## IV.—SHAWDON COURT ROLLS.

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[Read 24th November, 1920.]

The township of Shawdon, in the parish and beautiful vale of Whittingham, is irregular in shape with a bounder that can only be imperfectly described as bounded by Glanton and Whittingham on the west and south-west, by Whittingham and Bolton on the south and south-east, by Titlington on the east and northeast, and by Beanley and Crawley on the north. It has an area of 1232 acres with a highest elevation of 600 feet over sea level near Shepherds Law. It is well wooded and in 1911 it had a population of 95.1

Above Shawdon-hill homestead and close to the east side of the public road there are 'faint traces of a circular camp formed apparently of two concentric circles at about 30 feet asunder. The width of the interior circle is about 130 yards.' In the month of January, 1761, a cist and two prehistoric urns were found by workmen digging in a plantation. Other urns are stated to have been found from time to time.<sup>4</sup>

Under the form of Schauden the place occurs in *Testa de Nevill*, drawn up in the early part of the thirteenth century, when with the neighbouring townships of Titlington, Bolton and a moiety of Glanton, it was returned as a member of the barony

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> The Census returns.are: 1801, 91; 1811, 95; 1821, 77; 1831, 80; 1841, 94; 1851, 94; 1861, 96; 1871, 101; 1881, 102; 1891, 108; 1901, 103; 1911, 95.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> MacLauchlan, Memoir written during a Survey of the Eastern Branch of the Walling Street, p 22.

<sup>3</sup> Richardson, Borderer's Table Book, II, p. 93.

<sup>4</sup> Hist. of Berwicksh. Nat. Club, XI, pp. 312, 313.

of Ros, or Wark-on-Tweed.<sup>5</sup> In or before the reign of Edward III under the name of Schaweden or Chauden <sup>6</sup> it had come into the hands of the family of Lilburn of West Lilburn, important feudal tenants of the house of Ros and wearing the same arms differenced in tinctures.<sup>7</sup> At Shawdon they erected a fortalice which in 1415 was of sufficient importance to be described as a castrum belonging to Thomas Lilburn.<sup>8</sup> The history of the Lilburns must be reserved for an account of the place from which they took their name.

John Lilburn died 23 December, 1506, leaving two daughters and co-heiresses, viz.: Elizabeth wife of Thomas Armorer, aged 24, and Isabella wife of William Proctor, aged 22, who succeeded to his estates in Lilburn, Shawdon, and Belford.

William Proctor, husband of the younger daughter, was a son of Geoffrey Proctor of Nether Bordley in Craven. His marriage settlement is stated to have been made II December, 1500.9 Either he, or his son, made an exchange with the co-parcencers, receiving the Armorer's moiety of Shawdon and giving, as it would seem, their moiety of the Belford property. The Proctors rested at Shawdon until the beginning of the eighteenth century. A proved and well worked out pedigree of the family may be found in the second volume of the new *History of Northumberland*.

By an agreement dated 26 June, 1705, John Proctor gave Shawdon, Crawley and other property, to Alexander Brown of Doxford, receiving in exchange lands in Dunstan, Craster and Embleton with a sum of money to equalize the bargain.<sup>10</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Testa de Nevil, Hodgson Northumberland, part III, vol. i, p. 211.

<sup>6</sup> Inq. p.m., 29 Edward III, no. 40; ibid, p. 78. Inq. p.m., 45 Edward III, no. 39

<sup>7</sup> Sable three water bougets argent, Lilburn. The arms of Ros are or three water bougets sable; cf. Armorials of Northumberland &c., Arch. Ael., 3 ser., vi, 119, 126; 111, 266, 267,

<sup>8</sup> Bates's 'Border Holds,' (Arch. Ael., 2 ser., xiv), p. 15.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> New Hist. Northumberland, 11, p. 192. 10 Ibid., p. 191.

Alexander Brown died in the following year being succeeded by his elder brother William Brown, sometime of Ewart, afterwards of Bolton, who on the 13 October, 1708 held a court of the manor of Shawdon to which he caused to be summoned many tenants who rented lands or cottages from him in the townships of Bolton, Branton, Crawley, Doxford and Glanton, all of which places were within other manors and only associated with Shawdon in unity of ownership. Dying in 1712 he was succeeded by his eldest son Thomas Brown who held a manor-court on the 27th May, 1717; and voted for Shawdon at the election of Knights of the Shire in 1722. A worked out and proved pedigree of Brown of Bolton and Doxford may be found in the seventh volume of the new History of Northumberland.

At an unascertained date between 1722 and 1734—probably about 1723—Thomas Brown, or his representatives, conveyed to James Hargrave\* of Newcastle, attorney, who in the latter year voted at the election of Knights of the Shire. He served as high sheriff of Northumberland in 1738. The accompanying pedigree of Hargrave (see p. 65) is as full as the material will admit.

On the death of William Hargrave's widow in 1828, Shawdon passed to the representative of his aunt, Mary Hargrave, first wife of John Pawson of Newcastle, wine merchant, in whose descendants the property still uneasily rests.

As has been stated already, the three court rolls of the manor of Shawdon dated respectively 13 October, 1708, 27 May, 1717, and 3 December, 1719, disclose an attempt to enlarge and augment the manor by calling up the owner's tenants in other townships, which were most certainly never within the manor of Shawdon, to do suit and service. On the alienation of the property to James Hargrave the reason for this attempt would fail, and the temptation would be all the other way.

<sup>\*</sup> The consideration paid was 5300l.

There is no reason to think that the manor of Shawdon was at any time more extensive than the township. It is now more restricted, for the township has been enlarged by some 357 acres of Beanley moor, given to the owner of Shawdon in 1781, in satisfaction for his right of inter-common of pasture. By subsequent agreements a portion of the allotment seems to have been given to the Duke of Northumberland in exchange for a portion of the ancient land of Beanley of similar value. The allotments, or their equivalents, may be taken to be represented by the land near and around Shepherd Law which it is conceived remain in part or in whole within the township of Beanley.

SHAWDON COURT ROLLS, 12 1708, October 13.

MANERIUM DE SHAWDON.

Curia visus Franci plegii una cum Curia Baronis Willelmi Brown Armigeri tenta pro manerio predicto decimo tertio die Octobris Anno Domini 1708 coram Sectatoribus in presentia Edwardi Ward Seneschalli ibidem.

11 13 Oct., 1780, articles of agreement made between the Duke of Northumberland, as lord of the manor and also as owner of the township of Beanley, Sir Francis Blake, bart. as owner of Crawley and William Hargrave, esq., as owner of Shawdon for the division of Beanly moor or common. The commissioners appointed to carry out the enclosure were Simon Dodd of Reedswood, Daniel Alder of Adderston, and Ralph Laidler of Newtown, gentlemen, who after making provision for roads, &c., by an award dated 25 August, 1781, gave to the Duke of Northumberland 577a. 3r. 23p. in respect for his consent to the division and in respect of his lands in Beanley; to Sir Francis Blake 76a. 3r. 23p. in respect of his lands in Crawley and to William Hargrave 357a. or. 19p in respect of his lands in Shawdon.

12 Miss Martin—the Public Record Office searcher—writes 'I have not extended the abbreviations after the names as I thought it better to leave them as they were written. I think that 'r' stands for respondit, and 'esd' for essained. I do not know what 'Non prox' on sheet 4 of the Court of 3 Dec., 1719 means, unless it is a mistake for Non pros[ecutus est.]

Adamus Smith queritur versus Georgium Black in placito debiti ad dampnum pro
pro Querente o-2-4.
Josephus Brown generosus queritur versus Georgium Lyddle
in placito debiti pro 39 <sup>8</sup> xj <sup>d</sup> pro Querente o <sup>li</sup> –i–o.
Idem queritur versus eundem in placito debiti ad dampnum
pro 39 <sup>s</sup> xj <sup>d</sup> pro Querente i-i-o
Thomas Moffett queritur versus Andream Thompson in
placito debiti ad dampnum pro
pro Querente o-2-o.
8s 6d Idem queritur versus Cuth: Mackdowell in placito debiti
ad dampnum pro
pro Querente o-o-6.
Cuthbt Mackdowell versus Thomam Moffett in placito
transgressionis pro 39 <sup>8</sup> xjd
pro Querente o-i-io.
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than a groat parcage and in case the Damages shall amount to more
than the parcage an Accion may be brought for the same the next
Court after.
Chr <sup>sto</sup> Strangewayes Edw <sup>d</sup> Hopper
Jos: Brown James Hewett
his Thomas Moffit
Ed: X Anderson Lohn Fairly
mark John Farry Gawen Hopper Adam Smith
James Atkin Wm Gallon
Joseph Mills George Black.
John Heslop
•
[Endorsed] Shawdon C <sup>t</sup> Rolls & Call book.
Manerium de Shawdon.

Curia visus Franci plegii una cum Curia Baronis Willelmi Brown Armigeri tenta pro maneris predicto decimo tertio die Octobris Anno Domini 1708 coram Sectatoribus in presentia Edwardi Ward Senetchalli ibidem.

Liberi Tenentes Glanton.

Edwardus Anderson rEdwardus Hopper v

O

Tacobus Hadkin v Josephus Mills v.

Tenn<sup>ts</sup> in Shawdon

Thomas Brown Gent. v

Josephus Brown Gent. r

Tennts in Doxford.

Christopherus Stranguish v

Tents in Crawley

Tho: Moffett r Jacobus Mackdowell r Andreas Thompson r

Tennts in the Woodhouse.

Adamus<sup>13</sup> Smith r Willelmus Gallon r Georgius Black v

Tenn<sup>ts</sup> in Bolton.

I ohannes Simpson v

Jacobus Hood v

Georgius Lyddle ex

Johannes Fairly v

Tacobus Howett v

Johannes Atkinson ex

Tenn<sup>ts</sup> in Glanton.

Edwardus Hopper r

[Endorsed.] Shawdon Court Rolls and Call book Octobr 13th 1708. 1717, May 27.

# MANERIUM DE SHAWDON.

Liberi Tenentes de Glanton North side.

Joseph Mills v

William Potts 14

James Hadkin r

Gawin Hopper v

· Edwd Andrson r

W<sup>m</sup> Potts γ

Coaters there.

Thomas Wilson v Robert Trotter d

Mary Shotter esd

Humfrey Thompson esd

Susannah Staward

Thomas Forrest esd

Susannah Marshall esd Wm Scot esd

Jane Ditchburne esd

David Scott esd

Eliz: Clarke esd

James Fogan esd

Tenn<sup>ts</sup> of Woodhouse &<sup>15</sup> Crawley.<sup>15</sup>

John Waddle esd

Robert Gallon r

<sup>14</sup> This entry is struck out. 13 Altered from Edwardus.

<sup>15</sup> These two words are struck out.

Edward Neville $esd$ Sam <sup>11</sup> Crisp $d$	The 16 Herd 16 John Beat d
Tenn <sup>ts</sup> at Crawley.	
Robert Bell v	John Johnson
Thomas Branxton	Alex Gaire 17 y
James the Herd Elliot17	•
Shawdon Coaters	Richard <sup>18</sup> Hasey <sup>17</sup> v
<i>;</i>	Richard Hindmarsh
Robt Clarke	Tho: Reed <sup>19</sup>
John Thompson	Tho: Trumble
Tho: Scrowther	John Dixon
Robt Fox	Geo: Cowins
John Common	Jane Han
	Henry Davison
•	Geo: Craniston
	Andrew Wood
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- <del>-</del>	Robert Clarke 19
Branton Tenn <sup>ts</sup>	
Rob <sup>t</sup> Elliot 20	Robt Harrigate
Geo: And <sup>r</sup> son	Geo: Harrigate
John Wade	Tho: Crisp 20
Tennts of Branton	8
Mr Joseph Brown	Rob <sup>t</sup> Elliot
John Wade	Robert 21 Harrygate
Widow Andrson	
Shawdon Tenn <sup>ts</sup>	
Nicholas Ditchburn	Edw <sup>d</sup> Crispe
James Fogan	Tho: Pigdon
John Gallon	Mark Hadkin
Tho: Forster	James Hadkin

# MANERIUM DE SHAWDON.

Curia Baronis Thome Brown generosi Domini manerii tenta pro

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 19 These eleven entries are underlined. 20 These six entries are struck out.

<sup>21</sup> Altered from Geo.

manerio predicto vicesimo septimo die Maii Anno Regni Regis Georgii nunc Dei Gratia Magne Britanie etc. tertio, Annoque Domini 1717 coram Sectatoribus in presentia Ford Grey Seneschalli ibidem Curie. Nomina Juratorum ad triandum exitus inter partes et partes.

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Thomas Davidson Gen.	Robert Bell		
W <sup>m</sup> Forster gen.	W <sup>m</sup> Potts		
Joseph Mills	Alex. Gaire		
James Hadkin	Juratos Thomas Crisp Juratos		
Edward Andrson	Rob <sup>t</sup> Elliot		
Gawin Hopper	George Harrigate		
Mathew Forster	Geo: And <sup>r</sup> son		
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placito transgressionis super casum ad dampnum 39 <sup>8</sup> 11 <sup>d</sup> pro Querente 1 <sup>8</sup> 8 <sup>d</sup>			
Idem queritur versus Johannem Haly de placito trans-			
gressionis super casum ad dampnum 39 <sup>8</sup> II <sup>d</sup>			
pro Querente 6 <sup>d</sup>			
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Joseph Mills	mark Alexander Gair		
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Edward $\times$ And son	Robertt Ellett		
mark his	George × Harrigate		
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mark	his		
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## MANERIUM DE SHAWDON.

Curia visus Franci plegii tenta pro manerio predicto vicesimo septimo die Maii Anno Regni Regis Georgii nunc Dei Gratia Magne Britanie etc. tertio, Annoque Domini 1717, coram Lord Grey Seneschallo ibidem Curie.

Nomina Juratorum ad inquirendum tam pro Domino Rege quam pro Domino manerii.

Thomas Davidson gen: Robert Bell Wm Forster gen. Wm Potts Joseph Mills Alexandr Gaire James Hadkin - Turatos Thomas Crisp - Turatos Edward Andrson Robert Elliot Gawin Hopper Geo: Harrigate Mathew Forster Geo: Andrson

Wee do order that no Hind Herd or other serv<sup>t</sup> within this mannor shall keep any Calves longer than a year old as Followes und<sup>r</sup> the penalty of 6<sup>8</sup> 8<sup>d</sup> for each Calfe.

Wee do order that no person inhabiting the North side of Glanton shall keep any Geese und the penalty of 3<sup>8</sup> 4<sup>d</sup> for each Goose.

Wee do order that all March Dykes within this mannor shall yearly & every year hereafter be put upp & rais'd effectually before the middle of Aprill in each year under the penalty of 3°4<sup>d</sup> to be p<sup>d</sup> by the owner of such Hedge.

Wee do find that Rob<sup>t</sup> Trotter of Glanton James Crisp of Woodhouse & John Beal of the same place within this mannor who owe suite & service to this Court have not appear'd this day to do the same & therefore wee do Amerce them severally 2<sup>d</sup>

his Thomas Davidson-William × Potts William Forster mark Joseph Mills Alexander Gair his his James × Hadkin Thomas  $\times$  Crisp mark mark his Robert Ellett Edward × Anderson his mark George × Harrygate his Gawen × Hopper mark mark Geo: X Anderson. Matt Forster mark Robert bell

[Endorsed]. Shawdon Court Rolls & Call Book for the 27th day of May 1717.

1719, December 3.

MANERIUM DE SHAWDON.

Freehold's of Glanton.

Joseph Mills r

Gawin Hopper r

James Hadkin r	W <sup>m</sup> Potts $\nu$
. George Anderson v 22	John Heslipp r
Glanton Coaters	
Thomas Wilson <sup>23</sup>	Mary Shotter $r$
Cha: <sup>24</sup> Trotter t <sup>25</sup>	Susannah Staward $r$
Umphrey Thompson ex	Susannah Marshall $\gamma$
Thomas Forrest v	W <sup>m</sup> Scot <sup>28</sup>
Jane Ditchburne $r$	David Scot
Eliz: Clarke r	James Fogan $^{23}$ $r$
Woodhouse Tenn <sup>ts</sup>	
Vicar Nicholson $r^{26}$	
Coaters.	
Edw <sup>d</sup> Neville $\gamma$	John Waddle <sup>27</sup>
Sam <sup>11</sup> Crisp <sup>23</sup>	John Beal <sup>27</sup>
Crawley Tennts.	
Rob <sup>t</sup> Béll r	Tho: Branxton es
Coater.	
John Johnson es	i
Branton Tenn <sup>ts</sup> .	
Mr Joseph Brown $r$	Rob <sup>t</sup> Elliot $\nu$
John Wade $r$	Rob $^{\rm t}$ Harrigate $r$
Widow Andrson es	
Branton Coaters <sup>28</sup>	•
Shawdon Tenn <sup>ts</sup>	
Nich: Ditchburn v	Edw <sup>d</sup> Crispe r
James Fogan v	Tho:Pigdon v
John Gallon ν	Mark Hadkin v
Tho: Forster $\nu$	James Hadkin $r$
Shawdon Coaters	
Rob <sup>t</sup> Clarke ex	Tho: Strowther $\nu$
John Thompson ex	Robt Fox ex
John Common v	

<sup>22</sup> Altered from—The heirs of Edwd Andrson r.

 <sup>23</sup> This entry is struck out.
 24 Altered from Robt.
 25 This word is struck out and illegible.

<sup>26</sup> Altered from Robt. Gallan.

<sup>27</sup> This entry is struck out.

<sup>28</sup> Blank in MS.

## MANERIUM DE SHAWDON.

Curia visus Franci plegii una cum Curia Baronis Thome Brown generosi Domini manerii tenta pro manerio predicto tertio die Decembris Anno Regni Regis Georgii nunc Dei Gratia Magne Britanie etc. sexto, Annoque Domini 1719 coram Ford Grev seneschallo ibidem Curie.

Nomina Juratorum ad triandum Exitus inter partes et partes et ad Inquirendum tam pro domino Rege quam pro Domino manerii.

Christopher Strangeways gen. r John Wade r Joseph Nicholson cler v Robt Elliot v Toseph Mills v Robert Harrigate v James Hadkin v Robert Bell v Tho: Branxton<sup>29</sup> Gawin Hopper v George Anderson v George Branxton v. Nich: Ditchburn v W<sup>m</sup> Potts γ

Willelmus Scot queritur versus Johannem Heslop de placito transgressionis super casum ad dampnam 30s 11d

pro Querente 28

Major Allgood<sup>29</sup>

Willelmus Scot queritur versus Willelmum Potts de placito transgressionis super casum ad dampnum pro Querente 28

Thomas Strowther queritur versus Thomam Campbell in placito transgressionis super casum ad dampnum 30s 11q ...

Non prox.

Tho: Forster queritur versus Tho: Strowther in placito transgressionis super casum ad dampnum .. 30a 11q Non prox.

Whereas severall of the Tennts of this Mannor have made complaint before us that the Miller of Shawden Mill does not grind their Corn well or dry or sheet their oats effectually & as well as other millers does but that on the contrary he very often spoils & abuses their corn & takes frequently undue mulcture Wee do therefore for the prevencion of such ill usuage for the future order that the sd miller & all other succeeding millers shall not take more for grinding their corn than one peck out from an old Bowl & so proportionably

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>29</sup> This entry is crossed out.

for more or less corn & also one peck out of the old Bowl for drying & sheeling & that [in] caise that such miller or millers shall presume to break this order then wee order that the  $s^d$  miller or millers shall forfeite  $1^s$   $8^d$  for every such offence to the  $L^d$  of the mannor & pay such damage besides to the person greved as shall be made appear upon oath.

Wee do order that all the Inhabitants of this mannor shall grind their Corn at Shawdon Mill under the penalty of 18 8d for every offence.

Wee do find that Edw<sup>d</sup> Anderson dyed possessed of two Farms of Land in the North side of Glanton within this mannor & that George And<sup>r</sup>son is his Grandson & heir & wee therefore admitt him as such accordingly.

Chrsto Strangeways George Anderson his Joseph Nicolson Robt × Bell his mark Gawin × Hopper John Wad mark his George Brinkton lames × Hadkin his mark Nicholas × Ditchburn his mark Wm × Potts Robert Harraget mark Robertt Ellett. Joseph Mills

[Endorsed]. Shawdon Court Rolls & Call book for the 3d of Decembring.

- (a) Dendy, Newcastle Merchant Adventurers.
- (b) All Saints Register, Newcastle.
- (c) St. Nicholas Register, Newcastle.

- (d) M.I., St. Nicholas, Newcastle.
- (e) Whittingham Register. (f) M.I., Whittingham.