



# *Inquisition*

## *Orcheston St. Mary*

**GILES TOOKER, esq.**

**Delivered into Court, 6th February, 2 Charles I (1627).**

Inquisition taken at Westbury, 27th August, 22 James I [1624], before Thomas Rose, esquire, escheator, after the death of Giles Tooker, esquire, by the oath of Thomas Edwards, gentleman, Roger Coggeswell, gentleman, John Reinton, Nicholas Carpenter, gentleman, John Nashe, John Watkins, Edward Carpenter, John Greene, Thomas Merchant, Ralph Selfe, Nicholas Amilles (?), Samuel Gibbes, and Thomas Bigges, who say that.

George Tooker was seised of the manor of **Maydenton otherwise Winterborne Maddington**, co. Wilts, with appurtenances, and being so seised, by a fine levied in Hilary term, 29th Elizabeth [1587] – between Thomas Eyre, gentleman, and Robert Rogers, plaintiffs, and the aforesaid Giles Tooker, deforciant, of the manor or farm aforesaid, and fo 7 messuages, 7 apple orchards, 40 acres of land, 20 acres of meadow, 500 (sic) acres of pasture, 30 acres of furze and heath, and 40s. rent in Maydenton aforesaid – the premises were limited to the use of the said Giles and Elizabeth his wife, and the heirs male of the same Giles ; remainder to his right heirs. He was also seised of 2 messuages with appurtenances, 2 closes of pasture containing 3 virgates or rods of (virgas sive rodas) of land, one acre of meadow, and 2 virgatges of land with appurtenances in Maddington aforesaid, in the tenure of Nicholas Merewether ; and of one messuage with appurtenances in Maddington, and one close of pasture adjoining ; 52 acres of arable land lying in the common fields of Maddinton aforesaid, **Netfeildes and Winterborne Shrewton**, co. Wilts, in the tenures of Bartholomew Woodroffe ; and also of one messuage and 4 virgates of land with appurtenances in Maddington, in the tenure of Robert Miles ; and also of one messuage with appurtenances in Maddington, and 5 acres of land in **Honnington**, in the parish of Maddington, in the tenure of Joseph Mason ; and also of one toft, one close of pasture, 25 acres of arable land, meadow and pasture with appurtenances in Honnington aforesaid, formerly the lands and tenements of John Thornborowe, gentleman ; and also of one and a half virgates of land with appurtenances in Honnington, in the tenure of Gabriel Myles ; and also of the moiety of 3 acres of land in Honnington and **Burton** in the parish of Maddington, formerly the lands and tenements of Sir Edmund Penruddocke, knight, deceased ; and also of one close of pasture in **Bourton**, in the tenure of Henry Myles, and of one virgate of land with appurtenances in Bourton, formerly the lands and tenements of William Harrison. And also the manor or farm of **Orcheston St. Mary** otherwise Ordeston Marie otherwise Orston Marie, co. Wilts, and of 10s. rent, one windmill, 2 acres of land, in the tenure of the churchwardens of the church of Orcheston, one cottage and 3 acres of arable land with appurtenances in Orcheston, in the tenure of Richard Dowse ; and of one messuage and the moiety of one virgate of land with appurtenances in Orcheston, in the tenure of Walter Coles. And also of and in the manor of **Bulkington**, in the parish of **Kevill**, co. Wilts, with appurtenances ; and of 3 messuages and 5½ virgates of land with appurtenances in **Chesbury**, in the parish of **Netherhavon**, co. Wilts, in the several tenures of William Trubshawe, Thomas Baylie and John Gage. And of the manor of **Tilshed**, co. Wilts, with appurtenances, and of the moiety of the manor of **Elston**, co. Wilts, with appurtenances ; and of 8 messuages with appurtenances, and the cemetery called **St. Edmonds** churchyarde, with a ditch there adjoining, in the city of **Salisbury**. And of 2 acres of meadow called “le Flagges,” and 20 acres of meadow and pasture in **Potterne**, co. Wilts ; and of 3 cottages and 3 acres of pasture with appurtenances in Potterne, in the tenures of Thomas Frauncis, Richard Pearce, and Edward Bustard.

And also the said Giles Tooker and Edward Tooker, his son and heir, were seised by the feoffment of Sir Walter Longe, knight, deceased, of a capital messuage, tenement, and farm with appurtenances called Longes Farme, and 2 cottages with appurtenances in **Charleton**, co. Wilts, and of one messuage and the

moiety of one virgate of land and one close of pasture called Norreys Hey with appurtenances, lying in **Orcheston St. George**, co. Wilts, in the tenure of John Sackle ; and of one and a half virgates of land with appurtenances in Honnington in the tenure of Willilam Fleming and John Longe ; and of 50s. rent with appurtenances in Shrewton aforesaid ; and of the moiety of one acres of meadow in Hollowayes Marshe in the parish of Fordingbridge, co. Southampton.

The said Giles Tooker being so seised by his will dated 25th April, 1618, devised to his wife Elizabeth the manors or farms of Maydenton, Burton and Honnington, during her widowhood ; if she re-marry to have the jointure of Maydenton only, and to have either the house at Maydenton or Salisbury for life, and £200 per annum in lieu of jointure. He bequeathed to his eldest son 100 marks per annum, and to his youngest son 50 marks. His eldest son also to have to him and his heirs male, all his lands, with remainder to his brother except Charleton and Chesenbury, and the protion of tithes in Chesenbury which he gage to his son William and his heirs male ; remainder to his brother Edward and his heirs male ; ultimate remainder to his own right heirs. The rest of his land not already entailed, he gave to the said Edward and his heirs male ; remainder to the said Willilam ; ultimate remainder to his own right heirs. On the re-marriage or death of his wife, all his stock to be sold except the household stuff and plate at Maydenton, which was to remain to his heir when he shall come to that house. Having assured his land to his eldest son, as appears by the deeds of his wife's jointure, all devises concerning those lands were to be void. He appointed his son Edward his executor.

The manor or farm of Maddington and the premises in the occupation of the aforesaid Nicholad Merewether, Bartholomew Woodroff, Robert Myles and John Mason are held of the King in chief, but by what service the jurors know not, and are worth per annum, clear, £8 10s. The lands formerly, etc., of John Thornborowe aforesaid, and the lands and tenements in the tenure of Gabriel Myles are worth per annum, clear, 6s. 8d., but by what service they are held the jurors know not. The lands, tenements and hereditaments, late of the aforesaid Sir Edward Penruddock, knight, and William Harrison, and of the aforesaid close of pasture in Bourton, in the tenure of Henry Myles, are held of Edward Hungerford, esquire, as of his manor of **Winterbornestoke**, by fealty only, and are worth per annum, clear, 20s. The aforesaid lands, tenements and hereditaments in the tenure of the churchwardens aforesaid are held of the King as of his manor of East Greenwich in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per annum, clear, 6d. The manor of Tilshed is held of the King in chief by the service of the 20th part of a knight's fee, and is worth per annum, clear, 100s. The aforesaid messuage in Salisbury is held of John Bishop of Salisbury, by the rent of 5s. in free and common socage ; the other premises are held of the King as of his manor of Greenwich, by fealty, in free socage, and are worth per annum, clear, 13s. 4d. The lands in Potterne called le Flagges are held of the King as of his manor of East Greenwich, by fealty only, in free socage and not in chief, and are worth per annum, clear, 6d. The lands, tenements, and hereditaments in Charrelton, are held of Sherrington Talbot the elder, as of his manor of Charelton, by fealty, in free socate, and are worth per annum, clear, £5. The manor of Bulkington is held of the King as of his manor of East Greenwich, by fealty only, in free socage, and is worth per annum, clear, 20s. The manor of Orcheston and other the premises in Orcheston Marie are worth per annum, clear, £10. The moiety of the manor of Eston is worth per annum, clear, £5. The lands, tenements and hereditaments in Chesenbury and Netherhavon are worth per annum, clear, 50s. The lands and tenements in Potterne (the aforesaid lands called Flagges excepted) are worth per annum, clear, 13s. 4d. The lands and tenements in Orcheston St. George and the aforesaid rent of 50s. in Shrewton are worth per annum, clear, 55s. The lands and tenements in Fordingbridge are worth per annum, clear, 3d. ; but by what service the aforesaid manor of Orcheston and other the premises in Orcheston Marie, the aforesaid lands and tenements (except before excepted) in Potterne, the moiety fo the manor of Elston, the aforesaid lands, tenements and hereditaments in Chesenbury and Netherhavon, and the aforesaid lands, tenements and hereditaments in Orcheston St. George, Shrewton, and Fordingbridge are held, the jurors know not.

Giles Tooker died on 25th November last past (1623), and Edward Tooker is the son and next heir of the aforesaid Giles and Elizabeth his wife, and was, at the time of his father's death, aged 26 years and more.

**Inq. p.m., 2 Charles I, p. 1, No. 39. "Abstracts of Wiltshire Inquisitions Post Mortem," 1901, edited by George S. Fry & Edw. Alex Fry.**