

SUMMARY: The document below is the fine of 20 January 1575 by which clear title to lands in Steeple and Mayland in Essex passed from Oxford to John Gaywood for £40. Proclamation of the fine was made sixteen times, beginning on 7 February 1575 and ending on 28 November 1575. This is one of Oxford's earliest sales of land.

This is the final agreement made in the court of the Lady Queen at Westminster on the octave of Hilary in the year of the reigns of Elizabeth, by the grace of God Queen of England, France & Ireland, Defender of the Faith, etc. from the Conquest the seventeenth [=20 January 1575], before James Dyer, Richard Harper, Roger Manwood & Robert Monson, justices, & others faithful to the Lady Queen then there present, between John Gaywood, querent, and Edward, Earl of Oxenford, deforciant, of six acres of meadow & fifty acres of pasture with the appurtenances in Steeple & Mayland;

Whereof a plea of covenant was summoned between them in the same court, namely that the foresaid Earl has acknowledged the foresaid tenements with the appurtenances to be the right of himself, John, as those which the same John has of the gift of the foresaid Earl, and he has remised & quit-claimed them from himself & his heirs to the foresaid John & his heirs forever;

And besides the same Earl has granted for himself & his heirs that they will warrant to the foresaid John & his heirs the foresaid tenements with the appurtenances against the foresaid Earl & his heirs forever;

And for this acknowledgement, remission, quit-claim, warrant, fine & agreement the same John has given to the foresaid Earl forty pounds sterling.

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According to the form of the statute the first proclamation was made on the seventh day of February in Hilary term in the seventeenth year of the within-written Queen;

The second proclamation on the ninth day of February in the same term;

The third proclamation on the tenth day of February in the same term;

The fourth proclamation on the twelfth day of February in the same term.

The fifth proclamation was made on the seventh day of May in Easter term in the seventeenth year of the within-written Queen;

The sixth proclamation on the tenth day of May in the same term;

The seventh proclamation on the twelfth day of May in the same term;

The eighth proclamation on the sixteenth day of May in the same term.

The ninth proclamation was made on the fifteenth day of June in Trinity term in the seventeenth year of the within-written Queen;

The tenth proclamation on the seventeenth day of June in the same term;

The eleventh proclamation on the twentieth day of June in the same term;

The twelfth proclamation on the twenty-second day of June in the same term.

The thirteenth proclamation was made on the twenty-second day of November in Michaelmas term in the eighteenth year of the within-written Queen;

The fourteenth proclamation on the twenty-fourth day of November in the same term;

The fifteenth proclamation on the twenty-sixth day of November in the same term;

The sixteenth proclamation on the twenty-eighth day of November in the same term.

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1 Hec est finalis concordia facta in Curia Domine Regine Apud Westmonasterium in Octabis sancti

2 Hillarij anno regnorum Elizabethe dei gratia Anglie ffrancie & Hibernie Regine fidei defensoris

3 &c A conquesto decimo septimo coram Iacobo Dyer Ricardo Harpur Rogero Manwood & Roberto

4 Mounson Iusticiarijs & Alijs domine Regine fidelibus tunc ibi presentibus Inter Iohannem Gaywood

5 querentem et Edwardum Comitem Oxonie deforciantem de sex acris prati & quinquagesima acris

6 pasture cum pertinentijs in Steple & Mayland Vnde Placitum conuencionis summonitum fuit inter

7 eos in eadem Curia Scilicet quod predictus Comes recognovit predicta tenementa cum pertinentijs esse Ius

8 ipsius Iohannis Vt illa que idem Iohannes habet de dono predicti Comitum Et illa remisit &

9 quieteclamavit de se & heredibus suis predicto Iohanni & heredibus suis Imperpetuum Et preterea idem

10 Comes concessit pro se & heredibus suis quod ipsi Warantizabunt predicto Iohanni & heredibus suis

11 predicta tenementa cum pertinentijs contra predictum Comitem & Heredes suos Imperpetuum Et pro hac recognitione

12 remissione quietaclamacione Waranto fine & concordia idem Iohannes dedit predicto Comiti

13 quadraginta libras sterlingorum

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Secundum formam statuti

Prima proclamatio facta fuit septimo die ffebruarij termino sancti Hillarij Anno decimo septimo Regine infrascripte

secunda proclamatio nono die ffebruarij eodem termino

tercia proclamatio decimo die ffebruarij eodem termino

quarta proclamatio duodecimo die ffebruarij eodem termino

Quinta proclamatio facta fuit septimo die Maij termino Pasche Anno decimo septimo Regine infrascripte

sexta proclamatio decimo die Maij eodem termino

septima proclamatio duodecimo die Maij eodem termino

octava proclamatio sexto decimo die Maij eodem termino

Nona proclamatio facta fuit quinto decimo die Iunij termino sancti Trinitatis Anno decimo septimo Regine infrascripte

decima proclamatio decimo septimo die Iunij eodem termino

vndecima proclamatio vicesimo die Iunij eodem termino

duodecima proclamatio vicesimo secundo die Iunij eodem termino

Terciadecima proclamatio facta fuit vicesimo secundo die Novembris termino sancti Michaelis Anno decimo octauo Regine infrascripte

quartadecima proclamatio vicesimo quarto die Novembris eodem termino

quintadecima proclamatio vicesimo sexto die Novembris eodem termino

sextadecima proclamatio vicesimo octauo die Novembris eodem termino

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