

**APPENDIX.****Details from the Tithe Award published in 1846.**

Site no.	Name	Use	Acreage	Owner	Occupier
281	Nine Acres	Arable	9. 3. 0	Thomas Christie	Himself
282	Three Acres	Arable	3. 1. 17	Thomas Christie	Himself
283	Home Pasture	Pasture	4. 0. 31	Thomas Christie	Himself
284	Homestead		0. 2. 13	Thomas Christie	Himself
285	Cottages & Gardens		0. 0. 17	Thomas Christie	Leonard Goodeve & Another
286	Clover Ley	Arable	6. 0. 21	Thomas Christie	Himself
288	Four Acres	Arable	2. 0. 0	Thomas Christie	Himself
289	Seventeen Acres	Arable	16. 1. 0	Thomas Christie	Himself
290	Chase		0. 2. 9	Thomas Christie	Himself
291	Twelve Acres	Arable	13. 3. 3	Thomas Christie	Himself
294	Five Acres	Arable	5. 2. 27	Thomas Christie	Himself
297	Butlers Mead	Pasture	4. 1. 34	Thomas Christie	Himself

Site numbers of land also owned by Thomas Christie in Broomfield parish and occupied by him.

163, 164, 200, 257, 258, 260-264, 266, 332-337, 340, 341, 346, 386, 392.

Site numbers of land also owned by Thomas Christie in Broomfield parish and tenanted by others.

135-141, 165-167, 172, 175, 176, 188-199, 202-209, 211-213, 215, 218, 219, 223, 224, 226, 227.

**Details as written in Thomas Christie's notebook.**

1837 Parish of Little Waltham.

After I had purchased Butlers Farm I found that 5a 2r 2p of the land was in the above parish all the remainder in Broomfield. It is part of three fields and begins at an old willow tree on the river bank and comes up to the middle of the made? pond at the north end of Mr Marriages pond very near the Turnpike road.

## Notes from the will of Thomas Christie.

At the time of his death he was living at Brooklands. He died 15<sup>th</sup> June 1846 and it confirmed in the will that the house at Butlers Farm was recently built. The will was proved on 30<sup>th</sup> June 1846.

Some of the site nos. listed for Thomas Christie in the Tithe are things such as woodland (200) a possible cottage and smallholding. (163&4). The latter is unusual as it would normally be tenanted.

Copy of David Stennings earlier report on the barn.

### BARN AT BUTLERS FARM, BROOMFIELD, ESSEX

Report by D. F. Stenning, former head of Building Conservation, Essex County Council.

This is a five bay, timber-framed black weather boarded barn with 'big six' asbestos roof sheeting and central, gabled and projecting mid-strey on south elevation.

Built in the mid to late 19<sup>th</sup> century, the barn represents the last period of *traditional* construction before being replaced by more recognisably modern techniques.

All timbers are square and strait with diagonal primary bracing and with iron bolted hanging knees situated between thatch. (slate being more usual in at his period). There are extra purlins and some strait stabilising wing braces. The studs are unpeg'd and there are hanging knees either side of the central great rear doors. The barn's plinth is tall, as is normal in the case of 19<sup>th</sup> century barns, but unusually, there are red brick piers linked by lengths of mortar and flint pebble walling with attractively shaped brick copings. This seems to have been constructed against internal shuttering, and the result is a so-called 'plum in pudding' appearance to the internal face.

The mid strey has a stone-flag'd threshing floor with a (later) storage area inserted into the gable. More modern, lean-to open sheds erected either side of mid-strey are of a more utility construction.

The structure is generally of a reasonable order, except for the usual water penetration and rot at the vulnerable roof junctions.

The barn's size and nature would indeed render it ideal for conversion, in particular residential, because of it's size and volume. The site and adjoining large shed, appears to have been the base for heavy haulage in the early 20<sup>th</sup> century.

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