

## Court Records 1560 – 1564 English Transcription

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*Richard Wells April 2017.*

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### COURT BOOK 1560 - 1564

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#### PREFACE.

This is the first of a series of Court Books, extending (with certain Small gaps) from September 1560 (the second year of Elizabeth) to December 1835, (the sixth year of William IV.) Up to the latter year, meetings of the Borough Council were always held in camera, members of Council retained office for life (if they so desired) and the surviving members filled up all vacancies, there was thus no system of public election.

the Municipal Reform Act of 1835 swept away this state of things.

These Court Books, therefore, contain no record of the proceedings of the Borough Council. What they record are:

1. The weekly meeting of the Hustings Court established by Edward I's Charter of 1285, and occupied principally with commercial cases.
2. The Court Leets held twice a year, just after Easter and just after Michaelmas, when a jury of Freemen sat in judgment on everyone from the Mayor downwards for their shortcomings towards the community.
3. The meeting held once a year, i.e., on the first Monday after St. Bartholomew's Day (August 24th) for the election by the Freemen of a new Mayor.
4. Sometimes, but too infrequently, the election of a Member of Parliament.

The present volumes cover the period from 1560 to 1574. The original Court Book, which accompanies them is in medieval Latin, except that a few Court Leets towards the end are written in the old English script. From 1733 Latin fell out of use.

In starting on this first Court Book it was thought advisable to present a large portion of it verbatim, both in Latin and English, so that this might serve as a sample of the class of business recorded in other Court Books to be transcribed later on, 318 pages, therefore covering the years 1560-68 have been transcribed verbatim. The remaining 83 pages, covering the years 1568-74, have been treated in the form of a calendar or precis. These Calendars give in chronological order all essential facts and names, matters of no importance being omitted altogether. The latter is the system adopted at the Public Record Office in its volumes of printed records. Time, cost and space all compel its adoption at Lyme Regis.

It may be asked what is known of any Court Books prior to 1560? Fortunately this question can be answered so far as concerns the period of the last 146 years. An information in the action of Rex v. Luther dated July 29th, 1784, is in the Town Hall. This action is one of the many fought out between 1778 and 1785 when the Borough was trying to free itself from the influence of the Fane family. John Luther was related to and an adherent of the Fanes and the information in his case states that in 1784 there existed:

- (1) A very imperfect and mutilated Court Book of Edward II (1307-27).
- (2) Some separate parchment rolls of Henry VI (1422 - 61) Edward IV (1461-83), and Henry VII (1485 - 1509).
- (3) One Court of Henry VIII.
- (4) One Court of Edward VI.
- (5) A regular series beginning with 1560.

It will thus be seen that (1), (2), (3) and (4) have all vanished, and, if these probably flimsy documents were 'being bandied about between the offices of various Solicitors from 1778 to 1785 it is not surprising that they did not survive. Folios 10 and 11 in the Portfolio of Fugitive Pieces I contain a few scraps of Court Books prior to 1560, but these are brands snatched from the burning. It is, of course, conceivable that other scraps of older Court Books may yet be discovered. Subject to this, however., we begin to-day, as we should have begun 145 years ago, with the 2nd year of Queen Elizabeth, i.e., 1560.

The lettering at the back of each volume will describe its contents. Three very full indexes are added to the last volume, i.e., of Names, of Places, of Subjects. In all these the number of the page given is that of the original Court Book and these numbers will be found on the left-hand margin of the folios. To these indexes are added a glossary in which various obsolete or unused words will be found explained. Suggestions are also offered for throwing light on certain obscurities, but very little effort has been made to deal with any nice points of medieval law which may arise out of the records.

(p.1) Court held there the 23<sup>rd</sup> day of September in the second year of the reign of the Lady Elizabeth by the grace of God Queen of England, France and Ireland, defender of the faith etc.

Philip Haywood complains against Lawrence Leonard in a plea of debt on demand of 9s.

Christina Caseley complains against John Lorage of Musbury in the county of Devon in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6. 13. 4d. Pledge to prosecute Henry Crauley . Pledge to answer William Deane.

Margaret Waddon has a day to answer Lancelot Reynolds in a plea of debt on an account till the Court on the 15<sup>th</sup> day from this.

Thomas Colman has a day to make a declaration against Alexander Durston till the 15<sup>th</sup> day from this.

(p.2) Legal Court with view of frankpledge held there the last day of September in the second year of the reign of the Lady Elizabeth by the grace of God Queen of England, France and Ireland, defender of the faith, etc. in the time of John Holcome mayor there.

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|---------------|---------------|-------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| Twelve sworn: | Roger Garland | William Tanner    | John Mores       | Nicholas Whetcombe |
|               | John Perrott  | Richard Carpenter | Henry Snow       | William Deane      |
|               | Thomas Dare   | Thomas Waller     | William Ellesdon | William Spyryng    |

Presentment of constables: Robert Davy and John Garland constables there

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sworn come in virtues or their office and present that all things to this day are well.

Richard Hunt and John Scryven, porters are ordered to have scoured the ditch between the three legged cross and the house of Alexander Davy from time to time as far as the aforesaid ditch extends. penalty for not doing so 5/-.

The mayor is ordered to bring the water into Alexander Durston's field as soon as required. penalty 5/-.

Robert Davy, Ignatius Buckford ..... Holcombe and ..... Ellesden are ordered to have their ditches scoured, so that the water can flow through direct, as soon as is necessary. Penalty for each 3/4.

Hugh Bragg is ordered not to leave on deposit timber within the liberty of the borough without licence of the mayor. Penalty 5/-

..... Ellesden is ordered to make a grating on the weir flowing at the end of his house before the feast of All Saints next under a penalty of 5/-

Thomas Colman is ordered to cut and lower his hedge from the gate of his close to the close of (Alexander) Durston before the feast of the Nativity next. Penalty 3/ 4.

Alexander Durston is ordered to clean and keep cleaned the street on way from the broad gate (in English the brodegate ) to the hedge of ..... Ellesden before the 15th of October. Penalty 3/4.

..... Ellesdon, William Douche, Nicholas Whetcombe Richard Berett and Gilbert Helyere are ordered to clean as much of the street as lies in front of their lands each week from the place of

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Nowales Steyer to the house of Nicholas Whetcombe. Penalty tor each 12d.

(p.3) Continuation of the Court of 15<sup>th</sup> September 2 Elizabeth.

It is ordered that no glovers shall in future hang or place leather or skins In the water at the Cobb gate to the pollution of the same. Penalty for each 10/-.

Robert Davy is ordered to dig a hollow ditch to carry the water from the garden of (John) .... Perott to the end of his own garden, and this within 15 days. Penalty 3/ 4.

The Mayor is ordered to have made a pond to hold the overflow of water and to bring it into Robert

Davy' s ditch before the feast of All Saints next. Penalty 2/-

William Spyryng and William Moxsarge and John Perrot are ordered to cut or uproot their hedges from William Spyryng's gate to the end of John Perrot' s close, and thence extending to the cross of St. Andrew before the feast of the nativity next. Penalty for each 2/-.

Richard Hunt is ordered to construct and dig a ditch from the house of ..... Attkyns to the end of his garden before the feast of All Saints next under a penalty of x.s, [10s.]

The same Richard Hunt is ordered to construct a chimney in the house now held by William Tryme before the same feast. Penalty 10/-.

John Somer is ordered to construct a chimney three feet above his house and sufficiently clayed limed

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before the feast of the nativity next. Penalty 10/-

Thomas ..... is ordered to bring in water at Ylheryes as before ordered, and this before the feast of All Saints next. Penalty 10/-.

The mayor is ordered to bring the water from the road into the land of ..... Lastock from the three legged cross to the gate of the said ..... Lascok. Penalty 5/-.

Christopher Battyn is ordered to cut down his hedge on each side of the road and to cause the water to flow direct within 15 days. Penalty 3/ 4.

Richard Carpenter is ordered to make a ditch sufficient to carry the water in a straight course in the road leading from St. Andrew's before the feast of All Saints next. Penalty 3/ 4.

(p.4) Court Of the above day and year continued.

It is ordered that no one in future shall deposit or leave (dung ?) in the streets or public places more than 15 days without (licence of the mayor ?) Penalty 10/-.

Christopher Battyn is ordered to erect bounds or (bourns) (between) the freehold lands pertaining to Lyme Regis and those pertaining to ..... before the feast of the Nativity next. Penalty 3/ 4.

William Spyryng. Roger Garland. John Holcome, John Garland William Whetecombe and James Wood are ordered each to make a proper ditch to carry water into the borough and this within the next 15 days. Penalty 2/-.

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It is ordered that no man's servants shall

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sift grain from dust and stubble. Penalty 3/ 4.

John Holcombe ordered to plant a hedge in its proper place according to the bourns and bounds between him and John Morrys before the feast of All Saints. Penalty 3/ 4.

John Whytemore ordered to bring water into his meadow and to plant or erect a hedge at the end of his house between him and Richard Hunt before the 15<sup>th</sup> October next. Penalty 5/-.

John Hassard ordered to make a canal or ditch and to bring it out beyond the cobb gate before the feast of All Saints next. Penalty 5/.

The Jury present that Hugo Bragg leaves timber for a long time at the end of the house of Alexander Davys. Therefore he is in mercy and affeerment for 2/-.

They present also that John Skryven's wife with her servants sifted grain in the street. Therefore she is in mercy.

And that Silvester Hayne's wife sifted grain in the street contrary to a previous order of the Court. Therefore she is in mercy.

And that Thomas Ellesden did not look after the water running from the highway into his land called Cattes cleves. Therefore he is in mercy 6/ 8.

And that the above Hugo Brag deposited timber at the end of the town since the last Court Leet. Therefore he is in mercy. 2/-.

(p.8) Court hold there 7<sup>th</sup> October in the year 2 Elizabeth.

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Thomas Colman has a day till the next Court for making a declaration against Alexander (Durstun ?)  
John Lverage senior of Musbury has a day till the next Court to answer Christina Caseley in a plea of debt.

William Marchant admitted attorney of Christina Caseley in the above plea.

(p.9) Court held there 13<sup>th</sup> October in the year 2 Elizabeth.

John Lverage senior of Musbury has a day till the next Court to answer Christina Caseley in a plea of debt.

Robert More complains against William Jervys In a plea of debt on demand of 2/- . Pledge to answer (William Newale).

(p.10) Court held there 21<sup>st</sup> October in the year 2 Elizabeth

Agnes Shave complains against Robert Shave in a plea of broken agreement. Pledge to answer William Ellesdon (And the parties) have submitted themselves to the arbitration of William Dare and Robert Guppy, to determine etc, before the next Court to be held i.e. fifteen days hence, and to stand by the decision of the said arbitrators, either defaulting to pay 20s. to the Cobb.

John Lverage senior of Musbury has a day till the next Court to be held, i.e. fifteen days hence, to answer Christina Caseley in a plea of debt, under pain of damages.

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(p.11) Court held there 4<sup>th</sup> November in the year 2 Elizabeth.

Richard Kyrford complains against William Pulman in a plea of debt. Pledge to answer William Ellesdon The plea remains by the defendant's essoin.

Nicholas Whetecombe complains against John Ford of Crewkerne in a plea of debt, that he should pay [£] 5. 15s. 4d. Pledge to answer William Tryme. William Tryme admitted attorney. And the aforesaid John Forde by William Tryme his attorney admitted to owing the plaintiff 37s. 8d. which he pays in Court. And the said Nicholas is allowed by the Court for expenses incurred 18d. and for outlay 3d. And (John Forde) has a day till 15 days hence to wage his law against the said Nicholas Whetecombe for the residuum, himself and one other surety.

Thomas Brewer complains against Edith Graunt widow in a plea of debt. Pledge to prosecute William Whetecombe. Pledge to answer Thomas Dare.

Henry Clark complains against William Whytemore in a plea of debt. Pledge to prosecute Robert Davy.

Agnes Shave has a day till the next Court to (make a declaration) against Robert Shave in a plea of broken agreement.

(p.12) Court held there 11<sup>th</sup> November in the year 2 Elizabeth.

Richard Kyrford does not prosecute his action against William Pulman. Therefore he is in mercy

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6d. And for the issues of the Court 4d. And the defendant is allowed 10d. for expenses by him incurred.

John Lverage has a day till the next Court to answer Christina Caseley in a plea of debt.

To this Court came Robert More and delivered in full Court a writ of our Lady the Queen in these words: The Queen etc to the mayor and bailiffs of our town of Lyme Regis greeting: whereas we lately by our writ commanded you to have the body of Richard Hockley, detained in custody in your prison as is said, under safe conduct, together with particulars of the date and reason of his arrest and detention, by whatsoever name the said Richard is known in your town, before us on the Sabbath after the octave of Trinity next, to do and accept whatsoever our Court should then and there consider, nevertheless, for certain causes in our Court now moving us we command you and each you, that in whatsoever pleas in your Court are now pending against the said Richard at the suit of Robert More, with what speed you can you do proceed in such manner as by the law and custom of the aforesaid town you ought to proceed, our aforesaid previous writ to the contrary notwithstanding. Witness R. Catlyn at Westminster the fourteenth day of October in the second year of our reign.

To this Court came Richard Hockley and delivered in full Court a writ of our Lady the Queen in these

words, viz: The Queen, etc, to the mayor and bailiffs of our town of Lyme Regis, greeting. Wishing for certain causes to be

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certified of the tenor of all and singular pleas and actions against Richard Hockley before you in your Court of the said town without our writ, according to the custom of the said town, at whomsoever's suit on from whatever cause made, had, and moved, we command you that the tenor of the said pleas, suits, or actions, by whatever name the said Richard in those pleas, suits or actions is known, you do send to us in our chancery in the octave of St. Hilary next, wherever it shall then be, under your seals distinctly and openly sealed; and this writ. Witness ourselves at Westminster the 24<sup>th</sup> day of October in the second year of our reign.

William Strong complains against Thomas Bowge in a plea of debt on demand of ..... Pledge to prosecute William Follett.

(p.13) Court held there 18<sup>th</sup> November in the year 2 Elizabeth.

Christina Casely by William Merchant her attorney has a day till a fortnight hence to (make a declaration against) John Leverage in a plea of debt.

Thomas Strowde gentleman complains against John Gyllet of Wutton in a plea of debt on demand of ..... Pledge to prosecute Nicholas Whetcombe. Pledge to answer William Ellesdon. The suit remains by essoin of the defendant.

William Copp alias Cook complains against Richard Pynney in a plea of detention. Pledge to prosecute Nicholas Whetcombe. Pledge to answer John Howker. The suit remains by essoin of the defendant.

John Norman complains against Edward Fyssher alias Tylman in a plea of debt on demand of .....

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Pledge to prosecute Henry Crauley. Pledge to answer John Howker. The suit is adjourned by assent of the parties until .....

Henry Crauley admitted attorney for Nicholas Whetcombe in his plea of debt against John Ford.

And the said John Forde wages his law, by himself and two sureties, vis. by Thomas Norrys and Martin Syrwell (?), against Nicholas Whetcombe in the said suit. Wherefore the said John Forde is allowed by consideration of the Court for his two sureties 16d. And for outlay 3d. And for estreats of the Court 4d. And so he is dismissed.

Nicholas Gay alias Wallern and William Gay alias Wallern, executors of John Wallern deceased, complain against Tristram Towker in a plea of debt. Pledge to prosecute Nicholas Whetcom, and pledge to answer John Hassard.

Tristram Towker complains against Nicholas Wallern alias Gay and William Wallern alias Gay executors of the will of John Wallern deceased in a plea of debt. Pledge to prosecute John Hassard. Pledge to answer William Tanner.

(p.14) Court held there 23 November in the year 3 Elizabeth.

John Bragg complains against Richard Veal in a plea of debt. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. Pledge to answer William Ellesden. The suit remains by essoin of the defendant. He pays for .....

John Hassard pleads against John Davege for debt. Pledge to answer William Tanner. The suit remains by essoin of the defendant.

William Tryme is admitted attorney for

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Thomas Strowde in his plea of debt against John Jellett.

John Gyllett has a day till the Court to be held three weeks hence to answer the aforesaid plaintiff.

William Copp says nothing against Richard Pynney in his plea of detention. Therefore it is determined by the Court that the said William Copp shall pay the said defendant for ..... 16d. And for mercy 6d. And for issues of the Court 4d.

Nicholas Wallern alias Gay and William Wallern alias Gay executors of the will of John Wallern

deceased have a day till the next Court to answer Tristram Towker in a plea of debt, and to offer evidence.

Tristram Towker has a day till the next Court to answer Nicholas Wallern and William Wallern.

William Copp complains against Richard Pynney In a plea of detention. Pledge to prosecute Christopher Batten, and pledge to answer John Howker.

(p.15) Court held there 2 December 3 Elizabeth.

The suit between William Copp plaintiff and Richard Pynney defendant for detention remains by essoin of the defendant.

Richard Rockett of Hawkechurch complains against Henry King alias Clark in a plea of trespass upon the case. The suit remains by essoin of the defendant.

William Wallern and Nicholas Wallern have a

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day till the next Court to answer Tristram Towker in a plea of debt.

Tristram Towker has a day till the next Court to answer William Wallern and Nicholas Wallern in a plea of debt.

William Moxridge becomes pledge for Gregory Mychell for producing a letter of attorney of John Davege in the next Court.

The said John Davege has a day till the next Court to answer John Hassard in a plea of debt.

John Forde complains against Nicholas Whetcombe in a plea of debt.

Christopher Caseley has day till the next Court to answer John Loverage in a plea of debt.

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(p.16) Court held there 9 December 3 Elizabeth.

John Loverage has a day to answer Christina Caseley in a plea of debt till the next Court.

Nicholas Wallern and William Wallern have a day to answer Tristram Towker in a plea of debt till the next Court under pain of condemnation.

Tristram Towker has a day to wage his law against Nicholas Wallern and William Wallern In a plea of debt with two sureties till the next Court.

Henry Kyng alias Clark has a day to answer Richard Rockett in a plea of trespass till the next Court.

(p.17) Court held there 16 December 3 Elizabeth.

Johanna Parys complains against Henry Clarke in a plea of debt of [£] 3. vi s. viii d. Pledge to prosecute William Ellesdon. Pledge to answer Robert Davy. The plea remains pending by essoin of the defendant.

John Hart complains against John Brag in a plea of debt. Pledge to prosecute William Nowale. Pledge to answer Richard Carpenter. And the plea remains pending by essoin of the defendant.

William Hodder complains against Thomas Burgys in a plea of detention. Pledge to prosecute John Hooker. Pledge to answer Henry Cranley. And the said defendant has a day to wage his law against the said plaintiff till the next Court after Epiphany.

Thomas Burgys complains against William Hodder in a plea of detention. Pledge to

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answer John Booker.

Christina Caseley has a day till the next Court to make a declaration against John Loverage, defendant in a plea of debt.

The suit between Thomas Strowde plaintiff and John Gyllet defendant in a plea of debt Is adjourned by assent of the parties.

Richard Rockett alias Wakeley plaintiff and Henry King alias Clarke defendant have submitted themselves to the arbitration of John Cookeney and Nicholas Sprake of Whadbroke under penalty for either, defaulting, of 20s. for repair of the Cobbe.

Nicholas Wallern and William Wallern and Tristram Rowker, plaintiffs and defendants in two pleas,

have come to an agreement out of Court.

William Best has a day till the next Court, i.e. after Epiphany, to answer William Dene in a plea of trespass.

(p.18) Court held there 13 January 3 Elizabeth.

Edward Radman and John Hassard complain against Richard Turberville of Honyton in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 36. xv. s. The said Richard Turberville is attached by his goods and chattels, which remain in the custody of William Merchant Serjeant at mace.

John Lverage by William Dene his attorney comes and says that the pleading put forward by Christina Caseley is not sufficient in law and that he does not need, nor by the law of England is he bound, to answer it; wherefore he asks for

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judgment of the Court, and his damages. And the said parties are given a day till the Court a month hence.

William Ellesdon is admitted attorney of Jonanna Parys, plaintiff against Henry Clark defendant in a plea of debt. William Marchant is admitted attorney of the defendant.

Henry Clarke has a day till the next Court to answer Johanna Parys in a plea of debt of [£]3 . vi. s viii.d. of the price of three steers.

John Brag has a day to answer John Harte in a plea of debt on demand of 20.s.

Henry Cranley is admitted attorney of John Hart plaintiff.

William Hodder has a day till the next Court to substantiate his answer against Thomas Burgys in a plea of detention.

John Gyllet has a day till the next Court to answer Thomas Strowde, gentleman, in a plea of debt on demand of 55s.6d.

William Dene has a day till the Court to be held a fortnight hence to proceed according to law against William Best in a plea of trespass.

The suit between Richard Rockett plaintiff and Henry Kyng alias Clarke in a plea of trespass is adjourned by assent of the parties.

Thomas Burgys made default in waging his law against William Hodder. Therefore the said plaintiff recovered against the said Thomas Burgis for his damages, viii.d. and for costs vi.d. and for issues of the Court iii.d.

(p.19) Court held there 20 January 3 Elizabeth.

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John Perrot complains against George Payne in a plea of debt on demand of 20s.

Richard Osborne complains against John Gyllet in a plea of debt on demand of ..... Pledge to prosecute William Speryng. Pledge to answer John Hocker. The said Richard Osborn does not prosecute therefore etc.

John Boner complains against John Greene in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. Pledge to prosecute Robert Davy. Pledge to answer Nicholas Whetcombe.

John Ryxer complains against Richard Lydger in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 5. Pledge to prosecute Richard Leonard. Pledge to answer Christopher Battyn.

John Webber of Taunton complains against Henry Maunder of Exeter in two pleas of debt on demand of [£]16. x.s. Pledge to prosecute John Holecome. Pledges to answer William Whetcombe and Edward Redman.

Johanna Parys, widow, has a day till the next Court to proffer a true pleading against Henry Clark.

John Brag has a day till the next Court to wage his law against John Hart in a plea of debt i.e. himself and two sureties.

It is determined by the Court that William Hodder shall pay Thomas Burgys for 'horseshowis' ii. s.

(p.20) Court held there 27 January 3 Elizabeth.

Richard Osborne does not prosecute his action



against John Gillett in a plea of debt.

The suit between John Boner plaintiff and John Crowne defendant remains pending by essoin of the defendant.

Richard Lydger has acknowledged that he owes John Ryxar 40s. of his plea of [£] 5. Which he pays here in Court. And he has a day till fifteen days hence to wage his law against the said John Ryxar, vis. himself and one surety.

Henry Maunder has a day till fifteen days hence to answer John Webber of Taunton in two pleas of debt of [£] 46. 10s.

William Marchant is admitted attorney for the plaintiff by pledge of William Ellesden in default of a letter of attorney, William Tryme is admitted attorney for the defendant.

The suit between Johanna Parys widow plaintiff and Henry Clarke defendant in a plea of debt of [£] 3. 6s. 8d. is placed on the country. Therefore the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men of the said borough to appear at the next Court, i.e. fifteen days hence.

John Brag performed his law against John Hart in a plea of debt. And it is determined that the said Joan Hart shall pay to the said defendant 3s. 9d. And for issues of the Court 4d. Witnesses in waging his law Thomas Fitzpayne and Robert Tallond.

It is determined by the Court that William Hodder shall pay to Thomas Burgis for 'horse showys' 2s., for outlay 20d. and for issues of the Court 4d.

Richard Lygger complains against John Ryxar in a plea of broken agreement. Pledge to prosecute Richard Roper. Pledge to answer Richard Carpenter.

Richard Turbervyle has a day till fifteen days hence to answer John Hassard and Edward Redman a plea of debt of [£] 36. 15s.

William Dean has a day till the next Court to proffer a declaration against William Best.

Richard Osborne complains against John Gyllet in a plea of debt on demand of ..... Pledge to prosecute Thomas Dare. The suit remains pending by essoin of the defendant.

(p.21) Court held there 10 February 3 Elizabeth.

Robert Battyn senior complains against Robert Battyn junior in a plea of debt on demand of 26s. 8d. Pledge to prosecute William Nowale. Pledge to answer Richard Carpenter. The suit remains pending by essoin of the defendant.

John Sprawke of Hawkechurche complains against John Colwell in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. Pledge to answer William Phyllys. The suit remains pending by essoin of the defendant.

Christina Caseley has a day till the next Court to make a declaration against John Lverage in a plea of debt.

The jurors between Johanna Parys widow plaintiff and Henry Clarke defendant in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 5. 6s. 8d. returned by William Tryme serjeant at mace by order of the mayor etc.

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|---------------|--------------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Robert Davy   | Silvester Hayne    | Thomas Dare     | Nicholas Daye   |
| Thomas Waller | Nicholas Whetcombe | William Speryng | William Nywall  |
| William Deane | Radulfus Stansbye  | William Follett | William Phyllys |

who say on oath that the said Henry Clarke owes nothing to the said Johanna Parys In the said plea, on the evidence of John Bovett, John Kyte, John Lorying, sworn and examined.

Richard Lydger is defendant in waging his law against John Ryxar for 35s. residuum of [£] 3. 15s. And he shall pay for expenses in this suit incurred 8d. , for outlay 6d. and for issues of the Court 4d.

Richard Lydger has a day till the next Court to make a declaration against John Ryxar in a plea of broken agreement.

John Webber of Taunton complains against Humphrey Walrond and Agnes his wife In a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. He is attached by his goods, i.e. 20 burthens of Newland pfysche. *[fish]* Pledge to

prosecute William Ellesden. Stephen Cogan and William Boner, jurors, say on their oath that the said attached goods are the property of Richard Lyef.

(p.22) Court of 10 February 3 Elizabeth continued.

John Gyllet has a day till the next Court to answer Richard Osborne in a plea of debt on demand of 21s. 8d.

Henry Maunder has a day till the Court eight weeks hence to wage his law against John

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Webber of

Taunton.

John Crome, by the evidence of John Stevens Thomas Durham and Richard Crome has proved here in Court that the goods, i.e. Newland fish, attached at the suit of John Boner in a plea of debt are the property of certain Thomas Wade.

John Perrot complains against Richard Lyef in a plea of debt on demand of ..... Pledge to answer Ignatius Buckford.

Richard Carpenter is admitted attorney of John Webber of Taunton in two pleas of debt.

And the said William Deane in his own person says that the narrative pleaded in the said manner by the said William Best is not sufficient in law. Wherefore he says that it is not necessary nor is he bound by the law of England, to answer it. Whence he asks for judgment as to whether the said William Best ought to continue the said suit against him.

(p.23) Court held there 18 February 3 Elizabeth.

To date suit between John Sprake plaintiff and John Colwell defendant In a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. remains pending by essoin as in the previous Court. William Merchant is admitted attorney of the said plaintiff. William Tryme is admitted attorney of the said defendant by pledge of Richard Carpenter.

Christina (Caseley) has a day till the next Court, i.e. 15 days hence, to make a declaration against John Loverage in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6. 13s. 4d.

Richard Lydger has a day till the next Court i.e. 15 days hence, to make a declaration against

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John Ryxar in a plea of broken agreement, under pain of condemnation.

The suit between John Perott plaintiff and Richard Lyef defendant in a plea of debt on demand remains pending.

The suit between Richard Osborne plaintiff and John Gollyot defendant in a plea of debt on demand of 21s. 8d. remains pending as in the previous Court.

Gregory Frye complains against Robert Jonys in a plea of debt on demand of 23s. Pledge to prosecute John Morris. Pledge to answer William Ellesden.

(p.24) Court held there 3 March 3 Elizabeth.

John Webber of Taunton does not prosecute against Henry Maunder of Exeter city in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 9.

The same John Webber does not prosecute against the same Henry Maunder in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 7. 10s. Therefore it is determined by the Court that the said John Webber shall pay to the said defendant 14s. 2d. viz. for six consecutive Courts 18d. and for outlay and expenses incurred 12s. 6d. and for issues of the Court 4d.

To date Christina Caseley has a day till the next Court to make a declaration against John Loverage in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6. 13s. 4d.

John Webber of Taunton complains against Henry Maunder of Exeter city in a plea of trespass upon the case.

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The same John complains against the same Henry Maunder in a plea of trespass upon the case.

Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. And the said John Webber has a day till the next Court to make a declaration against the said Henry Maunder in the said pleas.

(p.25) Court held 11 March 3 Elizabeth.

Christina Caseley does not prosecute against John Leverage of Musbury, Co. Devon in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6. 13s. 4d. And the said defendant is allowed for outlay and expenses of the Court incurred 8s.

The suit between John Webber of Taunton plaintiff and Henry Maunder defendant in two pleas of trespass upon the case is adjourned by consent of the parties.

Robert Jonys is attached to answer Gregory Frye in a plea of debt on demand of 23s. Pledge to answer William Ellesden.

(p.26) Court held there 17 March 3 Elizabeth.

John Peryam of Exeter city complains against James Glen in a plea of debt on an account of [£] 42. Pledge to prosecute Nicholas Whetcombe. And the said James is attached to answer the said plaintiff in the said plea.

George Wyllesden complains against the same James Glen in a plea of debt on an account concerning his defective wine.

The same George complains against the same

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James Glen in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 42. 6s. 4d. Pledge, to prosecute Henry Snowe. And the said James is attached to answer the said plaintiff in the said pleas. William Marchant is admitted attorney of the said James Glen. William Tryme is admitted attorney of the said John Peryam. And the said James Glen has a day till the next Court to answer the said John Peryam.

The same James has a day to answer the said George Wyllesden in the two said pleas.

John Webber of Taunton does not prosecute against Henry Maunder of Exeter in two pleas of trespass upon the case because agreement has been made out of Court.

(p.27) Court held 24 March 3 Elizabeth.

John Morrys complains against John Bonour in a plea of debt on demand of ..... Pledge to answer John Brooke. The suit remains pending by essoin of the defendant.

John Peryam of Exeter has a day till the next Court, i.e. three weeks hence to make a declaration against James Glen. The same day is given the said defendant to render a reasonable account in the said plea.

The suit between George Wyllesden plaintiff and James Glen defendant in a plea of debt on an account of [£] 42. is adjourned by assent of the parties.

The suit between the same plaintiff and the said James defendant in a plea of debt of [£] 42. 6s. 4d. is adjourned by assent of the parties.

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The suit between Gregory Fry plaintiff and Robert Jonys defendant in a plea of debt on demand of 23s. is adjourned to the next Court.

(p.28) Court held there 14 April 3 Elizabeth.

Alexander Durston complains against William ..... in a plea of trespass. Pledge to answer Richard Carpenter.

The said parties have submitted themselves to the arbitration of William Ellesden and Richard Carpenter. And each of them is bound to abide by the decree of the said arbitrators under pain of 20s. to be paid for the maintenance of the Cobb.

James Glen has a day till the next Court to certify the Court as to the right of two pleas between him the said James and George Wyllesden plaintiff as appears in the previous Court.

Concerning a plea on an account between John Peryam plaintiff and James Glen defendant of six casks of dry wine, the said James confesses that he owes the said plaintiff, for three half casks 19s. 10d.

and for three other half casks debited to him he puts himself on the country, and the said plaintiff likewise. Therefore the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men of the said borough to appear at the Court to be held three weeks hence. And the same day is given to the said parties to stand their trial in the said plea.

To this Court came William Best and delivered in full Court a certain writ of our lady the Queen of Certiorari in these words, viz.

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(Same form as in a previous writ of certiorari).

(p.29) Court held there 21 April 3 Elizabeth.

James Glen in his own person here in full Court has acknowledged that he owes George Wyllesden as to his two pleas, viz. on an account and of debt, as appears in previous Courts [£] 42. 6s. 8d.

William Sprake of Hawkechurche complains against William Cookeney of Hawkechurche aforesaid in a plea of debt on demand of 20s. Pledge to prosecute William Ellesden. Pledge to answer Thomas Waller.

And the said William Sprake has a day till the Court to be held 15 days hence in which to make a declaration against the said William Cookeney in the said plea.

William Merchant is admitted attorney of the said William Cookeney.

In the suit pending between John Peryam of Exeter city plaintiff and James Glen defendant in a plea of debt on an account of [£] 42. in which the same James has confessed in his own person that he owes the said plaintiff the [£] 19. aforesaid for three half casks of dry wine and concerning the other three half casks he places himself on the country, on which William Marchant and William Tryme Serjeants at Mace of the said town were ordered to summon etc. And they by order of the mayor return twelve good and lawful men, viz:

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|-------------------|-----------------|--------------|----------------|
| Robert Davy       | William Spyryng | John Garland | William Mywall |
| William Whetcombe | Thomas Waller   |              |                |

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|             |                  | Richard Barrett | Sylvester Hayne  |
| Henry Snowe | Redulfus Stansby | William Tanner  | William Ellesden |

Who say on their oath that the said James Glen owes nothing to the said John Peryam for the three half barrels of dry wine last debited to him.

John Seyward complains against John Tyrell in a plea of debt on demand 54s. Pledge to prosecute Henry Cranley. Pledge to answer Christopher Batten.

Ralph Stansby complains against Robert Sylkes in a plea of detention vis. for two bushels of barley with one sack.

(p.30) (Legal) Court In the view of frankpledge held there 28 April 3 Elizabeth in the time of Richard Buckford mayor there. Jury:

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| John Morrys    | William Tanner  | Richard Hunte     | William Ellesden |
| John Holcombe  | William Spyryng | Robert Davye      | Anthony Berrett  |
| John Garland   | William Follett | Richard Carpenter | Thomas Waller    |
| William Nywale |                 |                   |                  |

William Whetcombe and Silvester Hayne constables of the said borough come in virtue of their office and present that all things are well.

Alexander Durston is ordered in future not to lay dung before door of his house in the common street under penalty of 3s. 4d.

Richard Hunt is ordered to repair the 'chemeney' where William Tryme now lives before

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the feast of St. James the apostle under penalty of 4s.

Thomas Ellesden, William Douche, Nicholas Whetcombe, Richard Berett, and Gilbert Helyere are ordered to clean and keep cleaned each week the common street before the doors of each subject to a

penalty of 12d. each.

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Agnes Parrot widow is ordered not to allow the water to overflow before her door in the common street under penalty of 5s.

The overseers of the will of John Perrott deceased are ordered to remove the timber from the common street before the door of the said Agnes Perrott within the next 15 days under penalty of 3s. 4d.

John Garland is ordered to repair the pavement before his door within the next five weeks under penalty or 3s. 4d.

John Somer is ordered to repair his 'mantel' before the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist next under penalty of 5s.

Richard Carpenter is ordered to have the dung heap before his door removed within the next seven days under penalty of 2s.

(p.31) Court of frankpledge held there 28 May 3 Elizabeth continued.

It is ordered that in future no one shall wash in a public place, nor throw anything offensive or urinate in the water flowing in a public place under a penalty of 2s.

Robert Davy is ordered to make a sufficient course for the water flowing through his garden or orchard before the feast of Pentecost next under penalty of 2s.

Richard Hunt is ordered to make a sufficient course for the water flowing through his garden or orchard so that it does not flow in the road before the feast of Pentecost next under a penalty of 5s.

Thomas Ellesden is ordered in future to

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receive the water at Cleves, under penalty of 10s.

John Holcombe and others are ordered to dig up the ground in St. Andrew's place to fill it up well and sufficiently before the feast of Pentecost next under penalty of 5s.

Laurence Leonard and Christopher Batten are ordered to scour their ditches in St. Andrew's place before the feast of Pentecost, so that the water shall not injure the road, under penalty of 2s. 6d.

Christopher Batten is ordered in future to scour his ditch and bring the water which flows from James Hay's into the 'barred close' of the said Christopher under penalty of 3s.

Roger Garland is ordered in future to have scoured the ditch in his 'grete parke' so that the water may take its proper course under penalty of 2s.

Thomas Dare is ordered to receive the water into his close from the road which leads from Uplyme under penalty of 2s.

The mayor is ordered to repair the canal crossing the street before Richard Lygger's door within fifteen days under penalty of 2s. 6d.

John Whytemore is ordered to construct a sufficient hedge between him and Richard Hunt to the edge of his house before the feast of the nativity of St. John the Baptist next under penalty of 5s.

(p.32) Court with view of frankpledge held there 28 May 3 Elizabeth, continued;  
John Whytemore is ordered to receive the water

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from the Common way into the end of his meadow under penalty of 2s. 6d.

Christopher Batten is ordered to erect sufficient metes or bounds at the end of his house in which he lives before the feast of Pentecost next under penalty of 3s. 4d.

The mayor is ordered to transfer the water to its proper place in the land of Charles Leverstock in Colwell lane and to repair the way there before the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist next under penalty of 5s. 8d.

The mayor is ordered to repair the way at 'Goslynges brydge' towards Sherborne land, before the feast of Pentecost next under penalty of 5s.

Alexander Durston is ordered to repair the mantle where Robert William now lives before the feast of Pentecost next under penalty of 3s. 4d.

Christopher Batten is ordered to dig and scour his ditch in the land he holds of Agnes Hill towards the 'three legged crosse' from time to time when necessary under penalty of 3s. 4d.

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(p.34) Court held there 5 May 3 Elizabeth.

In the suit pending between John Periam plaintiff and James Glen defendant in a plea of debt on account of [£] 42. in which the said James in his own person confesses that he owes the said plaintiff for three half casks of dry wine [£] 19. 10s, and as to three other half casks of dry wine puts himself on the country, wherefore William Marchant and William Tryme Serjeants at Mace of the said town were ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men of the said liberty, and they by command of the

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Mayor, return

twelve good and lawful men etc who have appeared etc.

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| Robert Davy       | William Spyryng | John Garland   | William Nywale   |
| William Whetcombe | Thomas Waller   | Richard Byrett | Sylvester Hayne  |
| Henry Snow`       | Robert Stansly  | William Tanner | William Ellesden |

who say on their oath that the said James Glen owes nothing to the said plaintiff for the said three half casks of dry wine last debited to him.

William Cookeney has a day till the next Court to wage his law himself with one surety against William Sprake in a plea of debt on demand of 20s.

John Seyward complains against John Tyrell in a plea of debt on demand of 54s. Pledge to prosecute Henry Cranley. Pledge to answer Christopher Batten.

Ralph Stansby complains against Robert Sylkes in a plea of detention of two bushels of barley with one sack. They agree out of Court.

And by judgment of the Court James Glen is to be allowed (against) John Peryam on the verdict of the twelve Jurors for 'venire faciatis' 6d. and for summons of the twelve jurors 12d. and the said James is allotted 4s. And for outlay and expenses of the Court 3d. and for defendant's damages 4d. And for Issues of the Court 4d.

(p.35) Court held there 12 May 3 Elizabeth

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Since in the previous Court William Cokeney had a day to wage his law against William Sprake in a plea of debt on demand of 20s. and neither at this day appeared, therefore they are in mercy as appears above their names. [ 12d. on both ]

John Seyward does not prosecute hit suit against at John Tyrell in a plea of debt on demand of 54s. and the defendant is adjudged for outlay and expenses incurred 12d. and for adjournment for two Courts 6d. and for issues of the Court 4d.

William Hawker complains against Richard Hayball in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 13. Pledge to prosecute William Ellesden. Pledge to answer Anthony Berett.

The same William has a day till the next Court to make a declaration against the said Richard Hayball.

Ralph Downyng complains against Richard Crane in a plea of debt on demand of 5s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute ..... Pledge to answer ..... .

Charles Lascok gentlemen complains against Richard Crane in a plea of debt on demand of 9s. 8d. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

(p.36) Court held there 19 May 3 Elizabeth.

William Golde of Brydgewater complains against William Tanner in a plea of trespass upon the case. Pledge to prosecute Richard Berett.

The same William Golde does not prosecute his suit against the said William; wherefore by Judgment of the Court the said defendant is

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allowed .....

William Cookeney defaulted in waging his law against William Sprake in a plea of debt on demand of 20s. wherefore by Judgment of the Court the plaintiff is allowed for entering the suit 4d. for arrest 4d. for recording of security 1d. for declaration 2s. for attending five (Courts?) ..... for outlay 15d. and for issues of the Court 4d.

Richard Hayball has a day till the next Court, viz: fifteen days hence, to answer William Hawker.

William Cookeney complains against William Sprake in a plea of debt on demand of 4s.

The same William Cookeney complains against the same William Sprake in a plea of trespass.

Pledge to prosecute Thomas Waller. Pledge to answer William Ellesden.

The said plaintiff is given a day till the next Court viz: fifteen days hence, to make a declaration against the said William Sprake in the two said pleas.

(p.37) Court held 2 June 3 Elizabeth.

William Hawker has a day till the next Court to proffer a true pleading against Richard Hayball in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 13.

William Merchant is admitted attorney of the said Richard Hayball.

William Sprake has a day to answer William Cookeney in a plea of debt on demand of 4s.

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The same William Sprake has a day as above to answer the said William Cookeney in a plea of trespass.

John Bazeley is admitted attorney of the said William Cookeney.

(p.38) Court held 9 June 3 Elizabeth.

Richard Hayball has a day till the next Court to answer William Hawker in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 15.

Christina Bowdon complains against John Bonner in a plea of trespass.

Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. Pledge to answer John Broke.

This cause is placed under the arbitration of the said John Broke and Richard Carpenter till the next Court under penalty for either party defaulting of 40s. for the maintenance of the Cobb.

Court held there 16 June 3 Elizabeth.

John Seyward complains against John Tyrell in a plea of debt on demand of 54s. Pledge to prosecute Henry Cranley. Pledge to answer Christopher Batten. The suit remains pending by essoin of the defendant.

Christina Bowdon has a day till the next Court to make a declaration against John Boner In a plea of trespass.

William Hawker has a day till the next Court to make a better declaration against Richard Hayball in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 13.

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The suit between the said Christina Bowdon plaintiff and John Boner defendant remains under the arbitration of William Ellesden senior and William Marchant under penalty for either party defaulting of 40s. for the repair of the Cobb.

(p.39) Court held there 23 June 3 Elizabeth

Alexander Durston complains against William Duche in a plea of trespass. Pledge to answer Richard Carpenter.

John Garland complains against John Man alias John a Man in a plea of debt on demand of 45s. Pledge to answer Thomas Dare. And the said plaintiff have a day till the next Court to declare the said plaints.

John Tyrell has a day till the next Court to answer John Seyward in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 7s. 4d.

Richard Hayball has a day till the next Court to answer William Hawker in a plea of debt on demand

of [£] 14. 10s.

William Merchant is admitted attorney of the said John Seyward.

In the suit pending between Christina Bowdon plaintiff and John Boner defendant, referred to the arbitration of William Ellesden senior and William Marchant, the same arbitrators have ordered that (she) shall repair the house as appears in a schedule attached to this folio. And that the said Christina shall pay the said John Boner 4d. And each shall pay their proper burdens and costs.

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(p.40) Court held there 30 June 3 Elizabeth.

William Douche has a day till the next Court to answer Alexander Durston in a plea of trespass.

Richard Carpenter is admitted attorney of the said John Tyrell has a day till the next Court to answer John Seyward in a plea of debt on demand of 67s. 4d.

Richard Carpenter is admitted attorney of the said John Tyrell.

Court held there 7 July 3 Elizabeth.

William Duche has a further day till the next Court to answer the said Alexander Durston in a plea of trespass.

John Tyrell has a day till the next Court to wage his law in a plea of debt on demand of 57s. as appears in his declaration. And as to four shillings for one sow he has confessed that he owes 3s. 10d. which he pays here in Court.

Court held 13 July 3 Elizabeth.

William Duche has a final day till the next Court to answer Alexander Durston in a plea of trespass under pain of condemnation.

To this Court comes John Terrell and wages his law, himself with two sureties, viz. John Cooke of Kylmyngton and Robert Dyllyng, by their oath against John Seyward in a plea of debt of 57s. 4d. whence by Judgment of the Court the said defendant is allowed for hallage 4d., for letter of

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attorney 4d., for second of the same 4d. for copy of declaration 4d., for answer 12d. for the two sureties 15d. for outlay and costs of five Courts 15d. and for issues of the Court 4d. of which the plaintiff is allowed 16d. for part of the plea, i.e. the 3s. 10d. confessed by the said defendant.

(p.41) Court held 21 July 3 Elizabeth.

John Cogan complains against Richard Gyllett in a plea of debt on demand of 20s. Pledge to prosecute William Ellesden. Pledge to answer John Hooker.

Robert Sylke complains against Elizabeth Whytey in a plea of debt on demand of 20 s. Pledge to prosecute Henry Crawley.

Court held there 28 July 3 Elizabeth.

Thomas Colman complains against John Hassard in a plea of trespass. Pledge to prosecute John Holcombe.

The suit remains under the arbitration of John Broke and Richard Carpenter till the next Court and each of the parties is bound to abide by their judgment under penalty for either defaulting of 20s. for the repair of the Cobb.

John Rede complains against Ralph Gyles in a plea of broken agreement. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. Pledge to answer John Myller.

Richard Jyllett [*Gyllett*] has a day till the next Court to answer John Cogens in a plea of debt of 20s

(p.42) Court held there 4 August 3 Elizabeth.

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William Hyatt complains against Laurence Leonard in a plea of trespass upon the case. Pledge to prosecute Peter Hamlyn. Pledge to answer Richard carpenter. And the said Richard Gyllett is his own



person comes and denies the force and injury when etc. And he says he does not owe the said plaintiff the said 20s. concerning which he puts himself on the country etc. Therefore William Merchaunt and William Tryme Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men of the said liberty to be at the next Court etc.

Court held there 11 August 3 Elizabeth.

John Brewer complains against Thomas Myllard in a plea of debt on demand of 9s. Pledge to prosecute Nicholas Deye Pledge to answer William Deans. Henry Crawley is admitted attorney of the said John Brewer.

And the said John Brewer has a day till the next Court to make a declaration against the said Thomas Myllerd in the said plea.

Names of the Jurors between John Cogens plaintiff and Richard Jyllett defendant in a plea of dent of 20s.

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|--------------|-------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| Robert Davy  | William Deane     | John Garland       | Richard Barrett |
| Henry Snowe  | Nicholas Whecombe | William Whetecombe | Thomas Waller   |
| Peter Hamlyn | William Follett   | John Seward        | Anthony Berrett |

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Who say on their oath that the said Richard Jellett owes the said plaintiff the said 20s. And by Judgment of the Court the said defendant shall pay to the said plaintiff for expenses incurred, viz. for entering the suit 4d., for the monitor of the twelve Jurymen 12d., for the arrest 4d., for declaration 12d., for attendance 4d., for outlay of the Court 12d., and for issues of the Court 4d.

(p.43) Court held 18 August 3 Elizabeth.

Thomas Mollerd has a day till the next Court viz. fifteen days hence, to answer John Brewer in a plea of debt.

William Deane is admitted attorney of the said John Mollerd defendant.

Election of officials there to be elected for the succeeding year held according to the custom of the said town observed from time immemorial on the Monday after the feast of St. Bartholomew the Apostle in the third year of our lady Elizabeth etc.

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|--------------------|---------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Thomas Elsdon      | Richard Leonard     | Roger Garland  | Ralph Stansbye  |
| John Morrys        | Thomas Waller       | John Holcombe  | William Nywall  |
| Robert Davy        | Nicholas Whetecombe | Richard Roper  | William Follett |
| William Whetecombe | Edmund Redman       | William Tanner | Nicholas Day    |
| William Elsdon     | John Somer          | William Deane  | John Sawmford   |

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| Ignatius Buckford | John Hucker     | John Seward    | John Myllor     |
| Alexander Durston | William Phelyps | Peter Hamlyn   | John Broke      |
| Richard Carpenter | Henry Cranley   | Philip Haywood | John Hassard    |
| Christopher Batte | Gilbert Holyere | Robert Tynham  | Alexander Davys |

Who come and on their oath present and elect to the office of mayor there for the said ensuing year, Roger Garland

And to the office of coroner Thomas Ellsdon.

And to the office of constable there Richard Byrett, and William Follett.

And to the office of receiver there John Holcombe and Robert Davy.

And to the office of serjeant at mace Alexander Durston and William Merchant. Sworn.

(p.44) Court held there 1 September 3 Elizabeth.

William Gaye alias Walrond complains against Tristram Towker in a plea of debt on demand of 20s. Pledge to prosecute Nicholas Whetecombe. Pledge to answer Henry Craudye (sic)

Thomas Myllerd has a day till the next Court to wage his law himself with one surety, against John Brewer in e plea of debt.

John Whytmore complains against Robert Colyere in a plea of capture and unlawful detention of

cattle. This cause is put to the arbitration of Henry Snowe and John Brooke till the next Court under penalty for either party defaulting of 20s. for the repair of the Cobb.

William Gaye alias Walrond plaintiff does not prosecute his said cause against the said

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Tristram Towkor in the said plea.

Court held there 8 September 3 Elizabeth.

Robert Berett complains against Edward Tylman alias Fyssher in a plea of debt on demand of 53s. 4d.

Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. Pledge to answer Christopher Batten.

Richard Roper alias Botell complains against John Roper alias Botell in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 19s. 9d.

Richard Carpenter is admitted attorney of the said Robert Berett.

The suit between John Brewer plaintiff and Thomas Myllerd defendant in a plea of debt of 9s. is placed by assent of the said parties under the arbitration of Thomas Mychell and John Wylles on behalf of the defendant and Richard Hoper and Richard Carpenter on behalf of the plaintiff under penalty for either party defaulting of 20s. to the repair of the Cobb.

Edward Tylman has a day till the next Court to answer the said Robert Beret in a plea of debt. Adjourned by assent of the parties.

And the said Richard Roper and Richard Carpenter chosen for the plaintiff and the said Thomas Mychell and John Wylles for the defendant adjudge the said Thomas Myllerd to pay to the said John Brewer plaintiff or his associates four pounds eight of wool before the feast of St. Michael the Archangel.

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(p.45) Court held there 15 September 3 Elizabeth.

John Roper has a day till the Court to be held a month hence ..... .

(p.46) Legal Court with view of frankpledge held there 6 October 3 Elizabeth etc in the time of Richard Buckford Mayor,

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| John Mores     | Thomas Dare      | Richard Hunt  | Henry Snowe    |
| John Holcome   | Richard Berrett  | Robert Davye  | William Deane  |
| John Garland   | William Ellesdon | Richard Roper | Anthony Berret |
| William Follet |                  |               |                |
| Ex-officio:    |                  |               |                |

William Whetcomb and Silvester Hayne, Constables of the said town come in virtue of their office and present that John Hassard assaulted Laurence Leonard against the Queen's peace and drew blood. therefore he is in mercy as appears above his name. 9d.

And the said Laurence likewise assaulted the said John Hassard and drew blood. Therefore he is in mercy as appears above his name. 9d.

And Thomas Wey assaulted Giles Ligier against the Queen's peace and drew blood with a dagger. Therefore he is in mercy as appears above his name 9d. and the said dagger remains for judgment.

And John Broke assaulted Martin Wynslade against the Queen's peace, and then beat and ill-treated him and drew blood with a certain stick. Therefore etc. 9d.

And Halet of Bridport assaulted John Gay

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against the Queen's peace and drew blood. Therefore etc. 9d.

And John Cogan assaulted Gregory Pry against the Queen's peace. Therefore etc. 9d.

The homage present on their oath that John Somer and Silvester Hayn allowed their servants to wash in the King's highway before their houses and dirted the water flowing there contrary to an ordinance made thereon. Therefore etc. 4d. each

And they present that Thomas Elsdon does not receive the water In the close called Ibbaries as he was ordered in the last Court. Therefore etc. 2d.

(p.47) And they present that Laurence Leonard and Christopher Batten did not clean their ditches in the lane called St. Andrewes Lane as they were ordered. Therefore etc. 4d. each.

It is ordained by the whole homage there that the supervisors of the last will and testament of John Prot shall have removed before the feast of St. Andrew the Apostle next after this Court the heap of earth lying at the end of the New House in the street there built; under penalty of 5s.

The late wife of John Perrett deceased is ordered in future from time to time to keep the water flowing before her house in its proper course and not to allow It to flow on the pavement, under penalty of forfeiting 5s. for each offence.

The tenants of the new house which John Parrot lately built are ordered to keep the street before their houses clear of filth from time to time under penalty of forfeiting 2s. for each offence.

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It is ordained that no person shall in future clean any produce of any kind in the streets within the town of Lyme Regis under penalty etc 2s. 6d. etc.

The supervisors of the last will of John Perrot are ordered to remove their timber lying in the King's highway, and likewise John Garland his timber lying before his house before the feast of All Saints under penalty of 2s. 6d.

John Garland and Master Hill are ordered to remove their stones lying before their houses before the feast of All Saints next under penalty of 2s.

Thomas Bruer and Henry Snowe are ordered to remove the stones lying by the Tower before the feast of All Saints under penalty of 2s.

John Holcome is ordered to remove his timber lying before his new houses before the feast of All Saints next under penalty of 2s.

John Roper is ordered to repair sufficiently his 'mantele' belonging to the house in which William Hollard now lives before the feast of All Saints next, under penalty of 3s. 4d.

Joanna Smyth widow is ordered to remove her stones lying next her house before the feast of All Saints next under penalty of 2s.

Henry Palmare and John Jourdan are ordered to repair sufficiently their 'mantels' and also to make the water flow so as not to injure the King's highway before their houses before the feast of All Saints next under penalty of 5s.

(p.48) Thomas Elsdon is ordered to receive the water in the ground called Ibbaries under penalty of 10s.

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Richard Carpenter is ordered to make the water flow in its proper course in the land which he holds of Laurence Leonard before the feast of All Saints under penalty of 5s.

Christopher Battyn is ordered to make the water flow into the close called the 'Barred Close' in such a way that it cannot injure the King's highway, and also to trim their hedges overgrowing the Queen's highway in each part of the said way before the feast of All Saints next under penalty of 3s. 4d.

William Whitmore is ordered to remove his dung lying in the street next to the door of (his) barn and to place no dung there In future under penalty of 2s.

Richard Hunt is ordered to fill up the ditch he made in the ground belonging to the house in which William Whitmore now lives to admit of a road at the end of the said house as has now been appointed there, and to do this before the feast of All Saints under penalty of 10s.

Nicholas Sprake is ordered to remove the dung and rubble lying next his house before the feast of All Saints next under penalty of 2s.

Roger Garland now mayor is ordered to remove his dung lying before his barn, and to put no more there under penalty of 2s.

Christopher Battyn is ordered to clean and scour his ditch towards the Cross called the 'three legged cross' and to keep it so from time to time under penalty of 2s.

The said homage say on their oath that the right and perfecte metes or bounds of a certain

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burgage tenement now in the tenure of Nicholas Davie lying next to the tenement in which Christopher Battyn now lives are certain ash trees growing there in the rear part of the same and the whole house new

built there except one foot at angalum [the corner] and so to the water flowing there. And the said burgage tenement is of the town of Lyme Regis etc.

affeerors of this Court, William Whetcome, Silvester Hayn sworn  
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(p.50) Court held there 13 October 3 Elizabeth.

John Harvie complains against John Blackaller in a plea of debt on demand of £120. Pledge to prosecute John Hassard. Pledge to answer Thomas Dare.

This plea between John Harvie plaintiff and John Blackhaller defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties until ..... .

Simon Kelwey complains against John Delf in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20. Pledge to prosecute Thomas Dare. And the defendant is attached by two fardels of white ware which remain in the custody of the Serjeants at Mace.

William Elsdon is admitted attorney of Simon Kelwaie plaintiff in the said plea.

And the said John Delf defendant was called to answer Simon Kelway in the said plea and did not appear by himself or by his attorney. Therefore he has a day till the next Court to answer under pain of condemnation.

John Bruer complains against John Delf in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 19. Pledge to prosecute Nicholas Day. And the defendant is attached by two fardels of linen cloth called 'whitware' which remain in the custody etc.

William Barbor is admitted attorney of John Bruer by pledge of Henry Snowe in the said plea. And the said John Delf defendant was called to answer John Bruer in the said plea and did not appear by himself or by his attorney. Therefore he has a day till the next Court to answer under pain of condemnation.

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Thomas Norman complains against John Delf in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 72. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. And the defendant is attached by one fardel of linen cloth called 'whightware' which remains etc. And the said John Delf was called to answer Thomas Norman in the said plea, and did not appear by himself or by his attorney. Therefore he has a day till the next Court to answer under pain of condemnation.

(p.51) Richard Carpenter is admitted attorney of Thomas Norman In the plea of debt levied against John Delf as appears above.

John Snowe complains against Thomas Norman and John Delf in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. And the defendant is attached by one fardel (of white ware ?) Pledge to prosecute Henry Snow.

Richard Carpenter is admitted attorney of John Snowe plaintiff in the plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. levied against John Delf. And John Delf has a day till the next Court to answer. John Snow in a plea of debt under pain of condemnation.

William Nywton executor of the last will and testament of John Nywton complains against John Mores of Colyton In a plea of debt on demand of [£] 8. Pledge to prosecute Peter Hamlyn. And pledge to answer Anthony Berret.

John Holcome complains against John Borough gent. in a plea of debt on demand of 12s. Pledge to answer William Deane.

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Richard Roper plaintiff and John Roper defendant have placed themselves upon the country for the determination of a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 19s. 9d. whereupon the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good lawful men to the next Court to determine the plea.

John Borough gent. has a day till the next Court to answer John Holcome in a plea of debt on demand of 12s.

Roger Garland complains against Robert Perot In a plea of debt on demand of [£] 8.  
Richard Hunt complains against John Somer in a plea of trespass.

Court held there 20 October 3 Elizabeth.

William Whetcombe complains against Henry Walkoote in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 4. 10s.

John Chilkoote of Stookegomen (Stogumber?) complains against Thomas Norman and John Delf In a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. Pledge to prosecute Thomas Dare. And pledge to answer Richard Carpenter.

John Bruer has a day till the next Court to show why John Delf owes him [£] 19. 2s.

Henry Craudy is admitted attorney of John Mores defendant In a plea of debt on demand of [£] 8. levied against the said John Mores by William Nywton executor of John Nywton. And the said John Mores has a day till the next Court to answer William Nywton.

To this date John Borough has a day to

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answer John Holcome in a plea of debt on demand of 12s.

(p.52) John Somer has a day till the Court to be held 15 days hence to answer Richard Hunt in a plea of trespass.

In this Court John Delf was called to answer John Snowe in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. as he was ordered at the last Court and made default as he did not appear by himself or by his attorney. Therefore it is granted by ordinance of the Court that the said John Snowe shall recover against the said John Delf ten pounds of lawful money as his true debt. And he demands for expenses incurred 3s. 4d. and for expenses of the Court 14d.

Whereupon William Spiring and Anthony Birret are chosen as appraisers of a certain fardel of linen cloth which was attached for the said debt and here in full Court sworn to appraise and value the said fardell impartially to the satisfaction of the said (debt); and they have a day till the next Court to do this.

Names of the Jurors between Richard Roper plaintiff and John Roper defendant who are now present In this Court to determine a plea of debt on demand of [£] 5. 19s. 9d. here following.

|                |                |                   |                |
|----------------|----------------|-------------------|----------------|
| Robert Davy    | Anthony Birret | Henry Snowe       | William Follet |
| Thomas Dare    | William Deane  | William Spiring   | Thomas Waller  |
| William Elsdon | John Somer     | Nicholas Whetcome | Henry Cranly   |

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In this Court John Roper defendant came and confessed that he owes the said Richard Roper plaintiff 40 (s.?) of the said [£] 3. 19s. 9d which he pays in full Court and the residuum remains to be determined by the said jurors, who say on their oath that John Roper defendant ought to render to the said Richard Roper plaintiff all and singular written in a certain schedule affixed to this folio, to have and to hold by the said Richard for the term of his life as appears in the same schedule. And for expenses incurred 2s. 2d., and for outlay 8s. 10d.

(p.53) Election of mayor there on the death of Roger Garland late mayor held 3 November 3 Elizabeth.

Court held there on the eve of Simon and Jude the apostles 3 Elizabeth.

William Marchant is admitted attorney of John Chilkoote in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. levied against Thomas Norman and John Delf.

Richard Michell complains against John Delf in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 16. 8s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute William Follet. And the said defendant is attached by one fardel of linen cloth remaining under the arrest of John Bruer.

John Delf and Thomas Norman have a day till the next Court to answer John Chilkoote under pain of condemnation.

John Delf has a day till the next Court

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to answer Richard Michell under pain of condemnation.

John Borough gent. has a day till the next Court to wage his law against John Holcome In a plea of debt on demand of 12s., viz. himself and one surety.

In this Court William Nywton has a day to amend his narrative in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 8. levied against John Mores of Coliton.

Simon Kelwey has a day till the next Court to show why John Delf owes him [£] 20.

Stephen Lymberne complains against Thomas Downe in a plea of trespass upon the case.

(p.54) Election of mayor there on the death of Roger Garland late mayor held there 3 November 3 Elizabeth etc. viz. as follows.

| Names of Jury:    |                   |                     |                    |
|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Thomas Elsdon     | Richard Hunt      | John Mores          | John Holcome       |
| Robert Davy       | William Nywall    | Richard Roper       | Henry Cranlie      |
| Thomas Dare       | Nicholas Whetcome | Sylvester Hayn      | Raff Stansbie      |
| John Hassard      | Robert Tynham     | Richard Birret      | John Broke         |
| William Deane     | John Hucker       | Richard Carpenter   | John Miller        |
| William Tanner    | William Phelps    | Anthony Birret      | Philip Heywoode    |
| Nicolas Dey       | Gilbert Helyer    | William Elsdon Sen. | Christopher Battyn |
|                   |                   |                     |                    |
| Ignatius Buckford | William Follet    | John Seward         | John Jourdon       |
| William Mallok    | Alexander Davie   | Thomas Walker       |                    |

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And they being sworn present on their oath John Mores to the mayor. And immediately in full Court the said John Mores is sworn to carry out his office for the following year.

(p.55) Court held there 10 November 3 Elizabeth.

John Atkyns complains against Peter Luyes foreigner in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 100.

Pledge to prosecute Thomas Dare and pledge to answer Ignatius Buckford.

Ignatius Buckford complains against William Hyat in a plea of detention. Pledge to answer Peter Hamlyn.

Richard Selwode complains against James Morgan in a plea of debt on demand of 40 'merkes'

Pledge to prosecute ..... .

John Atkyns plaintiff and Peter Luyes defendant have placed themselves under the arbitration of Robert Davy, Thomas Dare, Silvester Hayn and Richard Birret for the determination of the above written plea.

Ignatius Buckford plaintiff and William Hyat defendant have placed themselves under the arbitration of John Garland and Thomas Dare for the determination of a plea of detention. And each of them is bound in 20s. to obey their arbitration; and this to be done within 8 days.

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Anthony Birret and William Spiring on their oath have appraised three peaces of 'Middelware' of the goods of John Delf viz. each piece at [£] 3. 18s. Sum of the whole [£] 11. 14s. to satisfy John Snowe of the [£] 10. which the said John Snowe recovered against the said John Delf in the Court held here 20 October last past together with 3s. 4d. for expenses incurred and for outlay 10d., which [£] 10. he delivered to the attorney of the said John and 3s. 4d. for expense and to the receiver of the Court (?) 10d. And thus remains appraisement to the use of the said John Delf 29s. 7d.

Simon Kelwey by William Elsdon his attorney in this Court acknowledged that he has received from John Delf [£] 6. in part payment of the [£] 20. set forth in the plea levied against John Delf. Whereupon the said John Delf was called to answer the said Simon in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 14. And he made default since he did not appear by himself or by his attorney. Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said Simon shall recover against the said John Delf [£] 14. as his true debt, and for his expenses 3s. 4d. and for outlay 13d. Whereupon John Garland and Silvester Hayne were chosen to appraise certain pieces of linen cloth of the goods of the said John Delf, to satisfy both the said debt and the charges. And they have a day till the next Court for the appraisement.

(p.56) In this Court John Bruer by William Boorbon his attorney introduced William Pleys of Wellington to bear witness what John Delf owed

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the said John Bruer. Whereupon the said William Pleys sworn produced on oath a certain bill bearing the hand of the said John Delf which witnesses that the said John

Delf owed the said John Bruer [£] 19. 12s. whereupon the said John Delf was called to answer John Bruer in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 19. 2s. as he was ordered at the last Court, and made default since he did not appear by himself or his attorney. Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said John Bruer should recover against the same John Delf [£] 19. 2s. as his true debt and for his expenses 3s.4d. and for outlay 10d. Whereupon Richard Birret and Ignacius Buckford were chosen and sworn to appraise certain pieces of linen cloth of the goods of the said John Delf to satisfy both the said debt and the charges, And they have a day till the next Court for the appraisement.

In this Court Thomas Norman was called to answer John Chilkoot in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. and the said Thomas Norman in full Court confessed that he owed the said John Chilkoot the said [£] 10. whereupon it is granted by the Court that the said John Chilkoot should recover against the same Thomas [£] 10. as his true debt, and for his expenses ..... and for outlay ..... . And the said Thomas is respited by assent of William Barbor attorney of the said John Chilkoot till the Court to be held fifteen days hence by pledge of Richard Carpenter.

John Delf was called to answer Richard Michele in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 16. as he was ordered at the last Court, and made default

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since he did not appear by himself or by his attorney.

Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said Richard Michele should recover against the same John [£] 16. 8s. 4d. as his true debt, and for his expenses 3s. 4d. and for outlay 10d. Whereupon Thomas Dare and William Tanner were chosen and sworn to appraise certain pieces of linen cloth of the goods of the said John Delf to satisfy both the aforesaid debt and the charges. And they have a day till the next Court for the appraisement.

Roger Woode complains against John Delf in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 35. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter.

John Mores has a day till the next Court to answer William Nywton in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 8.

John Somer has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to prove the legitimacy of the response he made to Richard Hunt in a plea of trespass.

(p.57) Court held there 17 November 4 Elizabeth.

John Miller complains against John Belley in a plea of broken agreement. The defendant is attached and has deposited as pledge to answer 6s. 8d. which remains in the custody of William Merchant.

In this Court John Mores by his attorney proffered certain exceptions to the narrative of William Nywton executor of John Nywton in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 8. since he says the narrative lacks its proper form inasmuch as it

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says “ ‘debet et iniuste detinet’ whereas for as moche as the accion is browght by an executor it must be ‘detinet tantum’ “. Whereupon the said William Nywton by his attorney has a day till the next Court to answer this exception.

John Garland and Silvester Hayn present on their oath that they have appraised four pieces of ‘trigar’ of the goods of John Delf, viz. each piece at [£] 3. 16s. 8d. which amounts to the total sum of [£]15. 6s. 8d. to satisfy Simon Kelwey of [£]14. which the said Simon Kelwey has recovered against the said John Delf in the Court held here 10 November last past as his true debt with 3s. 4d. for his expenses incurred, and for outlay 13d. And thus there remains to the use of the defendant 22s. 5d.

Richard Birret and Ignacius Buckford present on their oath that they have appraised five and a half pieces of ‘mydele ware’ of the goods of John Delf, viz. each piece at [£] 4. Sum of the whole [£] 22. to satisfy John Bruer of [£] 19. 2s. which the said John Bruer recovered against the said John Delf in the Court held here 10 November last past as his true debt together with 3s. 4d. for expenses incurred and for outlay 10d. And thus remains to the use of the defendant 53s. 10d.

In this Court Thomas Dare and William Tanner present on their oath that they have appraised of the goods of John Delf five and half pieces of ‘trigar’ of short plait, viz. each piece at [£] 3. 17s. sum of the whole [£] 21. 3s. 6d. to satisfy Richard Michele of [£] 16. 8s. 4d. which

(p.58) the said Richard recovered against the said John Delf in the Court held here 10 November last past as his true debt together with 3s. 4d. for expenses incurred and for outlay 10d. And thus remains to the use of the defendant [£]4. 11s.

William Bud complains against John Delf in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 12. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. The defendant is attached by two pieces of 'dowlas' and fifty 'awnes' of cloth called 'Moreles' cloth which remained of the arrest made for John Snowe. And the said John Delf has a day till the next Court to answer William Bud in the said plea.

Robert Yoland complains against John Delf in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 8. 8s. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. And the defendant is attached by one piece of 'Dowlas' and one piece of 'Middell Ware' which remained of the arrest made for Simon Kelwey. And the said defendant has a day till the next Court to answer.

John Graunt complains against John Delf in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. And the defendant is attached by four pieces and a half of dowlas which remained of the arrest made for Simon Kelwaie. And the defendant has a day till the next Court to answer this plea.

John Chilkot complains against John Delf in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter.

Edward Hunt complains against William Whitmore in a plea of debt on demand of 41s. 8d.

Pledge to prosecute William Mywall and pledge to answer Richard Carpenter.

(p.59) Court held there 24 November 4 Elizabeth.

The plea between Richard Hunt plaintiff and John Somer defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties until ..... .

John Miller plaintiff and John Belley defendant have placed themselves under the arbitration of Richard Carpenter and Henry Craudie for the determination of a plea of broken agreement etc.

In this Court John Delf was called to answer William Bud in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 12. as he was ordered at the last Court, and made default since he did not appear by himself or by his attorney. Therefore it is granted by consideration of the Court that the said William Bud should recover against the said John Delf [£] 12. as his true debt, and for his expenses ..... and for outlay ..... .

Whereupon Robert Davy, and William Tanner were chosen and sworn to appraise two pieces of 'dowlas' and fifty 'awnes' of linen cloth called 'Morles cloth' of the goods of the said John Dolfes (sic) to satisfy both the said debt and the charges. And they have a day till the next Court for the appraisement.

John Delf was called to answer Robert Roland in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 8. 8s. as he was ordered at the last Court and made default since he did not appear by himself or by his attorney. Therefore it is granted by

consideration of the Court that the said Robert Yoland should recover against the said John Delf [£] 8. 8s. as his true debt. And for expenses incurred ..... and for outlay ..... whereupon John Garland and William Deane were chosen and sworn to appraise one piece of 'dowlas' and one piece of 'Middelle Ware' of the goods of John Delf to satisfy both the said debt and the charges and they have a day for the appraisement till the next Court.

In this Court John Delf was called to answer John Grant in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20., as he was ordered at the last Court, and made default since he did not appear by himself or by his attorney. Therefore it is granted by the Court that John Graunt should recover against the said John Delf [£] 20. as his true debt. And for his expenses ..... and for outlay ..... Whereupon Ignacius Buckford and Christopher Baten were elected and sworn to appraise four pieces and a half of 'dowlas' of the goods of the said John Delf to satisfy both the said debt and the charges. And they have a day till the next Court for the appraisement.

(p.60) Court held there 8 December 4 Elizabeth.

John Brag complains against Henry Kyng in a plea of trespass. Pledge to prosecute Henry Craudy. Pledge to answer Nicholas Sprake.



John Mores has a day till the next Court to wage his law against William Nywton executor of the last will of John Nywton in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 8. vis. himself and one surety.

William Hyat has a day till the next Court to answer Ignatius Buckford in a plea of

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detention.

John Garland and William Deane have appraised on their oath one piece of dowlas at [£] 4. 16s. 8d. and one piece of 'Myddelware' at [£] 3. 16s. 8d. of the goods of John Delf; sum of the whole, [£] 8. 13s. 4d. to satisfy Robert Yoland of [£] 8. 8s. which the said Robert Yoland recovered against the said John Delf in the Court held here 24 November last past, together with 3s. 4d. for his expenses incurred, and for outlay 13d. And thus there remains to the use of the defendant .....

Robert Davie and William Tanner have appraised on their oath two pieces of dowlas at [£] 4. 19s. the piece, and fifty four 'awses' of Morles cloth at 17d. the 'awne' of the goods of John Delf, to satisfy William Bud of the [£] 12. which the said William Bud recovered against the said John Delf as his true debt in the Court held here 24 November last past together with ..... for his expenses. And for outlay 3s. 4d. And thus the whole sum of [£] 13. 14s. 6d. remains to the use of the defendant.

Ignatius Buckford and Christopher Battyn have appraised four and half pieces of Dowlas in the 'shorteplete' at [£] 4. 17s. the piece of the goods of John Delf. Sum of the whole [£] 21. 16s. 6d. to satisfy John Graunt of [£] 20. which the said John Graunt recovered against John Delf In the Court held here 24 November last past as his true debt together with 3s. 4d. for expenses incurred, and for outlay ..... And there remains to the use of the said John Delf defendant .....

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(p.61) Court held there 16 December 4 Elizabeth.

John Eton complains against Edward Hoope in a plea of deception. Pledge to prosecute Ignacius Buckford. And pledge to answer William Nywall.

John Eton has a day till the Court to be held on Monday after the feast of Epiphany next to make a declaration against Edward Hoope in a plea of deception.

William Elsdon is admitted attorney of John Eton plaintiff.

Henry King has a day till the Court to be held on the Monday after the feast of Epiphany next to answer John Brag in a plea of trespass.

In this Court appeared John Mores, himself and two sureties, viz. Robert Follet and Robert Dassell, to wage his law against William Nywton in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 8. as he was ordered. And the said William Nywton by Richard Carpenter his attorney here in full Court produced witnesses viz. John Vie of Coliton, William Nywton of Axminster, John Nywton of Coliton, Richard Jade of Axminster, and asked the Court to swear them as witnesses to testify the truth against John Mores in this plea, and they were sworn, whereupon according to the custom of the Court in use from time immemorial the said parties, both plaintiff and defendant, placed themselves on the country for the determination of the said plea. Therefore the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the Court to be held on the Monday after the feast of the Epiphany, for the determination of

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the plea.

William Hyat has a day till the next Court to answer Ignacius Buckford in a plea of detention.

Richard Chace of Axminster complains against Richard Tapper in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 4. 6s. 8d. Pledge to prosecute William Follet. And pledge to answer .....

Richard Munck, Tristram Whetcome and James Hackwell complain against John Best in a plea of debt on demand of 26s. 8d. Pledge to prosecute William Elsdon and pledge to answer William Nywale.

Richard Cop complains against Nicholas Pavoter in a plea of debt on demand of 12s. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter.

William Belshere complains against Roland in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 200. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter.

The same complains against Evan Foket in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 200. Pledge as above.

John Salter complains against Thomas Walker in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6. Pledge to prosecute Ignacius Buckford.

Gilbert Pepet of Axmoth complains against Henry Black in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 9. 13s.  
4d. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

(p.62) Court held there Monday after Epiphany 4 Elizabeth.

In this Court William Elsdon is admitted attorney of William Hyat defendant in a plea of detention levied against him by Ignacius Buckford

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and the said William Hyat has a day till the next Court to answer the said Ignacius Buckford In the said plea.

Henry King has a day till the next Court to answer John Brag in a plea of trespass, under pain of condemnation.

William Nywton plaintiff and John Mores defendant have placed themselves under the arbitration of Richard Hunt, William Whetcome, Robert Davy and Thomas Dare for the determination of a plea of debt of 8.£ pending between them. And each of them has bound himself in 3.£. according to the custom of the Court in such a case to obey and fulfil the determination and judgment of the said arbitrators if it be made within 15 days after this Court. Whereupon the twelve men who have appeared in this Court for the determination of the said plea are dismissed and discharged etc.

Court held there 19 January 4 Elizabeth.

In this Court Henry King defendant has placed himself on the country for the determination of plea of trespass levied against him by John Sprake plaintiff. And the said John Brag (sic) plaintiff likewise. Whereupon the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the next Court to determine the plea etc.

William Hyat defendant has a day till the Court to be held three weeks hence to wage his law against Ignacius Buckford in a plea of detention viz. himself and two sureties.

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Roger Northern complains against John Somer in a plea of debt on demand of 10.£ Pledge to prosecute ..... .

(p.63) Court held there 26 January 4 Elizabeth.

Here follow the names of the jurors called to determine the plea of trespass between John Brag plaintiff and Henry King defendant:

|                |                   |                  |                |
|----------------|-------------------|------------------|----------------|
| Robert Davy    | Anthony Birret    | William Whetcome | Thomas Waller  |
| Richard Birret | Ralph Stansbie    | William Spirling | William Nywale |
| William Elsdon | Nicholas Whetcome | William Deane    | John Broke     |

Who say on their oath that Henry King defendant committed a trespass against the said John Brag in that with his big dog he injured a two year old 'stier', price 15s. of the said John Brag. Therefore it is granted by the Court that Henry King shall pay the said John Brag for his damages 15s. and for expenses incurred 4s. 4d. and for outlay 6s. 10d. And the said Henry pays it and so is dismissed.

John Somer defendant has a day till the next Court to answer Richard Hunt plaintiff in a plea of trespass under pain of condemnation.

Court held there 9 February 4 Elizabeth.

John Somer has a day till the next Court to answer Richard Hunt In a plea of trespass under pain of condemnation.

In this Court was delivered a writ of

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certiorari concerning a perjury.

Court held there 16 February 4 Elizabeth.

John Somer in this Court placed himself on the country for the determination of a plea of trespass levied against him by Richard Hunt, and the said Richard Hunt likewise, whereupon the Serjeants at Mace

were ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the Court to be held fifteen days hence to determine the plea etc.

Court held there 23 February 4 Elizabeth.

Thomas Elsdon complains against Christina Whight in a plea of debt on demand of 8s. 4  $\frac{1}{2}$ d.

(p.64) Court held there 2 March 4 Elizabeth.

Here follow the names of the jurors called to determine the plea of trespass between Richard Hunt plaintiff and John Somer defendant.

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|----------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| John Garland   | William Jordan    | Richard Birret | William Follett |
| Henry Snowe    | Thomas Waller     | Thomas Dare    | William Nywall  |
| William Tanner | Ignatius Buckford | Silvester Hayn | John Broke      |

Who say on their oath that John Somer defendant committed a trespass against the said Richard Hunt plaintiff to the value of 20d. as the said jurors have learnt from lawful witnesses. Therefore it is allowed by the Court that the said John Somer shall pay to the said Richard Hunt

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20d. for damages, and for expenses incurred 18d. and for outlay 6s. 10d. which the said John Somer pays in full Court as is the custom. And so he is dismissed etc.

Court held there 9 March in the above year.

John Hassard complains against John Lecheland in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6. 6s. 8d. Pledge to answer Richard Carpenter.

William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of John Lecheland.

William Whetcome complains against John Somer in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3.

(p.65) Court held there 16 March 4 Elizabeth.

William Marchaunt complains against John Mores alias Walshman in a plea of trespass upon the case. Pledge to answer Richard Carpenter.

The plea between William Whetcome plaintiff and John Somer defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties until ..... .

Court held there 6 April of the above year.

Walter Hervie complains against Richard Leaffe in a plea of trespass upon the case. Pledge to prosecute Nicholas Whetcome. And pledge to answer Anthony Birret.

Court held there 13 April of the above year.

Thomas Rowland and Eleanor his wife complain against Joan Tanner alias Moxaige an executrix

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of the last will and testament of William Tanner alias Moxaige formerly of Bettiscome now deceased in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6. 13s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute William Tanner of Lyme Regis. And the defendant is attached by a certain mare.

Thomas Rowland and Eleanor his wife have a day till the Court to be held 15 days hence to bring witnesses in confirmation of the above plea.

In this Court Richard Leaffe has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer Walter Harvie in a plea of trespass upon the case.

Richard Hunt complains against Thomas Jourdan in a plea of debt on demand of 38s. 6d. Pledge to answer William Jourdon.

(p.66) Legal Court with view of frankpledge held there 20 April 4 Elizabeth in the time of John Moris mayor there. The twelve:

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| John Holcome | Anthony Birret | Robert Davie | William Follet |
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John Garland

William Elsdon

Richard Birret

William Tanner

Henry Snowe

Silvester Hayn

Thomas Dare

Thomas Waller

William Whetcome Richard Carpenter

Roger Beaumond and Nicholas Saunford are sworn to the assize of our lady the Queen.

The Jury present that John Hassard allowed the water before his house to flow upon the pavement contrary to the orders given him at the last

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Court. Therefore in mercy as appears above his name

12d.. And now he is again ordered that in future he shall not allow the said water to flow on the pavement, out of its proper course under penalty of 5s.

And they present that Robert Mico, John Hassard and Master Hill have allowed their servants to sift grain from dust in the King's highway before their houses contrary to the ordinance made thereon. Therefore they are in mercy as appears above their names, 10d. each.

And they present that Thomas Elsdon has not received the water in the ground called Ibbaries as he was ordered at the last Court. Therefore in mercy as appears above his name, 2s. 6d..

And they present that Richard Hunt has not filled up a ditch made in the ground belonging to the house in which John Whitmore now lies, nor allowed enough roadway at the end of the said house, as he was ordered at the last Court. Therefore in mercy as appears, 16d.. And now he is ordered to fill up the said ditch and allow of the said roadway as he ought before the feast of Pentecost under penalty of 10s.

And it is ordained that neither John Hassard nor any one else living within the town of Lyme Regis shall in future cleanse their grain from dust in the king's highway before their houses under penalty for each person of 5s. for each offence.

(p.67) And it is ordained that Mr. 'Maior' shall cause the guardians of the poor to repair sufficiently the wall at the end of the house in which Robert Coher now lives before the feast of

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the Nativity of St. John

the Baptist next under penalty of 5s.

Also it is ordained that the executors of the last will and testament of Thomas Elsdon shall in future receive the water in the ground called Ibbaries under penalty of 10s.

Also they present that John Perrot has built the rear of his house on the vacant town ground of Lyme Regis.

Also they likewise present that Richard Hunt has built the window of the house in which he now lives upon the vacant town ground of Lyme.

Also they say on their oath that the heirs of William Tynham ought to have a free way to their land through the house in which John Rixar now lives.

Also it is ordained that William Jourdon shall remove his latrine in the rear of his house and place it in such a place that it shall not annoy Thomas Densle and this to be done before the feast of Pentecost under penalty of 3s. 4d.

Also it is ordained that in future Richard Carpenter shall not lay any dung in the King's highway before his house for the space of two days under penalty of 3s. 4d. for each offence.

Also John Hassard and William Stripture are ordered to remove the dung and rubble lying before John Hassard's garden and William Stripture's door before the feast of Pentecost under penalty of 3s. 4d.

Also William Spiring and William Moxaige are ordered to have removed the dung and rubble lying before their barn before the feast of 'midsomer' next under penalty of 2s. 6d. for

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each offence.

Also Richard Carpenter is ordered to make the water flow in its proper course in the ground which he holds of Lawrence Leonard before the feast of Pentecost under penalty of 6s. 8d.

Richard Carpenter, William Raff and Henry Crauley are ordered to make the water called the 'Milstreme' flow in its proper course so that it shall not overflow into the king's highway at 'Colweie bridge' before the feast of Pentecost, under penalty of 3s. 4d. each.

(p.68) William Spiring is ordered to clean and scour his ditch leading to St. Andrews Cross within

fifteen days under penalty of 3s. 4d.

Christopher Battyn, John Ligier, and John Whitmore are ordered in future not to throw any dung or filth in the water running before their houses, nor in the King's highway before the said houses under penalty for each offence of 5s. each.

It is ordained that in future William Nywall shall not keep any pigs in the 'Courte' next to William Dutche's ground under penalty of 10s.

Richard Hunt and William Dutche are ordered to make their gutters so that they do not annoy men going in the way there under penalty of 20s. each.

Christine White is ordered to clean her gutter between Robert Davie's and her house sufficiently each week so that it shall not annoy anyone crossing it under penalty of 10s. for each offence.

Alexander Durston is ordered to put his hedge in its proper place between Philip Henwoode's ground and his own before the feast of Pentecost under penalty of 10s.

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Richard Hunt is ordered to make a sufficient fence between William Moxaige and himself and also between William Duche and himself before the feast of Pentecost under penalty of 13s. 4d.

Richard Hunt and Alexander Durston are each ordered to make and keep in adequate repair a way leading to the cross called 'the three legged crosse' in front of their own ground before the fifth of May next under penalty of 13s. 4d. each.

end of the Court.

Affeerors      William Whetcome      Silvester Hayn      sworn

(p.69)                      Court held there 27 April 4 Elizabeth.

William Wodecokes complains against Edward Robens in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 4. Pledge to prosecute William Nywall.              And the defendant remains in custody.

Thomas Rowland and Eleanor his wife have introduced in this Court, Richard Carwithin of Honiton gentleman as a witness to testify what he can against John Tanner alias Moxaige one of the executors of the last will and testament of William Tanner alias Moxaige formerly of Bettiscome now deceased, who says in full Court on his oath taken there on the gospels as follows (English as in text) (see latin version) And otherwise he cannot say.

Thomas Jourdon defendant has a day till the next Court to answer Richard Hunt in a plea of debt on demand of 38s. 2d.

Edward Robens has a day till the next Court

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to answer William Woodecokes in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 4.

In this Court William Nywall is admitted attorney of William Woodecokes in the plea levied against Edward Robens.

(p.70)                      Court held there 4 May 4 Elizabeth.

In this Court Richard Carpenter is admitted attorney of Thomas Jourdon defendant in a plea of debt of 38s. 2d. levied against the said Thomas by Richard Hunt.

The same Thomas Jourdon defendant has a day till the Court to be held on the morrow of Trinity to answer the said Richard Hunt in the said plea.

Richard Sampson complains against Tristram Coode in a plea of debt on demand of 5s. 9d. Pledge to prosecute William Deane.

Christina Webber widow complains against Thomas Bassall alias Best In a plea of debt on demand of 20s.      Pledge to prosecute ..... .

Richard Halston complains against William Cartar in a plea of debt on demand of 13s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute John Miller.

John Whitmore complains against William Whitmore in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 9s. Pledge to prosecute Richard Birret and pledge to answer William Nywall.

Thomas Cogan of Charde complains against John Davaige of Taunton in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 15.      Pledge to prosecute ..... . And pledge to answer William Whetcome.

John Holcome and Richard Birret complain against John Somer in a plea of debt on demand

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of [£] 20.

John Loveraige complains against William Whitmore in a plea of debt on demand of 34s. pledge to prosecute Thomas Waller.

Margaret Follet widow complains against John Somer in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 11. 8s. Pledge to prosecute William Follett.

(p.71) Court held there 25 May 4 Elizabeth.

The plea between Walter Harvie plaintiff and Richard Lef defendant is placed by Richard Carpenter and Henry Craueley attorneys of the parties under the arbitration of Henry Snowe and Thomas Bare to determine the suit within fifteen days from this Court. And the attorneys have bound themselves in 40s. to abide by etc.

In this Court William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of Richard Hunt in the plea levied against Thomas Jordon.

Thomas Jordon has a day till the next Court to answer Richard Hunt in a plea of debt on demand of 38s. 2d. under pain of condemnation.

Margaret Follet widow complains against John Somer in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 11. 8s. Pledge to prosecute William Follet.

Court held there 1 June 4 Elisabeth.

William Brag complains against John Holcome and Richard Birret in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20. 8s. Pledge to prosecute Thomas Dare.

William Whitmore has a day till the next Court to answer John Woodecock in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 9s. under pain of

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condemnation.

In this Court Thomas Jourdon by his attorney Richard Carpenter put forward certain exceptions to the narrative made by Richard Hunt against the said Thomas in a plea of debt of 38s. 2d. Therefore Richard Hunt asks for a day till the next Court to amend his narrative and it is granted according to the custom of the Court.

(p.72) Court held there 8 June 4 Elizabeth.

William Holard senior complains against Joan Helyer widow and Philip Heywoode in a plea of detention of a brass bowl price 9s. Pledge to prosecute Thomas Waller.

The plea between Richard Hunt plaintiff and Thomas Jourdon defendant is placed under the arbitration of Henry Snowe, William Elsdon and William Jourdon to terminate the plea within 15 days and the parties have bound themselves to obey and abide by the judgment of the said arbitrators under penalty of 40s.

William Holard plaintiff and Joan Helyer and Philip (Heywoode) defendants have placed themselves under the arbitration of Richard Carpenter and William Merchant for the determination of a plea of detention of a certain bowl. And the parties are bound to obey the judgment of the said arbitrators if it be made within 8 days, under penalty for each of 20s, for the use of the 'cob'.

The plea between John Woodcok plaintiff and William Whitmore defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties until ..... .

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Court held there 15 June of the above year.

William Hollard plaintiff has a day till the next Court to put forward his narrative against Joan Helyer and Philip Heywoode in a plea of detention of a certain brass bowl.

William Follet is admitted attorney of Margaret Follet in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 11. 8s. levied against John Somer.

And John Somer has a day to answer Margaret Follet in the said plea under pain of condemnation.

(p.73) Court held there 22 June 4 Elizabeth.

The plea between William Hollard plaintiff and Joan Helyer and Philip Heywoode defendants is adjourned by assent of the parties until ..... .

The plea between Margaret Follet and John Somer is adjourned by assent of the parties until ..... .

Court held there 6 July of the above year.

Joan Helyer and Philip Heywoode defendants have a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer William Hollard in a plea of detention.

Geoffrey Hourdowlle complains against John Man in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 4. Pledge to prosecute Henry Craueley. And pledge to answer William Raff.

John Wardall of Thorcome complains against ..... Roke of Meret 'carier' in a plea of debt on demand of one quarter of coal called 'smythes cole' Pledge to prosecute Thomas Waller

John Whitmore complains against Christopher

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Batten in a plea or trespass upon the case. Pledge to prosecute Ignacius Buckford, and pledge to answer William Whetcome.

George Elis of Pole complains against Thomas Cogan of Chard in a plea of detention of 532 pounds of 'alom' price [£] 11. 7s. Pledge to prosecute Christopher Battyn.

John Phelpis complains against Sir John Fudge in a plea of debt on demand of 9s.

John Mathewe complains against John Long in a plea of debt on demand of 20s. Pledge to prosecute William Elsdon. And pledge to answer William Follet.

(p.74) John Mathew complains against James Morgan in a plea of debt on demand of 6s. 8d. Pledge to prosecute William Raffe and pledge to answer Robert Davye.

In this Court Henry Craueley is admitted attorney of Geoffrey Hourdoule in a plea of debt levied against John Man.

William Raff is admitted attorney of John Man in the said plea.

John Whight master of a ship called ..... and his fellows complain against William Belshere in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 5. 11s. 4 ½ d.

John Bawdewen complains against Walter Gale in a plea of broken agreement. Pledge to prosecute Ignacius Buckford.

Court held there 15 July of the above year.

John Man has a day till the next Court to answer Geoffrey Hourdoule in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 4. 10s.

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James Morgan has a day till the next Court to answer John Mathewe in a plea of debt on demand of 6s. 8d.

Thomas Cogan of Charde complains against Alexander Durstone in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 80. Pledge to prosecute William Phelpis.

John Munck complains against Henry Hollard in a plea of debt on demand of 2s.

Thomas Colyer complains against Ralph Giles in a plea of trespass. Pledge to prosecute ..... And pledge to answer Silvester Heyne.

(p.75) Court held there 20 July 4 Elizabeth.

James Morgan has a day till the next Court to wage his law against John Mathewe in a plea of debt on demand of 6s. 8d. viz. himself and two sureties.

Joan Helyer and Philip Heywoode have placed themselves on the country for the determination of the plea of detention of a certain brass bowl levied against them by William Hollard. And the said William Hollard likewise. Whereupon the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the next Court to determine the suit.

William Trym is admitted attorney of Thomas of Chard in a plea of detention levied against the said

Thomas by George Elis.

William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of George Elis in a plea of detention levied against Thomas Cogan.

Thomas Cogan has a day till the next Court

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to answer George Elis in a plea of detention.

Court held there 27 July of the above year.

George Elis has a day till the Court to be held 15 days hence to amend his narrative In the plea of detention levied against Thomas Cogan.

William Trym is admitted attorney of Philip Heywoode by pledge of William Raff.

William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of Ralph Giles in a plea of trespass levied against him by Thomas Colyer.

Thomas Colyer has a day till the Court to be held on Monday next to make a declaration against Ralph Giles.

(p.76) In this Court appeared the twelve men whose names follow, vis:

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| Robert Davie    | John Garland    | Silvester Hayn    | Richard Carpenter |
| William Spiring | William Follett | William Jourdon   | John Jourdon      |
| William Deane   | Thomas Waller   | Nicholas Whetcome | William Nywall    |

to determine a plea of detention of a brass bowl between William Hollard Senior plaintiff and Joan Helyer widow and Philip Heywoode defendants. But the said parties have come to an agreement and placed themselves under the arbitration of Robert Davie, John Garland, William Elsdon, and William Nywall for the determination of the said plea. And they have bound themselves according to the custom of the Court to obey and abide by the decision of the said arbitrators they have chosen

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in this matter under penalty of

40s. each. And this to be done before the next Court.

Geoffrey Hourdoull plaintiff and John Man defendant have placed themselves under the arbitration of John Wadham Knight, William Pole, Thomas Dare and William Osborne for the determination of a plea of debt on demand of [£]4. 10s. between the said Geoffrey and John. And they have bound themselves to obey and abide by the decision of the said arbitrators under penalty of [£]5. And this to be determined within fifteen days from this Court.

James Morgan defendant and John Mathew plaintiff have placed themselves under the arbitration of Robert Davy and Richard Carpenter for the determination of a plea of debt on demand of 6s. 8d. pending between them, and have bound themselves to obey and abide by the decision of the said Robert and Richard under a penalty of 20s. And this to be determined before the next Court.

(p.77) Court held there 3 August 4 Elizabeth.

William Berret of Bristow complains against William Coke of Thorncombe in a plea of debt on demand of [£]20. Pledge to prosecute William Whetcome.

Court held there 10 August 4 Elizabeth.

Thomas Cogan has a day till the next Court to answer George Elis in a plea of detention of some pounds of alum.

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Court held there 17 August of the above year.

William Duche complains against Robert Tynham in a plea of broken agreement.

Thomas Cogan has a day till the Court to be held three weeks hence to answer George Elis in the said plea of detention.

(p.78) Election of officials for the ensuing year according to the custom in use from time immemorial, held there on Monday after the feast of our St. Bartholomew the Apostle in the year 4 Elizabeth, in the time of John Mores mayor there.



Burgesses and freemen.

Richard Hunt William Follett John Holcome John Somer Richard Buckford Ignatius Buckford  
Robert Davye William Mallock John Garland John Seward Richard Birret William Jourdon  
Henry Snowe John Jourdon Thomas Dare Robert Mico Richard Roper Thomas Waller  
Richard Leonerd William Nywall William Whetcome John Davie Silvester Hayn Ralph Stansbie  
John Hassard William Phelpis Richard Carpenter Christopher Batyn Peter Hamlyn John Samford  
William Spiring John Broke William Elsdon John Hucker William Deane William Trym

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Anthony Birret Henry Crauley William Tanner Robert Tynham Alexander Durston  
John Miller Nicholas Whetcome Gilbert Helyer Nicholas Dey Philip Heywood Alexander Davy

And they being sworn, present on their oath

Robert Davy to be mayor

Richard Roper to be coroner

John Hassard and Peter Hamlyn to be constables

Richard Hunt and Richard Birret to be receivers

William Jourdon and Nicholas Archer to be Serjeants at Mace for the year following.

(p.79) Court held there 7 September 4 Elisabeth.

William Duche plaintiff and Robert Tynham defendant have placed themselves under the arbitration of John Edgar and William Tanner for the determination of a plea of broken agreement and have bound themselves and each of them to carry out the decision of the said arbitrators under penalty of [£]5. each for the requirements of the 'Cob'. And this to be done before the next Court.

Thomas Cogan has a day till the Court to be held three weeks hence to wage his law against George Elys in a plea of detention of 532 pounds of alum vis. himself and two sureties.

Richard Pynner complains against William Whitmore in a plea of debt on demand of 38s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute John Hucker and Pledge to answer John Broke.

John Whittie of Musburie complains against John Seward in a plea of debt on demand of 33s. 4d.

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Pledge to prosecute Thomas Dare.

William Woodecockes complains against William Alomes in a plea of detention of a certain sword.

Pledge to prosecute John Somer. Pledge to answer William Tanner.

Philip Heywoode complains against William Holland junior In a plea of debt on demand of 36s. 8d.

Pledge to answer Nicholas Dey.

Philip Heywoode complains against Christina White in a plea of debt on demand of ..... .

Pledge to answer Henry Craneley.

John Holcome and Richard Birret complain against John Somer in a plea of debt on demand of [£]16. 13s. 4d.

Thomasina Tucker complains against Richard Turner in a plea of debt on demand of 3s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter.

(p.80) Robert Dorchester complains against William Tow in a plea of broken agreement. Pledge to prosecute Richard Birret and pledge to answer John Davy.

Thomas Marshall and Michael Germaine complain against ..... Medecalf in a plea of broken agreement. Pledge to prosecute Nicholas Whetcome. And pledge to answer John Davie.

Court held there 28 September 4 Elizabeth.

In this Court William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of William Towe in a plea of broken agreement levied against him by Robert Dorchester.

And Henry Craudie likewise is admitted attorney of Robert Dorchester in the said plea.

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In this Court William Towe has a day till the Court to be held a fortnight hence to answer Robert Dorchester in a plea of broken agreement.

Henry Craudie is admitted attorney of Christina White in a plea of debt levied against her by Philip

Heiwoode.

Court held there 12 October of the above year  
William Lomes has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer William Woodecock.

(p.81) Legal Court with view of frankpledge held there 5 October 4 Elizabeth in the time of John Mores mayor there.

John Holcome William Whetcome Richard Roper Silvester Hayn Richard Birret John Hassard  
Henry Snowe William Deane Thomas Dare William Spiring Anthony Birrett Peter Hamleyn  
William Follett

In this Court Charity Nywall was sworn to the assize of our lady the Queen.

The jurors present on their oath that John Hassard has not kept the water flowing in front of his house in its proper course as he was ordered at the last Court. Therefore he is in mercy as appears above his name. 20d. And now he is again ordered to keep it in its proper

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course so that it shall not

Injure the King's highway there under penalty of 5s.

They present that Richard Hunt has not filled up the ditch in the rear of the house in which John Whitmore now lives, nor allowed sufficient way in the land lying in the rear of the said house of John Whitmore as he was ordered at the last Court. Therefore in mercy as appears above his name. 3s. 4d., And now he is again ordered to fill up the ditch and also to permit free way there within fifteen days under penalty of 20s. 6d.

They present that Richard Carpenter, William Raff and Henry Craudy have allowed the water running by the bridge called 'Colwaie Bridge', commonly called the 'Milstreme', to flow in the king's highway there contrary to their orders at the last Court. Therefore they are in mercy as appears above their names. 6d. each. And now they are ordered to repair it and limit the water to its proper channel within fifteen days under penalty of 5s. each.

(p.82) They present that William Nywall has kept his pigs in the 'Courte' next to the ground belonging to the house where William Duche now lives contrary to the ordinance made thereon at the last Court, therefore he is in mercy as appears above his name, 16d. And now the said William Nywall is ordered not to keep pigs there any longer under penalty of 10s.

They present that Christina White has not from time to time cleaned or scoured the gutter between Robert Davie's house and her own as she was ordered at the last Court. 20d. Therefore she is

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in mercy as appears above her name. And now she is again ordered to clean the gutter from time to time, so that it shall not be a nuisance, under penalty of 6s. 8d.

Also they present that the said Christina Whight has thrown her dung coming from her stable in Combestrete into the water called the 'kinges streeme' flowing there contrary to the ordinance made thereon. Therefore she is in mercy as appears above her name. And now she is again ordered not to throw any dung into the said water under penalty of 3s. 4d. for each offence.

It is ordained by the whole homage in this Court that Mr. Maior shall have the water turned Into the land called Hibbaries within 20 days under penalty of 10s.

Richard Hunt is ordered to make his writing for the tenure of the parcel of land on which he has built his window towards the way called the 'high strete' before the next Court under penalty of 10s.

The execution of John Perrot is ordered to procure and have a writing for the tenure of the parcel of land on which is built the rear part of the house which John Perrot occupied during his life before the next Court under penalty of 10s.

It is ordained that Mr. Mayor shall have repaired adequately the road above the house which Christopher Battyn now occupies before the feast of All Saints under penalty of 5s.

(p.83) It is ordained that Mr. Mayor shall order John Colman to take care that no cattle shall wander at large to feed in the common roads within

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the parish of Lyme Regis

Also it is ordained that Mr. Mayor shall provide for the making of a bridge across the water flowing by 'colwaie bridge' so that men can cross there dry shod, and that within twenty days under penalty of 5s.

Also it is ordained that Robert Mico, John Boner, John Hiwghes, William Elsdon, John Broke and Christina White or either of them or any one else shall not throw any kind of dung into the water at 'Gosselinges bridge' under penalty of 5s. for each offence.

It is ordained that Alexander Durstone shall scour and clean the ditch from the gate belonging to Richard Hunt's land etc to the 'stansile' called 'Petycroftestile' before the feast of All Saints, and so from time to time as need shall arise under penalty of 3s. 4d.

It is ordained that Robert Petir of Chard shall remove his timber and 'plankes' lying in the 'corne market' within ten days under penalty Of 3s. 4d.

It is ordained that all those who hold cellars belonging to the house which John Perrot now deceased lately built in the west street of Lyme Regis shall keep clean the street before the doors of their cellars under penalty of 12d. a week.

It is ordained that no person shall cleanse anything from filth or dirt or wash any grain In the street of Lyme Regis under penalty of 12d. for each offence.

Robert More is ordered to repair his 'mantelle' in the house standing at the rear of the house he now occupies before the feast of All

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Saints next under penalty of 2s. 6d.

The whole homage of this Court present on their oath that a certain hedge made between the ground belonging to the house which Joan Smyth widow now occupies and the ground belonging to Richard Roper's house belongs of right to Richard Roper's house.

Also Richard Hunt is ordered sufficiently to repair the king's highway opposite his land abutting on the said way leading towards the 'three legged cros' and to remove the earth lying there so that the said highway can be made wider than it now is before the feast of All Saints under penalty of 13s. 4d.

Mrs Raff widow is ordered to repair the way over the water at Gossellnge bridge, so that men can ride there without hindrance, before the feast of All Saints under penalty of 5s.

(p.84) They present that Thomas Borough who held of our lady the queen divers free lands and tenements lying in Lyme Regis by yearly service of ..... has died, after whose death John Borough is his son and next heir, and is full of age and present now in Court and begs to be admitted to the said lands and tenements; and he is accepted as tenant thereof and gives our Lady the Queen for relief as appears above his name and has done fealty to our Lady the Queen.

They present that Thomas Elsdon who held of our Lady the Queen divers free lands and tenements lying in Lyme, Regis for rendering ..... per annum has died; and by his last will and testament gave William Elsdon his son one burgage tenement lying in Lyme Regis outside the gate called the

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'Cobgate', one meadow lying in 'trawell's mede', one acre of arable land lying in the field called the 'gretefeld', and one house and orchard now held by Giles ..... and one close of pasture land called 'Catteskleves', whence comes to our lady as relief as appears above his name.

They present that Silvester Hayn purchased of John Mallock one burgage tenement with appurtenances lying In Lyme Regis in the street called the 'Combstrete' which burgage tenement is held freely of our Lady the Queen by rendering ..... per annum; whence comes to our Lady the Queen as relief as appears above his name.

And further they present that all things are well.

Afferors: Thomas Dare, Richard Birret sworn.

(p.85) Court held there 12 October 4 Elizabeth.

William Lomes defendant has a day till the Court to be held a fortnight hence to answer William Woodcock plaintiff in a plea of detention.

In this Court comes Thomas Cogan, himself and two sureties, viz. William Radbere of Chard 'tucker'

and George Skynner of the same 'tucker' and performed his law against George Elis in a Plea of detention of 532 pounds of alum, saying on oath that he has not detained nor does he possess any alum or other goods of the said George Elis as the said George in his narrative in the aforesaid form alleged. And the said

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William Radbere and George Skynner affirm on their oath that the oath of the said Thomas Cogan is true, and so the said Thomas is dismissed with his reasonable expenses, vis. 5s. and for outlay 22d. which sums were paid in full Court as is the custom etc.

John Holcome complains against Christina Garland widow executrix of the last will and testament of Roger Garland in a plea of debt on demand of [£]14.

Thomas Dare complains against Richard Hayball in a plea of debt on demand of 20s. Pledge to answer Henry Craueley.

Christina White complains against John Broke, in a plea of debt on demand of [£]6. 13s. 4d.

Maria Eliot widow complains against Peter Shave in a plea of detention of a certain cow price 34 marks. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

Robert Holland complains against George Elyot alias Salter in a plea of trespass. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

Christopher Battyn complains against Thomas Cogan in a plea of detention. Pledge to prosecute John Garland.

(p.86) Court held there 26 October 4 Elizabeth.

Christina White has a day till the next Court to wage her law by herself and two sureties against Philip Heywoode in a plea of debt on demand of 10s. 10d. which (she took) from him unjustly as he says ....

The plea between Robert Dorchester plaintiff

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and William Towe defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties until ..... .

In this Court Henry Cranley delivered a writ of our Lady the Queen addressed, to the Mayor of Lyme Regis, the tenor of which follows in these words:

Elizabeth by the grace of God Queen of England France and Ireland defender of the faith etc to the Mayor and Burgesses of her Town of Lyme Regis greeting.

Notwithstanding that lately, by virtue of a certain writ of ours to you directed, you did send to us in our Chancery on a certain day in the said writ named the suit which was before you in your Court of the said town against William Best at the suit of William Deane. For certain causes now moving us we command you that in that suit you do proceed with what speed you can according to law and the custom of the said town, the said writ of ours to the contrary to you directed, as aforesaid, notwithstanding. Witness ourselves at Westminster the 12th day of October in the fourth year of our reign. And the said writ is allowed by this Court.

And Immediately here in full Court the aforesaid Henry Cranley delivered a certain precept directed by the sheriff of the county of Dorset to the holder of the office of seneschal there, the tenor of which follows in these words,

John Wyndham knight sheriff of the county of Dorset to the seneschal sub-seneschal or the holder of the office of seneschal of the Court of the Mayor and Burgesses of Lyme Regis and to either of them greeting. On behalf of our Lady

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the Queen I command you and either of you that in full session of that Court you do cause to be recorded, or one of you do cause to be recorded the action which is in the same Court without the writ of our said Lady the Queen between William Deane and William Best concerning the capture and unlawful detention of the cattle of the said William Deane, so that I may have that record before the Justices of our said Lady the Queen at Westminster in the octaves of St. Martin, under your seals or the seal of one of you and the seals of four lawful men of the said Court of those who shall be present at the said recording, and that you do fix, or one of you do fix the same day for the parties that then they may be there to proceed as shall be lawful and according to the form and effect of a writ of our

said Lady the Queen to me directed; and that this you or either of you do no wise omit for fear of any danger. Given under the seal of my office the 12th day of October in the fourth year of the reign of our said Lady the Queen. And this precept is likewise allowed and carried out as the writ demands and requires.

John Clerk complains against John Somer in a plea of debt on demand of [£]11. 17s. 6d. Pledge to prosecute William Spiring.

(p.87) Court held there 2 November 4 Elizabeth.

Robert Paris complains against Alexander Durstone in a plea of debt on demand of [£]13. 2s. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter.

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In this Court comes Christina White; herself and two sureties, and made her law against Philip Hewoode in a plea of debt on demand of 10s. 10d. And she says on her oath that she does not owe 10s. 10d. to the said Philip as he alleged in his narrative against her. Whereupon John Cogan and Henry Craueley, being sworn, say and affirm on their oath that the oath of the said Christina is true. And so the said Christina is dismissed with a reasonable allowance.

Richard Hayball has a day till the next Court to answer Thomas Dare in a plea of debt on demand of 20s.

William Lomes has a day till the next Court to answer William Woodecok in a plea of detention.

Christina Hillat complains against Richard Carpenter in a plea of broken agreement. Pledge to prosecute .....

(p.88) Court held there 9 November 4 Elizabeth.

In this Court Edmund Castelton is admitted attorney of Thomas Cogan in a plea of detention levied against the said Thomas by Christopher Battyn. And the said Christopher has a day till the Court to be held a fortnight hence to make a declaration against the aforesaid Thomas Cogan in the said plea.

Richard Haiball has a day till the next Court to answer Thomas Dare in a plea of debt on demand of 80s.

William Duche complains against Bernard Longmede in a plea of debt on demand of 9s.

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Pledge to answer Nicholas Sprake.

Robert Nywton of Whitchurche complains against William Skorche in a plea of debt on demand of 6s. Pledge to prosecute .....

And pledge to answer Ralph Stansbie.  
Robert Hiwlet alias Foweye complains against John Bawdon in a plea of debt on demand of 43s. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. And pledge to answer William Tanner.

John Richmond alias Symmes of Uplyme complains against Alice Walron alias Gay in a plea of broken agreement. Pledge to prosecute William Raff; and pledge to answer Nicholas Sprake. Henry Clarke complains against William Whitmore and John Whitmore In a plea of debt on demand of [£]6. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter.

George Moore complains against John Bawdon in a plea of debt on demand of 46s. 8d.

Thomas Burley complains against John Seward in a plea of debt on demand of 13s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute ..... And pledge to answer Ignacius Buckford.

(p.89) Richard Harvie of Taunton in the County of Somerset 'clothier' complains against Thomas Hill of Taunton, merchant, in a plea of trespass upon the case. Pledge to prosecute Peter Hamlyn. And pledges to answer John H.... and William Phelps.

The above named Richard Harvey complains against Robert Cray in a plea of trespass upon the Case. Pledge to prosecute Peter Hamlyn and pledge to answer Philip Heiwoode.

John Somes complains against William Whitmore in a plea of debt on demand of four marks.

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Pledge to prosecute ..... And pledge to answer Richard Carpenter.

Court held there 16 November 4 Elizabeth.

Bernard Longmede has a day till the next Court to answer William Duche in a plea of debt on

demand of 9s.

(p.90) Court held there 14 December 5 Elizabeth.

In this Court Christopher Battyn was called to make a declaration against Thomas Cogan in a plea of detention of some (pounds of) 'alom' and made default, contrary to what he was ordered. Whereupon Edmund Castell attorney of the aforesaid Thomas asks that the said Thomas Cogan may be discharged from the said action with reasonable expenses. And this is allowed by the Court and Thomas Cogan is allowed for his expenses 16d. and for outlay and estreats 10d.

In this Court Alice Walron alias Gay executrix of the last will and testament of John Walron alias Gaye has a day till the Court to be held on the Monday after Epiphany to answer John Richmond alias Symmes in a plea of broken agreement.

John Jesse of Musberie complains against John Bawdon in a plea of debt on demand of 26s. 8d. Pledge to prosecute Thomas Waller.

Simon Millis complains against John Redwoode in a plea of debt on demand of 22s. Pledge to Prosecute ..... And pledge to answer Ignacius Buckford.

Elizabeth Purser complains against Dorothy

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Eliot alias Salter executrix of James Eliot alias Salter in a plea of debt on demand of 53s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute William Nywall. And pledge to answer Richard Birret.

Christopher Batyn complains against John Bawdon in a plea of debt on demand of [£]11. 12s. Pledge to answer Thomas Dare.

The same Christopher Batyn complains against John Treset in a plea of debt on demand of 18s. Pledge to answer .....

Richard Hunt complains against Christina White in a plea of debt on demand of 20s.

(p.91) Court held there 11 January 5 Elizabeth.

In this Court Alice Walron alias Gay executrix of John Walron alias Gay now deceased has placed herself on the country for the determination of a plea of broken agreement levied against her by John Richmond alias Symmys. And the said John Richeman has placed himself etc. Whereupon the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the next Court - a fortnight hence - to determine etc.

Thomas Hill has a day till the Court to be held a fortnight hence to answer Richard Harvie in a plea of trespass upon the case.

Richard Carpenter has undertaken that Robert Gray shall answer Richard Harvey in person or by his lawful attorney in the next Court in a plea of trespass upon the case.

The plea between John Somes plaintiff and William Whitmore defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties.

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Richard Leaf complains against George ..... in a plea of debt on demand of [£]30. Pledge to prosecute .....

Richard Hunt complains against Christina White in a plea of debt on demand of 20s. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

(p.92) Court held there 18 January 5 Elizabeth.

Elizabeth Purser complains against Dorothy Eliot alias Salter executrix of James Salter now deceased in a plea of debt on demand of 53s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute William Nywall. And pledge to answer Richard Birret.

The plea between Christopher Battyn plaintiff and John Bawdon defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties until .....

William Gill of Whitford complains against John Whetcome of Wotton Fitzpayn in a plea of debt on demand of [£]7. 16s. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

Court held there 25 January 5 Elizabeth.

Thomas Hill and Robert Gray defendants have a day till the next Court to answer Richard Harvie plaintiff in two pleas of trespass upon the case, under pain of condemnation.

Names of the Jurors returned between John Richeman alias Symmes plaintiff and Alice Walron alias Gaye executrix of John Gay etc defendant, as follows :

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|------------------|----------------|----------------|------------|
| William Whetcome | William Nywall | Silvester Hayn | John Somer |
| William Spiring  | John Davie     |                |            |

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|                 |                   | William Jourdon | William Phelpes |
| William Follett | Ignatius Buckford | Thomas Waller   | William Trym    |

And they being sworn say on their oath that the said John Richeman alias Symmes should not have had a plea of broken agreement against the said Alice Walron alias Gay, as he declared against her, since she did not break the agreement. Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said Alice should be discharged from this plea and should have for loss incurred 3s. And the said John is in mercy etc.

The plea of debt of 55s. 4d. between Elizabeth Purser plaintiff and Dorothy Eliot alias Salter defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties subject to the following condition, that since the said Dorothy has confessed in full Court that she owes the said Elizabeth the 53s. 4d. aforesaid, then if the said Dorothy or her assigns shall pay or cause to be paid to the said Elizabeth or her assigns here in the next Court 28s. 8d., that then she shall have a day till the feast of Pentecost, commonly called 'whit sondaie' to pay the other 26s. 8d. (This condition is broken).

(p.93) Court held there 8 February 5 Elizabeth.

Richard Hunt complains against John Somer in a plea of trespass.

John Mores complains against William Whetcome in a plea of debt on demand of 10s.

Joan Mores complains against Henry Snowe, Silvester Hayne, John Blackaller and William

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Chapell administrators of the last will and testament of John Perrot now deceased in a plea of debt on demand of 15s.

In this Court Thomas Hill defendant placed himself on the country for the determination of a plea of trespass upon the case levied against him by Richard Harvie. And the said Richard Harvy likewise whereupon the sergeants at mace were ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the next Court to determine the suit etc.

And likewise in this Court Robert Gray defendant places himself on the country for the determination of a plea of trespass upon the case levied against him by Richard Harvie. And the said Richard Harvie plaintiff likewise. Whereupon the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the next Court to be held fifteen days hence, to determine the action etc.

In this Court Dorothy Eliot alias Salter does not come by herself or by her assign to pay Elizabeth Purser 26s. 8d. according to her promise made at the last Court. Therefore comes William Gillet attorney of the said Elizabeth and asks for judgment against the said Dorothy in the said plea. Whereupon it is granted by the Court that the said Elizabeth should recover against the said Dorothy 53s. 4d. as her true debt, and 2s. 4d. for expenses incurred and for outlay 2s. 4d.

John Ruddall complains against John Wynston in a Plea of trespass upon the case. Pledge to Prosecute Richard Birrit.

William Orchard executer of the last will

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and testament of Sir Laurence Orchard late rector of Charmouth now deceased, complains against John James in a plea of debt on demand of 10s. 10d. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. And pledge to answer ..... .

(p.94) Court held there 15 February 6 Elizabeth.

Here follow the names of the jurors returned for the determination of a plea of trespass upon the

case between Richard Harvy plaintiff and Thomas Hill defendant.

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|----------------|----------------|------------------|-----------------|
| John Garland   | Peter Hamlyn   | Henry Snowe      | William Spiring |
| Thomas Dare    | William Tanner | William Whetcome | William Follett |
| Anthony Birret | John Jourdon   | Silvester Hayn   | Thomas Waller   |

And they being sworn say on their oath that Thomas Hill defendant owes Richard Hervie plaintiff, to date 17s. 3d. of the sum of money specified in the declaration of the said Richard; and further they do not know. Whereupon it is granted by the Court that Richard Hervie shall recover against the said Thomas Hill the said 17s. 3d. as his true debt. And for expenses incurred 9s. And for outlay 7s. 7d. which the said Thomas Hill pays in full Court and so is dismissed.

Simon Millis complains against Edward Redwoode in a plea of detention of a certain bill. Pledge to prosecute William Phelps,

In this Court Thomas Hill and George Trigle of Taunton in the county of Somerset have bound

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themselves on their oath to pay the aforesaid Richard Harvie on the 24th of February next [£] 20. of good and lawful money of England, under penalty of forfeiting [£]10. each.

Hugo Grandon of Dorset complains against John Bawdon in a plea of debt on demand of 23s. Pledge to prosecute William Trym and pledge to answer Thomas Dare.

(p.95) Court held there 22 February 5 Elizabeth.

Here follow the names of the jurors for the determination of a plea of trespass upon the case between Richard Harvie plaintiff and Robert Gray defendant.

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|----------------|-------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Henry Snowe    | William Deane     | Thomas Dare    | William Spiring |
| Richard Birret | Anthony Birret    | John Hassard   | Thomas Waller   |
| William Tanner | Ignatius Buckford | William Follet | John Jourdon    |

And they being sworn say on their oath that Robert Graie owes Richard Harvie plaintiff [£] 5. 10s. and further they do not know whereupon it is granted by the Court that the said Richard Harvie shall recover against the same Robert Graie the said [£] 5. 10s. as his true debt, and for expenses incurred 5s. 4d., and for outlay 7s. 7d. which the said Robert Gray pays in full Court as is the custom. And so he is dismissed. Robert Graie complains against Richard Harvie in a plea of trespass upon the case. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. And pledge to answer ..... .

John Holcombe complains against Nicholas Whetcome

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in a plea of debt on demand of 25s.

John Treset complains against John Miller in a plea of debt on demand of 25s. 10d. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

John Bawdon complains against John Whitmore in a plea of debt on demand of 33s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute Thomas Dare.

(p.96) Court held there 1 March 5 Elizabeth.

Thomas Teale complains against Richard Squier in a plea of debt on demand of 6s. 8d.

John Mores plaintiff has a day till the next Court to proffer his narrative against Henry Snowe, John Blackaller, William Chapell and Silvester Hayne supervisors of the last will and testament of John Parrot etc in a plea of debt on demand of 15s.

And the same John Mores has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to proffer his narrative against William Whetcome In a plea of debt on demand of 10s.

Court held there 8 March of the above year.

John Blackaller, William Chapell, Henry Snowe and Silvester Hayn defendants have a day till the next Court to answer John Mores plaintiff in a plea of debt on demand of 15s.

Richard Hunt complains against John Somer in a plea of trespass.

John Holcome complains against Nicholas Whetcome In a plea of debt on demand of ..... .

Owen Reynold complains against William



Ledowce alias James in a plea of debt on demand of

[£] 3. 8s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute John Hassard. And pledge to answer Nicholas Whetcome.

William Gill complains against John Whetcome in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6. 13s. 4d.

Pledge to prosecute Thomas Waller and pledge to answer Nicholas Whetcome.

(p.97) Court held there 15 March 5 Elizabeth.

In this Court Henry Craueley is admitted attorney of John Ruddall in a plea of trespass upon the case levied by him against John Wynston. And Richard Carpenter is admitted attorney of John Wynston in the said plea.

And John Wynston has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer John Ruddall in the plea of trespass upon the case.

John Blackaller complains against John Somer in a plea of debt on demand of 50s. Pledge to prosecute Nicholas Whetcome.

Thomas Long of 'Brodwaie' complains against William Iverie of Chard in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 60. Pledge to prosecute William Whetcome and pledge to answer Richard Birret.

William Walron alias Gale complains against Alice Wallron alias Gale executrix of the last will and testament of John Walron alias Gay late of Weale Co. Dorset deceased in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 5. Pledge to prosecute Nicholas Whetcome. And pledge to answer ..... .

Philip Hewoode complains against William Hollard junior in a plea of debt on demand of 4s. 8d.

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John Mathews complains against John Gillet in a plea of debt on demand of 10s. Pledge to ..... And pledge to answer William Elsdon.

William Whetcome defendant has a day till the next Court to answer John Mores plaintiff in a plea of debt on demand of 10s.

(p.98) Court held there 22 March 5 Elizabeth.

In this Court William Elsdon senior is admitted attorney of William Whetcome in a plea of debt on demand of 10s. levied against him by John Mores. William Whetcome defendant by William Elsdon his attorney has placed himself on the country for the determination of the aforesaid plea of debt, and the said John Mores likewise. Whereupon the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the next Court to determine the action etc.

John Wikes and Christina his wife administratrix of Edmund Deane complains against Christina Garland executrix of Roger Garland formerly of Lyme Regis now deceased in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 14s. 10d. Pledge to prosecute Anthony Birret.

Robert Parise complains against Richard Lesse in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 17. 15s. Pledge to prosecute William Elsdon. And pledge to answer Philip Haywoode admitted by the mayor.

(p.99) Court held there 29 March 5 Elisabeth.

Here follow the names of the Jurors who have appeared in this Court for the determination of

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a plea of debt of 10s. between John Mores plaintiff and William Whetcome defendant . Thomas Dare, Richard Birret. William Tanner, William Jourdon, William Follet, John Somer, Thomas Waller, John Seward, Robert Mico, William Trym, William Nywale, John Davie.

Nevertheless the said John Mores plaintiff and William Whetcome defendant have voluntarily placed themselves under the arbitration and judgment of William Elsdon Junior, John Hassard, William Spiring, and John Seward, for the determination of the plea of debt on demand of the 10s. aforesaid, and have bound themselves to abide by and obey the Judgment of the said arbitrators, viz. each of them in 20s. to be paid to the use of the 'Cob'.

Richard Hunt plaintiff and John Somer defendant have placed themselves under the arbitration of Robert More and Thomas Dare for the determination of a plea of trespass between them and have bound themselves according to the custom of the Court to obey and abide by the decision made by the said

Robert Moore and Thomas Dare under penalty of 20s. to be paid to the use of the 'Cob' by either who fails to carry out the said decision.

The plea between John Ruddall plaintiff and John Winston defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties.

John Dorchester complains against John Davy in a plea of debt on demand of 18s. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

John Simon of Honyton complains against John

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Colwell of Hawkechurche in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 23. 8s. Pledge to prosecute William Whetcome.

(p.100) Court held there 19 April 5 Elizabeth.

Christopher Battyn complains against John Treset in a plea of debt on demand of 20s. Pledge to answer John Hucker.

William Gardener of Cruorne complains against John Bawdon in a plea of debt on demand of 25s. 4.d.

In this Court Thomas Long does not proceed against William Iverie in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 80. wherefore by consideration of the Court the said defendant is allowed for his expenses 18d. and for outlay 10d. And so the said defendant is dismissed.

Court held there 26 April of the above year.

In this Court William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of John Holcome plaintiff in a plea of debt on demand of 25s. levied against Nicholas Whetcome. And the said John Holcome has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to make a declaration against the same Nicholas.

William Elsdon senior is admitted attorney of Robert Parise plaintiff in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 17. levied against Richard Leff; and the said Richard Leff has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer Robert Parise.

William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of Richard Hunt plaintiff in a plea of trespass

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against John Somer, and he has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to proffer his narrative.

John Cox of Ylmyster complains against John Rossetor in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 25. Pledge to prosecute Thomas Dare and pledge to answer Alexander Durston.

Joan Elsdon widow complains against John Meredeth in a plea of debt on demand of 12s. Pledge to answer Nicholas Whetcome.

(p.101) Legal Court with view of frankpledge held there 3 May 5 Elizabeth, in the time of Robert Davy mayor there.

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| John Mores       | William Elsdon senior | John Holcome    | William Spiring |
| Richard Roper    | William Tanner        | Thomas Dare     | William Jourdon |
| William Whetcome | William Deane         | Silvester Hayne | William Nywall  |
| Constables:      | John Hassard          | Peter Hamlyn    | : sworn         |

The Jurors present on their oath that Richard Hunt has not produced in this Court any writing to show how he holds a certain parcel of land belonging to the town of Lyme, on which he has built the window of his house which he now occupies by the king's highway there as he was ordered at the last Court. Therefore he is in mercy as appears above his name. 8d.

They present that Robert Davy now mayor of Lyme Regis has not repaired a certain road above the house which Christopher Battyn now occupies as was ordained at the last Court. Therefore he

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is in mercy as appears above his name.

They present that Christina Whight has not scoured or cleaned the gutter between her house and the house which Robert Davy now occupies, from time to time as she was ordered at the last Court.

Therefore she is in mercy as appears above her name. 10d.

They present that Richard Hunt has not sufficiently repaired the road in front of his land as he was ordered at the last Court. Therefore he is in mercy as appears above his name. 16d.

They present that Robert Davy now Mayor has not had the ditch by the land now held by Alexander Durston scoured from time to time so that the water flowing there may flow into Alexander Durston's close, as was ordained at the last Court. Therefore he is in mercy as appears. 5d.

(p.102) It is ordained by the whole homage of this Court that in future John Hassard shall from time to time have the water flowing in front of his house kept in its proper course, under penalty of 5s. for each offence.

All who hold any cellars in the new house lately built by John Perrot shall keep clean and ..... , the king's highway in front of their cellars each week throughout the year under penalty of 12d. for each offence.

Richard Hunt is ordered before the next legal Court to show how he holds the land on which he has built his great new window next the king's highway under penalty of 10s.

It is ordained that Mr. Mayor shall have

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repaired and improved the road above the house which Christopher Battyn occupies before the next legal Court under penalty of 5s.

Also that no inhabitant of Lyme Regis shall in future wash in the streets of Lyme Regis any linen cloths, or anything noisome or dirty, or clean any kind of grain there, under penalty of 12d. for each offence.

Richard Hunt is ordered to make an adequate and lawful road before his land, leading towards the Cross called the 'three leggid crosse', before the feast of Pentecost under penalty of 10s.

Alexander Durston is likewise ordered to make the same road adequately and lawfully in front of his land before the feast of Pentecost under penalty of 10s.

It is ordained that Mr. Mayor shall have sufficiently cleaned and scoured the ditch leading into Alexander Durston's land within six days after this Court under penalty of 5s.

Alexander Durston is ordered to clean and scour from time to time the ditch leading from Richard Hunt's gate to the stile called 'peticrost stile' under penalty of 3s. 4d. for each offence.

It is ordained that Mr. Mayor shall have repaired the erection called the 'Buttes' before the feast of Pentecost under penalty of 5s.

(p.103) It is ordained that no one shall water any reeds in the streets of Lyme Regis under penalty of 5s. for each offence.

Richard Hunt is ordered to repair the 'mantell' in the house which William Jourdon now occupies before the feast of Pentecost under penalty of 20s.

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Richard Hunt is likewise ordered to clean and scour sufficiently the ditch which leads from the kitchen called 'Wicketes kechyn' to the said Richard's garden before the feast of Pentecost under penalty of 3s. 4d.

Richard Carpenter is ordered to make his hedge between his land and John Roper's sufficient to protect John Roper from loss of his grain within three days from this Court under penalty of 5s.

It is ordained that Mr. Mayor shall have the water flowing from the cross called 'saynt Andrewes Crose' towards the bridge called 'Colwaie Bridge' diverted into Christopher Battyn's ditch before the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist under penalty of 3s. 4d.

William Elsdon senior, Henry Crauelie and the miller of 'Colwaie Mill' are ordered in future to keep the water there in its proper course from time to time as need shall be under penalty of 10s. each.

William Deane is ordered to receive the water in his ditch between John Roper's land and his at the 'Milhill' within fifteen days from this Court under penalty of 3s. 4d.

It is ordained that in future no one shall divert from its proper course the water coming into the town of Lyme under penalty of 3s. 4d. for each offence.

Joan Elsdon widow is ordered to repair the work in the water at 'Gosselinges bridge' called the 'Weare' so that it shall not impede anyone riding or crossing there before the feast of the Ascension next

under penalty of 6s. 8d.

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Robert Mico, John Bonar, John Hiwes, William Elsdon junior, John Broke and Christina Whight are ordered in future not to throw any dung, rushes or 'rubble' (into the water) at 'Gosselynges bridge' under penalty of 5s. for each offence.

Nicholas Whetcome is ordered in future to see to his stable so that its stench shall not offend anyone passing under penalty of 10s.

Thomas Colman, Robert Norwoode and Thomas Densle are ordered in future not to throw any more dung, rushes or rubble into the lane called Sherborne lane under penalty of 20d. each.

(p.104) William Tanner is ordered sufficiently to repair the water-butt in the rear of his house between Richard Hunt and himself within twenty days from this Court under penalty of 3s. 4d.

Philip Heywoode is ordered to make adequate the hedge between the garden now held by William Duche and his own before the feast of Pentecost next under penalty of 10s.

John Hassard and Peter Hamlyn constables of the borough of Lyme Regis come in virtue of their office and present that all things are well.

Affeerors: William Elsdon senior William Whetcome, sworn

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(p.105) Court held there 10 May 5 Elizabeth. John Wynston by Richard Carpenter his attorney has a day till the next Court to answer John Ruddall in a plea of trespass upon the case.

John Whetcome by William Elsdon has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer William Gill in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 7. 16s.

Nicholas Whetcome has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer John Holcome in a plea of debt on demand of 45s.

Richard Leff by Richard Carpenter his attorney has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer Robert Parise in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 17. 15s.

John Amerideth has a day till the next Court to answer Joan Elsdon widow in a plea of debt on demand of 12s. under pain of condemnation.

In this Court William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of John Cox in a plea of debt on demand of 25.£. levied against John Rossetor by the same John Cox, as appears more fully in the preceding Court.

(p.106) Court held there 17 May 5 Elizabeth.

John Ameredeth is called to answer Joan Elsdon widow in a plea of debt on demand of 12s. And the said John comes in his own person in full Court and confesses that he owes the said Joan 9s. of the aforesaid 12s. which he pays here in full Court. And for the decision with regard to the three shillings and the expenses incurred both the plaintiff and the defendant have submitted

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themselves to the arbitration of Thomas Dare and William Jourdon etc., who have made an agreement between them etc. And John Ameredeth pays everything to the plaintiff etc, and so he is discharged.

John Rossetor by Henry Crauelie his attorney has a day till the next Court to answer John Cox in a plea of debt on demand of [£]25.

The plea between Robert Parise plaintiff and Richard Leff defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties until ..... .

Alice Walron alias Gay has a day till the next Court to answer William Walron alias Gay in a plea of debt on demand of [£]5.

John Wynston makes a demurrer in law in a plea of trespass levied against him by John Ruddall plaintiff as follows:

The said John Wynston by Richard Carpenter his attorney says that the said narrative above made and the matters pertaining to it is by no means sufficient in law so that he is not compelled, nor bound by the law of England to reply to it, wherefore in the absence of an adequate declaration in this matter he asks for a judgment whether the said plea of John Ruddall against him ought to be allowed etc.

(p.107) Court held there 24 May 5 Elizabeth.

In this Court comes Alice Walron alias Gay in her own person and denies the force and injury when etc. And she says that she does not owe William Walron alias Gay [£] 5. as he alleged in his narrative against her. And this she is ready

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etc. Whereupon she puts herself upon the country. And the said William Walron alias Gay likewise. And the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men etc to the next Court for the determination etc.

John Rosetor has a day till the next Court, to be held fifteen days hence, to answer John Cox in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. 7s. under pain of condemnation.

John Davy by William Marchaunt his attorney has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer John Dorchester in a plea of debt on demand of 18s.

William Elsdon senior is admitted attorney of John Dorchester in a plea of debt levied against John Davie.

(p.108) Court held there 7 June 5 Elizabeth.

Alexander Durston complains against John Lacye of Bristoll marchaunt, in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20. Pledge to answer Richard Carpenter.

In this Court the Serjeants at Mace have returned twelve men for the determination of a plea of debt on demand of [£] 5. between William Walron alias Gay plaintiff and Alice Walron alias Gay, defendant. And the said William Gay plaintiff and also the said Alice Gay defendant in full Court have voluntarily agreed together to place the determination of their plea in the arbitrament of John Holcome, Thomas Dare, William Tanner and William Whetcome arbitrators impartially chosen from the point of view of both plaintiff and defendant.

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And the said parties are held and bound to obey and fulfil the judgment and determination of the said arbitrators, vis. each of them in the sum of 40s. to be paid for the needs of the Cob if etc. And the ordinance and judgment is to be rendered within fifteen days from this Court.

John Davie comes in his own person and denies the force and injury when etc and says that he does not owe 18s. to John Dorchester as he alleged in his narrative against him, and this he is prepared to prove as the Court shall desire. Whereupon the said John Davie has a day till the next Court to wage his law against the said John Dorchester in a plea of debt on demand of 18s. which etc, viz. himself and two sureties.

The plea between William Gill plaintiff and John Whetcombe defendant is adjourned by assent of the attorneys of each party till the next Court.

Richard Leff has a day till the next Court to answer Robert Parise in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 17. 15s. under pain of condemnation.

In this Court Henry Craueley attorney of John Rosetor has confessed in full Court that John Rosetor owes the said John Cox [£] 9. 17s. whereupon it is granted by the Court that the said John Cox shall recover against John Rosetor [£]9. 17s. as his true debt, together with 4s. for expenses incurred, and for outlay 16d. which he pays in full Court by the hands of John Webb, and ..... and so the defendant is discharged etc.

(p.109) Court held there 14 June 6 Elizabeth.

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Richard Moore of Musburie complains against Christopher Battyn in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 8. Pledge to prosecute Henry Craueley.

Alice Abbot complains against Joan Tanner alias Moxaige in a plea of debt on demand of 6s. Pledge to prosecute ..... And pledge to answer Anthony Birret.

Alexander Durstone has a day till the next Court to make a declaration against John Lacy of Bristoll in a plea of debt on demand of 20s.

John James has a day till the next Court to answer William Orchard executor of the last will and testament of Lawrence Orchard clerk now deceased in a plea of debt on demand of 10s. 10d.

John Roper complains against Richard Carpenter in a plea of capture and unlawful detention of cattle.

In this Court Richard Leff is called to answer Robert Parise in a plea of debt on demand of [£]17. 15s. And the said Richard did not appear by himself or by his attorney but made complete default. Therefore it is granted by the Court that Robert Parise shall recover against the said Richard [£]14. 15s. as his true debt of the said [£] 17. 15s.; and the [£] 3. remaining have been paid. And for expenses incurred 4s. and for outlay 15d.

William Elsdon senior attorney of John Dorchester plaintiff, and John Davy defendant have placed themselves under the arbitration of Anthony Birret and Nicholas Whetcome for the determination of a plea of debt on demand of 18s.

John Whetcomb in his own person comes and

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denies the force and injury when etc. And he says that he does not owe William Gill [£] 7. 16s. as he alleged in his narrative against him. And this he is prepared to prove as the Court shall desire. Whereupon he puts himself on the country. And the said William Gill likewise. And the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve men etc to the next Court for the determination etc.

(p.110) Court held there 21 June 5 Elizabeth.

Joan Elsdon widow, executrix of the last will and testament of Thomas Elsdon late of Lyme Regis etc. complains against Thomas Davie in a plea of debt on demand of 10s. Pledge to prosecute ..... And pledge to answer ..... .

In this Court Nicholas Archer is admitted attorney of John Lacye in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20. levied against him by Alexander Durston. And the said John Lacye by his said attorney has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer the said Alexander in the said plea.

The plea of debt on demand of 10s. 10d. between William Orchard plaintiff and John James defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties till the next Court.

John Roper has a day till the next Court to make a declaration against Richard Carpenter in a plea of capture and unlawful detention of cattle and chattels.

Laurence Bowerman complains against Richard Carpenter in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 13.

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Pledge to prosecute Thomas Waller.

Laurence Bowerman complains against John Hucker in a plea of debt on demand of 44s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute as above.

John Keynell junior of Blandford Forum complains against John Bawdon in a plea of debt on demand of 26s. 8d. Pledge to prosecute William Jourdon.

Richard Chace of Axminster complains against Robert Ridgeley of Hymmyoke in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6. Pledge to prosecute Thomas pare. And pledge to answer ..... .

Robert Shave complains against Elizabeth Shave executrix of the last will and testament of Peter Shave now deceased in a plea of debt on demand of 50s. 10d. Pledge to prosecute William Niwall and pledge to answer William Tanner.

(p.111) Court held there 28 June 5 Elizabeth.

William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of John Roper plaintiff in a plea of capture and unlawful detention of cattle levied against Richard Carpenter and the said Richard Carpenter has a day till the next Court to answer John Roper in the said plea.

Richard Carpenter is admitted attorney of William Orchard plaintiff in a plea of debt on demand of 10s. 10d. levied against John James defendant and the said John James has personally appeared In full Court and voluntarily confesses that he owes the said William Orchard 7s. 1d. of the said plea; and he says that he does not owe the rest of the said plea, vis. 3s. 9d. (sic).

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Whereupon it is granted by the Court that William Orchard shall recover against the said John 7s. 1d. as his true debt and for outlay and expenses

incurred ..... And the said John James has a day till the next Court to wage his law against the said William in the said plea, viz. for 3s. 4d. (sic) himself and two sureties.

Thomas Bassall alias Best complains against William Phelpis in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 30. Pledge to prosecute .....

William Pynny complains against ..... Gawge in a plea of debt on demand of 8s. Pledge to prosecute John Hucker

(p.112) Court held there 5 July 5 Elizabeth.

In this Court came John James, himself and two sureties viz. Thomas Bassall and Miles Knyght, and made his law against William Orchard i.e. that he did not owe the said William 3s. 9d. as he alleged in his narrative against him. Therefore the said John is discharged with his reasonable expenses etc.

Alexander Durston again has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence, to make a declaration against John Lacie in a plea of debt.

William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of Elizabeth Shave defendant in a plea of debt levied against her by Robert Shave. And the said Elizabeth has a day till the next Court to answer.

Richard Carpenter has a day till the next Court to answer John Roper in a plea of the capture and unlawful detention of cattle.

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(p.113) Court held there 12 July 5 Elizabeth.

Richard Birret complains against Nicholas Long in a plea of debt on demand of 2 ½ lbs of wool. Pledge to prosecute Ignatius Buckford.

Henry Clerke complains against Thomas Tilman alias Fisser in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 15. 3s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute Thomas Dare.

William Chapell complains against Richard Leffe in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 11. 17s. Pledge to prosecute John Hassard.

Richard Stocker complains against Richard Leff in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 50. Pledge to prosecute.

John Holcome complains against Richard Leffe in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 4. 14d.

Alexander Durston again has a day till the next Court to proffer his narrative against John Lacie in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20.

John Roper has a day till the next Court to amend his narrative in the plea levied against Richard Carpenter.

Elizabeth Shave plaintiff has a day till the next Court to answer Robert Shave in a plea of debt on demand of 50s. 10d.

Nicholas Archer is admitted attorney of William Chapell in the plea of debt on demand of [£] 11. 17s. levied against Richard Leff.

(p.114) Court held there 19 July 5 Elizabeth.

John Horde complains against Ralph Downs in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 14s. Pledge to prosecute Henry Craudy.

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Richard Leffe has a day till the next Court to answer William Chapell in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 11. 17s. under pain of condemnation.

Elizabeth Shave widow executrix of the last will and testament of Peter Shave puts herself on the country for the determination of a plea of debt on demand of 50s. 10d. levied against her by Robert Shave. And the said Robert likewise, whereupon the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the next Court to determine etc.

Richard Carpenter has a day till the next Court to answer John Roper in a plea of the capture and unlawful detention of cattle.

John Lacie has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer Alexander Durstone and Alice his wife in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20.

The plea between Richard Birret plaintiff and Nicholas Long defendant is adjourned by assent of the

parties till the next Court.

(p.115) Court held there 26 July 5 Elizabeth.

John Holcome complains against Thomas Davie in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 4. Pledge to answer .....

John Mores complains against William Hollard junior in a plea of trespass. Pledge to answer William Elsdon.

Robert Shave plaintiff and Elisabeth (Shave) defendant have placed themselves under the arbitration of Stephen Pike, William Borcome, Thomas Gravener and Richard Webber, arbitrators impartially elected on the part of both plaintiff and defendant to arbitrate and judge the plea of debt on demand

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of 50s. 10d. pending between the said parties. And the parties are bound to obey etc under penalty for either of 20s. to be paid for the use and maintenance of the 'Cob' etc.

In this Court Richard Leff was called to answer William Chapell in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 11. 17s. as he was ordered at the last Court under pain of condemnation; and he did not appear by himself or his attorney but contemptuously made default. Therefore It is granted by the Court that the said William by Nicholas Archer his attorney shall recover against the said Richard Leff [£] 11. 17s. as his true debt. And for expenses incurred ....., and for outlay ..... And the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to levy the said sums on some 'woade' now under arrest and in the custody of the said Serjeants at Mace.

John Roper plaintiff by William Marchaunt his attorney has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to amend his narrative in the plea of capture and unlawful detention of cattle levied against Richard Carpenter.

William Long complains against William Pulman in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 21.

(p.116) Court held there 16 August 5 Elizabeth.

In this Court appeared twelve good and lawful men, viz.

William Whetcome, William Elsdon, William Jourdon, John Jourdon, Robert Mico, William Trym, Ignatius Buckford, William Follet, Nicholas Dey, Christopher Battin, Thomas Waller and William Nywall, to determine the plea of debt on demand of 50s. 10d. between Robert Shave plaintiff and Elisabeth

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Shave, widow, executrix of the last will and testament of Peter Shave her husband, defendant. And they being tested sworn and charged say on their oath that Elisabeth Shave defendant owes the said Robert plaintiff 50s. 10d. of lawful money of England. Therefore it is granted by the Court that Robert Shave plaintiff shall recover against the said Elisabeth 50s. 10d. of lawful money of England as his true debt and for expenses incurred 6s. And for outlay 7s. 4d., which sums are paid in full Court as is the custom. And so he is discharged.

John Bovet complains against Richard Leff in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 28. Pledge to prosecute William Follet. And the said Richard is attached by two and a half casks of woad in the custody etc.

William Whetcome complains against Thomas Teate in a plea of trespass. Pledge to answer .....

John Case complains against John Shiring in a plea of debt on demand of 9s. Attached by two stones called 'fre stones', and they are in the custody etc. Pledge to prosecute William Nywall.

John Ruddall has a day till the next Court to say what he will do against the demurrer of John Wynston.

Richard Carpenter has a day till the next Court to answer John Roper in a plea of capture of cattle.

John Edgar complains against Richard Leff in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 40. Pledge to prosecute William Whetcome.

The same John Edgar complains against John Garland in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 30.

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In this Court comes John Lacie by Nicholas Archar his attorney and asks for a day till the Court to be held on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September next to answer Alexander Durston and Alice his wife in a plea of debt on



demand of [£] xx. [20]

(p.117) Court held there 23 August 5 Elizabeth.

William Holard junior has a day till the Court to answer John Mores in a plea of trespass.

In this Court George Smyth is admitted attorney of John Hurd in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 14s. levied against Ralph Downe.

Thomas Teate has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer William Whetcome in a plea of trespass.

John Shiring has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer John Case In a plea of debt on demand of 9s. under pain of condemnation.

Richard Piers complains against Ralph Downe in a plea of debt on demand of 9s. Pledge to prosecute Christopher Battyn. And pledge to answer Henry Craudie.

William Gardynner complains against Thomas Fisser in a plea of debt on demand of 26s. 8d. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. And pledge to answer ..... .

John Brag complains against John Colwell in a plea of debt on demand of 15s. Pledge to prosecute And (pledge to answer) Philip Heywoode.

(p.118) Election of officials, held on the 13th day of

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August in the 5th year of Elizabeth by the  
grace of God Queen of England, France and Ireland, for the ensuing year according to custom from time  
immemorial in the time of Robert Davy, mayor, viz:-  
council:

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|--------------|--------------|------------------|----------------|
| John Mores   | John Garland | Richard Hunt     | Richard Birret |
| John Holcome | Henry Snowe  | Richard Buckford | Thomas Dare    |

In mercy:

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| John Hassard 10s.  | William Nywall     | William Tanner      | John Hucker               |
| William Spiring    | William Phelps     | William Elsdon sen. | William Deane             |
| Anthony Birret 5s. | Alexander Durston  | William Follet      | Henry Craueley            |
| Peter Hamlyn       | Christopher Battyn | Richard Carpenter   | Nicholas Whetcome         |
| John Somer         | John Samford       | Nicholas Day        | John Jourdon              |
| Ignatius Buckford  | William Trym       | William Mallock     | John Myller               |
| William Jourdon    | Alexander Davy     | Thomas Waller       | John Davie at Churchstile |
| Ralph Stansbie     | Robert Mico        | William Elston Jr.  | Gilbert Helyer            |
| John Gamwell 5s.   | Robert Tynham      | Silvester Hyne      | John Seward               |

who being sworn present on their oath Henry Snowe as Mayor,  
John Mores as Coroner,  
Anthony Birret and William Spiring as Constables,  
Richard Buckford and Thomas Dare as Receivers,  
John Jourdon and Nicholas Archer as Serjeants-at-Mace.

(p.119) Court held there 6 September 5 Elizabeth

In this Court William Hollard junior puts himself on the country for the determination of the plea of trespass levied against him by John Mores. And the same John Mores does

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likewise. Whereupon the  
Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the next Court to determine the  
cause etc.

Richard Carpenter has a day to answer John Roper in a plea of capture and unlawful detention of  
cattle levied against him by the said John.

Thomas Teate puts himself on the country for the determination of the plea of trespass levied against him by William Whetcome. And the said William Whetcome likewise. Whereupon the sergeants at mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the Court to be held three weeks hence to determine the cause etc.

Ralph Downe has a day till the next Court to answer John Hurd in a plea of debt on demand of 14s.

Ralph Downe in this Court was called to answer Richard Piers in a plea of debt on demand of 9s. And the said Ralph in full Court confessed to owing the said Richard Piers 7s. 8d. of the said sum. And for the rest he has a day to wage his law, via himself and two sureties till the next Court.

In this Court John Shiring is called to answer John Case in a plea of debt on demand of 14s. under pain of condemnation, and did not appear by himself or his attorney. Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said Case shall recover against the said John Shiring 14s. as his true debt and for expenses 3s. 6d. and for outlay 13d. etc.

(p.120) Court held there 13 September 5 Elizabeth.

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In this Court Richard Carpenter is admitted attorney of Joan Rixar widow executrix of the last will and testament of Richard Leonerd in a plea of capture and unlawful detention of cattle levied against her by John Roper plaintiff.

John Roper plaintiff by William Marchaunt his attorney and Joan Rixar by Richard Carpenter her attorney have placed themselves on the country for the determination of the plea of capture and unlawful detention of cattle. Whereupon the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the Court to be held a month hence to determine etc.

William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of John Edgar In a plea of debt on demand of [£] 40. levied against Richard Leff by the same Edgar.

Ralph Downe has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer John Hurd in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 14s. under pain of condemnation.

Ralph Downe had a day till this Court to wage his law against Richard Piers in a plea of debt on demand of 16d. and he failed in law as above, therefore he is in mercy etc and it is granted by the Court that the said Richard shall recover against the said Ralph the said debt, and for his damages which etc 2s. and for outlay 10d. And the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to levy etc.

In this Court appeared twelve men, vis;

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| William Elsdon Sen. | Alexander Durston  | Ralph Stansbie, | William Jourdon, |
| John Jourdon,       | Ignatius Buckford, | Thomas Waller,  | Alexander Davie, |
| William Trym,       | John Davie,        | William Phelps, | William Nywall.  |

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for the determination of a plea of trespass between John Mores plaintiff and William Hollard defendant. And they being sworn etc say on their oath that William Hollard committed a trespass against the said John Mores and did him damage to the value of 6d. Therefore it is granted by the Court that John Mores shall recover against the said William Hollard for his damages, 6d. and for expenses 18d. and for outlay 6s. 1d. which the said William Hollard pays and so is discharged etc,

Richard Carpenter and Ralph Stansbie have been chosen to appreciate certain stones called 'fre stones' belonging to John Shiring and to levy upon them 14s. which John Case recovered against the said John Shiring in the last Court as his true debt, and for expenses 3s. 6d. and for outlay 13d.

(p.121) John Laicie defendant has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer Alexander Durston plaintiff in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20.

William Palmer of Knoll in Co.Somerset complains against Thomas Dalwoode in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 23. 12d. Pledge to prosecute William Spiring.

Bernard Maior complains against John Bruer in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 18. 3s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute Henry Crauley. And pledge to answer William Elsdon junior.

John Bruer complains against Richard Strowbridge in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 45. 3s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute William Elsdon Junior.

John Wikes and Christina his wife executrix of the last will and testament of Edmund Deane complain against Christine Garland executive of the last will and testament of Roger Garland in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 8d. Pledge to prosecute Anthony Birret.

John Mallock, John Holcome and Thomas Dare complain against Lawrence Elsdon in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 422. 10s. Pledge to prosecute ..... And pledge to answer William Elsdon junior. William Long complains against Thomas Teate in a plea of debt on demand of 26s. 8d. Pledge to prosecute ..... And pledge to answer ..... .

William Long complains against William Pulman in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. Pledge to prosecute Nicholas Whetcome.

(p.122) Court held there 27 September 5 Elizabeth.

Robert (sic) Carpenter is admitted attorney of William Pulman in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. levied against him by William Long. The same William Pulman by Richard Carpenter his attorney has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer the said William Long in the said plea.

John Lacie again has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer Alexander Durston in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20.1.

In this Court appeared twelve men. viz:

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| Richard Carpenter, | William Elsdon sen., | Alexander Durston, | Alexander Davy, |
| John Somer,        | John Davy,           | William Jourdon,   | William Trym,   |
| Thomas Waller,     |                      |                    |                 |

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| Ralph Stansbie, | John Jourdon, | William Nywall, |
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William Phelps,

to determine the plea of trespass between William Whetcome plaintiff and Thomas Teate defendant. And they being sworn etc say on their oath that Thomas Teate committed a trespass against the said William Whetcome and caused him damages to the value of 5s. Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said William Whetcome shall recover against the said Thomas for his damages 5s. And for expenses incurred 3s. 4d. And for outlay 10s. 2d. which the said Thomas Teate pays and so he is discharged.

In this Court Ralph Downe is called to answer John Kurd in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 14s. as he was ordered at the last Court under pain of condemnation; and did not appear by himself or by his attorney but contemptuously made default. Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said John Hurd shall recover against the said Ralph [£] 3. 14s. as his true debt. And for his expenses 3s. 8d. And for outlay 19d. which the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to levy of the goods of William Spiring pledge of the said Ralph.

Richard Leff is called to answer John Edgar in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 40. as he was ordered at the last Court and did not appear by himself or his attorney but contemptuously made default Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said John Edgar shall recover against the said Richard [£] 40. as his true debt and for expenses ..... and for outlay ..... And the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to levy the said sums on some woad which is under arrest.

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Richard Carpenter end Alexander Durston are chosen and sworn to appreciate woad both for answering John Edgar in a plea of debt of [£] 40. with expenses and outlay and for answering William Chapell in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 11. with expenses and outlay.

(p.123) Legal Court with view of frankpledge held there 4 October 5 Elisabeth in the time of Robert Davie mayor there. The twelve:

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| John Mores    | William Whetcome  | Richard Hunt   | William Tanner      |
| John Holcome  | William Spiring   | Richard Birret | Anthony Birret      |
| Thomas Dare   | Richard Carpenter | William Follet | William Elsdon sen. |
| Thomas Waller |                   |                |                     |
| Constables:   | John Hassard      | Peter Hamlyn.  |                     |

And they being sworn say on their oath that Robert Davie late mayor of Lyme Regis did not carry out his office in that he allowed brewers and cellarers to sell their ale with illegal measures and unsealed and also did not compel them to sell their ale both in and out of their houses according to the ordinance thereon made. Therefore he is in mercy as appears above his name. – 5s.

Also they present that John Roper has a certain hedge next the 'Milgrene' and extends it from a hedge of William Deane to Christine Garland's orchard, and has not placed it in its accustomed place as he was ordered at the last Court. Therefore he is in mercy as appears above his name. – 2s.

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And now the said John Roper again has a day, till the feast of the Nativity, to place the hedge in its proper place under penalty of 10s.

All the inhabitants of the town of Lyme Regis are ordered not to wash or sift any grain in the streets of Lyme Regis nor to throw any dirty water into the pure water flowing there under penalty of 12d. for each offence.

John Hassard is ordered from time to time to keep the water flowing in front of his house in its proper course so that it does not overflow on the pavement there under penalty of 5s. for each offence.

(p.124) Also it is ordained that all who hold cellars in the new house which John Perrot built shall have the streets in front of their cellars scoured and cleaned each week under penalty of 12d. for each offence.

It is ordained that whereas Christina Garland took the water from the king's highway into her close called 'Greate Park' without permission, she shall return the water into its proper course and also sufficiently clean and scour her ditch there before the feast of All Saints next under penalty of 2s.

Robert Tynham is ordered to remove his hedge which is at the end of his meadow next the 'cleves' of John Mores and place it in its proper place where it used to be, before the feast of the Nativity next under penalty of 6s. 8d.

Also Philip Haywoode is ordered to make a sufficient hedge between the garden belonging

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to Silvester Hayn's house and his own before the feast of All Saints next under penalty of 10s.

It is ordained that in future no one shall divert the water entering the town of Lyme Regis from its proper course under penalty of 3s. 4d. for each offence.

Joan Rixar widow is ordered to make a sufficient receptacle in her garden so that the water overflowing there shall not injure the land belonging to the house which John Davy now occupies before the feast of All Saints next under penalty of 2s.

Also Richard Carpenter is ordered sufficiently to repair the wall of the house he now occupies facing the king's highway before the feast of the Nativity next under penalty of 10s.

The jurors present that Richard Roper who held of our lady the Queen within the borough of Lyme Regis two free burgage tenements with appurtenances situate and lying there in the street called the 'West Strete' (West Street] by the law of England and in right of Margaret his wife by rendering ..... , has died, on whose death John Roper is his son and next heir and is of full age and seeks to be admitted to the said burgage tenements, with appurtenances and is accepted as tenant thereof etc., and gives as relief as appears above his name.

(p.125) Also they present that Elisabeth Haywoode [Elizabeth Haywood] wife of Philip Heywoode who held of our lady the Queen within the borough of Lyme Regis aforesaid a half part of a certain free burgage tenement with appurtenances situate and lying in the street

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there called 'comestrete' formerly of John Helyer father of the said Elizabeth by rendering ..... has died; on whose death Philip Haywoode husband of the said Elizabeth comes and claims the said half part of the said burgage tenement with appurtenances by the law of England by reason etc. for the term etc and gives as relief according to the custom of the said town as appears above his name etc.

And otherwise they present that all things are well

Affeerors: William Spiring Richard Carpenter -sworn

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Court held there 11 October 5 Elizabeth,

John Bruer complains against Bernard Maior in a plea of broken agreement. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter and pledge to answer John Davie.

Joan Rixar executrix of the last will and testament of Richard Leonard complains against Thomas Lesland in a plea of detention of a certain indenture. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter and pledge to answer Nicholas Whetcome.

William Pulman has a day till the next Court to answer William Long in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. under pain of condensation.

John Lacie has a day till the next Court to answer Alexander Durston in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20. under pain of condemnation.

In this Court Nicholas Archer Serjeant at mace etc. returned his precept etc. vis. that he should summon William Elsdon Sen. William Tanner, Peter Hamlyn, John Jordon, John Davie. William

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Phelpis,

Thomas Waller, William Nywall, Nicholas Whetcombe, Ralph Stansbie, Alexander Durston, Robert Mico, free men and burgesses of the town of Lyme Regis to try the issues of the plea of capture and unlawful detention between John Roper plaintiff and Richard Carpenter defendant; and these twelve likewise appeared, and, chosen tried and sworn to give their verdict on the issues aforesaid, they say on their oath that the said Richard Leonard father of the said William Leonard on the day he died was possessed of the said tenements with appurtenances whence etc, in the mode and form etc. And therefore it is granted by the Court that the said Richard Carpenter shall recover against the said John Roper for damages ..... as etc. And for outlay 7s. 10d. as etc.. And the said John Roper in mercy etc.

John Snowe complains against Robert Petir and William Pulman in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 37. 8s. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter and pledge to answer William Whetcome.

(p.127) John Abbot complains against Thomas Tillman alias Fyssher in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6. 13s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute John Hucker and pledge to answer William Nywall.

Peter Bagwell of Coliton complains against John Capelstone gentleman in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 35. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

Richard More of Bristoll complains against Adrian Godyn alias Lyng of Wellis in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6. 5s. 7d. Pledge to p prosecute Richard Carpenter. And pledge to answer ..... .

Roger Jones of Bristoll complains against

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Adrian Godyn alias Lyng in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 7. 13s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. And pledge to answer ..... .

John Jerveis complains against Ralph Downe in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. Pledge to prosecute Henry Craueley. And pledge to answer William Phelpis.

Court held there 25 October 5 Elizabeth.

William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of Bernard Maior in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 18. 3s. 4d. levied against John Bruer.

John Bruer by ..... his attorney has acknowledged that he owes Bernard Maior [£] 18. 3s. 4d. There it is granted by the Court that he shall pay the said Maior [£] 18. 3s. 4d. as his true debt and for expenses 12d. And for outlay 7d. and so etc.

The plea between John Abbot plaintiff and Thomas Fisher defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties until the Feast of the Nativity next.

William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of Bernard Maior in a plea of broken agreement.

Richard Carpenter is admitted attorney of John ..... .

(p.128) Bernard Maior has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer John Bruer in a plea of broken agreement.

Richard Carpenter is admitted attorney of Joan Rixar widow in a plea of detention levied against Thomas Lesland.

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William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of Thomas Lesland in a plea of detention levied against him by Joan Rixar.

Thomas Lesland has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer Joan Rixar in the said plea of detention.

Alexander Durstone plaintiff has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to say what he will do against John Lacie in his plea of debt on demand of [£] 20.

William Elsdon senior is admitted attorney of John Wickes and Christina his wife in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 18d. levied against Christina Garland executrix of Roger Garland.

Christina Garland has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer John Wicks and Christina his wife in the said plea.

Nicholas Archer is admitted attorney of Laurence Elsdon in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 422. 10s. levied against him by John Mallock, John Holcome and Thomas Dare.

And the said Laurence has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer John Mallock etc.

John Jordon complains against Ralph Downe in a plea of debt on demand of 20s.

(p.129) Court held there 8 November 5 Elizabeth.

The plea between John Hollard plaintiff and Ralph Downe defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties till the Court to be held next after the feast of Epiphany.

The plea between John Snowe plaintiff and

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Robert [Petir] and William Pulman defendants is adjourned by assent of the parties till the feast of St. Andrew the Apostle next.

Bernard Maior again has a day till the next Court to answer John Bruer in a plea of broken agreement under pain of condemnation.

Thomas Lesland has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to wage his law against Joan Rixar in a plea of detention of a certain indenture, viz. himself and two sureties.

John Wickes and Christina his wife have a day till the next Court to say what they will do in the plea of debt levied against Christina Garland.

Laurence Elsdon has a day till the next Court to answer John Mallock, John Holcome and Thomas Dare in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 422. 10s. under pain of condemnation.

John Colwell is called to answer John Brag in a plea of debt on demand of 15s. and did not appear by himself or his attorney but contemptuously made default. Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said John Brag shall recover against the said John Colwell 15s. as his true debt, and for expenses incurred 2s. 8d. and for outlay 10d. And so etc.

Philip Turnor of Hawberton in county Devon complains against Robert Petir and William Pulman of Chard in county Somerset, merchants, in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 41. 15s. Pledge to prosecute Thomas Dare and pledge to answer Richard carpenter.

(p.130) Court held there 15 November 5 Elizabeth.

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John Garland in this Court was essoined in the plea of debt on demand of [£] 30. levied against him by John Edgar.

Christina Garland by Nicholas Archer her attorney has a day till the next Court to answer John Wickes and Christina his wife in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 18d.

In this Court Bernard Maior defendant puts himself on the country for the determination of the plea of broken agreement levied against him by John Bruer. And the said John Bruer likewise. Whereupon the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the next Court to determine the cause etc.

In this Court Lawrence Elsdon defendant puts himself on the country for the determination of the plea of debt on demand of [£] 422. 10s. levied against him by John Mallock, John Holcome and Thomas Dare. And the said plaintiffs likewise whereupon the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve

good and lawful men to the next Court - fifteen days hence - to determine etc.

William Pulman has a day till the next Court to answer William Long in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. under pain of condemnation.

John Lacie has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer Alexander Durston and Alice his wife in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20.

Richard Birret complains against John Skoore in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 11. 8s. 8d. Pledge to answer William Elsdon.

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(p.131)

Court held there 22 November 5 Elizabeth.

Philip Heywoode complains against Stephen Lymberie in a plea of debt on demand of 11s. 7d. Pledge to answer William Nywall.

The same Philip Heywoode complains against Stephen Carie in a plea of debt on demand of 4s. 10d. Pledge to answer .....

George Barfoote complains against William Longe in a plea of detention of a certain gold ring. Pledge to prosecute.

William Pulman defendant puts himself on the country for the determination of a plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. levied against him by William Long. And the said William Long likewise whereupon the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the Court to be held three weeks hence to determine the cause etc.

In this Court Nicholas Archer is admitted attorney of Philip Turner in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 41. 15s. levied against Robert Petir.

Thomas Lechelend had a day till this Court to wage his law against Joan Rixar widow in a plea of detention of a certain indenture. And he failed to make the above law. Nevertheless the cause is adjourned by assent of the parties till the Court to be held fifteen days hence.

Stephen Lymberie has a day till the next Court to answer Philip Heywoode in a plea of debt on demand of 6s. 7d.

Robert Petir has a day till the next Court to answer Philip Turnor in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 41. 15s.

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John Garland has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer John Edgar in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 30.

(p.132) In this Court Nicholas Archer, Serjeant at Mace returned his precept, executed, viz. that he should summon Richard Birret, William Spiring, Nicholas Day, Thomas Waller, William Jourdon, William Nywall, John Hassard, William Elsdon Sen. Alexander Durston, William Trym, Anthony Birret, William Phelps to try the issues of a plea of broken agreement between John Bruer plaintiff and Barnard Maior defendant. And the said John Bruer did not prosecute his suit in the said plea but totally made default since, etc. Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said Bernard Maior shall recover against the same John Bruer for costs and expenses incurred 3s. 10d. And for outlay 6s. 1d. etc. And the said John Bruer in mercy etc.

Christina Garland again has a day till the next Court to answer John Wicks and Christina his wife in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 18d.

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Court held there on the penultimate day of November [5] Elizabeth.

John Hucker complains against John Miller in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20. Pledge to answer .....

Nicholas Archer is admitted attorney of Richard Birret in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 11. 8s. 4d., levied against John Score. And William Elsdon senior is admitted attorney of John Skore in the said plea.

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And the aforesaid John Skoore has a day till the next Court to answer Richard Birret in the said plea.

Robert Petir has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer Philip Turner in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 41. 15s.

John Wikes and Christina his wife, plaintiffs and Christina Garland defendant have placed themselves under the arbitration of John Edgar and Richard Carpenter from the determination of a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 18d. and they have a day till the next Court. And each is bound to obey the determination of the said arbitrators in 20s. to be paid to the use of the Cob.

Stephen Lymberie has a day till the next Court to wage his law against Philip Heywoode in a plea of debt on demand of 11s. 7d. via himself and two sureties.

Nicholas Archer is admitted attorney of George Barfoote in a plea of detention of a certain gold ring levied against William Long. And William Marchaunt is admitted attorney of William Long in the said plea.

And the said William Long has a day till the next Court to answer the said George in the said plea of detention.

John Miller has a day till the next Court to answer John Hucker in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20.

Again John Lacie by Nicholas Archer his attorney says that he is not held by the law etc to answer the said Alexander Durston and Alice his wife in a plea of debt on demand of

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[£] 20. Whereupon

Alexander Durston asks for a day till the next Court to take counsel etc.

(p.134) Court held there 6 December [5] Elizabeth.

John Davy complains against Thomas Hyat in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 9. 16. 8d. Pledges to answer John Jourdone and John Seward.

Thomas Rowland of Burton in county Dorset complains against John Gamwaies in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 7. Pledge to prosecute William Tanner.

Philip Heywoode plaintiff and Stephen Lymberie defendant have placed themselves under the arbitration of John Edgar and Richard Carpenter for the determination of a plea of debt of 11s. 8d. And the arbitrators have a day till the next Court to put an end to the suit. And the parties are each bound to obey the arbitration etc in 20s. to be levied for the use of the Cob.

John Skoore again has a day, till the next Court to answer Richard Birret in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 11. 8s. 4d. under pain of condemnation.

John Lacie has a day till the Court to be held on the Monday after Epiphany next to answer Alexander Durston in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20. under pain of condemnation.

William Long has a day till the next Court to wage his law against George Barfoote in a plea of detention of a certain gold ring, viz. himself and two sureties.

In this Court comes John Garland in his own

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person and denies etc; and says that he does not owe John Edgar [£] 30. as in etc; whereupon he puts himself on the country, and the said John Edgar likewise and the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve etc. men to the next Court to try the case etc.

Robert Petir has a day till the next Court to answer John Snow in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 37. 8s.

John Miller has a day till the next Court to answer John Hucker in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20.

(p.135) In this Court comes Thomas Lesland in his own person as he was ordered at the Court held here 22 November last and has nothing to say for himself in the plea of detention of a certain Indenture levied against him by Joan Rixar widow in that etc. Therefore because the said Thomas had a day till the said Court held on 22 November to wage his law against the said Joan Rixar in the said plea of detention and failed to wage his law therefore he is in mercy. And It is granted by the Court that the said Joan shall recover against the said Thomas the said Indenture. And for her damages ..... And it is ordered etc.

Stephen Gill and John Gill executors of the last will and testament of William Gill late of Whitford now deceased complain against John Mores in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20. Pledge to prosecute Henry Craudie.



John Cogan complains against Richard Samford in a plea of debt on demand of 41s. 8d. Pledge to prosecute .....

Roger Colman of Tiverton complains against

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Robert Petir and William Pulman in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 54. 8s. of lawful money. Pledge to prosecute .....

(p.136) Court held there 15 December [5] Elizabeth.

In this Court Nicholas Archer serjeant at mace returned his precept, viz. that he should summon Thomas Dare, Richard Birret, William Whetcome, John Hassard, William Tanner, William Deane, William Jourdon, William Trym, Alexander Durston, William Follet, Thomas Waller and William Nywall. free men and burgesses of Lyme Regis, to try the issues of the plea of debt on demand of [£] 12. between John Egar plaintiff and John Garland defendant; and also to try the issues of the plea of debt on demand of [£] 10. between William Long plaintiff and William Pulman defendant. And the said jurors likewise appeared, and chosen tried and sworn to declare their verdict on the said issues they say on their oath that John Garland plaintiff (sic) ought to pay the said John Edgar plaintiff the [£]12. aforesaid. And likewise they say on their oath that William Pulman defendant ought to pay William Long plaintiff [£] 10. of good and lawful money as afore said. Therefore it is granted by the Court that John Edgar shall recover against the said John Garland [£] 12. of good and lawful money of England as his true debt. And for damages ..... and outlay 6s. 10d. And the said John Garland in mercy etc. Also it is granted by the Court that William Long shall recover against William Pulman [£] 10. of good axnd lawful money of England

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as his true debt. And for damages ..... and outlay 7s. 1d. And the said William Pulman In mercy etc.

In this Court William Elsdon senior is admitted attorney of Robert Petir in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 37. 8s. levied against him by John Snowe.

In this Court comes John Skoore by William Elsdon senior his attorney and denies the force and injury etc when etc. And he says that he does not owe Richard Birret [£] 11. 8s. 4d. as etc. Whereupon he puts himself on the country and the said Richard likewise

And the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve men to the Court to be held on the Monday after the feast of Epiphany to try the issues etc.

(p.137) In this Court comes Robert Petir by William Elsdon his attorney and denies the force and Injury when etc. And he says that he does not owe Philip Turnor [£] 41. 15s. as the said Philip alleged in his narrative against him. And he is ready to prove as etc. Whereupon he puts himself on the country and the said Philip likewise, wherefore the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to try the issues to the Court to be held on Monday after the feast of Epiphany.

Robert Petir has a day till the Court to be held on Monday after the feast of Epiphany to answer John Snowe in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 31. 18s.

William Pulman complains against William Long in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 40.

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Pledge to prosecute Richard Carpenter. And pledge to answer .....

John Hucker has a day till the Court to be held on Monday after the feast of Epiphany to make a declaration against John Miller in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 20.

Stephen Carie has a day till the Court to be held on Monday after the feast of Epiphany to wage his law against Philip Heywoode in a plea of debt on demand of 4s. 10d., viz. himself and two sureties.

Simon Kelwaie complains against George Palfrey of Upawtrey in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 15. 13s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute Thomas Dare.

John Cole complains against George Palfray of Upawtrey in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 7. 14s. Pledge to prosecute Thomas Dare.

John Greneham of Iilmyster complains against Robert Petir and William Pulman in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 40. Pledge to prosecute .....

Thomas Rocket complains against John Picher in a plea of debt on demand of 20s. Pledge to prosecute William Follet.

(p.138) Court held there 10 January 6 Elizabeth.

William Tanner alias Moxaige complains against John Hawker in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. 10s.

Pledge to answer William Elsdon Senior. In this Court John Lacie by his attorney Nicholas Archer, delivered a writ of our Lady the Queen of certiorari for all pleas, suits and actions whatsoever levied against the said John in this

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Court etc. And it is allowed etc.

In this Court Nicholas Archer, Serjeant at mace, returned his precept via that he has summoned Thomas Dare, Richard Birret, William Whetcome, John Hassard, William Tanner, William Deane, William Jourdon, William Trym, Alexander Durston, William Follet, Thomas Waller and William Nywall, freemen and burgesses of the said town to try the issues of the plea of debt of [£] 14. 15s. of good and lawful money between Philip Turnor plaintiff and Robert Petir defendant; and these twelve likewise appeared etc. but the said parties, both the said plaintiff and the defendant, have voluntarily come to an agreement out of Court. Therefore etc, and for outlay 4s. 10d. which etc.

Gregory Frie complains against John Woode in a plea of trespass upon the case. Pledge to answer William Tanner.

Robert Petir and William Pulman have a day till the next Court to answer John Snowe peremptorily in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 31. 18s.

(p.139) Court held there 17 January 6 Elizabeth

The plea of debt of [£] 3. 10s. between William Tanner plaintiff and John Hawker defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties till the next Court to be held after the feast of the Purification.

Gregory Frie plaintiff and John Woode defendant have placed themselves under the arbitration of William Elsdon senior and Henry Crauley for the determination of the plea of trespass etc and

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they are bound in 20s. to stand etc. according to the custom or the Court, and they have a day till the next Court etc.

In this Court Ralph Downe was essoined by William Elsdon his attorney in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3.

In this Court come Robert Petir and William Pulman by William Elsdon their attorney and deny the force and Injury when etc. And they say that they do not owe the said John Snowe [£] 31. 18s. as etc. And this they are prepared to prove as etc. Whereupon they put themselves upon the country. And the said John Snowe by Nicholas Archer his attorney likewise, wherefore the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon 12 men etc to the next Court to try etc.

William Hallet and John Hallet and Walter Hallet sons of William Halet late of Stoke Abbott in county Dorset now deceased complain against Elizabeth Shave executrix of the last will and testament of Peter Shave late of Marshwoode now deceased, in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. Pledge to prosecute William Tanner. And pledge to answer William Trym.

William Welsh complains against William Crast in a plea of trespass. Pledge to prosecute ..... , and pledge to answer Thomas Dare.

John Mores complains against Joan Elsdon, alias Raff, widow in a plea of trespass.

(p.140) Court held there 24 January 6 Elizabeth.

In this Court Nicholas Archer Serjeant at Mace

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returned his precept, vis. to summon John Garland, John Hassard, William Spiring, Anthony Birret, Nicholas Dey, Ignatius Buckford, William Trym, William Follet, Thomas Waller, William Nywall, freeman and burgesses of the said town to try the issues of the plea of debt on demand of [£] 31. 18s. between John Snowe plaintiff and Robert Petir and William Pulman

defendants; and the said twelve likewise appeared and chosen tried etc. Whereupon the said Robert Petir and William Pulman defendants came by William Elsdon their attorney and here in full Court confessed that they owe the said Snowe plaintiff [£] 31. 18s. And therefore it is granted by the Court that the said John Snowe plaintiff shall recover against the said Robert Petir and William Pulman the said debt. And for damages and expenses 4s. 2d. and for outlay 5s. 1d. and the said Robert and William In mercy. And it is ordered etc.

Ralph Downe by William Elsdon senior his attorney has (a day) till the next Court to answer John Jerveis in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3.

William Craste has a day till the next Court to answer William Welsh in a plea of trespass.

William Urffyn complains against Henry Hollard In a plea of debt on demand of 10s. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

Thomas Parsons complains against John Somes in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 5. 13s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute William Elsdon senior.

Avis Perin of Dorchester, widow, complains against John Kirfoote in a plea of debt on

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demand of

[£] 21. Pledge to prosecute Richard Birret.

Robert Keynsbier complains against John Somes in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. Pledge to prosecute Henry Craueley.

William Alford complains against Robert Petir and William Pulman in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 32. 4s. Pledge to prosecute Ralph Stansbie.

(p.141) Court held there on the last day of January, 6 Elizabeth.

John Mallock, John Holcome, and Thomas Dare complain against William Elsdon in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 65. 3s. 8d.

Richard Harvie complains against John Kirfoote in a plea of debt on demand of 20 marks of lawful money. Pledge to prosecute William Elsdon senior.

Ralph Downe again has a day till the next Court to answer John Jerveis in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 3. under pain of condemnation.

The plea of trespass between William Welsh plaintiff and William Crast defendant is placed under the arbitration of Richard Birret and William Jourdon by assent of the parties, and they have a day till the next Court to determine (it) and the parties are bound according to custom under penalty of 6s. 8d. each etc.

William Hallet, John Hallet, and Walter Hallet by Nicholas Archer their attorney have made a declaration against Elizabeth Shave executrix of Peter Shave etc. in the plea of debt on demand

of [£] 3 etc. And the said Elizabeth by William Elsdon her attorney has a day till the next Court to answer.

Joan Ellesdon widow has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer John Mores In a plea of trespass.

John Rowles of Taunton complains against John Kirfoote in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 9. Pledge to prosecute Richard Birret.

Thomas Cogan of Chard complains against Thomas Hill of Taunton in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 30. Pledge to prosecute William Folet.

John Jourdon complains against William Hollard Junior in a plea of debt on demand of 18s. Pledge to answer ..... .

The plea of debt between John Jerveis plaintiff and Ralph Downe defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties till the Court to be held fifteen days hence.

(p.142) Court held there 7 February 6 Elizabeth.

Joan Ellesdon widow complains against James Hackwell and William Phelpis in a plea of debt on demand of 20s. Pledge to answer for James Hackwell William Whetcome.

In this Court came Richard Harvie by Nicholas Archer his attorney and made a declaration against

John Kirfoote in a plea of debt on demand of [£]13. 6s. 8d. And the said John Kirfoote in his own person here in full Court confesses that he owes the said Richard Harvie [£] 4. 16s. 8d. of the [£] 13. 6s. 8d. and otherwise nothing. Therefore it is granted

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by the Court that the said Richard Harvie shall recover against the said John Kirfoote [£] 4. 16s. 8d. as his true debt. And the said John Kirfoote has a day till the next Court to wage his law against the said Richard Harvie for the rest of the above sum, vis. himself and two sureties.

In this Court came Avis Perym by Nicholas Archer her attorney and proffered her narrative against John Kirfoote in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 21. 15s. 11d. And the said John Kirfoote in his own person in full Court confesses that he owes the said Avis Perin [£] 19. 15s. 11d. and more he says that he does not owe. Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said Avis shall recover against the said John Kirfoote [£] 19. 15s. 11d. as her true debt. And the said John Kirfoote has a day till the next Court to wage his law against etc.

In this Court came John Rowles by Nicholas Archar his attorney and proffered his narrative against John Kirfoote in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 9. etc. And the said John Kirfoote in his own person comes and says that he owes the said John Rolles [£] 6. 10s. and otherwise he does not owe the said John Rolles anything etc. Therefore it is granted by the Court that John Rowles shall recover against John Kirfoote [£] 6. 10s. as his true debt, and the said John Kirfoote has a day till the next Court to wage his law against John Rowles for the rest of the said debt, vis. himself and two sureties.

William Long has a day till the next Court to answer William Pulman in a plea of debt on demand [£] 40.

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William Craste has a day till the next Court to answer William Welshe in a plea of trespass. John Edgar complains against Alexander Durston in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6.

(p.143) Court held there 14 February 6 Elizabeth.

Thomas Dare complains against John Coke of Budleigh in county Devon, wever, in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 14. Pledge to answer..... .

The plea of debt on demand of 18s. between John Jordon plaintiff and William Hollard junior defendant is adjourned by assent of the parties till the next Court.

In this Court William Long has a day till the next Court to wage his law against William Pulman in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 40. viz. himself and two sureties.

Joan Elsdon widow again has a day till the Court to be held fifteen days hence to answer John Mores in a plea of trespass.

John Kirfoote had a day till this Court to wage his law against John Rowles and also against Richard Harvie as appears separately in the last Court. But now by assent of the attorney of both the said John Rowles and the said Richard Harvie for sufficient cause the same John has a day adjourned until etc.

(p.144) Court held there 21 February 6 Elizabeth.

John Edgar complains against Alexander Durston in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 6.

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In this Court Nicholas Archer was admitted attorney of Thomas Dare in a plea of debt on demand of £ 14. levied against John Coke.

John Bastable complains against John Gold alias Tanner in a plea of debt on demand of 25s. 4d. Pledge to prosecute ..... And pledge to answer .....

William Pulman plaintiff and William Long defendant have come to an agreement out of Court in the plea of debt on demand of £40 levied against William Long etc. and the said William Long has taken out of Court etc.

In this Court Nicholas Archer is admitted attorney of John Jourdon in a plea of debt on demand of 18s. levied against William Hollard junior by the same John Jourdon.

William, John and Walter Hallet have not prosecuted their suit in the plea of debt on demand of

£ 3. levied by them against Elisabeth Shave executrix of the last will and testament of Peter Shave. Therefore It is granted by the Court that the said Elisabeth Shave shall recover against them for expenses incurred 2s. 6d. and for outlay 10d. And the said Elisabeth is discharged etc. And the said etc.

John Coke has a day till the next Court to answer Thomas Dare in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 14.

William Hollard junior has a day to answer John Jourdon in a plea of debt on demand of 18s.

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(p.145) Court held there 28 February 6 Elizabeth.

Joan Elsdon widow again has a day - till the next Court - to answer John Mores in a plea of trespass, under pain of condemnation.

Ralph Downe again has a day - till the next Court - to answer John Jerveis in a plea of debt on demand of £3.

In this Court William Phelpis is called to answer Joan Elsdon widow in a plea of debt on demand of 20s. And the said William in full Court confessed that he owed the said Joan 20s. Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said Joan shall recover against the said William 20s. as her true debt, and for costs and expenses incurred 3s. 10d. And for outlay 7d. And the said William in mercy.

William Hollard junior again has a day till the next Court to answer John Jourdon in a plea of debt on demand of 18s. under pain of condemnation.

(p.146) Court held there 6 March 6 Elizabeth.

In this Court comes Joan Elsdon by Richard Carpenter her attorney and denies the force and Injury when etc. and says that she is not guilty of the aforesaid trespass, as John Mores in his narrative against her alleged and concerning this she puts herself on the country. And the said John Mores likewise whereupon the Serjeants at Mace are ordered to summon twelve good and lawful men to the Court to be held fifteen days hence to try the Issues etc.

In this Court Ralph Downe is called to

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answer John Jerveise in a plea of debt on demand of £3. and made default. Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said John Jervis shall recover against the said Ralph £3. as his true debt. And for expenses incurred 3s. 10d. And for outlay and estreats 16d. And the said Ralph in mercy.

In this Court John Coke was called to answer Thomas Dare in a plea of debt on demand of [£] 14. And the said John Coke made default since he did not appear by himself or by his attorney. Therefore it is granted by the Court that Thomas Dare shall recover against the said John Coke the said debt as his true debt. And for expenses incurred 2s. 10d. And for outlay and estreats 16d. And the said John in mercy.

In this Court William Hollard junior is called to answer John Jourdon in a plea of debt on demand of 18s. and made default since he did not appear by himself or by his attorney. Therefore it is granted by the Court that John Jourdon shall recover against the said William the said debt as his true debt. And for expenses 2s. 11d. And for outlay and estreats 13d. And the said William Hollard in mercy.

In this Court Thomas Hill was essoined by Richard Carpenter in a plea of debt on demand of £ 30. levied against him by Thomas Cogan of Chard.

(p.147) Court held there 13 March 6 Elizabeth.

In this Court Nicholas Archer is admitted attorney of Thomas Cogan in a plea of debt on demand of £ 29. levied against Thomas Hill, And the said Thomas Hill has a day till the next

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Court to answer the said Thomas Cogan in the said plea under pain of condemnation.

Court held there 20. March 6 Elizabeth.

Thomas Hill defendant has come to an agreement with Thomas Cogan plaintiff in the plea of debt on demand of £ 29. Therefore etc.

In this Court Nicholas Archer one of the Serjeants at Mace returned his precept, vis. that he should

summon John Garland, William Elsdon, John Davie, Robert Mico, Nicholas Dey, William Jourdon, William Trym, Thomas Waller, William Nywall, John Somer, Ralph Stansbie and William Phelps. free men and burgesses of this town, to try the issues of the plea of trespass between John Mores plaintiff and Joan Elsdon defendant, and these twelve likewise appeared and were chosen tried and sworn to give their verdict on the issues aforesaid. And for certain legitimate reasons they petitioned the Court to have a day till the next Court to give their verdict. And it is granted etc.

Nicholas Archer is admitted attorney of John Bastable in a plea of debt on demand of 25s. 4d. levied against John Gold alias Tanner. And the said John Gold alias Tanner has a day till the next Court to answer John Bastable in the said plea under pain of condemnation.

Thomas Parsounes complains against John Bawdon in a plea of debt on demand of 44 bushels of 'smythes coles', Pledge to prosecute Thorns Waller.

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(p.148) Court held there 27 March 6 Elizabeth.

Matilda Tanner widow and Alice Tanner complain against William Tavell in a plea of debt on demand of 12s. 10d. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

In this Court come John Garland, William Elsdon Senr., John Davie. Robert Mico, Nicholas Dey, William Jourdon, William Trym, Thomas Waller; William Nywall, John Somer, Ralph Stansbie, and William Phelps, who had been sworn etc. as appears in the previous Court. And now they say on their oath that Joan Elsdon alias Raff committed a trespass against John Mores to the value of 6d. Therefore it is granted by the Court that the said John Mores shall recover the said 6d. for the trespass. And for expenses ..... , And for outlay 6s. 10d. And the said Joan in mercy etc.

In this Court Robert Hollard is admitted attorney of John Gold - alias Tanner in a plea of debt on demand of 25s. 4d. levied against the said John Gold by John Bastable. And the aforesaid John Gold has a day till the Court to be held in the octaves of Easter to answer the said John Bastable.

John Chitterie complains against Edward Lock in a plea of debt on demand of 6s. 8d. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

William Hurst complains against Richard Wynslate in a plea of debt on demand of £19. Pledge to prosecute ..... .

Thomas Burges complains against William Tavell in a plea of debt on demand of 13s. 6d.

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