

THE ACCOUNT OF SUBSCRIPTIONS TO THE  
PRESENT TO KING CHARLES II., FROM THE  
HUNDRED OF BURNHAM.

THE original account of the subscriptions to the present to King Charles II., on his restoration, is in the possession of our member, Mr. George Weller, of The Plantation, Amersham, through whose kindness a copy of it is here given. Commissioners were appointed to obtain these subscriptions in pursuance of the Statute 13, Carl. II. cap. 4. The special interest in this account arises from the names of those who took part in this particular display of loyalty, some of whom it will be clearly seen were the ancestors of those who are still freeholders in the neighbourhood of Amersham. The first of the Commissioners will be found to be Sir Thomas Hampson, Bart.; he was one of the family of the Hampsons, who were the owners of the Taplow Estate. The Mansion was pulled down and rebuilt after the estate was acquired by the Earls of Orkney, and is now known as Taplow Court. Sir Thomas Hampson died in 1670, and was buried at Taplow. The next Commissioner named in the account is Sir Heneage Proby, Knt., of Raans, in Amersham; he was High Sheriff for Bucks in 1636. Raans is one of the Manors in Amersham which came into the hands of the Proby family, Sir Henry Proby being the first possessor, who died in 1662, and whose monument, with others of his family, was formerly in the Church of Amersham, but has now disappeared.\* One other Commissioner is William Penn, who was the Admiral—afterwards knighted—and the father of Governor Penn, of Pennsylvania. It will be noticed that the letter A is appended to his signature. Penn's signature alone, it will be felt, gives interest to this document.

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\* See Lipscomb's "History of Buckinghamshire," Vol. III., p. 158.

The collection at Chesham is headed by the names of the Commissioners for that district. Sir William Bowyer, of Denham Court, was one; he was High Sheriff in 1661, and it would appear that he was appointed a Commissioner in consequence of his holding that office at the time of the collection. He lived to an advanced age, and died 1722, and was buried at Denham. In the church is a monument recording his worth and his munificence to that parish. Charles Cheney [or Cheyne], another of these Commissioners, was member for Amersham in 1653.

Among the subscribers we have only to notice the names of Grove, Shrimpton, Bovingdon, to recall them as familiar to us at the present time—one or another of which still represents important interests in the Hundred of Burnham.—ED.

## BUCKS.

## BURNHAM HUNDRED.

The voluntary subscription of the Inhabitants of the said hundred taken at Amersham the tenth day of September Anno Dni 1661, before S<sup>r</sup> Thomas Hampson Baronett S<sup>r</sup> Heneage Proby K<sup>t</sup> William Penn Dudley Rewse Robert Styles George Longe Esq. Commission<sup>rs</sup> appointed by his Ma<sup>ty</sup> Accordinge to the Act intituled an Act for a free and Voluntary present to his Ma<sup>ty</sup>.

|           |                              | £  | s. | d. |    |
|-----------|------------------------------|--|----|----|----|
| Amersham. | S <sup>r</sup> Heneage Proby | thirty pounds not paid                                 | 30 | 00 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup>               | { John Day of the same Gent. Twenty shillings          | 01 | 00 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup>               | { Richard Bovingdon Sen of the same five shillings     | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup>               | { John Hardinge of the same two shillings & sixpence   | 00 | 02 | 06 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup>               | { John Humphrey of the same five shillings             | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup>               | { William Elles of the same five shillings             | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup>               | { William Day of the same tenn shillings               | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup>               | { Jonas Hardinge of y <sup>e</sup> same five shillings | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup>               | { Samuel Hardinge of y <sup>e</sup> same one shilling  | 00 | 01 | 00 |
|           |                              | { John Cadnor Gent : five pounds not p <sup>d</sup>    | 05 | 00 | 00 |
| Cheneyes. | p <sup>d</sup>               | { Daniell Wingfield of the same one shilling           | 00 | 01 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup>               | { William Dell of the same one shilling                | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| Penn.     |                              | { William Penn Esq <sup>t</sup> . tenn pound           | 10 | 00 | 00 |
|           |                              | { George Longe of the same Gent; five pound            | 05 | 00 | 00 |

|          |  |    |    |    |
|----------|--|----|----|----|
|          | p <sup>d</sup> George Grove of the same Yeoma:                     | £  | s. | d. |
|          | tenn shillings . . . . .   | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> John Salter of y <sup>e</sup> same Gent: three      |    |    |    |
|          | pound . . . . .  | 03 | 00 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Richard Shrimpton of y <sup>e</sup> same two        |    |    |    |
|          | shillings & sixpence . . . . .                                     | 00 | 02 | 06 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> William Bovingdon of y <sup>e</sup> same yeoma:     |    |    |    |
|          | fifteen shillings . . . . .  | 00 | 15 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Thomas Butterfield of y <sup>e</sup> same one       |    |    |    |
|          | pound . . . . .  | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Chesham. | p <sup>d</sup> William Childs of y <sup>e</sup> same twenty        |    |    |    |
|          | shillings . . . . .  | 01 | 00 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Henry Duncombe of the same Gent                     |    |    |    |
|          | two pound . . . . .  | 02 | 00 | 00 |
|          | Edward Harfrevill of the same two                                  |    |    |    |
|          | pound not paid . . . . .   | 02 | 00 | 00 |
|          | Michaell Sears of the Moor Gent: one                               |    |    |    |
|          | pound not paid . . . . .   | 01 | 00 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Michaell Sears of Chanbridge one pound              |    |    |    |
|          | . . . . .  | 01 | 00 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> John Birch of y <sup>e</sup> same tenn shillings .  |    |    |    |
|          | . . . . .  | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Robert Lovett of y <sup>e</sup> same five shillings |    |    |    |
|          | . . . . .  | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> John Gregory of y <sup>e</sup> same one shilling    |    |    |    |
|          | & sixpence . . . . .   | 00 | 01 | 06 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> James Dell of y <sup>e</sup> same one shilling &    |    |    |    |
|          | sixpence . . . . .   | 00 | 01 | 06 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Joseph West of y <sup>e</sup> same tenn shillings . |    |    |    |
|          | . . . . .  | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> John Deane of y <sup>e</sup> same tenn shillings .  |    |    |    |
|          | . . . . .  | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Richard Johnson of y <sup>e</sup> same tenn         |    |    |    |
|          | shillings . . . . .  | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Richard Butterfield of y <sup>e</sup> same tenn     |    |    |    |
|          | shillings . . . . .  | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Joseph Jennings of the same tenn                    |    |    |    |
|          | shillings . . . . .  | 00 | 10 | 00 |

Chesham the sixteenth day of October Anno  
supdco before S<sup>r</sup> Thomas Hampson Baronett  
S<sup>r</sup> William Bowyer Knight and Baronett  
William Penn Esq<sup>r</sup>. Charles Cheney Esq<sup>r</sup>.  
Capt: Stiles and Capt: Longe Comm<sup>rs</sup>. as above  
said

| Taken at |  | £  | s. | d. |
|----------|--|----|----|----|
| Chesham. | p <sup>d</sup> John Veerey of y <sup>e</sup> same one pound . .    | 01 | 00 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> John Gawdrey of the same one pound                  |    |    |    |
|          | five shillings . . . . .   | 01 | 05 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Edward Baldwin of y <sup>e</sup> same tenn          |    |    |    |
|          | shillings . . . . .  | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> James Cocks of y <sup>e</sup> same one shilling .   |    |    |    |
|          | . . . . .  | 00 | 01 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Edward Reigne of y <sup>e</sup> same two shil-      |    |    |    |
|          | lings & sixpence . . . . .   | 00 | 02 | 06 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Willm Bignell of y <sup>e</sup> same five shillings |    |    |    |
|          | . . . . .  | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|          | p <sup>d</sup> Mathew Chast of y <sup>e</sup> same one pound       |    |    |    |
|          | . . . . .  | 01 | 00 | 00 |

## RECORDS OF BUCKINGHAMSHIRE.

|           |  | £  | s. | d. |
|-----------|--|----|----|----|
|           | p <sup>d</sup> William Batteshow of y <sup>e</sup> same five shillings . . . . .       | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Thomas Reigne of y <sup>e</sup> same two shillings & sixpenn: . . . . . | 00 | 02 | 06 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Thomas Ayres of y <sup>e</sup> same five shillings . . . . .            | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Thomas Crook of y <sup>e</sup> same five shillings . . . . .            | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Richard Holl five shillings . . . . .                                   | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> John Tovefeild of y <sup>e</sup> same tenn shillings . . . . .          | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Henry Putnam of y <sup>e</sup> same five shillings . . . . .            | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|           | Nathan Harding Amersham tenn shillings . . . . .                                       | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| Amersham. | p <sup>d</sup> Nathaniell Wingfeild of y <sup>e</sup> same five shillings . . . . .    | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> John Batchelor tenn shillings . . . . .                                 | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Walter Webb tenn shillings . . . . .                                    | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> John Moreton one shillinge . . . . .                                    | 00 | 01 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Paule Lyne tenn shillings . . . . .                                     | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Richard Bovengdon Jun two shilling sixpenn: . . . . .                   | 00 | 02 | 06 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Capt: James Tompson one pound . . . . .                                 | 01 | 00 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Henry Child one pound . . . . .   | 01 | 00 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> John Leinder of y <sup>e</sup> same two shillings . . . . .             | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| Cheneyss. | p <sup>d</sup> William Rigsby of the same two shillings . . . . .                      | 00 | 02 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> George Wells two shillings . . . . .                                    | 00 | 02 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> William Gibbs tenn shillings . . . . .                                  | 00 | 10 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Edward Alley two shillings . . . . .                                    | 00 | 02 | 00 |
| Penn.     | p <sup>d</sup> Stephen Hearne fower shillings . . . . .                                | 00 | 04 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Edward Childs five shillings . . . . .                                  | 00 | 05 | 00 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> George Grove clothier two shillings sixpence . . . . .                  | 00 | 02 | 06 |
|           | p <sup>d</sup> Thomas Dossett five shillings . . . . .                                 | 00 | 05 | 00 |

This is a true copie.

Signed,

THO: HAMPSON.

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WILL: PENN A.

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ROB STYLE.

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