

CLOSES IN WHALESBOROUGH.<sup>a</sup>

A. D. 1527.

Hiesus. Maria.

Be hit remembryrd That the xix yere off kynge Harry the viij<sup>th</sup> and in the xvij<sup>th</sup> day off January then preseynt: the withyn namyd John Cavell, Gentleman, and Richard Howell, yeman, came unto the mannor off Whalesborowh nygh unto Stratton in the cownty off Cornwall, and there the forseid Richard by the vertew and aucto-rite off the letter off Attorney heere within wrytten, gave livery and possession unto the seid John Cavell off three closes there, wheroff the ffyrst is callid Wydmauth or the Mayn, the second Chappell Close or the Chappell parke, the thyrde Myddylhill or Mydderhyll, to the same intent, purpose, and effect as in certeyn Indentors maade bytween the withyn namyd John Trevillyan and Gyles Hyll Esqwyers, berynge date the xxiiij<sup>th</sup> day off September and the xvij<sup>th</sup> yere off the seid kynge Harry the viij<sup>th</sup>, moore playnly is expressid. Thes Men there then beinge present and lawfully requyred to record the same: That is to weet, Willm. Acheeffe otherwyse called Willm. Stanbery, Richard Lamerton, Petyr Farr, Thomas Synggar, John Greyston, John Twygges, John Richard, Robt. Glanvild, Robt. Gosse, Robt. Sawnders, Watyr Ley, John Poope, Robt. Walky, Willm. Dodgall, and others.

Att Whallesborowh affore seid, the yere, day, and moneth above writton.

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LORD CHIEF JUSTICE JOHN FITZ JAMES TO MR. CRUMWELL.<sup>b</sup> A. D. 1533.

Jhs.

Master Crumwell. After most hartie recommendation, with like thanks for your manyfold kyndenes. Thys is to advertise yow of

<sup>a</sup> The original Letter of Attorney is dated 21 Oct. 19 Hen. VIII. and what follows is indorsed upon it.

<sup>b</sup> From the original, entirely in the handwriting of the Chief Justice, preserved in the State Paper Office. It was not usual at that period to give the date of the year, but it was

the resceit of your gentill letter send me by the servaunt of Mr. Trevelyan, whiche hade resceyvede a Privey Seale apon payn of allegeaunce, before the comynge of your letter to me, and was yn his journey toward London, so that iffe his fortune be goode, he may kepe his apparaunce; hartily praying yow to be gode master to hym. Trew it ys there is moche labour made ageyn hym by mean of the wiffe of a gentleman yn thies parties callide Mr. Hill, whos doffter is maryed to the son of the saide Trevelyan; wherfore sche wold bynd hym to certen thynges other than be compriside yn ther indenture of mariage, wherof sche hathe nor wretynge ne yet proffe; but the verie trouthe this Trevelian is not the wyseste man, ne yett of a seurtie no ydeott, but a man off litill discretion, and not broken, but hath allwey lyved at home withowte any brekyng. And bycause he wold not folowe the mynd off the gentlewoman sche hathe made this labour ageyn hym, more as I suppose to prove hym a ydeotte than for eny truste of her bargeyn. Iff he be a ydeotte, on my feythe I wold the Kyngges Heighnes hade righte of hym. How be it, seurlly iffe he be examined accordyng to the Statute he will not be provide ydeote, as yn that mater ye knowe what ye have to do, and so do I iffe I were with yow. But for the residue of the mater I hartely pray yow do as ye have written and he schall seurlly deserve your payn. As to my self, I am the moste unhappie creature lyvyng, that syns my Soverayn Lord wold have me to do hym servyce, that by reason of this unhappie ynfirmytie I kan not be able to cum to the place wher I schueld do hym servyce. For by the feythe I owe to God and to his Grace, how be it I am moste unable to do His Grace servyce of any of his Justices, yett iff I were able to labour I wold seurlly, God willyng, bee among yow, and do the best I kowde; but, by the othe I have made byfore, I am not able to take suche a journey withowte moche perill off my

probably 1533, before Crumwell became Secretary to the King. Mr. Trevelyan was John, who married Avice Cockworthy; he died in 1546; his son John, born in 1508, married Maud, daughter of Gyles Hyll and Agatha Brent: a pedigree of this family of Hyll is given in *Collectanea Topog. et Geneal.* vol. i. p. 409.

life. And if I were ther yett I kowde not goo withowte a staff, so that the absens fro my Soverayn Lord at this tyme grevithe me more than my ynfirmite. And yett on my feythe dyvers tymes in my sikenes I wold have yeven all the litill gode I have to have bene easide off my payn. Gentill Master Crumwell, now I have made yow my gostely fader yn this mater, more specially than I have wreten to eny man lyvyng, hartely praying you to make my excusse to my Soverayn Lord, as ye shall see tyme. And I schall dayly pray for His Grace, and iffe I die and never cum at London, yet I schall so deserve parte of your payn that ye shall be content by Goddes mercy, who preserve you.

At my poor howse the 8th day of Marche [1533].

Your own assuride,

JOHN FITZJAMES.

THE PILGRIMAGE OF GRACE. PETITION OF WALTER COURTENAY A. D. 1536.  
TO THE KING FOR CERTAIN MANORS.<sup>a</sup>

To the King our liege Lord.

In most humble wyse sheweth unto your highness your trew and feithfull subjett and liegeman Water Courteney knyght, that when he beyng in your service in the parties of Brytaign and Fraunce

<sup>a</sup> What was called "The Pilgrimage of Grace" occurred in 1536, and assumed the character of a rebellion: in it John Lord Scrope was implicated, and from the above document it appears that he had committed some ravages upon the property of Walter Courteney, in Devonshire, the latter being nearly related, if not brother, to Henry Courteney, Marquis of Exeter, and to Peter Courteney, Bishop of that diocese. Walter Courteney appealed to the King, set forth his losses by Scrope and his "affinity," and claimed certain manors in Essex and Devonshire to re-imburse him. We may perhaps presume that the parties to whom the manors belonged, and who are named in the instrument, were of the "affinity" of John Lord Scrope. See Stowe's Chron. edit. 1615, p. 967, and Lord Herbert of Cherbury's Henry VIII., in Kennet, vol. ii. p. 207. The original is on parchment.