

After a private Act of Parliament, passed in 1782, which enabled the Portland Trustees to sell for payment of debts, legacies and incumbrances, they sold some of the Jesmond land. The residue, then principally held in detached common-field strips, was consolidated by exchanges made in 1800 with the other large owners, John Blenkinsop Coulson and Robert Warwick, and the Portland surface lands thus consolidated remained in that ducal family until the year 1895, when the present duke sold them to Mr. Thomas Hills Forsyth. Although the Duke of Portland no longer holds surface lands in Jesmond under the Jane Emeldon manorial title, he still shares with Mr. Burdon Sanderson the minerals under the greater portion of the township and derives his title to them from that line of descent.

EPITOME OF THE MANOR TITLE.

With the foregoing deduction of the title of the Jane Emeldon third down to the seisin of the present Duke of Portland, ends the long history of Jesmond manor, with its triple lines of descent from 1333.

For clearness the title is epitomized in the following table. In it the names of the families who have held the manor, or a share of it, are connected by a *single line* for succession by marriage, descent or settlement, by a *double line* for succession by sale and purchase, and by a *dotted line* for succession in a manner which has not yet been cleared up. (*See overleaf.*)

TABLE OF SUCCESSION TO JESMOND MANOR.

