

Notes and Queries

HORSTEAD AND STANNINGHALL.

Four charters relating to Horstead have recently come into the possession of the Norfolk Record Society and have been deposited with the Society's other manuscripts at the Norwich Central Library. These records deal with lands situated near Heggatt, a hamlet of Horstead, and make a useful addition to the material already collected and published in my *History of Horstead and Stanninghall*.

(1) Dated at Horstead, 6 June, 14 Richard II. (1391).

William Brunne of Stanninghall conveys to Walter Elotis of Horstead and Alice, his wife, two acres and a half of arable land lying in that part of Horstead called *Haldyrhamfeld* [Alderham Field] adjoining land of Ralph Sparke to the north; lands of Ralph Aleyn and the said Ralph Sparke and others to the south; a path leading from *Stockham* to *Haghate* to the east; and common pasture to the west.

Witnesses: Henry Harteshorn, John Scolhous, John Enotis, John atte Lane, John Aurich.

(2) Dated at Horstead, 20 May, 10 Henry IV. (1409).

William Sparke of Horstead conveys to Thomas Sparke, son of John Sparke of Toungate in Horstead three pieces of land lying in *Alderhamfeld* of which the first piece of three rods lies between land of the heirs of Merkeshall to the west, and land of William Larwode to the east. The second piece of half an acre lies between the land of Reginald Huwes to the north and land of Richard Umfrey to the south. The third piece of one acre, three rods lies between the land of Richard Umfrey to the west and abutts on lands of divers people to the east and abutts on the road to the north, and on land of the aforesaid William Sparke to the south.

Witnesses: Thomas Larwode, Robert Holm, John Skolehous, jun., John atte Lane, Robert Pern.

(3) Dated 20 April, 11 Henry VI. (1433).

Marion Wulsy, widow of John Wulsy of Norwich, conveys to Henry Gilbert of Berton and Thomas Wilkyns of the same her messuage, tenements, lands, marshes, pastures, fishing, etc. in Horstead and also a rod of arable land also in Horstead lying between the messuage of John Wulsy to the east; and land called *Wellhouslond* to the west; and abutting on the curtilage of John Newman to the south; and on a lane to the north.

(4) Dated at Horstead, 4 June, 9 Henry VIII. (1517).

John Thyxtyll, clerk, and John Jerveys, clerk, convey to John Marsham and William Herte, citizens and aldermen of Norwich, and Thomas Abbys, senior, a piece of bruery of nine acres lying in Horstead—the King's highway to the west; bruery late of Thomas Umfrey to the east; abutting on a dyke (*fovea*) late of John atte Hylle now of the said John Marsham to the south; and upon a dyke late of Thomas Sparke to the north.

Note: This charter is in imperfect condition, but it appears that Thyxtyll and Jerveys had, on 26 April, 9 Henry VIII., jointly acquired this land of William Roue, citizen and alderman of Norwich, executor of the will of William Ramsey, late citizen and alderman of Norwich.

John Thyxtyll, or Thixstall, was the last incumbent of the united rectories of SS. Simon and Jude and St. Swithin in Norwich, and Crostwick, the neighbouring parish to Horstead.

John Jerveys was rector of Horstead, 1505-1520.

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BRISTON REGISTER.

The micro-filming of parish registers has brought to notice the following quaint entry in the Briston register:—

“Tho. Blayn a travelling Scotchman was buried June 25th 1711 he dyed worth a 1000 pounds and made his brother in law John Blayn of Girvan in ye county of Carrick in North Britain executor who (differing in nature from ye rest of his country) sold his rights and empowered others to come over for ye cargoe; so here is yt of ye psalmist we heap up riches, but can't tell who shall enjoy them.”

£1,000 in 1711 can hardly be worth less than £10,000 now, and must have been carried in coin.

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