he was appointed, with others, to collect the contributions towards the maintenance of Thomas Dockwray, D.D., Vicar of Tynemouth. In 1674, he was one of the gentlemen of the Four-and-Twenty. On the 18th April, 1678, he was buried in the chancel at Tynemouth.

ROBERT DOVES ²⁵ FREELAND IN TYNEMOUTH—		Acres	R.	P.
Imp ^{ts} . att the Marsh Dike	1 Headland	...	...	1 28
Itm. more	3 R there	...	...	3 23
Itm. att short	Stony Lands	...	...	1 37
Itm. more there	1 R	...	...	1 37
Itm. more there	1 R	...	...	1 23
Itm. more there	3 R	...	...	3 23
Itm. att the	Hewes	...	...	2 1
Itm. more there	3 R	...	...	3 32
Itm. East the middle way	2 R	...	...	3 28
Itm. more there	2 R	...	...	2 36
Itm. in Kennerseeden	1 R	...	...	1 7
Itm. more there	1 R	...	...	27
Itm. att the	Harestones	2 R	...	1 16
Itm. in the	Crooks	6 R	...	1 3 16
Itm. more	2 Butts	...	...	1 1
Itm. in Long Stony Lands	1 R	...	...	2 28
Itm. in the	Park Flatt	2 R	...	3 16
Itm. more	2 R	...	...	3 26
Itm. more	2 R	...	...	3 37
Itm. more	2 R	...	...	3 37
Itm. East from the	Cross	1 R	...	1 32
Itm. more there	2 R	...	...	1 32
Itm. near Charter Dike ²⁶	3 R	...	...	1 1 8
Itm. on the	Milne Hill	one R	...	1 6
Itm. more there	2 R	...	...	2 24
Itm. in the	Brocks	2 R	...	1 1 ,,
Itm. more	1 R	...	...	1 32
Itm. in the south feild	1 R	...	...	33
Itm. more there	1 R	...	...	33
Itm. more there	1 R	...	...	36
Itm. more there	1 R	...	...	1 4
Itm. more	1 R there	...	...	1 11
Itm. more there	1 R	...	...	1 4
Itm. more there	1 R	...	...	1 ,,
Itm. more there	1 R	...	...	1 17
Itm. next the	Hospital dike	1 Headland	...	14
Itm. more there	1 R	...	...	1 4
Itm. more there	1 Headland	...	...	20
Itm. more there	1 R	...	...	1 23
Itm. next the	Lanthorn	4 R	...	3 13
Itm. more there	5 R	...	...	3 15
Itm. more there	2 R	...	...	1 17

²⁵ In 1674, he was one of the gentlemen of the Four-and-Twenty. In 1677, he left Tynemouth where he resided, and went to live at Cullercoats, where he erected a dwelling house which still stands, and is known as Sparrow Hall. A description of this house appeared in the *Newcastle Weekly Chronicle* of 13th October, 1883. He died 13th March, 1693.

²⁶ Charter Dyke.—In Thompson's plan of the Manor of Tynemouth is a place marked "Chater Close," which is near to the river.

	Acres	R.	P.
Itn. next the Toolebank 1 R
Itn. more there 2 R
Itn. near the Dagger Letch 2 R
Itn. on the Sheell bank 4 R
Itn. on the dean Bank 1 Butt meadow
Itn. on the Castleway 1 R
Itn. more there 1 R
More of Threep Land between him and Mr. Millburn			
Itn. in the Hospitall dean...
Itn. more of that 1 R
Itn. more of that 2 R
Itn. more of that 2 R
Itn. more of that 2 R
Freeland in all
JOHN MORTON²⁷ OF TINEMOUTH HIS FREELAND IN THOSE FEILDS—			
Imp ^{rs} . att Mardon side 2 R
Itn. East the middle way 2 R
Itn. Collie Potts 3 R
Itn. in the South Feild more
Total
JOHN MORTON²⁷ OF WILLINGTON HIS FREELAND IN TINEMOUTH—			
Imp ^{rs} . in Kennersdeen 1 R
Itn. more in the Delves 2 R
Freeland
GERRARD ROBINSON'S²⁸ AND JOHN BOWES FREELAND IN TINEMOUTH—			
Imp ^{rs} . att Fennywell 2 R
Itn. near the Toolebanks 2 R
Itn. more there 1 R
Itn. near the Lanthorn 1 R
Itn. more there 2 Riggs
Itn. on the Sheellbank 3 R
Itn. more there 2 R
Itn. in the Spittle dean 2 R
Itn. more there 2 R
Itn. on the Milne hill one Headland
Itn. more there 1 R
Itn. more there 1 R
Itn. more there 2 R

²⁷ He was one of the gentlemen of the Four-and-Twenty in 1645, and a churchwarden in 1647.

²⁸ His signature appears to the minutes of a meeting of the parishioners held in 1651.

	Acres	R.	P.
Itn. more there 2 R	...	1	24
Itn. more called the Cow and Calf	...	2	25
Itn. in the North feild East from the Cross 2 R	1	23	
Itn. in Long Stony Land 3 R	1	1	24
Itn. more there 2 R	...	3	38
Itn. att Harestones 2 R	...	1	29
Itn. in Kennersdean 1 R	...	1	32
Itn. more there 1 R	...	1	29
Itn. more there 1 R	...	1	11
Itn. att the Hewes 1 R	...	1	33
Itn. att Mardonside 1 R	...	2	
Itn. att Mardon pitts 1 Headland	...		8
Itn. more there 2 Butts	...		25
Itn. more there 1 R	...	1	5
Itn. near Charter Dike 1 R	...		15
Itn. near the Marsh Dike ²⁹ 1 R	...	1	9
Itn. in Kennersdeen 4 R	...	2	
Itn. att Marsh dike 1 R more	...	1	8
Itn. in the Brocks 2 R	...	1	21
Itn. in the Delves 2 R	...	3	20
Itn. more there 2 R	...	3	15
Itn. in the Sheellbank 1 R	...	1	
Itn. on the South of the Brock dike 2 R	...	1	24
Itn. East from that, more 3 R	...	3	32
Itn. on the Castle way 1 Headland	...	1	19
Itn. more there 1 R	...	1	34
Itn. near the Lantorn 1 R	...	1	34
Itn. West of the Lands called the Salt Grass 1 R	...	1	1
Itn. more there 2 R	...	1	12
Itn. more there next the Hollow 1 R	...	1	8
Itn. more behind the Hospitall 2 R	...	12	13
Itn. on the Milne hill Steadland and 1 B	...		39
Itn. on the Bank edge 1 R	...		24
Itn. more there 1 R	...		31
Itn. more there 2 R	...	2	28
Itn. more there 3 R	...	2	10
Itn. on the Millne hill 1 R	...	1	8
Itn. at Whittley Chair in the North Feild 2 R	...	1	24
Itn. below the Cross 3 R	...	3	17
Itn. there 2 R	...	2	32
Itn. on the South W. Side of the Cross 3 R	...	3	26
Itn. more there 1 Rigg	...	1	23
Itn. att the Marsh dike 3 R	...	3	7
Itn. more there 2 R	...	2	30
Itn. East the middleway 2 R	...	2	22
Itn. att the Marsh Dike 1 R	...	1	21
Itn. att the Marsh Dike O R	...		

²⁹ To the northward of the Monk House Farm is a close called the West Marsh. Probably the Marsh Dike is part of it.

	Acres	R.	P.
Itn. east of Whitley Way 2 R	2	5	
Itn. more there 1 R	2	10	
Itn. in Kennersdean 2 R	2		
Itn. more there 4 R	2		
Itn. near Whitley Chare 1 R	22		
Itn. in the Low end of the Brocks 2 R	1	21	
Itn. in Kennersdean 2 R	2	2	
Freeland	33	1	13
MR. RALPH GREY³⁰ HIS FREELAND IN PRESTON—			
Imp ^{rs} . next the Rake 1 R	1		
Itn. more there 1 R	39		
Itn. at Dykan Dubbs 1 R	1	10	
Itn. more att the Rake 1 R	1		
Itn. more there 1 R	1	36	
Itn. one other of the north side of the Lee Rigg	1	16	
Itn. in the Wett Reens 2 R	3	8	
Itn. in the Burnetts 3 R and p ^t of a Headland...	3	28	
Freeland	3	2	7
MR. GEORGE MILLBURNS³¹ FREEHOLD IN PRESTON—			
Imp ^{rs} . in the Miller Leazes ³² 2 R	2	16	
Itn. in the West Feild 3 Butts	2	7	
Itn. in Chedletch 6 R	2		
Itn. att the Moor Dike 1 R	1	38	
Itn. more a R and a Bank	2	16	
Itn. in the North Feild next the Rake 6 R	1	3	23
Itn. in the new Close 3 R	3	4	
Itn. bought of Thomas Hall 2 R near y ^e Rake	2	14	
Itn. bought more 1 R	1	8	
Itn. att Dikan Dubbs 4 R	1	1	16
Itn. one Lee Rigg more near the Rake	1	16	
Itn. more there 1 R	1	10	
Freeland	9	3	9

³⁰ Ralph Grey of Preston is mentioned in the list of freeholders in 1638. The family possessed land in Preston until about the year 1820, when it was sold to Mr. John Fenwick, who built Preston Villa, in which his son Mr. John Fenwick now resides.

³¹ The first mention of him is in 1632, when a house, and some ground adjoining, at the east end of Pow Panns near the village of North Shields, were sold to him. He is described in the deed as of the Town of Newcastle-upon-Tyne, gentleman. He afterwards resided at Chirton, and died there in March, 1650. By his will he left 10s. a year to the poor of the Parish of Tynemouth, which is paid at the present time by Edward John Collingwood, Esq., of Lilburn Tower. George Milburne had a son, Ralph Milburne, who had an only child, Winifrid, who was married on 4th July, 1698, to John Roddam of Little Houghton, Esquire. By her he had three daughters, Winifrid, who died young; Mary, who married Edward Collingwood of Byker, Esquire; and Winifrid, who married Hilton Lawson, Esquire, on the 14th February, 1735.

³² Miller Leazes.—This piece of ground was near to the village of Preston. A close of land belonging to the Rudyerd family was called High Miller Leazes.

THE COLLECTION OF PERTICULAR FREELANDS—		Acres	R.	P.
Itn. Demesne Lands falling w th in this Division ...		9	3	38
Itn. Lands belonging to the Hospitall of St. Leonard ...		13	3	5
Itn. my Lord Howards called Dakers Lands ...		48	2	29
Itn. Rob ^t . Ottways in Tinemouth ...		6	2	9
Itn. more in Preston ...		15		16
Itn. Rob ^t . Spearmans in Tinemouth ...		6	2	10
Itn. more in Preston ...		10		3
Itn. Mr. John Carruth ...		20	2	36
Itn. Mr. Will ^m . Collingson ...		8	2	27
Itn. Rob ^t . Doves ...		28	2	11
Itn. John Morton of Tinemouth ...		4	3	30
Itn. John Morton of Willington ...		1		32
Itn. Gerrard Robinson and John Bowes Land ...		33	1	13
Itn. Mr. Ralph Greys in Preston ...		3	2	17
Itn. Mr. George Millburn in Preston ...		9	3	9
Total ...		222	1	3

MARKE LANDS, OR FARM LANDS—

Robert Ottway in Tinemouth Feilds ...	6	2	7
More in Preston ...	3	1	23
Mr. John Carruth in Tynmouth ...	7	2	32
Mr. Will ^m . Collingson in Tynemouth ...	7	2	32
In ^o Morton of 'Tynemouth 1 Mark Land ...	7	2	32
Richard Pryor ³³ Farm Lands ...	3	3	38
John Sutton ³³ Farm Lands ...		2	24
Robert Rotherford ³⁴ ...			28
Lievtenn ^t . Doves ³⁵ Farm Lands ...	12		
	49	3	16

MEMORAND—That there were certain R or Lands lying mixt in Tynemouth Feilds and did belong to Preston, and the like of Tinemouth lying in Preston Feilds whose severall Quantities being taken and compared Preston gives to Tynemouth 10 acres & 4 pches and it is cutt of and laid to the West Marsh att y^e West side of itt ... 10 0 4

AND certain Lands belonging to Iohn Morton and Iohn Bowes did lye in Monkseaton Feilds but is now taken into the West Marsh allso ... 4 0 24

AND so much is taken of the East end of the West Marsh to make them more apt for dividing and that the Demesne Lands might lye together ... 14 0 28

³³ I find no trace of these names in the Registers or Records.

³⁴ He was one of the gentlemen of the Four-and-Twenty in 1674, and until 1685 attended the parish meetings.

³⁵ Lieut. Dove was probably one of the Dove family of Cullercoats, but as his Christian name is not given in the Terrier, I have not been able to identify him.

OF THE PARTICON OF TINEMOUTH—

Acres R. P.

The Quantity of the South Feild of Tynemouth ... 188 1 09

Whereof sett of to my Lord Howard att the West side in Delves and so Eastward for his Freeland both in Tynmouth and Preston w th a high way through the same	50	0	00
Itn. to Mr. Will ^m Collinson for his Freehold land and Farm Lands	16	1	19
Itn. to Mr. George Grey for his Freehold and Farm Lands Eastwards from the first now John Carruths	28	1	28
Itn. next him again Eastwards Rob ^t Dove for his Freehold and an acre for a convenient watering Place	29	2	11
Itn. on the North Side of that for Gerr ^d Robinson John Bowes Freehold	33	1	13
Itn. reserved in my Lords Hands to remove the upper Light house when occasion requires ...	0	2	0
Itn. the Salt Grass which is claimed by Mr. George Milburn	2	0	0
Itn. in the high Way along the Brock close to Tynmouth	3	0	32
Itn. Iohn Morton's Freeland in the East-most pt.	4	3	30
Itn. his Farm or Mark Land	7	2	32
Itn. Mr. Iohn Morton of Willington his Freeland	1	0	32
Itn. for the high Way from Sheilds to Tynmouth	2	1	20
Itn. in the Remaind ^r is part of Iohn Mortons whole ffarm	8	2	32
Total	188	1	09

Acres R. P.

THE BROCKS CONTAINS 30 2 20

Whereof sett of in the East part the Hospitall Lands which were in Preston and Tynemouth	13	3	5
West of that part of Robert Spearmans farm ...	9	2	10
Itn. more his freeland	6	2	10
Itn. allowed towards a high Way	1	„	„
Total	30	2	20

	Acres	R.	P.
In the North Feild on the upper Side of Monkseaton way	51	1	32
Whereof to Rob ^t Ottway for Freeland	6	2	9
And more in the Holes & Huksters flatt ³⁶ farm ...	9	3	30
Rob ^t Spearman hath there to compleat his Farm	30	3	35
Richard Pryor hath there for Farmlands	3	3	38
Total	51	1	32

In the North feild more East from that and more Northerly	206	1	30
Imp ^{ra} att the Southwest Nuke of the East Marsh the Demesnes of Dagger Letch and of Mardon- side now joyning to that demesne	2	2	21
Itn. more Demesne Lands in Liew of the Pow Dean sett of att Whitley chare next to the West Demesne	7	1	38
Itn. One ffarm in the tenure of Gillbert Ottway beginning att Mardonside on the North side of that Feild above Whitley way	40	1	1
Itn. one other whole Farm in the Tenure of Katherine Ogle adjoining next on the South side of the other	40	1	1
Itn. on the South side of it to compleat Iohn Morton's Farm	31	2	9
Sett of on the East of Whittley way and next to the East Marsh and on the side of that Demesne for Farm Lands called Lievtenmt. Doves Tenement	12	,,	,,
Itn. more Southerly for 1 Farm $\frac{3}{4}$ of another Farm in the Tenure of Iohn Bowe	70	1	28
Itn. there adjoining for Rob ^t Rotherford Farm Lands	,,	,,	28
Itn. there allso adjoining Farm Lands for Iohn Sutton	,,	2	24
Total of this Feild...	206	1	30

OF THE PARTICON OR DIVISION OF PRESTON TOWN
FEILDS so much as was now prsented to be divided—

The severall Contents of every perticular Feild—	A.	R.	P.
In the North Feild is	183	2	,,
In the West Feild is	137	1	,,
In the miller Leazes	16	1	31
Total	337	,,	31

³⁶ The Holes and Huckster's Flatt lie to the northward of Preston, and adjoin the West Marsh.

	Acres	R.	P.
Sett of to Tynemouth on the South west corner of the west marsh	10	,,	4
Sett of to Munkseaton for certain Lands w ^{ch} lay intermixt w th theirs of Preston on the North-side of the Northfeild	8	3	5
Itm. abated out of the Totall for all high ways ...	8	3	,,
Itm. to Robert Spearman for his Freeland sett of on the south side of the Miller Leazes	10	3	1
Itm. to Mr. George Millburn for his Freeland sett of next on the north side of the other fall ...	9	3	9
Itm. to Mr. George Grey for his Freeland sett of on the north side of his own Close as you ride to Tynemouth	2	3	17
Itm. to Robert Ottway for his Freeland sett of along the south side of northernmost farm ...	15	,,	16
Itm. more there his farm Lands in Preston ...	3	1	23
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To Robert Ottway	18	1	29

The Reason why Mr. Grey wants of his measure above, is that he hath 2 R in the Hundhill which was part of his former expressed quantity the 3 R are 3 Roods w^{ch} was 3 a. 2 r. 17 p.

NUMBER OF FARMS IN PRESTON are Five each Farm in quantity being 53 acres but by reason of their severall qualities and conveniences it is both by consent and lott thus divided—

	A.	R.	P.
Michaell Spearman by Lott did fall y ^e Marsh farm } Therefore by consent he hath from the South- most Farms	53	,,	,,
And more the $\frac{1}{3}$ of 6 a. 1 r. 22 p. which is taken of 4 farms	2	,,	,,
	1	1	4
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These Farms	56	1	4
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Mr. Ralph Grey Northmost by Lott next the Rake	53	,,	,,
Itm. the 2 Southmost Farms allowance	2	,,	,,
Itm. $\frac{1}{3}$ part as above, his Hundhill Riggs being deducted	0	2	5
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	55	2	5
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	A.	R.	P.
And a House and Garth in Preston lately belonging to Lo. Dakers but now exchanged			
See by Lott and these abatements Robert Ottways			
E. & West Farms are 50 a. a peice	100. ,, ,,
And his middle Farms	53 ,, 32
			153 ,, 32

NOTE.—That all the high ways within the Division of Tynemouth are his Lordships they were deducted out of his Farm Lands.

NOTE.—That where the now [? new] upper Lanthorne or Light house stands, there is reserved out of thatt fall for removeing the same upon occasion for his Lord^{pp} half an Acre.

NOTE.—That in the Pow Dean formerly Demesne Lands (besides the Way) there is Reserved one acre of Land for a comon watering place, the Land is his Lord^{pps} and they have (both Freeholders and Tennants) Liberty there to water.

NOTE.

The following extracts from *The English Village Community* (pp. 2-8), by F. Seebohm (Longmans & Co., 1884), throw considerable light on the foregoing Terrier :—

A great part of the Township (speaking of Hitchin, in Hertfordshire) was divided up into little narrow strips. These strips, common to open fields all over England, were separated from each other not by hedges, but by green balks of unploughed turf, and are of great historical interest. They vary, more or less, in size in the same fields. . . . There are 'long' strips and 'short' strips. Taking them generally, the normal strip is roughly identical with the statute acre. . . . The strips are roughly cut 'acres,' of the proper shape for ploughing. For 'the furlong is the 'furrow-long,' i.e., the length of the drive of the plough before it is turned; and that this by long custom was fixed at 40 rods, is shown by the use of the Latin word 'quarentena' for furlong. The word 'rood' naturally corresponds with as many furrows in the ploughing as are contained in the breadth of one rod. And four of these roods lying side by side made the acre strip in the open fields, and still make up the statute acre. This form of the acre is very ancient. Six hundred years ago, in the earliest English law fixing the size of the statute acre (33 Ed. I.), it is declared that '40 perches in length and 4 in breadth make an acre.'

In many places the open fields were formerly divided into half-acre strips, which were called 'half-acres.' That is to say, a turf balk separated every two rods or roods in the ploughing, the length of the furrow being the same. The strips are generally known by country folk as 'balks.' In Scotland and Ireland [and N. England] as 'rigs.'

The strips lie side by side in groups called 'shots,' or 'furlongs.' Through-out their whole length the furrows in the ploughing run parallel from end to end, the balks which divide them into strips being simply two or three furrows left unploughed between them. The shots or furlongs are divided from one another by broader balks, generally overgrown with bushes. This grouping of

the strips in furlongs or shots is a further invariable feature of the English open field system. And it involves another little feature which is also universally met with, viz., the *headland*. Mostly a common field-way gives access to the strips [rigs], *i.e.*, it runs along the side of the furlong and the ends of the strips [rigs]. But this is not always the case; and when it is not, then there is a strip running along the length of the furlong inside its boundaries and across the ends of the strips [rigs] composing it. This is the *headland*. Sometimes when the strips of the one furlong run at right angles to the strips of its neighbour, the first strip in the one furlong does duty as the headland, giving access to the strips in the other. In either case all the owners of the strips [rigs] in a furlong have the right to turn their plough upon the headland, and thus the owner of the headland must wait until all the other strips are ploughed before he can plough his own. The Scotch term for this is 'head-rig.'

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When the strips abruptly meet others, or abut upon a boundary at right angles, they are sometimes called *butts*.

Corners of the field which, from their shape, could not be cut up into the usual acre or half-acre strips, were sometimes divided in tapering strips pointed at one end, and called 'gores,' or 'gored acres.' Little odds and ends of unused land remained, which, from time immemorial, were called 'no man's land,' or 'any one's land,' or 'Jack's land.'

The most remarkable and important feature of the open-field system wherever it is found is the fact that neither the strips [rigs] nor the furlongs represented a complete holding or property, but that the several holdings were made up of a multitude of strips [rigs] scattered about on all sides of the township (as at Tynemouth), one in this furlong and another in that, intermixed, and it might almost be said entangled together, as though some one blindfold had thrown them about on all sides of him. . . . The next fact to be noted is that under the English system the open fields were the common fields—the arable land—of a village community or township under a manorial lordship.