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Sneating Hall

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LORDSHIP / TITLE ASSOCIATIONS

- Prebend of Sneating | Associated | | Provisional

ABOUT THE MANOR

Morant (vol. 1, p. 483) writes:

Sneadon Hall is the other Manor I have mentioned in this parish. It is otherwise Sneating and

Snetting. The mansion house is near a mile north-west from the Church.

This is the endowment or corps of one of the Prebends of the cathedral church of St.

Paul s,

London. It hath the 14th Stall on the right side of the Quire and is rated at 100s.

The Librarian of St. Paul s Cathedral has provided some information about this Prebend.

The Stall

of Sneating is on the decani side, i.e., the South side of the quire looking East. He says that

originally the income would have been in kind, i.e., barley, oats, later in money, but the amount

would vary considerably according to the state of agriculture at any given time (as is the case of

fellowship dividends at the colleges of Oxford and Cambridge).

All Prebendal estates were taken over in 1840 by the newly created Ecclesiastical Commissioners (now

the Church Commissioners) saving the rights of the existing prebendaries. The present prebendary of

Sneating is the Rev. A. J. G. Hawes, Vicar of All Saints, Fulham. He does not receive any income,

but has a stall in the quire, a place in the Greater Chapter and a Saint s Day allotted to him for

an annual sermon. This was the Tuesday in Whitsun week.

In 1590, when William Cotton was Lord of the Manor, the Circuit of the Manor with the Meete and

Bounds of the same was made and the description of the perambulation was followed by The Scite

of the Manor with the Demesne Lands , The Tenants by Copy of Court Roll according to the Custom

of the Manor with their yearly Rents and the Rental of the said Manor transcribed 30th November the Revd. Jno Pettingall Doctor in Divinity being the present Prebendary of the

said

Prebend and Lord of the Manor and so He followed details of the rents collected up to 1848.

Against

the rent of 6d. payable by Martin Mann is a note Belongs to a Club . What Club would this be?

See Appendix for the actual wording of The Perambulation, etc. There is another Rental dated 1858

and a third 1701.

From an entry of a Court Baron held on 23rd September, 1782, it appears that the Reverend George

Judd was Lord of the Manor and that his Steward was John Round (no doubt one of the Birch family).

At that Court the Homage presented that a cottage belonging to Thomas Sorrell and Benjamin Ruffels

had burnt down and they were commanded to rebuild the same before 24th June next on pain of the

piece of land upon which the cottage formerly stood being forfeited into the hands of the Lord of

the said Manor . It was bad luck that they should not only lose their cottage but be forced to

rebuild it. Probably, in those days, there was no insurance against it. It would be interesting to

know when such insurance first became possible.

On 5th August, 1788, was held the First Court Baron and Customary Court of the Reverend Thomas

Carwardine. His Steward was Samuel Annew, who, at the next Court, was replaced by Thomas Probert.

The Carwardine and Probert families were related, which no doubt accounted for the replacement.

The amercement (or fine) for tenants defaulting in attending the Lord courts was raised from 4d. to

6d. The new Lord was evidently not satisfied with the lower fine and wanted to increase his income

from the Manor.

By an Indenture dated 31st July, 1862, the Ecclesiastical Commissioner for England conveyed to

Frederic Foaker, of Thorpe Hall, Thorpe-le-Soken, the Manor of Sneating freed and discharged from

certain yearly rents charged thereon. By an Indenture dated 11th October, 1872, Frederic Foaker

conveyed to John Salmon of Sneating Hall, Kirby-le-Soken, the Manor of Sneating and all Courts Leet

Courts Baron Views of Frank Pledge and Perquisites of Courts Fines Heriots Amerciaments issues

privileges liberties franchises services of Court Law days waifs and strays felons goods escheats

forfeitures royalties reservations and other casualties whatsoever to the said Manor belonging or in

any wise appertaining.

On 22nd May, 1909, the Manor was conveyed by the Trustees of the Will of John Salmon to Henry

Edwards Paine. His Steward was George Frederick Beaumont and his Deputy was Horace Frederick Beaumont.

Col. G. O. C. Probert, C.B.E., of Bevills, Bures, and his son Lieut.-Col. R. H. C. Probert, O.B.E.,

are descendants of the Thomas Probert mentioned above.

The records which will be handed over on completion are as under:

Court and Minute Books: 1737 1759; 1762 1782; 1788 1811; 1817 1821 and 1811 1931. 1590:

Rental or terrier and Circuit of the Manor of the Meets and Bounds . 1698: Rental.

1701:

Terrar of ye Mannor of Sneating Hall in Essex. 1908: Rental. 1909: Tenants and Parcels and

Particulars of Enfranchisements, 1826 1918. 15 Absolute Surrenders. 1844 1882: 15 Conditional

Surrenders and Warrants of Satisfaction. 1877 1922: 5 Draft Admissions. 1919 : 9 draft deeds of

Enfranchisement. 1st April, 1909: Particulars of Sale of Sneating Hall residence cottages land and

the Manor of Sneating and Prebend of Sneating.

The vendor as Mr. J. L. Beaumont, who will convey as beneficial owner. The title shall commence with

a conveyance on Sale dated 22nd May, 1909.

Rights, customs and incidents It hath the 14th Stall on the right side of the Quire and is rated at

100s.

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the Church Commissioners) saving the rights of the existing prebendaries.

Catalogue source Lot #3 of Stanford & Son's Third Auction; - Sept 1964

OWNERSHIP / HOLDER ACCOUNT

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CONVEYANCE / DESCENT

- 1840 - 31 July 1862 | Ecclesiastical Commissioner for England | Indenture | Manor Property |
- 31 July 1862 - 11 October 1872 | Frederic Foaker | Indenture | Manor Property |
- 11 October 1872 - 22 May 1909 | John Salmon | Indenture | Manor And Title |
- 22 May 1909 | Henry Edwards Paine | Conveyance | Manor Property |
- 1590 | William Cotton | Manorial rental and perambulation | Manor Property |
- 23 September 1782 - 5 August 1788 | George Judd | Court Baron entry | Manor Property |
- 5 August 1788 | Thomas Carwardine | Court Baron and Customary Court entry | Manor Property |

RECORDED RIGHTS

- Prebendary endowment and fourteenth stall of St Paul's Cathedral: Sneating was the endowment or corps of a prebend of St Paul's Cathedral; the stall was on the decani, or south, side of the quire and was rated at 100 shillings.
- Prebendal rights preserved after 1840 transfer: The Ecclesiastical Commissioners took over the prebendal estates in 1840, saving the rights of the existing prebendaries.
- Courts Leet, Courts Baron and View of Frankpledge: The 1872 conveyance expressly included these courts and associated manorial perquisites.
- Perquisites and customary manorial incidents: The 1872 conveyance included fines, heriots, amercements, issues, privileges, liberties, franchises, services, law days, waifs and strays, felons' goods, escheats, forfeitures, royalties, reservations and other appurtenant casualties.
- Copyhold and customary tenancies: The supplied record refers to tenants by copy of court roll according to the custom of the manor, with later surrenders, admissions and enfranchisements.

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