

Post. 1284 – From Register of Bishop of Winchester (Latin) - JOHN DE PONTISSARA

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WALTHAM: These are the services owed to the lord Bishop of Winchester at Waltham according to the Prior of Saint Swithun at Winchester on behalf of the manor of DROKENESFORD which is “de hordaria” (? From the hoarder/storekeeper/treasurer - HORDARIUS = keeper of a granary).

That is, all men from the manor of Drokenesford, free tenants as much as others, owe suit at WULFPUTTE (1) to the Hundred of the Bishop twice a year before the Steward of the said Bishop and owe suit to the court of WALTHAM at each bringing in (? appointing) more law-men (? to) the court.

And the same Prior, although (? Hoarder/storekeeper/treasurer) can not have any fine of bread and beer nor from raising the hue and cry nor from shedding of blood nor from anything belonging to the crown of the lord King, but all (this) belongs to the bailiff of Waltham.

(But) the said Prior may not keep any prisoner at Drokenesford more than one day and one night but should send him speedily to WALTHAM. (? And when such prisoners may be at WALTHAM in custody the men of Drokenesford will have custody for a second term) of the aforesaid prisoners, and with an escape of robbers (thieves) he/it should always be responsible for the third part.

And if any men of the manor of Drokenesford should injure others and a fine is not made by them in the court of his lord (2) and they may beyond that be willing to complain to the lord Bishop or to his bailiff at WALTHAM the bailiff is fully (authorised) to make a fine at the suit of the complainants.

Item: It is known that the Bishop will have from the woodland of the (hoarder/storekeeper/treasurer) of HASELHOLT for his manor of WALTHAM slender green branches for making and repairing his folds and for making one sheepfold when required and he will have from the same woodland stakes and a bar for (shutting) and making enclosures around his sheepfold, and when mast (3) lies everywhere in the said woodland it shall more than suffice for the lord Bishop and his men of the manor of WALTHAM and for the said Prior for the manor of Drokenesford and his men of that same manor (as) common woods, by right the lord Bishop will have “de forinsecis” (? from out of doors) the residue of the pannage of pigs if they should be present there, and in like manner he shall have from the woodland which is called SUTHWUDE, and further he shall have timber from the said wood for repairing and making the mill which is called ESTMILNE.

But the said Prior may not give or sell from the said woodlands without the permission of the bailiff of the lord Bishop of WALTHAM, save for maintaining his manor of Drokenesford. And when any (/ persons) shall be seized from the said woodlands by the bailiff of WALTHAM or his men the Bishop will have a fine from them in his Court of WALTHAM.

And it is known that each man holding customary land in the manor of Drokenesford having a plough ought to plough two acres in winter “sicut iacet”, and from them he will have instead of plough-service “j.den.” (? one penny) and he shall plough one acre “sicut iacet” in “quadrigesima” (? Fortieth) and thence he will have “j. den.” (? one penny). And there are and ought to be at each term around 30 ploughs “ad minus” (? or so).

Item: The said Prior is to send (“invenire”) twelve carts in the autumn to the court of WALTHAM from his tenants of Drokenesford to (be placed at) the will of the bailiff of WALTHAM until everything except beans peas and vetches has been brought in with one horse. (The words “with one horse” appear to be a second-thoughts addition to the 12 carts).

Item: The said Prior and his bond tenants from divers manors, certain free (tenants) excepted, ought to close up “D. lxxj.” (? 571) “particas” of palings around the park of WALTHAM from the material (probably split timber) of the Bishop, as follows here:-

VILLAGES

Village of HENTONE	25 particas
Village of WESTMENES	52 particas
Village of HAVONTE and HAYLINGES	53 particas
Village of WORDIA MARTRE	4 particas
Village of WUTTONE	52 particas
Village of AVYNTONE	10 particas
Village of CHILTECUMBE	37 particas
Village of CUMPTONE	5 particas
Village of SPARSHOLT	5 particas
Village of HOGHTONE and MICHELMERS	52 particas
Village of HAMTONE	15 particas
Village of SPERKEFORD	19 particas
Village of WONSINGTON	18 particas
Village of CHELEBALTONE	25 particas
Village of EXTONE	25 particas
Village of NUTSELLINGE and MULEBROKE	53 particas
Village of ESTONE	9 particas
Village of CHELELOND	7 particas
Village of AYLWARESTOKE	53 particas
Village of LYTLETON and WIKE	13 particas
Village of OVINTONE	16 particas
Village of DROKENESFORD	38 particas

FREE MEN

PHILIPPUS de EXTONE	4 particas
BULOYNE	3 particas
RICARDUS le porter de SPARSHOLT	3 particas
CREMPE de HURSELYGHE	3 particas
HENRICUS de SHORLINGES	3 particas
NICHOLAUS WACELYN	5 particas
WILLEMUS atte SEMPELE	5 particas
RICARDUS HAMUND	8 particas
PERSONA (“Parson”) de DROKENESFORD	3 particas

And it is known that the men of the Prior from the manor of Drokenesford ought and are accustomed to pay the third part of all cases arising at (“ad”) the Hundred of WALTHAM as (much) before the itinerant Justices as others because it is one Hundred and (as) one they (“respondent” – are responsible) before the Justices, etc.

Item: When the lord Bishop (“voluerit” – may want) to take living beasts in the Hundred of WALTHAM in the park or elsewhere any men holding land in the manor of Drokenesford, freemen as much as others, should find one man for that taking, which is called deerdrive.

Item: If the lord Bishop has (“catulos” - ? young animals) to be nourished in the said manor of WALTHAM (“ipsi” – the same men) from the manor of Drokenesford will always feed from their own expense the third (“catulum - ? young animal) through one whole year.

Item: The men from SWANEMERE and SCHYDEFELD of the manor of Drokenesford owe suit to the lord’s mill, i.e. at WALTHAM and CHALDECOTE.

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