

## Inquisition Westport St. Mary

## RICHARD JEAINE, clerk

Inquisition taken at Devizes, 5<sup>th</sup> September, 4 Charles I [1628], before Michael Tidcombe, esquire, escheator, after the death of Richard Jeaine, clerk, by the oath of Edward North, gent., William White, gent., John Stephens, gent., Richard Filkes, gent., Robert Thresher, gent., John Harris, gent., George Downinge, gent., John Tyllinge, gent., John Eyles, gent., Robert Haskins, Nicholas Sanford, Phillip Bucher, gent., and John Blandford, gent., who say that

Richard Jeaine was seised in fee of one messuage, with a curtilage and orchard adjoining, containing 2 acres, one close, called Colmans, lying next Helliersgrowndes, containing 5 acres of pasture, one other close, called Colmans, lying next Quarrfield, containing 2 acres of pasture, one meadow, called Mareleaze, and the second cutting of the meadow, called West mill-meade, and of 21 acres and 3 yards of arable land, whereof 5 acres in the field called Kniborough, 2½ acres in Quarrfield, 4½ in Brokenboroughfield, 2 acres in the Furlonge, 3 acres in Davye Doore, 2 acres in Hamme, one acres in Wheatelandes, 2 acres in Shelfield, ½ acre in Lower Portwaye Downe, and the first cutting of 3 acres of meadow in Longmeade, with all the customary tenants to the same belonging. All which premises were lately in the tenure of Thomas Copeleye, gent. Also of a close called Quarrpittes, and a close calle Great Holcombes in Burtonhill and Westport. And being so seised on 18th December, 18 James I [1620], by deed dated 2<sup>nd</sup> November, 18 James I [1620], he enfeoffed thereof John Stratton, gent., John Ratcliffe, gent., and Francis Buckle, gent., for certain uses, viz.: to the use of the same Richard Jeaine for the term of his life, and after his death to the use of Mary, his wife, for the term of her life for her jointure, and after her decease, to the use of Robert Hort, son of Edmund Hort, his heirs and assigns for ever. And the jurors further say that the said Richard Jeaine was seised in fee of a capital messuage in Burton Hill, called Holcombes, and of a close called Little Holcombes, and of 36 acres of land in Burton Hill and in the parishes of Westport and Malmesbury to the capital messuage belonging, and being so seised on 11th December, 22 James I [1624], by an indenture dated 30th September, 22 James I [1624], enfeoffed thereof John Ratcliffe, Henry Clarke and Henry Mayo, for certain uses, viz. : to the use of the said Richard Jeaine, for the term of his life, and after his decease, to the use of Mary, then his wife, for the term of her life, if she remained a widow, and after the decease of the said Richard and Mary, or after the marriage of the said mary, to the use of John Jesoppe and Richard Jesoppe, sons of John Jessope, late of Naylesworth, in the parish of Aveninge, fuller, deceased, and the heirs of their bodies lawfully begotten, and for default of such issue, to the use of Richard Jeaine, son of John Jeaine, late of Bisley, co. Gloucester, fuller, deceased, and the heirs and assigns of the said Richard for ever.

The premises lately in the tenure of Thomas Copley are held of the King in chief, by knight's service, but by what part of a knight's fee the jurors are ignorant, and are worth per annum, clear, 30s.; the capital messuage and closed called Little Holcombes, Greage Holcombes, and Quarrpittes and the 36 acres of land are held of Sir Henry Modye, knight and bart., as of his manor of Lea by fealty, suit of court, and the yearly rent of 4d., and are worth per annum, clear, 20s.

Richard Jeaine died on the 10<sup>th</sup> January last before taking of the inquisition [1628], at **Foxeley**, co. Wilts.; William Jeaine, son of William Jeaine, deceased, brother of the said Richard Jeaine, is kinsman and heir, and is of the age of 40 years and more.

Mary Jeaine, John Jesoppe, and Richard Jesoppe as yet survuve at Foxeley aforesaid.

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