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ABBOT'S MANOR

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LORDSHIP / TITLE ASSOCIATIONS

ABOUT THE MANOR

Abbot's Manor is the manor historically associated with Eastleach Turville, Gloucestershire, rather than the distinct manor of Eastleach Martin on the opposite side of the River Leach. The settlement appears in Domesday Book as Eastleach, or a closely related form, in Brightwells Barrow hundred. In 1086 the estate comprised five hides, with twelve villagers, one smallholder and five slaves, two lord's plough teams, five men's plough teams and eight acres of meadow; its value was £6. The Domesday holding was under Roger de Lacy as tenant-in-chief and was held from him by William Devereux. Medieval evidence records the estate as part of the de Lacy fee and subsequently associates it with the Devereux family. The manor had a manorial site and church at Eastleach Turville. The surviving public evidence establishes a substantial medieval and early-modern descent, but documentary gaps remain between the fourteenth-century Devereux evidence and the late-sixteenth-century Blomer purchase, and again between the early-eighteenth-century Jebb succession and the nineteenth-century Bazley ownership.

OWNERSHIP / HOLDER ACCOUNT

Before the Norman Conquest the Eastleach Turville estate was held by Ealdwine, according to the Domesday-derived record. In 1086 it was held by William Devereux under Roger de Lacy. The estate remained connected with the de Lacy fee and the Devereux family in the thirteenth and early fourteenth centuries. Evidence associated with the 1241 division of Walter de Lacy's inheritance places Eastleach Turville among the manors inherited by Margery de Lacy, with her husband John de Verdun holding in her right; this represents overlordship and inheritance within the de Lacy estate rather than proof that the whole manor was physically occupied by them. In

1302 John

Devereux is expressly described in legal evidence as having a manor at Eastleach, and in 1325 his

son and heir John Devereux dealt with lands, rents and services in Leche Turvyle. The subsequent

descent is not securely continuous in the currently accessible public sources. William Blomer

purchased the manor of Eastleach Turville in 1595. A 1608 military survey names William Blomer and

Thomas Cloterbrooke as lords of Eastleach Turville, indicating either a joint or divided lordship,

although the precise legal shares are not established here. William Blomer's family retained

the estate into the later seventeenth century. After John and William Blomer died unmarried in 1685

and 1686, their sister Mary became sole possessor; after the failure of her children by Richard

Draycott, her son by her second marriage, Sir John Jebb, succeeded to the manor and estate. By the

late nineteenth century Eastleach Turville was associated with the Bazley family and the Hatherop

estate. Kelly's Directory recorded Sir Thomas Sebastian Bazley as lord of the manor in 1897,

while the 1911 directory recorded the trustees of the late Gardner Sebastian Bazley as lords of the

manor. The exact conveyance from the Jebb estate to the Bazleys, and any later descent after the

1911 trusteeship, has not been securely established from the public sources examined.

CONVEYANCE / DESCENT

- 1066 - before 1086 | Ealdwine of Eastleach | Pre-Conquest holding recorded retrospectively in Domesday Book | | PASE, Domesday person and estate record, Gloucestershire 39,13; Open Domesday Project, Eastleach [Turville].

- 1086 - after 1086; later descent uncertain | William Devereux | Held from Roger de Lacy at the time of the Domesday Survey | | Open Domesday Project, Eastleach [Turville], Phillimore reference Gloucestershire 39,13; PASE Domesday estate record.

- by 1241 - after 1241; duration and subsequent transfer uncertain | Margery de Lacy and John de Verdun | Inheritance of the de Lacy estate after the death of Walter de Lacy | | Douglas Richardson, Royal Ancestry, entry for Margery de Lacy, reproducing the stated 1241 inheritance; corroborative discussion in medieval landholding research on the old de Lacy manors of Eastleach Turville.

- by 24 June 1302 - after 1302; later duration uncertain | John Devereux | Possession evidenced by legal complaint concerning his manor at Eastleach | | Calendar of Patent Rolls, Edward I, 1301-1307, entry dated 24 June 1302, as indexed and discussed with reference to Eastleach Turville; corroborative citation to Victoria County History, Gloucestershire, volume 7, Eastleach Turville, pp. 61-69.

- 1 November 1325 - after 1 November 1325; duration uncertain | John Devereux, son and heir of John Devereux | General release concerning lands, rents and services in Leche Turvyle | |

Calendar of Close Rolls, Edward II, 1323-1327, entry dated 1 November 1325, as cited in the Eastleach Turville research references; Victoria County History, Gloucestershire, volume 7, Eastleach Turville, pp. 61-69.

- 1595 - after 1595; later seventeenth-century descent recorded through his family | William Blomer | Purchased the manor of Eastleach Turville | | Gloucestershire Historical Studies, volume 1, 1967, pp. 11-15, reprinted document discussing the Blomer family and Eastleach Turville.
- 1608 - after 1608; duration and shares uncertain | William Blomer and Thomas Cloterbrooke | Both named as lords of Eastleach Turville in the 1608 Men and Armour survey | | Men and Armour for Gloucestershire in 1608, Eastleach Turville entry, reproduced in the Gloucestershire historical discussion of the survey.
- 1686 - after 1686; before succession of Sir John Jebb | Mary Blomer, later Mary Draycott and Mary Jebb | Succession after the deaths without issue of John and William Blomer | | Gloucestershire Historical Studies, volume 1, 1967, pp. 11-15, discussion of the Blomer and Jebb succession.
- after the failure of Mary Jebb's children by Richard Draycott; before 29 March 1709 - date of later transfer unknown | Sir John Jebb | Succeeded to the manor and estate through his mother Mary Jebb | | Gloucestershire Historical Studies, volume 1, 1967, pp. 11-15, discussion of the Blomer and Jebb succession.
- 1897 - after 1897; before the 1911 trusteeship entry | Sir Thomas Sebastian Bazley | Recorded as lord of the manor and principal landowner in Kelly's Directory | | Kelly's Directory of Gloucestershire, 1897, Eastleach Turville entry, reproduced by Forebears.
- 1911 - after 1911; later descent not established | Trustees of the late Gardner Sebastian Bazley | Trustees recorded as lords of the manor after Gardner Sebastian Bazley's death | | Kelly's Directory of Gloucestershire, 1911, Eastleach Turville entry, reproduced in the scanned directory.
- 1086 - after 1086; later duration uncertain | Roger de Lacy | Domesday tenure record | Manor Property |

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