



Inquisition

Barford St. Martin

Thomas de Chaucombe 1305

Inquisition taken at Sarum before the King's escheator, 24th March, 33 Edward I [1305], the the oath of Alan de Langeford, Edmund Falke, Robert Bede, Hugh Eremen, Robert de Brudecombe, William Kedenet, Nicholas Serle, Ralphe Danger, Robert Geraud, William Cole, Peter Whippe, and Robert le Font, who say that

It is not to the damage of the King or others if the King should grant to Thomas de Chaucombe, knight, that he may retain to him and his heirs for ever of the King and his heirs, by the same services by which the said John first held them of the King, one messuage, 100 acres of arable land and 4 acres of meadow in Bereford St Martin, and the bailiwick of the forestry of Gravelei in co. Wilts, which he acquired to himself in fee without the King's licence of John de Carentam, who held them of the King in chief. The said messuage, land, and bailiwick are held by the King in chief by the service of 9s., to be paid yearly by the hands of the said Thomas to the Sheriff of Wilts at the feast of St. Michael, and paying to the church fo St. Mary of Sarum 12d. yearly for all service, and worth per annum, clear, to wit, the said messuage and land, 26s. 8d., and the said bailiwick 18s., besides the said service. There belong to the said bailiwick all the dead wood, ferns [pugerd], housebote and haybote, and pasture for all oxed, plough-horses, pigs, and sheep, as many as the forester of the said bailiwick had at all times of the year, without contradiction of any, save the forbidden month, together with fuel for the oven which belongs to the said bailiwick in the said forest. The said John Carentam and his ancestors were wont to have and take yearly all the dead wood and fern in the said forest, housebote, haybote, and pasture for all oxen, horses, pigs, and sheep, and all other animals except goats, at all times of the year except the forbidden month, at all times past, together with fuel for the said oven. No lands or tenements in the said county remain to the said John besides the said enfeoffment.

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