



Inquisition

Lyneham

Richard Longe. Gentleman

Inquisition taken at Marleborough, 7th June 15 Charles I [1639], before *Robert Worsham*, gent., escheator, after the death of *Richard Longe*, gent., by the oath of *Robert Kingsman*, *John Mortimer*, *William Stanmore*, *Walter Stretch*, *Stephen Barlie*, *Richard Collins*, *Thomas Hatt*, *Robert Peerse*, *John Kinge*, *Nicholas Leland*, *Richard Mortimer*, *Edward West*, and *Robert Kingsman*, who say that

Richard Longe was seised in fee tail, to wit, to him and his heirs male by *Mary*, some time his wife, of the rectory of Lyneham late parcel of the possessions of the lately dissolved Monastery or Priory of Bradenstock, and all manner of tithes to the said rectory belonging in Lyneham, Bradstock, and Clack, except 2 grounds called Longe Meade and Pighay, parcel thereof, and the capital messuage of the said rectory, and all the tithes growing and renewing in and upon any of the lands and tenements in the possession of *Edward Longe*, esq., deceased, father of the said *Richard*.

So seised, the said *Richard Longe*, esq., by indenture tripartite dated 30th May, 5 Charles I [1629], made between himself, *Walter Long*, gent., his brother, and *Henry Shuter*, of Chippemham, gent., of the one part, *Mary Clerke*, of Bredgar, in co. Kent, widow of the second part, and *Susanna Clerke*, daughter of the said *Mary*, of the third part, in the third part, in consideration of a marriageto be solemnized between the said *Richard Longe* and the said *Susanna Clerke*, and for a competent jointure to be made for the said *Susanna*, agreed for himself and the said *Walter Longe* and *Henry Shuter*, that before the end of Michaelmas term then next following a fine should be levied to the said *Mary Clerke* and her heirs of the said premises, and afterwards, to wit, in the Octaves of Holy Trinity in the said 5th year, a fine was levied at Westminster between the said *Mary Clerke*, plaintiff, and the said *Richard Longe* and *Walter Longe*, deforciant, of the said rectory and tithes, whereby the said *Richard* and *Walter* acknowledged the said premises to be the rights of the said *Mary* as those which she had of their gift, and the same remised to her and her heirs for ever; which said fine was levied to the use of the said *Richard Longe* for his life; after his decease, to the use of the said *Susanna Clerk* for her life; after her decease, to the use successively in the tail male of the first to the sixth and every other son of the said *Richard* by the said *Susanna*; for default to the use of the heirs female of the said *Richard* by the said *Susanna*; for default, to the use of their heirs male by the said *Richard*; for default, to the use of the said *Walter Longe* and his heirs male; for default. To the use of the heirs female of his body of the said *Richard*; for default, to the use of the heirs female of the said *Walter Longe*; and for default, to the use of the right heirs of the said *Richard Longe* for ever.

The said marriage took place at Bredgar, co. Kent, 1st September in the said ninth [? fifth] year.

The said *Richard Longe* was likewise seised of 6 messuages, 5 gardens, 4 orchards, 160 acres, 50 acres of meadow, 300 acres of pasture, and 16 acres of wood in Lyneham, Bradstock, and Clack, the said 2 grounds called Longe Mead and Pigghaye, parcel of the said rectory of Lyneham, the said capital messuage of the said rectory, and the said tithes growing upon the lands and tenements in the possession of *Edmund Longe*.

All the said premises are held of the King in chief, by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, to wit, so much of the said rectory as is assured to the said *Mary* £4, and the residue £8.

Richard Longe died 17th April last past, having issue by the said *Susanna, Humphrey Longe*, gent., his son, who still survives at Lyneham. *Edmund Longe*, gent., is the son and next heir of the said *Richard Longe*, and on the 25th January last past was aged 18 years.

Inq. p.m. 15 Charles I, pt. 1, No. 92. "Abstracts of Wiltshire Inquisitions Post Mortem," 1901, edited by George S. Fry & Edw. Alex Fry.