

SUMMARY: The document below is the copy on the Close Rolls of a recognizance in the amount of £1800 acknowledged by Oxford to Philip Tilney (d. 13 March 1602) of Shelley on 8 July 1580 in connection with indentures dated 27 June 1580 by which Oxford sold Tilney the manor of Adlham in Suffolk. For the licence dated 1 June 1580 authorizing Oxford to alienate the manor of Aldham, see TNA C 66/1197, m. 34. The recognizance below is also mentioned in TNA PROB 30/34/14, No. 3.

Philip Tilney, the son of Frederick Tilney (d. 26 January 1541) of Shelley, and Margaret Buck (d.1598), the daughter of Robert Buck of Long Melford, Suffolk, was the father of the Babington conspirator, Charles Tilney. See the *ODNB*:

Charles Tilney (1561–1586) was born on 23 September 1561, the son of Philip Tilney of Shelley Hall, Suffolk, and his wife, Anne, daughter of Francis Framlington of Crowshall, Debenham, Suffolk.

See also the pedigrees of Tilney and Framlingham in Metcalfe, Walter C., ed., *The Visitations of Suffolk*, (Exeter: William Pollard, 1882), pp. 73-4, and 192:

<https://archive.org/stream/visitationsofsuf00harvuoft#page/72/mode/2up>.

Tilney's mother, Margaret Buck, was the sister of Robert Buck (d.1580), father of Sir George Buck, Master of the Revels, and Tilney was thus Sir George Buck's uncle. See the *ODNB*:

Buck [Buc], Sir George (bap. 1560, d. 1622), master of the revels and historian, was baptized in Holy Trinity, Ely, Cambridgeshire, on 1 October 1560, the eldest son and probably second of the four children of Robert Buck (d. 1580), church official, and Elizabeth Nunn, née Petterill, of Brandon Ferry, Suffolk.

For the Tilneys of Shelley, see also Copinger, W.A., *The Manors of Suffolk*, (Manchester: Taylor, Garnett, Evans & Co. Ltd., 1910), Vol. 6, p. 81 at:

<https://archive.org/stream/cu31924092579592#page/n89/mode/2up>

The manor [of Shelley] subsequently vested in Sir Philip Tilney, Knt. He married 1st Margaret, daughter of Sir Thomas Brewse of Little Wenham; 2ndly, Joan, daughter of Thomas Tey by Margaret his wife, relict of John Fincham of Fincham; and 3rdly Elizabeth, daughter and heir of (blank) Jeffery, of Stansfield, co. Suffolk, who afterwards remarried Francis Framlingham of Crow's Hall, in Debenham. Sir Philip Tilney died 8th Jan. 1532-3, when the manor passed to his son and heir, Thomas Tilney, who married Margaret Barrett. From Thomas the manor passed to his grandson, Philip Tilney (whose father, Frederick Tilney, of Kelsale, married Margaret Buck of Long Melford and died 26th Jan. 1540-1). The marriage settlement of Philip Tilney on Anne, daughter of Sir Charles Framlingham of Crow's Hall, Debenham, 9th Oct. 1561, will be found amongst the Egerton MSS. in the British Museum (Egerton 2713). It is referred to also in the

Historical MSS. Commission Reports. On 11th Aug. 1561 Philip Tilney entertained his kinswoman, Queen Elizabeth, at Shelley Hall. His only son Charles was executed in 1586 for his share in the Babington Conspiracy.

On Philip's death, 13th March 1601-2, the manor passed to his first cousin and heir, Emery Tilney

Copinger states above that Emery Tilney was a first cousin of Philip Tilney (d. 13 March 1602); however according to the will of Thomas Tilney, Emery Tilney was his second son, and was thus Philip Tilney's uncle, rather than first cousin.

Philip Tilney was also related to Edmund Tilney, Master of the Revels. Edmund Tilney's father, Philip Tilney (d.1541) was the brother of Thomas Tilney, grandfather of Philip Tilney (d. 13 March 1602).

Tilney, Edmund (1535/6–1610), courtier, was . . . the only son of Phillip Tilney (d. 1541), an usher of the privy chamber to Henry VIII, and his wife, Malyn Chambre, a chamberwoman to Queen Katherine Howard. His paternal grandfather, Sir Philip Tilney, was closely attached to Thomas Howard, second duke of Norfolk, who married first his cousin Elizabeth and later his sister Agnes. . . . Phillip Tilney died in debt in 1541 and was buried in St Leonard's Church, Streatham.

For Philip Tilney's purchase from Oxford of the manor of Aldham, see also Copinger, W.A., *The Manors of Suffolk*, (Manchester: Taylor, Garnet, Evans & Co. Ltd., 1909), Vol. 3, p. 133 at:

<https://archive.org/stream/cu31924092579568#page/n141/mode/2up>.

Edward de Vere, 15th [sic] Earl, who sold the manor [of Aldham] in 1580 to Philip Tilney. He was succeeded in 1603 by his cousin and heir, Emery Tilney, who died in 1606, being succeeded by Thomas Tilney, who sold the manor to Sir Edward Coke, Knt., in 1609.

For Philip Tilney's inquisition post mortem, see TNA C 142/273/101.

LM: Recognizance between the Earl of Oxford and Tilney

Edward de Vere, Earl of Oxford, in his own person having appeared personally before the Lady Queen in her Chancery, acknowledged himself to owe to Philip Tilney of Shelley in the county of Suffolk, esquire, one thousand & eight hundred pounds of good & lawful money of England, to be paid to the same Philip or his designated attorney, executors or assigns;

And if he shall not have done [+so], he wishes & grants for himself, his heirs, executors & administrators by these presents that then the foresaid one thousand & eight hundred pounds be levied of the goods & chattels, lands, tenements & hereditaments of the same Earl to the use & behoof of the same Philip, his heirs & assigns forever, wheresoever they may be found within the kingdom of England;

Witness the forenamed Lady Queen at Westminster on the eighth day of July in the twenty-second year of the reign of our said Lady Elizabeth by the grace of God of England, France & Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith etc. 1580.

The condition of this recognizance is such that whereas the above-bound Edward de Vere, Earl of Oxenford, by his indenture bearing date the seven and twentieth day of June in the two and twentieth year of the reign of our said Sovereign Lady hath aliened, granted, bargained and sold unto the above-named Philip Tilney and to his heirs forever all that the manor of Aldham alias Alldham alias Alldham Hall with th' appurtenances in the county of Suffolk, and also th' advowson, parsonage, free gift and disposition of the rectory or parish church of Aldham aforesaid, as by the said indenture more at large it doth appear;

If the said Earl, his heirs, executors or administrators shall and will from time to time and at all times hereafter clearly acquit and discharge or otherwise within six months after request thereof to be publicly or notoriously made at or in the Castle of Hedingham or Heningham in the county of Essex sufficiently save harmless as well the said Philip Tilney, his heirs and assigns, as also the said manor and advowson and all and singular other the premises by the foresaid-recited indenture mentioned or intended to be bargained and sold unto the said Philip Tilney of and from all former bargains, sales, titles, charges and encumbrances whatsoever had, made or done by the said Edward, now Earl of Oxenford, or by the right honourable John de Vere, his father, late Earl of Oxenford, or by either of them or by their or either of their assent, means or procurement, except as in the said-recited indenture is excepted;

If also the said Earl and his heirs shall and will at all times hereafter and from time to time during the space of three years next ensuing the date hereof within six days next after reasonable request thereof to be made, make, do and acknowledge at the costs and charges in the law of the said Philip Tilney, his heirs and assigns, all and every such further act and acts, thing and things, device and devices in the law for the further and better conveying and assuring of the said manor, advowson and premises in and by the said-recited indenture mentioned or intended to be bargained and sold as shall be reasonably devised by the said Philip Tilney, his heirs or assigns, or by his or their learned counsel in the law, with warranty only against the said now Earl and the said Earl, his late father, deceased, and their heirs, so as the said now Earl nor his heirs be not bound for the making or doing of any of the acts or things touching the said further assurance to travel from the place where he or they at the time of the said request shall be, that then this recognizance shall be void, or else remain in full strength and virtue.

LM: Recogn{itio} int{er} Oxon{ie} Comit{em} et Tylney

1 Edwardus de Veer Comes Oxon{ie} in p{ro}pria p{er}sona sua coram d{omi}na Regina in Cancellar{ia} sua p{er}sonalit{er} constitut{us} recognouit

2 se debere Phi{li}ppo Tylney de Shelleigh in Com{itatu} Suff{olice} A{r}mig{er}o Mille & octingent{as} libras bone & legalis Monete Angl{ie} soluend{as}

3 eidem P{hilipp}o aut suo c{er}to attornat{o} executorib{us} vel assign{at}is suis Et nisi fec{er}it vult & concedit p{ro} se hered{ibus} executorib{us} &

4 administratorib{us} suis p{er} p{re}sentes Q{uo}d tunc p{re}dict{e} Mille & octingent{e} libr{e} leuent{ur} de bonis & catall{is} terr{is} ten{ementis} & hereditamen{tis}

5 ip{s}ius Comit{is} ad opus & vsum ip{s}ius Ph{ilipp}i hered{um} & assign{atorum} suor{um} imp{er}p{etuu}m vbicunq{ue} invent{is} fu{er}int infra regnu{m} Angl{ie} T{este}

6 p{re}fat{a} d{omi}na Regina apud Westm{onasterium} octauo die Iulij Anno regni d{ic}t{e} d{omi}ne n{ost}re Elizabeth{e} dei gr{aci}a Angl{ie} ffranc{ie} & Hib{er}nie

7 Regine fidei defensoris &c vicesimo s{ec}c{un}do 1580