John Hall 1751-1840

JOHN HALL

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All is well that ends well

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From John Halls Book

Introduction

It was early in 2004, whilst I was researching material for the history of Stillington that Dennis Law suggested that I talked to Bill Shepherd and his wife at Marton Park Farm. He had a good memory of the village during World War 2 and told me about a number of 'planes that crashed in the vicinity.

Just as I was leaving Audrey produced three handwritten books written in the 1700s that had been passed down the family.

The first of these books was 183 pages long measuring 9 inches in length by 6 inches wide and consisted of, the Cash Books of the Constable, The Church Wardens, The Overseers of the Poor and the Highways Overseer for Stillington for the years 1753/54. I photographed these and then created a Summary. The Summary and some examples of the detailed entries are enclosed.

The second book was of similar size but fewer pages and was devoted to details of village property. It had been bound with a certificate recording a meeting of the Court, dated 17th December 1744 where Mathew Linton and Thomas Sowrey surrendered land to the Court and it in turn passed it on to John Hall. John Hall had copied the:

"Award of the Inclosing: the Common: Fields: and Ings: of Stillington in the year 1767.

Also "The yearly rents of all Messuages & Cottages as have been paid yearly & time out of mind to ye Lord of the Mannor" (no date given).

A record of a meeting of The Court of Survey of Olive Croft Widdow Lord of the Mannor of Stillington on 29th April 1659 to enquire into the local rules regarding property rights.

A declaration made by John Hall, constable on 15th July 1779 as to how he had carried out his duties

The Valuation of the Parish of Stillington, at 14th March 1791

The contents of the Crofts and other old Inclosures in the parish of Stillington with the Proprietors names in 1791.

Finally a large exercise book (14 inches long by 9 inches wide). It looks as though it is a book kept by a student who is being taught arithmetic. It commences with tables of measurement of liquids, solids and length and volume. It then goes on to apply these tables to various exercises of a general nature. Gradually the exercises become specific to the trade of Builder such as to the number of bricks required for a building, allowing for gaps occupied by windows, the number of tiles, the quantity of plaster, the various types and quantities of pigment to produce certain colours of rendering etc.

The second part of this book was used to record his business transactions as a Merchant Adventurer. This part is dealt with at greater length later.

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Britain during the life of John Hall (1751 – 1840)

During most of the period, Britain was at war with France. The two countries vied with each other for control in Europe, North America, the West Indies and in India. What tipped the scales in favour of Britain was her large, well-trained navy. By the early 1800's Britain ruled a very large empire. She had secured a very large supply of cheap raw materials such as cotton, tea and sugar from her colonies. These were traded throughout the world under the protection of the navy. In Britain itself, its own raw materials such as coal and iron were harnessed and machinery was made to process the cotton and wool. Open fields were enclosed and farming methods were developed to feed a growing population.

Stillington in the late 1700's

John Hall was born in Stillington, a small village, some twelve miles north of York, on 13th December 1751. His father, also John Hall was, according to the church register, a bricklayer, who married a local girl, Mary Sowray. They had four children, Mary born 1744, Elizabeth born 1748, John born 1751 and Christopher born 1757. The Sowrays were a large family and one constantly sees mention of them in local records. In 1754 John is recorded as living in Sycamore Cottages, Main Street and then he bought in 1783 Wandell House, a few houses away, which he rebuilt in 1785.

John Hall senior, was also one of the church wardens in 1769 and 1770. In the Cash Book, that he had to keep, for 26th December,1769, he records that he paid "myself & sons one day & a half paynting for lime & hare" *sic* 5s 6d., and on the 12th February 1770, he "paid for 2000 Bricks Leading 12s 0d", also "Paid Thos Newstead for 8 Bushels of Lime 4s 0d" and then "myself 8 days and a half laying floor & white washing 17s 0d also my 2 sons each 8 days 19s 4d". He paid for the "2000 of stock bricks £2..00..00 on 10th March". (*this cash book is in the possession of Audrey Shepherd, of Stillington and is referred to later*).

At that time spiritual jurisdiction was invested in Stillington Prebendal Peculiar Court. This was a small ecclesiastical court. It was here that one could prove parishioners' wills without having to go to York to do so. The Stillington Parish also covered Wombleton and Norton, and one can see the wills and the inventories of the assets of the deceased from all three villages at the Borthwick Institute at York University. These go back to 1515. In 1725 an Inventory was taken at Stillington of Christopher Hall's possessions. He was John's great uncle, the total value was £19. In the 1770's some of the wills and inventories are attested true, by John Hall senior, together with two other elders of the village.

A further indication of the times that they were living in was that in 1755, when Laurence Sterne was vicar and presided over the Court, William Johnson and Jane Nelson were "presented" for the "crime of fornication together, they since being married". In another case Jane Harbottle, a poor woman who had had three bastards was, with Robert Jepson (one of the supposed fathers) "presented" for the "crime of fornication". Jane pleaded guilty and had to walk to York to pay her fine (four pence), which Sterne paid, to pick up a printed penance.

On her return to Stillington she had to stand outside the church, bare footed, wearing a white shift to read her penance –

"whereas I good people forgetting my duty to Almighty God, have committed the Detestable Sin of fornication with Robert Jepson a married man" etc. Robert Jepson did not support the child and the Cash Book, mentioned above shows payments of 2s 4d per calendar month being paid by the Parish from June 1755 to May 1756. Jepson had refused to appear at the Court, neither, as mentioned did he support the child. He was denounced in the church and excommunicated on 31st August 1755. Jane Harbottle died in September 1758, her two surviving children being supported by the Parish. In February 1760, he appealed to the superior spiritual court of the dean and chapter requesting that the decision be "Dismissed & referred to Law which the Commissary Decreed". He succeeded and was received back into the parish. Within two years he was elected overseer of the poor and in 1769 he was elected to the jury.

On the Civil side, the village was governed, not by a vestry but by a jury of 12 men who, once elected, held their posts for life. These jury-men recorded their decisions in the *Jury Book of Stillington Manor*:

They were responsible for appointing overseers for the repairs to highways, bridges and roads, the care of the poor and the constable who issued travel passes and prepared lists of men available for the militia. As mentioned in this article both John Hall and his father acted in a number of these posts.

Most of the property in the village was Copyhold, the Freehold belonging to the Manor. Such property reverted to the Manor upon its sale or upon inheritance. This was only until the Court met and then a new Copyhold was created by it to the purchaser or inheritor, for a peppercorn fee, (referred to in one deed as a "knot of straw"). I have seen this type of conveyance "written" into the deeds of the house adjacent to the churchyard and hold a copy of the relevant section of those deeds.

Despite many cases of death by smallpox, being recorded in the church register, some people did live long, as is evidenced by the entry in the Church's burial register for 27th January 1760. "William Walker, aged 112 years". The officiating minister being Thos.Barker. Presumably he was curate for Laurence Sterne.





Laurence Sterne 1713-1768

Stephen Croft (1712-1798) and his wife Henrietta Thompson (1712-1772) were resident at the Hall at the time. She was from a very rich and powerful family, who at that time lived at Kirby Hall, Little Ouseburn. No doubt there was plenty of work on the large family estate at Stillington for a builder such as the Hall family.

The villages all around York had their local "Lord of the Manor" and he wielded a powerful influence and control over village life. Many of these powerful families had intermarried, some had moved into cities such as York where they occupied the senior positions. The class system was very evident. Examples of Stephen Croft's influence are in getting the Stillington Enclosure Act of 1767 passed. Also in 1749 he obtained permission to divert certain footpaths and roadways in the parish. (Quarter Sessions Record at Malton). He diverted the Main Street so that it then cut the village green in two, leaving the original road as the entrance drive to the Hall and it is now is the footpath to "Parkfield". I suppose that he was not keen on traffic going too close to his residence.

We rightly concern ourselves over the recent changes in climate, however we have not experienced a storm similar to that which hit Stillington in May 1745. There was a hailstorm where stones measuring 6 inches in circumference broke nearly all the south-west windows of the vicarage. This was written into the Parish Registers by Sterne. Further, the York Courant of 1st July 1760 records that on Friday 27th June 1760 a house in Stillington was struck by lightening and was entirely consumed by fire. The article went on to say that another house in the same town had been struck and consumed in the same way about three weeks previously.

The winter of 1784 was extremely severe all over Europe. There was an intense frost and a heavy fall of snow. The Ouse was frozen over for eight weeks, sufficient for people to walk across it. Coal had to be carried from the mines to York, rather than brought by river and it was selling at 26/- to 38/- a chaldron. (Newcastle measure A Chaldron is equal to, Two ton and 12 and a half hundredweight).

John Hall junior

In the 1760's, science and literature became popular. Many parents recognised the value of education and, if they could afford to they sent their children to the few private schools available.

Laurence Sterne was vicar of Stillington 1745-1768. It was whilst he was vicar that he wrote his novel *The Life and Opinions of Tristram Shandy*, published in nine volumes between 1759 and 1767. Around the same time Henry Fielding's *Tom Jones* appeared. John's father evidentially instilled in his children the value of education. It appears that it was the practice for the young to have an exercise book in which they recorded amongst other matters, arithmetical exercises. One such example was that of Thomas Wright of Stillington, which is at the Northallerton Record Office (ref Z749). This was written in 1792 and is many pages long and is devoted to arithmetical exercises. He also records the following witty and clever poem:

"In the midst of a meadow well stored with grass I took just an acre to tether my Ass.

How long must the cord be that feeding all round He may not graze less nor more than an acre of ground".

The answer is 117ft 9 inches. Using the formula pie r2 43575.908 Sq ft is equal to 1 Acre Divide by 22 = 1980.723 Sq. Ft Multiply by 7 = 13865.061 The Square of this is 117.75

In 1840, Thomas Wright managed the Bay Horse Public House. (now, 2006 the Bay Tree)

John Hall, born 1751 kept a similar book, measuring some 13 by 8 inches. His book was written over the years 1762 to 1766. The exercises took 278 pages, This also contains the above conundrum.

Some examples of other exercises are:

Troy weight. – What quantity of gold must there be to make 674 funeral rings each to weigh 3 Dwt 12 Grains.

Dry Measure – If *(you have)* 20 Lasts and 30 Weys of Corn thats called Rie: How many Bushels do they make.

Cloth Measure – In 7290 Ells Flemish how many Ells English & yards. Note that 3 Qrs (quarters) makes an Ell Flemish & 5 Qrs an Ell English.

Long Miles – How many times Doth ye Cart Wheel turn which is 18 feet 4 inches round betwixt Stillington & York, which is 8 computed miles – (answer, - for those interested, 2304 times).

Liquid measure – If a vinter be desirous to draw off a Pipe of Canary into Bottles containing Pints, Quarts and two Quarts and desires of each an equal number. How many bottles (of each size) must be have? (answer 144 bottles of each size)

Into 40 Buts of Curious Beer (by people called Stout)

How many Quarts may there be drawn before those Buts are out? (empty)-(answer 17280 Quarts).

These exercises went on at great length, covering volumes of cylinders, spheres, cones and pyramids.

For example, the formula for calculating the solidity of a parabolic spheroid. *See end of this book for examples.*

All this was of some interest to me but, as an accountant, I really became interested when I read the other part of the exercise book which had been used to record matters of a commercial nature.

This second part of the book was used to record his purported business transactions as a merchant adventurer. But it was in fact a very lengthy book keeping exercise.

John Hall, "Merchant Adventurer".

General

John commences his "Book of Accounts" on 1st January 1770, by then he was barely turned 18 years of age. Yet he states that he has "Cash in ready money" of £10,000 and other assets worth £1505..10s. With debts due by him of £280.00s.00d. An almost unbelievable sum for such a young man. His father did not die until1798 so it is unlikely to have been inherited wealth. As a labourer in his father's business, earning 1s 2 1/2d per day he could not have saved any money. All this ensures that it is in fact a book keeping exercise.

I note that the remainder of his worth is in stock of Sherry, Tobacco, Brandy, Bills of Exchange and an one-eighth share of the ship James, the ship costing him £200. Therefore it is safe to assume that he had been trading before this date.

In March 1770 he purchased from George Newland 10 undrawn Lottery Tickets for £95..10s, a significant sum in those days. Could it be that the £10,000 Cash that he commenced with on 1st January of that year was the result of a previous win and he was hoping for more success? It would appear from the advertisement in the York Courant of 21st November, for the State Lottery of 1769, (see attached) that some 60,000 tickets were sold at £15 per ticket (although one could purchase a fraction of a ticket). This raised some £900,000. There were to be 20,257 Prizes and 39,743 Blank Tickets. The Prizes totalled £600,000, so the State made a profit of £300,000. From a scrutiny of later editions of the York Courant, it would appear that there was a weekly draw, for a number of weeks.

In 1720 the Government was in financial trouble, the National Debt stood at £54m. One way to generate money was to run a State Lottery and as can be seen above a gross surplus of £300,000 going into the Treasury was a useful periodical sum.

On 12th January 1770 John is left a Legacy of £500 by his "Uncle Kind" to be paid at one year. In Hall's closing Balance Sheet this is described as "To A.B. Executors of Cousin Kind". As he trades after 12th January with "Cousin Kind", I assume that this second man is son of the first.

Book keeping method

It took me sometime to unravel John's method of book keeping. It took me back to 1951, when I started my Articles to a firm of Chartered Accountants in Hull, one of whose doors opened out into the street called "The Land of Green Ginger". First there was a **Journal**, which can best be described as a diary of events. Then a **Cash Book**, listing receipts and payments. **Ledger Accounts** for each class of stock purchased (e.g. Lead, Tamarins, Broadcloth, etc), showing both quantities and values. **Accounts for Bills of Exchange**, both **Receivable and Payable**. Accounts for each of the **Customers and Suppliers**. Finally accounts for **each of the Ships** he had shares in.

Half way through the nine-month period the Book- keeper (John Hall) decided that he was making too many mistakes, so he started all over again. In his haste he copied out part of the revised set of accounts from the first set and in the process he got some of his dates wrong by exactly one month. There were one or two other errors. However there was enough to get a pretty good idea of what John was dealing in and the profit or loss on his various ventures.

Barter Trading

Not only did John buy and sell for cash, he was also prepared to give and accept Bills of Exchange for varying periods of days or months. In some instance he bartered one set of goods for another (on 21st February 1770, he bartered 151/2 Hogsheads of Tobacco, valued at £186 for 4 Hogsheads of Sugar, valued at £60 and 7 Pieces of Holland Cloth, valued at £126). Where the "Barter" was not for equal values it was usual for a Bill of Exchange to be given or received for the balance although occasionally a cash payment was made. This Bartering even extended to the contents of the ship "Swift" which sailed too and from Barbados.

January & February 1770, Transactions

In these months John carried out a number of transactions. He bought a Pipe of Port Wine for £27 and sold 3 hogsheads of Tobacco for £33.15s. After which he bought 3 hogsheads of Sugar for £59. 2s. Then, on 4th February he sold 12 Pipes of Sherry for £360, accepting £70 in cash and £290 by way of a Bill of Exchange, payable in one month.

Ship Owner

John owned a one-eighth share of the ship **James** costing him £200 and on 9th February, he records receiving in cash £86, being one-eighth of the "total received for freight of £688. Unfortunately he does not give us any more information to identify the port out of which it was trading. At an overall value of £1600 the **James** must have been of a considerable size.



Sloop

Trade with Barbados

A Merchant, Peter Carefull was established in Barbados and John traded with him by way of Barter. On 15th February, in order to send to Barbados, on the ship the **Swift**, John purchased, 7 Pieces of Holland Cloth and 48 yards of Scarlet Cloth which together with charges cost him £186. He paid John Evans a premium of £10, for insurance cover of £200.

At this period, many ships underwent a triangular voyage, sailing from Liverpool or Bristol, they sailed first to West Africa, loaded with cotton cloth and iron goods, which were exchanged for slaves. They then set sail for the sugar plantations in the West Indies, finally returning to England with sugar, tobacco and other raw materials. For the slaves life was terrible on board ship and little better when they arrived in the West Indies. Between 1712 and 1768, over 200,000 slaves were taken to Barbados alone. Yet the population of the island only increased by 26,000 in that time. Fortunately it would appear that the **Swift** was only trading between England and Barbados and was not directly involved with the slave trade. The journey to and from Barbados was completed quite quickly as by 1st April, 1770 the **Swift** was back in England. In exchange for the Cloth shipped to him, Peter Carefull had placed on board 12 Hogshead of Sugar and 2 Hogsheads of Tamarins. After charges, John made a profit of £54 on the goods sent out to Barbados and £16..10..00 on goods received on the return journey. An overall profit of £70.10s.

Apparantly **Tamarindus indica** is best known for its delicious fruit. The brown, sticky, sour-sweet pulp is used widely as a flavour in a variety of dishes and drinks. It is also used in sweets and is of a medicinal value. Young seeds contain an amber, sweet tasting oil. This oil is used in varnishes and paints, for finishing Indian cloth and as an illuminant. A veritable "tree of life".

Voyage to Leghorn by "Susannah" Galley

John now turned his eyes east to the Mediterranean. Leghorn was a very important trading port in Tuscany, Northern Italy. There were many Jewish traders established in the port and they traded throughout the Middle East and northwards into Europe. Leghorn was the main partner of English Trade in the Mediterranean in the sixteenth and seventeenth centuries and was still of significance in the eighteenth century.

On 8th March 1770, John shipped on board **The Susannah Galley**, (the captain of which was Captain Emerson, but unfortunately he does not record the English port out of which it sails) 23yards of his own Black Cloth, valued at £24.14.6d, 490 cwts of lead at £48.16s a Fother (a ton). He had to pay £2.12.6d Customs and other charges on these. These goods were for the account of John Nash at Leghorn, who partly settled by way of a Bill of Exchange for \$940. John sold this Bill to a Samuel Davis at the rate of 40 pence to the Dollar or £154. Nash remained a debtor for £100.08.06 1/2d and this was still unpaid at end of September. The "profit/commission" on this transaction was £6.4.1 1/2d, assuming that Nash settled his debt. Unfortunately Hall does not say out of which English port the ship sailed.

It is interesting to note that the Bill of Exchange that Nash gave John was in Dollars. This was an accepted "international trade currency" at the time. I believe that the word Dollar emanated from the word Thaler. The word was adopted by the United States **some years later** for their unit of currency as they did not wish to continue using the pound.

Voyages by the "Eagle" and the "Sailwell"

On 12th April of that year John began to trade with a Frederick Van Tromp of the Hague. On that day John received in England (port unstated but likely to be Hull) on the Sloop **Eagle** whose master was Divid (*sic*) Jones, 40 pieces of Holland and 105 Ells Flemish and 560 yards of Flanders Lace. Including Customs charges, which John had to pay on behalf of Van Tromp, this amounted to a total of £1606.

(a Flemish Ell is a measure of cloth of 27 inches.-An English Ell measures 45 inches). By 18th May, John was able to sell the entire stock of Holland to Edward Johnson & Company for £700, taking a Bill for 3 months, in settlement. Then on 23rd May he sold the Flanders Lace for £700 cash.

On 4th June, at Frederick Van Tromp's request Hall shipped him on the **Sailwell,** 3 Bays of Coloured Colchester Cloth, which Thomas Millington had dyed and John Sutor had packed. This went someway towards reducing the amount Hall owed Van Tromp for the cloth and Lace.

Overall John earned Commission on the above transactions of £41.12s.71/2d.

Ship "Bon Adventure"

Mention was made earlier of an Uncle Kind, who died in January 1770 and left John a legacy of £500.

This man must have had a son as John and that son joined together in purchasing the ship **Bon Adventure.** They purchased it from the owners, through Lloyds, on 20th June of that year, being given six days to pay £700. Cousin Kind paid John £350 for his half of the ship on 23rd June and John settled the full £700 on the 27th June. Apparently some repairs had to be carried out to the ship and John paid £36.10s to the master of the vessel on 3rd July, for these. As will be seen later, one wonders how seaworthy the vessel was.

John and Cousin Kind had "gone halves" in early July in the acquisition of 42 Yards of Broad Cloth for £187.10s, they sold this and on 10th July, John received for his half-share £20 in cash, a Bill of Exchange drawn on John Long for £10 and 5 pieces of Indian Chintz which was valued at £78.10s. This gave John, a profit of £14.15s.

The joint ownership of the vessel would ensure that John and Cousin Kind would share the charge for freight between them but as will be seen below, it would appear that Cousin Kind did not take part in the Joint Venture to ship goods out in her.

<u>Joint Venture with Stephen Dawner and James Dissel</u> (the names of these two men are spelt a number of different ways).

Immediately following the purchase of the **Bon Adventure**, John Hall, Stephen Dawner and James Dissel, went into a joint venture of one-third each, with 25 Hhds of tobacco. They sold 5 hogs heads to Jacob Fletcher and took the remaining stock back to themselves. This resulted in a small profit to John of £4.6s.8d. They also bought 9 Hogs heads of sugar from Thomas Merchant, selling 3 hogs heads to Sir Nicholas Long. Again they shared the balance of the stock between themselves, a very small profit to each of them of 10s 0d.

The big venture though was to load the **Bon Adventure** with 85 tons of Logwood, value £212.10s and 50 tons of lead, value £435.17s. 11_{1/2d}. Also 60 pieces of serge, value £360. John paid Customs £42.10s. In total a value of £1050.17s.11_{1/2d}. John's share of the venture was £350.2s.7_{3/4d}.

The intention was that the vessel was to sail to Marseilles. However disaster strikes and written in the Journal for 10^{th} September 1770 is "The ship **Bonadventure** *sic* in wch *sic* my Cousin Kind and myself had each a ½ share, is unfortunately blown up being totally destroyed. The whole damage is £736.10s." (this being the initial cost of £700 and then the cost of repairs of £36.10s)

The Profit and Loss reflects this loss but not Hall's share of the lost cargo, valued at £350.2s.73/4d.

Closing Balance Sheet

I assume that following this disaster, John decided to cease trading as a Balance Sheet was then drawn up.

There is some confusion by the Book keeper as to whether some of the closing entries were for September or October, but he then draws up a closing balance sheet for John Hall's net worth.

Correctly drawn up, and assuming that the stock and debts due would realise their book value, John was worth £11266.4s.91/2 as against an opening worth of £11225.10s. Had it not been for the legacy John inherited from Uncle Kind of £500 he would have been much worse off.

Thomas Hall

At a later stage in that part of the book, devoted to exercises, there appears the signature (on more than one occasion) of Thomas Hall. (I believe this Thomas to be son of John. Thomas was born 1791). His handwriting is distinctively different form that of John Hall. Thomas copies out the "Universal Prayer"

John Hall Jnr. in later life

John Hall married Rachel Sowray (distantly related to John's mother Mary Sowray) at Stillington on 25th April 1779. Rachel bore him six children, Rachel, 1779, Ann, 1782, Mary 1784, John, 1786, Elizabeth, 1789, and Thomas, 1791. His wife Rachel died in child birth on 18th September 1794. She was buried two days later in the church yard in Stillington. John's sister Elizabeth (born 1748) married Thomas Wood in 1771 and she came into possession of his book. A descendant of theirs, married Clarence Shepherd. The book is now in the possession of Audrey (Hart) and William Richard Shepherd, who lent it to me. On Bill and Audrey's death it went to Susan Wood, their niece. She now lives in New York. So all that exists in the UK are the photo copies that I took.

John Hall had a brother Christopher (born 1757), he moved to Sheriff Hutton Bridge. I do not know what became of the elder sister Mary (born 1744)

About this time, the old system of open field farming began to disappear. For many centuries villages had been surrounded by open fields. Villagers had rented strips of ground from the Lord of the Manor, which they cultivated and had kept their pigs and geese all together on common land. But after 1760, more and more land was enclosed. With fields that were fenced, weeds and diseases did not spread so quickly, and animals could not wander in and trample the crops. In 1766/67, An Enclosure Act relating to Stillington was passed, Lawrence Sterne and Stephen Croft being two of the principal men behind it. In 1771, John Hall copied the acreage allotted to all individuals into another smaller Book (this is summarised separately at the end of this article). Of approximately 1361 acres involved Stephen Croft was awarded 414 acres and the vicar 117 acres. One other person William Stainforth, who also promoted the Act, was awarded 79 Acres. A total of 611 Acres or 45%. John Hall (presumably his father) being awarded 2 Acres 2 Roods and 38 Perches on the Skeugh and 1 Acre on Ings Field.

Again on 14th March **1791** John copied out **The Valuation of the Parish of Stillington,** into that smaller book. At that time He owned 6 Acres, 1 Rood, 34 Perches. The Sowray and Bellwood families were also mentioned a number of times. At this date "The Whole Parish of Stillington, Lanes, House, & Yards and Lands thereunto belonging etc to, amounts to 2090 Acres 3 Roods 32 Perches".

John was village constable. On one of the pages of the smaller book, he wrote:

Stillington Constable Answer to the Fourteen Articles, July 15th 1779.

"I have Diligently examined all those articles over & duly taken notice of every particular & find nothing to present as witness

John Hall Constable".

Note by G. Richardson – The thirteen articles of 1659 appear to have become fourteen by 1779

Handed down in the Hall/ Wood/ Shepherd family is yet a third hand written book. This is the same size as the second book. It contains the Accounts of expenditure by The Constable, Church Wardens, the Overseer of the Poor and Highways Overseers, for the years 1753-1774. See my Book, A "Peculiar" Parish, The History of Stillington.

One of the tasks of the Constable was to render to the Authorities, the annual returns of the men available for the militia, so great was the alarm regarding the French. Indeed in 1803 the French planned to invade Britain, but Nelson's victory at Cape Trafalgar near Gibraltar in 1805, put an end to that.

Much later John Hall himself took part in serving the community again as one of two appointed surveyors of local roads, in 1830/31 together with Colonel Croft and in 1839/40 with Thomas Brown.

Two "surveyors" were appointed to administer the Poor Law and John Hall, described as bricklayer, was one of these in 1832/33 together with William Cobb, a butcher.

John (1751-1840) died at Stillington and was buried on 19th November 1840, a few days short of his 89th birthday.

He had written his Will on the 4th day of July 1831. (proved on 20th April 1841). He had a Dwelling House, Garth and Outbuildings, (Wandell House) also 21 acres & 2 Roods of land, plus an unquantified personal estate.

He left to: John Hall, (b 1786) his son –

All my dwelling House, Garth and outbuildings.

One Croft called Prest Croft on Back Lane

½ Acre

(Subject to a charge of £200 to be paid to his daughter Rachel (Hall) Bell).

Two Closes of Land called Norman Halves, on the road

Leading from Stillington to Easingwold

51/2 Acres

Thomas Hall, (b1789) his son –

Parcel of land called Great Croft on Back Lane adjacent to Lucy Baulk.

5 Acres

A Close called Wandell Baulk

1 Acre

A Close called Skewf Share on a road leading to Moxby on the South and Marton Lordship on the North

2 Acres 2 Roods

(Subject to a charge of £200 to be paid to his daughter Ann (Hall) Caress).

Elizabeth Hall, (b 1791) his daughter –

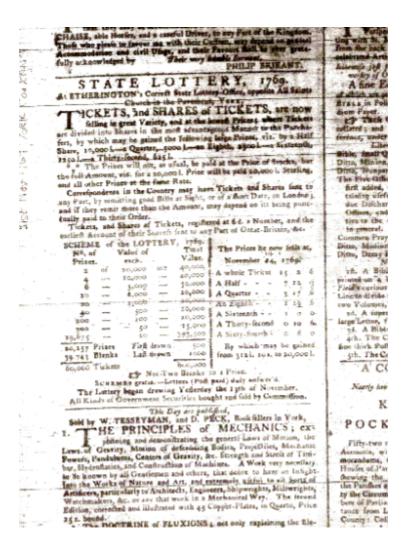
Two closes of land called Long Ings, adjoining a Lane leading from Crake to Huby on the East and North and a Lane leading to other Allottments *sic* on the Common on the South

7 Acres

To John and Elizabeth, (equally) his personal estate

Executors were John Hall and Elizabeth Hall

Proof that Lotteries were common in 1769 see below



Further notes on Lottery tickets.

George Newland, the original purchaser of 10 tickets with numbers on, had decided to sell them. The £1.1s.6d that Hall paid Newland for "Refusal of 10 Lottery Tickets undrawn", would possibly be for the organisers of the Lottery to amend their records as to who was the owner. It would appear that you could insure against drawing a Blank ticket, this enabled one to draw another ticket. However it is not clear how much one paid for this.

I note that The York Courant reported on 2nd January 1770

YORK, January 2

Account of the Prizes drawn last week,-

No 54,666, a prize of 10,000£

No. 47216, and 30,425, Prizes of 2000£ each.

No. 12390 & 26573 Prizes of £1000 each

Then a long list of other prizes going down as follows. 3 @ £500, 22 @ £100, 29 @ £50 and 2212 at £20 each. Making a total of £65,390. There was also the following statement "On the 23^{rd} past a Gentleman insured a Ticket, which coming up a Blank he received number 54,666, in Exchange, which was drawn on Wednesday, a Prize of 10,000£. This he also insured, and had determined to sell it on Thursday, if it remained in the Wheels when they were sealed up.

The highest Lottery Ticket Number published as winning an amount was 58496

The Universal Prayer

(written by Thomas Hall about 1810)

Father of all in every age
In every clime adored
By saints, by savages and by sages
Jehovah, Jove, or Lord

Thou Great First Cause least understood
Who all my sense confined
To know but this that thou art good
And that myself am blind.

Yet gave me in this dark estate
To see the good from ill
And binding Nature fast in fate
Left free the human will

What conscience dictates to be done
Or warn me not to do
This teach me more than hell to shun
That more than heaven pursue

What blessings thou free bounty gives
Let me not cast away,
For God is paid when man receives
To enjoy is to obey

Yet not to earth's contracted span
Thy goodness let me bound
Or think the Lord alone of man
When thousand words are round.

Let not this weak unknowing hand Presume thy wills(?) to throw And dear damnation rend the land On each I judge thy foe.

From John Halls Book

Presumably formulas for paints

Straw Colour

1 pound of Dutch Pink 1 pound of Sprice Oaker 5 pounds of whiteing will do 30 yards of Stucco.

French Gray

1 pond of Blue Virderter ½ pound of powder Blue 3 or 4 pound of Whiteing (will do) 24 yards.

A Green

2 pound of Virderter 1 pound of Dutch Pink 1 pound of Whiteing (will do) 20yards.

Common French Gray

Best Blue Black & Whiteing

Stone Colour

Spruce Oker Blu Black & Whiteing

Words spelt as written

From here is the Book Keeping Exercise.

The Journal

John Hall Stillington the 1st of Jan 1770

An Inventory of Money Goods and Debts belonging to me John Hall taken this day Aforesaid. Viz

Sundry Accompts to Drs. to stock		£	S	D		
11505£. 10s.	C	C	ъ			
	£	S	D			
Cash in ready money	10000	00	0			
21 Pipes of Sherry at 25L. 10s.						
Per Pipe	535	10	0			
30 Hhds of Tobacco at 10£ per Hhd	300	00	0			
20 Casks of Brandy at 15£ per Cask	300	00	0			
1/8 Part of the Ships James cost	200	00	0			
Andr. Smith.owes me						
per Note or Demand	30	00	0			
Ben. Jones owes me						
per Note due Oct, 4th	40	00	0			
Ed, Harret owes me						
per Bond, at 6 per cent.	<u>100</u>	00	0			
				11:	505 1	00 0
I owe as follows:						
To John Smart on Demand	40	00	0			
To Sam Easy due 15 th of Dec next	10	00	0			
To Simon Noble	30	00	0			
To Sir Peter King	200	00	0			
-					280 0	0 00
				112	225 1	0 00

Note John Hall made 3 attempts at writing this down. I have merged, what I believe is the best parts of the three.

PROFIT & LOSS

Losses & Costs

1 st March 1770, Loss as a result of Ed Harrett's Bankruptcy 4 th March 1770, One Quarter's Rent at Midsummer Last 7 th March 1770, Book – keeper's salary for one quarter 13 th March 1770, Gave George Newland for the Refusal of	750000 200000 251000
10 Lottery Tickets	10106
10 th August 1770, Loss on Voyage to Barbados	91000
10 th September Loss of Ship Bon Adventure	<u>3680500</u>
	<u>4990606</u>
Profits & Income	
24 th February 1770, Profit on Sherry	691000
2 nd February 1770, Profit on sale of 3 Hhds of Tobacco	371500
9 th February, 1770, Freight on Ship James	860000
8 th March 1770, Profit on Black Cloth supplied to Nash 8 th March 1770, Commission Goods sent to John Nash at	40006
Leghorn on the Susannah	604011/2
26th March 1770, Profit on Goods shipped to Barbados	540000
23 rd May 1770, Commission on Sale of Goods for Van Tromp 4 th June 1770, Commission on £16617s @ 21/2% Coloured	370900
Colchester Bays, shipped on board "Sailwell"	40371/2
24th June Interest on Loan to Simon Johnson	30000
24 th June 1770, Profit on Tamarins	260000
10 th June 1770, Profit on Joint Venture with Cousin Kind	
Sale of Broad Cloth	141500
7 th July 1770, Profit on Joint Venture with Dawner/Dissel,	
Sale of Tobacco	40608
30 th July 1770, Profit on Logwood	421000
20 th October 1770, My Profit on Sugar Joint Venture with Dawner & Dissel	1000
Dawner & Disser	1000
	3900311
Net Loss on Trading	(1090207)
Add Legacy from Uncle Kind	5000000
Increase in Net Worth	£3901705

<u>ASSETS</u>			LIABILITIES	
Ship James 1/8th Share		2000000	Creditors	167712041/2
Debtors-Trade	46417061/2			
Bills of Exchange	790000			
		125417061/2		
Lottery Tickets		950000		
Executors of Uncle Kind		5000000		
Stock in Trade-as per Book keeper		9871400		
Cash		990605071/2		
Voyage to Marseilles*		35002 071/2	Value of Estate*	116160705
		1329319091/2		1329319091/2
*Value of Estate		116160705		
Less Voyage to Marseilles-Worthless		(35002071/2)		
Value of Estate		1126604091/2		

Above Assets and Liabilities at end

JOURNEYS TO & FROM BARBADOS on Ship - Swift Captain Thompson, Master, Consignee Peter Carefull

To Barbados

On 15th February 1770, Hall records in his Cash Paid book,		
that he had Paid Charges on Cloth		70400
On 16th February 1770, Hall paid John Evans,		
Insurance Premium for £200 cover		10000
15th February 1770, Bought of Davie William		
7 Pieces of Holland @ 18£ per Piece	1260000	
48 Yards of Scarlet Cloth @22£ per yard	521600	_
		<u>1781600</u>
		1960000
Profit thereon		<u>540000</u>
Above Exchanged in return for 12 Hhds of Sugar 156		
And 2 Hhds of Tamarins 94		2500000

From Barbados

Outgoings On 26th March 1770 Hall received an advice from Peter Carefull

in Barbados, that the "Swift" had arrived and that in return	
Peter Carefull had shipped onto the "Swift" the following:	
12 Hhds of Sugar @ £13 per Hhd	1560000
2 Hhds of Tamarins @ £47 per Hhd	940000
Various Charges	80000
By 1st April "Swift" had arrived in England and Hall had to	
Pay Customs charges on 2 nd April on the cargo of	<u>851000</u>
	3431000

Receipts

1st April 1770, Hall sold for cash 12Hhds of Sugar @ £20 per Hhd (a gross profit of £7 per Hhd or £84) The Tamarins were put into Hall's warehouse Then on 10th April he sold the 2 Hhds of Tamarins to		2400000
Joseph Jenkins for £60 each		40, 00, 00
Receiving in Cash from Jenkins		400000
For the Balance Jenkins gave him Bills drawn on the		
Following persons Nathaniel Vincent	300000	
Jacob James	280000	
Thomas Sands	220000	800000
(This gave Hall a gross profit of £13 per Hds or £26)		_
		3600000

Net Profit £16..10..00

Being £26 Profit on Tamarins and £9.10s Loss on Sugar
The Bills of £80 remained an asset at the close of business

Voyage to Leghorn by Susannah Galley Captain Emerson, Master for Account of John Nash at Leghorn

8 th March 1770, Goods shipped viz: 23 yards of my own Black Cloth @21s 6d per yard 490 Cwts of Lead @ £4816s per Fother	241406
and other charges	2201705
Customs and Charges	21206
Hall's Commission on this was	604011/2
	<u>2540806_{1/2}</u>
29 th March 1770, Hall drew a Bill on John Nash for 924\$ @ 40d per \$, the Bill payable to Samuel Davis Samuel Davis paid Cash to Hall for this Bill	(1540000)
30 th August Nash a Debtor to me	(10008061/2)
	$\pounds \underline{2540806}_{1/2}$
Profit on Voyage	£600041/2

<u>Voyage of The "Eagle" Divid Jones, Master–</u> <u>Goods shipped from The Hague by Frederick Van Tromp</u>

Outgoings

12 th April 1770, 40 Pieces of Holland, each 105 Ells Flemish 560 yards of Flanders Lace 12 th April 1770, Customs Charges on above	£1080000
1 st June 1770, Paid Cash to J. Emerson for Bill Payable drawn on me by Van Tromp 4 th June 1770, Cash paid on behalf of Van Tromp, goods purchas and shipped on board "Sailwell". 3 Bays of coloured Colchester each containing 40 pieces- Prime Cost Customs and other charges, on above Due to Thomas Millington, for Dying 4 th June 1770, Paid John Sutor for Packaging 4 th June 1770 To Profit, my Commission on £1661700 @ 21/2	£1371000 £ 81200 £ 180500 £ 21000
Receipts 18 th May 1770, Sold to Edward Johnson & Company the above stock of Holland @3s.4d per Ell, to pay at 3 months.	£7000000
23 rd May 1770, Sold above stock of Lace for Cash	£7980000
23 rd May 1770, Halls Commission on above sales @21/2% See Profit & Loss 30 th August 1770, Abated payment, Thomas Millington	(£370900) <u>00 0500</u> £14601600
Due to Van Tromp at 30 th August	112905.041/2
Profit on Voyage	£ 411207 _{1/2}

Transactions in Joint Venture with Stephen Dawner and James Diesel also all other journeys are given below Cash Paid

1770					Dawner	Disel	Hall	Total
				5 Hhds of				
				Tobacco @				
				31200 per				
3rd July	Dawner & Diesel Share	120000		Hhd	60000	60000	60000	
ord July	Dawrier & Dieser Strate	120000		20 Hhds of	00000	00000	00000	
				Tobacco @				
				£2190 per		1		
3rd July	Dawner & Diesel Share	390608		Hhd	191304	191304	191304	
	Cash Paid my one third share							
3rd July	of 25 Hhds	251304			251304	2513.04	251304	770000
	Sold to Jacob Fletcher 5 best							
12th July	Hhds @ £4							
•	Profit my share	40608					40608	40608
	,							
	Dawner & Disel A/cs their Profit	81304			40608	40608		81304
	Cash Rec'd		120000					
	Bill due of £8. Paid to me by		120000					
	Fletcher on 25th August		80000					
19th July	Sold for Cash 20 Hds		700000		(300000)	(300000)	(300000)	(900000)
19th July	30iu ioi Casti 20 Hus	00 00 00						
		900000	900000		000000	000000	000000	00000
	15th September 1770, Bought							
	from Thos Merchant 9 Hhds of							
	Sugar @ £510s per Hhd to							
	pay at 6 days. Dawner & Diesel							
	Share	491000			161000	161000	161000	491000
	6th October 1770, Sold 3 Hhds							
	of Sugar to Sir Nicholas Long							
	@ £6 per Hhd at 10 days,							
	which he paid for in Cash on							
	20th October		180000		(60000)	(60000)	(60000)	(180000)
	13th October 1770, Stephen		100000		(00000)	(00000)	(00000)	(100000)
	Dawner hath taken himself 2		11 00 00		(44 00 00)			(44 00 00)
	Hhds of our sugar as his share		110000		(110000)			(110000)
	20th October 1770, James							
	Diesel and I have parted the							
	other 4 Hhds of Sugar between							
	us as our share		220000			(110000)	(110000)	(220000)
	20th October 1770, Profit on							
	sale to Downer and Diesel, my							
	Share to P&L	11000			1000	1000	1000	11000
	I put in @ £2 per ton 85 tons of			85 Tons of				
30th July	Logwood	2121000		Logwood			2121000	
	Stephen Downer put in 50 tons			. 3				
	of lead @ £81000 per Fother,							
30th July		135 17 111/2			43517111	14		
30th July	plus costs	43517111/2			43517111	/4		
0011 1 1	James Disel put in 60 pieces of	000 00 00				000 00 00		
30th July	Serge @ £6 per piece	3600000				3600000		
	Personal Accounts- each 1/3rd							
30th July	share		700.05.031/2		(3500207	′. (3500207	,	
30th July	My Share 1/3		35002073/4				(3500207	73/4)

Cash Received Book Barbados and other Voyages

Date	Details	Folio(Jnl)	Amount	Note	Barbados Voyage
1770					
01.01.1770	Opening Balance	1	100000000		
05.01.1770	Rec'd from Andrew Smith, in full	4	300000	A/c now repaid	
02.02.1770	Rec'd for sale of Tobacco for 3Hhd@ £11. 5s per Hhd	3	331500		
04.02.1770	Rec'd from Edward Ellis in part for sale of Sherry, 12 Pipes @ £30 per Pipe	3	700000	Still owing £290	
09.02.1770	Rec'd for Freight re Ship James	3	86.00.00	My one-eighth share of total rec'd for freight of £688	
01 03 1770	Rec'd from Ed. Harrett, Bankrupt, in Composition of Debt	4	250000	Loss £75	
29.03.1770	Rec'd from John Nash, for my Bill	8	1540000	Bill of Exchange for \$924 @ 40 pence to the \$, sold to Samuel Davis for cash.	
01.04 1700	Rec'd for Sugar re Voyage from Barbados	8	240.0000	12 Hhd of Sugar @320 per Hhd -Barbados Voyage	240.00.00
10.04.1770	Rec'd in Part for sale to Joseph Jonkins of 2 Hhd of Tamarin, @ £60 per Hhd.	2-8	400000	Accepted Bills for Balance- Nataniel Vincent £30. Jacob James £28. Thomas Sands £22.	
23.04.1770	Rec'd for Account of F.V.Tromp for his Lace	9	7980000	Cash rec'd from other people for 560 yards of Lace @ £286s per yard that belongs to Tromp	
24.05.1770	Cash Rec'd from Simon Johnson, plus interest @ 6% for 3 months	2-5-1	2030000	Hall had lent Johnson £200 on Feb 6	£3 interest
10.06.1770	Cash Rec'd for Broadcloth in the hands of Cousin Kind	2-10 (31)	200000	£8 from Jacob Fletcher £12 from Others	
23.06.1770	Cash Rec'd from Cousin Kind	2-11 (31)	3500000	for Kind's half share of the ship Bonadventure	
12.07.1770	Cash Rec'd from Jacob Fletcher in part for sale of 5 Hhd of Tobacco @£4	2-14 (32)	120000	For sale of Tobacco in company with Kind	
19.07.1770	Rec'd for sale of 20 Hhds Tobacco @ £3 10s per Hhd	2-11 (32)	700000	For sale of Tobacco in company with Kind	
25.07.1770	Cash Rec'd from Jacob Fletcher. In full for 5 Hhd	2-14 (32)	80000	For sale of Tobacco in company with Kind	
31.08 1770	Cash Rec'd from T. Stephen Dawner	2-12 (34)	130000	For Sale of Dawner's 1/3rd of 9 Hhd of Sugar	
17.09.1770	Cash Rec'd from Sir Nicholas Long	2-14 (34)	180000	For Sale of 3 Hhd of Sugar @ £6 per Hhd onSept 4	
			121701500		

Cash Paid

Date	Details	Folio(JnI)	Amount	Note	Susannah	To Barbados	From Barbados
1770							
27.01.1770	Paid John Smart, in part	4	200000	Opening Creditor for £40			
27.01.1770	Paid for 1 Pipe of Port Wine	5	270000	Still in Stock in Sept			
02.02.1770	Paid James Long on Account for Sugar	6 (9)	29.1100	3 Hds of Sugar at £1914s per Hhd. Still in Stock in Sept			
06.02.1770	Paid Simon Johnson, Loan @ 6%	5	2000000	Repaid on May 24		70400	
15.02.1770	Paid Charges on Cloth sent to Barbados	6 (12)	70400	Sent on Ship, Swift, Captain Thompson, Master. Consignee Peter Carefull, Barbados		70400	
16.02.1770	Paid John Evans Insurance Premium	6	100000	Insurance cover £200		100000	
04.03.1770	House Expenses	7	200000	Quarter's rent			
07.03.1770	Paid to Book- keeper	7	251000				
	Cash paid for lead, shipped on board the Susannah Galley.Capt Thomas Emerson, Master for Account of John			490 cwts(24Tons 10cwts) of lead @£8.16.0 per ton and	2201705		
08.03.1770	Nash at Leghorn	8 (14)	2201705	other costs			
08 03 1770	Custom &Charges on above item		21206		21206		
13.03.1770	Cash Paid to George Newland for refusal of 10 Lottery Tickets undrawn	7 (14)	1106				
18.03.1770	Cash Paid to George Newland for 10 undrawn Lottery Tickets	8	950000	10 tickets @ £91000 each. Still held at September. Lotteries were fairly common at this time			
02.04.1770	Cash Paid for Freight, Customs & other Charges	8	851000	Ship Swift having arrived from Barbados			851000

12.04.1770	Cash Paid to Customs on 40 Pieces of Holland , each 105 Ells Flemish & 560 Yards of Flanders Lace on behalf of Frederick Van Tromp of the Hague	9	1080000	Goods received on Eagle Sloop Divid Jones Master. To sell for Van Tromp	
04.06.1770	Cash Paid on behalf of Frederick Van Tromp, goods shipped on board "Sailwell". Capt Evans, Master	(10)18	1461200	Three Bales of Coloured Colchester Bays Containing easch 40 pieces. Prime Cost £1371000. Customs & other charges £81200	
10.05.1770	Paid to Johnathan Emerson on Bills drawn on me by V. Tromp	8 (19)	521000		
17.05.1770	Paid John Sutor on behalf of V. Tromp	9 (18)	21000	For Packing Van Tromps Bays	
17051770	PaidThomas Millington for Dying Cloth	9 (19)	180000	Abated 5s	
02.06.1770	Cash paid to Cousin Hind	10	931500	for half share of 300 yards of Broad Cloth @12s 6d per yard	
02.06.1770	Cash paid at Lloyds to Owners	10	7000000	Purchase of Ship Bonadventure	
03.07.1770	Paid to the Master of Bonadventure	11	361000	Repairs to Bonadventure	361000
07.07.1770	Paid for my one- third share of Tobacco	11	251304	25 Hhds of Tobacco, total £77. With Dawner & Dissel	
25.07.1770	Paid Logwood	14	1700000	85 tons of Logwood t@ £2 per ton to be sent to Marseilles	
				Re Voyage to Marseilles, Lead,Serge	
30.08.1770	Paid Customs Duties	13(22)	421000	& Logwood. (Journal says £4210s)	
04.09.1770	Paid, Stephen Dawner	12(22)	8515031/2	Re Voyage to Marseilles	
04.09.1770	Paid James Dessel	12(22)	917041/4	Re Voyage to Marseilles	
22.09.1770	Paid Thos Merchant	14(22)	291000	Re Voyage to Marseilles	
30.09.1770	Balance		990605071/2		
	TOTAL		121701500		

STOCK	Profit/loss
Sherry 1st January 1770, 21 Pipes @ £251000 per Pipe 4th January 1770, Sold to Edward Ellis 12 Pipes	5351000
@ £30 per Pipe	(30600.00) (540000)
19 th February 1770, Bartered (1) Pipe of Sherry @ £32 for	
2 Bales of Muslin 24 th February 1770, Exchanged by Barter to Thomas Freeman (2) Pipes of Sherry @ £300000 per Pipe Profit on Sherry	(251000) (61000)
	(510000) <u>(90000)</u> <u>691000</u>
Balance of Stock 6 Pipes @ £2510s perPipe	<u>1530000</u>
Tobacco 1^{st} January 1770, In Stock 30 Hhds @£100000 per Hhd 2^{nd} January 1770, Sold (3) Hhds @£110500 per Hhd 21^{st} February 1770, Bartered ($15_{1/2}$) Hhds of Tobacco @£12per Hhd for 4 Hhds of Sugar @£15 per Hhd =£600000& 7 Pieces of Holland at £18 per piece =£1260000 24^{th} February 1770, Bartered ($1_{1/2}$) Hhds of Tobacco @£12per Hhd with Thomas Freeman =£180000and 2 Pipes of Sherry – see above for 3 Pieces of Holland &	3000000 (300000) (31500)
	(155.0000) (310000)
	(150000) (30000)
42 Yards of Black Cloth – see below also see debtors Thomas Freeman £164s	
Profit on Tobacco Balance of Stock 10 Hhds @ £10 per Hhd	<u>371500</u>
Brandy 1 st January 1770, 20 Casks @£150000 per Cask	3000000
Port Wine 1 st February 1770, Bought 1 Pipe @ £270000 per Pipe	270000
Sugar 4 th January 1770, Bought from James Long	
@ £191400 per Hhd 3 Hhds 21 st February 1770, Acquired thro' Barter 4 Hhds of sugar @ £15 per Hhd 26 th March 1770, Shipped on Board the Swift at Barbados by Peter Carefull 12 Hhds of Sugar @ £13 per Hhd - see voyage from Barbados 2 nd April 1770, Sold the above 12 Hhds @ £20 per Hhd.	590200
	600000
	1560000
- see voyage from Barbados 10 th July 1770, Bought from Thos Marchant 9 Hhds of sugar	(1560000) (840000)
@ £510s per Hhd to pay at 6 Days 10 th July 1770, Joint Venture	491000 (491000)
Closing Stock 7 Hhds	<u>1190200</u>
Sugar (from Joint Venture with Dawner and Diesel) 2 Hhds @ £510s per Hhd	110000

Tamarins

26th March 1770, Shipped on Board the Swift at Barbados by Peter Carefull 2 Hds of Tamarins @£47 per Hhd — see voyage from Barbados These had arrived by 3rd April and were put into Hall's warehouse 10th April 1770, Hall sold this stock of Tamarins to Joseph Jonkins @£60 per Hhd Rec'd Cash of £40 and 3 Bills- Nathanial Vincent £30 Jacob James £28 Thomas Sands £22 See Voyage from Barbados	£940000 (940000)	(260000)
Muslin 19th February 1770, Received 2 Bales in exchange for 1 Pipe of my Sherry	320000	
Holland 21st February 1770, Received 7 Pieces of Holland @ £18 per Piece in exchange for 151/2 Hhds of Tobacco 24th February 1770, Acquired by Barter from Thomas Freeman for Tobacco & Sherry 3 Pieces of Holland @ £8 per piece Closing Stock 10 Pieces	1260000 _240000 1500000	
Scarlet Cloth 15th February 1770, Received 48 yards of Scarlet Cloth @ 22s per yard from Davie William. 15th February 1770. Shipped out on the "James"	521600 (511000) 000000	
Black Cloth 24th February 1770, Acquired from Thomas Freeman by Barter 42 yards of Black Cloth @ 18s per yard 8th March 1770, Shipped on Board Susannah Galley, Captn Thos Emerson for Account of John Nash at Leghorn (23 yards) of Black Cloth @ 21s 6d per yard = £241406 Closing Stock 19 yds	371600 (201400) (40006) 	
Broad Cloth 2nd July 1770, Cash Paid Cousin Kind for half share in 300yds of Broad Cloth at 12s 6d per yard 10th July 1770, Proceeds of sale of my share Cash 200000 Bill drawn on John Long 5 Pieces of Indian Chints 78100		
	(931500) _0000.00	(141500)
Indian Chints 10th July 1770, Rec'd as part payment from Cousin Kind 5 Pieces	£ 781000	
Logwood 25th July 1770, Paid Cash for 85 tons of Logwood @ £2 per ton 30th July 1770, Put into Joint Venture with Dawson and Disel 85 tons of Logwood @ £21000 per ton	£1700000 £(1700000)	(421000)
Lead 30th July 1770, Stephen Dawner Supplied 50 Tones of Lead @ £810s per Fother plus costs 30th July 1770, Joint Venture	£ 000000 £43517111/4 £(43517111/4) £ 000000	
Serge 30th July 1770, James Diesel supplied 60 pieces of Serge @ £6 per piece 30th July 1770, Joint Venture	£36000.00 £(3600000)	
	£ 000000	

DEBTORS

Andrew Smith

1st January 1770, Owes me £30..00..00 5th January 1770, Paid in me full (30..00..00)

00..0..00

Benjamin James

1st January 1770, Owes me £40..00..00

Edward Harrett

 $\begin{array}{ccc} 1^{st} \ January \ 1770, \ Owes \ me & £100..00..00 \\ 1^{st} \ March \ 1770, \ Received \ in \ Composition & (50..00..00) \\ Loss & to \ Profit \ and \ Loss & (50..00..00) \end{array}$

00..00..00

Edward Ellis

 4th February 1770, Sold him Sherry
 £360..00..00

 4th February 1770, He paid cash
 (70..00..00)

4th February 1770, He gave me a Bill, due one month

Still owing £290..00..00

Simon Johnson

6th February 1770, Lent him for 3 Months @ 3% pa \$\frac{\pmath{2}00..00..00}{2}\$ \$\frac{\pmath{2}}{1} \text{ June 1770, Rec'd Principal & Interest}\$ \$\frac{\pmath{2}03..00..00}{2}\$ \$\frac{\pmath{2}}{1} \text{ June To Profit, Interest on Loan}\$\$\$ \$\frac{\pmath{2}}{1} \text{ 3..00..00}\$\$\$

00..00..00

Thos Freeman

24th February 1770, Bartered to him £18 of Tobacco and

£60 of Sherry £ 78..00..00

In Exchange for £24 of Holland, £37..16s of Black Cloth $\underline{£(61..16..00)}$

Balance due <u>£ 16..04..00</u>

John Nash

8th March 1770, Supplied him with Black Cloth £ 24..14..06

Lead £223..09..11 My Commission £ 6..04..011/2

29th March 1770, Cash rec'd for my Bill

Nathanial Vincent

10th April 1770 Bill of Exchange – see Voyage from Barbados £ 30..00..00

Jacob James

10th April 1770 Bill of Exchange – see Voyage from Barbados £28..00..00

Thomas Sands

10th April 1770 Bill of Exchange – see Voyage from Barbados £ 22..00..00

Edward Johnson

18th April 1770 Bill of Exchange, 3 months. Goods sold to him that were shipped to me by Van Tromp- 40 pieces of Holland and 105

Ells of Flemish $\underline{£700..00..00}$

Johnathan Emerson

1st May 1770, Van Tromp. Bill drawn by Van Tromp,£ 52..10...0payable to Emerson due in 10 days£ 52..10...013th May 1770, Cash Paid£(52..10..00)

Cousin Kind

3rd August 1770 Transfer to Cousin Kind, his half share

of cost of Repairs to Bonadventure <u>£18..05..00</u>

John Long

10th July 1770, Bill of Exchange, re sale of Broadcloth £10..00..00

Sir Nicholas Long

6th September 1770, Sold him from Joint Venture Sugar £18..00..00 17th September 1770, Cash Receive £(18..00..00)

£ 00..00..00

Stephen Dawner

7th July 1770, His Share of Profit on Joint Venture on sale of Tobacco £(30..00..00) 30th July 1770, Lead supplied by him £(435..17..111/4) 30th July 1770, Joint Venture his one-third share £ 350..02..073/4 4th August 1770, I Paid him amount due on Joint Venture £85..15..031/2 15 th August 1770, Joint Venture, Dawner's share of Venture (£16..10..00)15th August 1770, Due to Diesel and I for sugar £16..10..00 (10..00)

15th August 1770, Profit on Sugar Venture

31st August 1770 Rec,d from Dawner, amount advanced for Sugar £(13..00..00)17th August 1770, Joint Venture His share of Sale to

Sir Nicholas Long (6..00..00)31st August 1770, Dawner Paid Diesel for sugar £ (3..10..00) 20th October 1770, Dawner took 2 Hhds of Sugar from

Joint Venture £11..00..00 £(36..00..00)

James Diesel

7th July His share of Profit on Joint Venture on sale of Tobacco £(30..00..00)

30th July 1770, Joint Venture his one-third share £ 350..02..073/4

30th July 1770, 60 Pieces of Serge supplied by him £(360..00..00)

4th August 1770, I Paid him amount due on Joint Venture 9..17..041/4

15 th August 1770, Joint Venture, Diesel's share of Venture £16..10..00

15th August 1770, Profit on Sugar Venture (10..00)

17th August 1770, Joint Venture His share of Sale to

Sir Nicholas Long (6..00..00)22nd August 1770, Paid Thos Marchant £(20..00..00)

31st August 1770 Rec,d from Dawner, amount advanced for Sugar £ 3..10..00

20th October 1770, Dawner took 2 Hhds of Sugar from

Joint Venture £ 11..00..00 20th October 1770, Due to Diesel £(36..00..00)

Marseilles Joint Venture 350..02..071/2

Lottery Tickets

18th March 1770, Bought from George Newland, his 10 Lottery

Tickets at £9..10..00 each £95..00..00

Uncle Kind (Executors of)

12th February 1770 Cousing sic is Dead and has left me a Legacy of £500. Exors A.B. at a year to come £500..00..00

Tho's	Merchant
LHU 3	172-01-02265354

Tho's Merchant	
10th July 1770, Bought from him 9 Hbds of Sugar	
for Joint Venture with Dawner & Dessel	£ 491000
	£(200000)
22 nd September 1770, Paid by James Dessel	
22 nd September 1770, Paid Cash	£(291000)
Thomas Millington	
4th April 1770, for Dying Cloth	£ 180500
10th June 1770, Paid Cash	£ 180000
10 th June 1770 Abated Balance –see Van Tromp Account	(0500)
10 Julie 1770 Abated Balance -see Vall Tromp Account	000000
	000000
John Suttor	0 0 10 00
4th May 1770, For Packaging	£ 21000
17th May 1770, Cash Paid	£ (21000)
•	000000
Doton Coneful	
Peter Carcful	
26th March 1770, Voyage from Barbados	0.00.00
Charges paid by him	£ 80000
	£ 80000
Master of Bon Adventure	
3 rd July 1770, Ship Repairs	361000
3 rd July 1770, Paid Cash	(361000)
5 July 1770, Palu Cash	00 00 00

<u>David Williams</u>
15th February 1770, Supplied me with Holland and Scarlet Cloth £178..16..00

36..10..00 (36..10..00) 00..00..00

SHIP

James One half share	£2000000
Bonadventure	
20th July 1770, Bought at Lloyds together with Cousin Kind	
Cash due in 6 days. This paid by me on	
27th July	£7000000
23rd July 1770, Cash Rec'd from Cousin Kind for his	
half share	(3500000)
	£3500000
3rd July 1770, Paid to Master of vessel for repairs	£ 36000
3 rd July 1770, Paid to Master of vessel for repairs 3 rd August 1770, Due from Cousin Kind	£ 180500
Value of Ship	£3680500
10th September 1770, "Ship is unfortunately blown up being	200000000000000000000000000000000000000
totally destroyed – Loss	£3680500
totally desiroyed - 1.0ss	
	£ 00000

Copy of an Award of the Inclosing: the Common: Fields: and Ings: of Stillington: in the year 1767

Taken from book, hand written by John Hall circa 1771

The lands and grounds to be Inclosed and alloted do contain in Stature Measure 1360 Acres, 3 Roods, 12 Perches.

This Act did away with many but not all, of the Tithes payable to the Lord of the Manor & to the Vicar

Names mentioned in the Award in order:

Stephen Croft	35.0.0	
		Est'd by me
Vicar – Rev. Laurence Sterne	40.1.25	as not quantified
Relating to The Skeugh:		
Stephen Croft Esq	4.3.16	
Stephen Croft Esq	4.0.8	
Elizabeth Anderson	5.1.15	
John Hall	2.2.38	
John Barker	2.2.33	
Wm. Benson	2.2.38	
Geo Jackson	2.3.5	
Robt Field	0.1.2	
Ann Spence	2.1.32	
John Lowder	2.2.34	
Roger Leconby	2.2.38	
Chris'r Richardson	2.2.39	
Geo. Walker	2.3.5	
Thos. Barker	2.3.6	
John Stapylton	2.3.7	
Thos. Field	2.3.23	
Thos. Headley	2.2.20	
Wm. Knowlson	2.2.38	
John Hopeley	2.2.25	
John Wilkinson	2.3.8	
Wm. North	2.2.7	
John Linfoot	2.2.5	
Wm. Anderson	2.3.4	
John Hodgson	2.3.32	

John Johnson	2.3.28
Wm. Sowray	6.0.6
John Martin	3.1.18
Wm. Martin	10.2.6
Roger Bellwood	6.0.0
Thos. Wilkinson	5.1.9
Stephen Croft, Esq.	4.0.3
Stephen Croft, Esq.	28.1.10
Wm Prest	4.0.33
Wm. Sigsworth	4.1.27
James Wiggins	4.1.16
John Wright	4.1.6
R. Wiley	12.0.3
Wm. Manchett	3.1.9
Jos Clark	12.1.6
Grace Sherwin	6.1.0
Thos. Copeland	7.1.18
Thos. Tinniswood	6.3.24
Ralph Cobb	7.2.38
Robt. Jebson	8.0.14
Thos. Empson	8.3.12
Geo: Richardson	21.3.4
Robt. Prest	24.0.30
Wm. Stainforth Esq	30.3.13
John Sowray	31.2.32
Wm. Prest	24.2.10
Vicar	87.0.10
Sand Pitt 1 for repair of roads	1.0.0
Stephen Croft Esq.	140.2.10
Ann Field	0.2.9
Wm. Field	12.2.0
Poor-	17.0.6
John Wood	13.2.13
Thos. Young	27.1.10
Wm. Cobb	34.0.36
R. Proud	13.2.39
North Skeugh Field:	
Geo: Richardson	3.2.27
Wm. Cobb	3.3.25

Thos. Young	7.1.2
Sand Pitt for repair of roads	1.0.0
Wm. Wiley	6.0.24
Wm. Martin	3.2.20
Wm. Prest (Joiner)	8.1.15
Stephen Croft Esq	40.1.2
James Wiggins	1.3.19
Thos. Headley	2.3.6
Chris' Richardson	7.0.16
Thos. Tinniswood	4.1.27
John Sowray	3.2.32
Wm. Sowray	13.1.31
Wm. Sigsworth	0.2.28
Elz. Sherwin	0.2.3
Wm. Spenceley	0.2.20
Geo Walker	0.2.24
Wm. Knowlson	2.2.27
Geo. Jackson	2.3.33
Crake Park Field	
Stephen Croft Esq	2.2.0
Jane Newstead	4.0.10
Wm. Prest	3.2.7
Thos. Barker	8.3.15
Thos Newstead	4.2.17
Ralph Cobb	3.2.33
Hennry Tennant	9.1.0
Stephn Croft Esq	52.3.2
Samuel Johnson	0.3.5
Thos. Nelson	12.3.16
The heirs of Herrison	4.3.26
Peter Bayston	0.2.10
Thos Mayson	1.3.11
John Carris	0.3.27
John Wood	11.0.30
John Bowman Esq	1.2.33
Stephen Croft Esq	16.0.5
Wm. Cobb	6.0.20
Chris Bell	1.2.31

Carr Field

Chris. Bell	2.2.9
Ralph Cobb	6.2.8
Robert Prest (Joiner)	9.3.29
Wm. Moon	2.3.0
Wm. Manchett	4.2.12
Vicars	11.3.25
Wm. Stainforth Esq	17.0.27
Eliz Clarkson	1.2.22
Thos Prest	1.3.21
Wm. Jackson	1.2.34
Thos. Wood	1.2.11
John Rowley	1.2.7
John Morley	1.2.12
John Rodger	1.1.34
Ings Field	
Ann Field	1.0.12
John Hall	1.0.0
Geo: Newstead	1.3.2
John Linfoot	0.2.33
England Bayley	0.3.0
Clark of the Parish	2.2.10
Grace Sherwin	11.0.32
John Wilkinson	2.3.18
Stephen Croft Esq	31.0.25
John Jackson	3.2.5
Thos. Wiley	5.0.0
Eliza Anderson	5.0.37
Rob Morley	6.0.7
Geo Richardson	8.2.4
Thos. Young	10.0.3
Roger Leckonby	12.3.9
Vicar	6.3.25
Wm. Stainforth Esq	15.0.23
Ings	
Vicar	11.1.25
Wm. Stainforth Esq	16.0.38
Roger Bellwood	3.2.17
Geo: Richardson	3.1.16
Wm. Sowray	4.2.7

Wm. Prest	1.2.23
Wm. Leckonby	2.3.29
Wm. Knowlson	3.1.21
Joseph Clarke	6.1.20
Stephen Croft Esq	52.3.31
Stephen Croft Esq	1.2.22
Stephen Croft Esq	0.2.15
Stephen Croft Esq	0.0.37
Chris. Richardson	3.2.28
Chris. Bell	2.0.34
Thos. Tinniswood	1.2.14
Thos Morley	3.0.35
Thos Newstead	0.3.13
John Hodgson	0.3.37

Public Roads:

To York

To Easingwold

To Crake

Carriage Roads

To the Skeugh

Rose Bery- hill Road

Ings fields road to Huby

Common Shares Road

Ings Road

Bridle Road

Foot Roads

To the Skeugh 4.0.8

To the Little fields Closes

To Huby

To Crake

From Huby to Easingwold

Drains

Skeugh Drains

Pond 1.1.12

Carr Drain

North Skeugh Field Drain

Penny Flatts drain

Been Rood Close Drain

West Moor Drain

Gates

Herbage on the Roads

Total	1360.3.12
Note Area allotted to	
Stephen Croft	414.3.26
The Vicar 117 Acres 0Rood 35 Perches, plus an ungantified area that I have taken as 40 Acres 1	
Rood 25 Perches which is probably too high	117.0.35
Wm. Stainforth 79 Acres 1 Rood 21 Perches	79.1.21
	611.2.02

Inclosure Map of 1767



Stillington Manor. The Court of Survey of Olive Croft Widow, Lord of the Manor of Stillington held at Stillington aforesaid for the said Manor, the 29th day of April in the year of our Lord 1659 before Thomas Thompson, Gentleman Steward of the Court.

Jurors:

Thomas Waite, Gentleman)	William Mosoy	')	George Bell)
William Faceby, Gentleman) Sworn	James Linton)Sworn	Christopher Holgate)Sworn
Thomas Bland)	William Jackso	n)	John Johnson)
Wm Cobb)	Robert Wiley)	William Young)
		•		Robert Cobb)

Articles exhibited to the Jurors aforesaid To be enquired of as follows:

1) First what are the ancient customs of the Manor concerning the Copyhold Lands and how must it be surrendered.

In answer to the first article they say that Copyhold Lands within the Manor may by custom be surrendered into the hands of two Copyholders out of Court or to the Steward in the Court.

2) How long may surrenders rest in the hands of the Copyholders before they must be presented into court (presumably to be registered)

In answer to the second they say that surrenders may by custom within this Manor be kept in the hands of the

Copyholders to whom the same is made until the third court next after the making such surrenders when the

be presented into court. Otherwise the same surrender shall be void and the said Copyholders shall be in breach of the

custom and liable to be fined or forfeit their copyholds.

3) How long may the Copyhold lands be left without surrender and what fines are to be paid to the Lord upon every

surrender or change of Tenant.

In answer to the third they say that Copyholders within this manor, Demise and let their Lands to farm by parole

without surrender for three years without paying any fine to the Lord. For such Leases and for all leases made for

twenty one years and for life a whole fine and for all leases by surrender for less terms than twenty one years, they are

by custom to pay half fine to the Lord for the same and (for) every messuage with the croft anciently and time out of

mind belonging thereto, pay to the Lord eight shillings, for a whole fine and every cottage within the croft, anciently

and time out of mind, belonging there unto pays to the Lord for a whole fine five shillings and every Exchange of land

pays for a whole fine four shillings and four pence and every acre of land four pence and so proportionately for every

lesser parcel of land upon every surrender for twenty one years or for life or in fee. And so upon every dying person

seized of any tenant, his heirs to pay such fine as aforesaid and upon every exchange of houses and lands made by

surrender such fine as aforesaid and upon every exchange of houses and lands made by surrender. Such fine

aforesaid is to be paid to the Lord of the Manor and upon default of payment after convenient notice and time given for

payment thereof the said lands may be seized and forfeited to the Lord.

4) Whether Lands may be entailed or not

In answer to the fourth, they say that copyhold lands were for as long as could be recalled, within this Manor, limited to the heirs of the body, yet are not entailed by custom of the manor, for we have searched the Court Rolls of the said manor and do not find accounts in nature of foremedons (the forementioned?) in desender revertor. Or remainder brought for estates so limited nor any judgements in nature of common recoveries to bar them through real actions in nature of Assizes Assiz of morldausester at common law or in vita and of Right appear by the rolls to be often brought in old time at the Courts held for the said Manor for Trial of Tithes. And we also find by the Rolls dyvers Estate so limited with remainders over to strangers or a third person yet granted by surrender and so enjoyed for anything appearing in the Rolls to the contrary. Yet we find that at the court held the fifteenth day of October in the twenty first year of King James, George Staveley made a lease by indenture for twentyone years to George Houseman Clerk of some crofts and Robert Eagle did the like of a messuage and croft to George Staveley to forfeit the same to bare estates limited to the heirs of the body supposing them to be entailed as we are informed and the court held the seventh day of October in the twentyfirst year of King James 1624, Staveleys lands are accordingly granted to Mr. Houseman and Eagles messuage to Staveley, which forfeitures made by making leases appearing in the Rolls and some more leases by indenture appear to be made since time yet we conceive being of so late time such estates are still conditional Feos (trusts) and before the statute of Westminster the second do donis conditionallibus and may by custom be barred by surrender at this day.

5) What fees are to be paid (for) Searches of the Rolls. What fees for copies of surrenders and what (fees) for Assigns, summons, plaints and entering of Judgements and for examining of women covort. (married women)

To the fifth they say that the fees for searching the Rolls on Court days, is one shilling (payable) to the steward and one shilling to the jurors and when no court is held the stewards fee is two shillings and sixpence and the jurors fee is two shillings and sixpence and the steward's fee for copies of surrenders is one shilling and fourpence for assigns, one penny for plaints entry, two pence for giving summons, one penny for entering of judgements four pence, for examining women covert (married women) two shillings and sixpence and for admitting tenant fourpence and to the Baliff two pence

6)What officers are yearly chosen and properly belong to their office by custom as Byelawmen, graves, Pinder, Constables and Alotastors

To the sixth article, they say that there are yearly chosen four Byelawmen whose office is to look to the Common fields and see that the fences there be sufficiently made by the owners thereof in due time as they shall

appoint and be so kept and maintained by the Pinder afterwards. Likewise their office is to see that everyman do in due time grip their lands for draining the fields and that in Herbage time (*Havest time*) everyman do keep the stint that is agreed upon by the byelaw called for that purpose for breaking of the said fields. There is yearly due and received by the said byelawmen all the grass growing upon shipard, stile, Baulk and all the Ings baulks, the Baulk at Crosshill a sidoing in the Hurn, one baulk at Massomsike and two little baulks in the Worth Field and a baulk at Little Gunthwaite crofts (and) out of which they find a new gate yearly for the fields and that they pay in money six shillings yearly to the Lord and eight shillings and sixpence yearly to the vicar for all the tithe hay in the fields and Ings and the Pinder whose office is to look after the fields and see that no goods (*animals*) trespass any mans (land) but to impound them and give the party damnified motis thereof (*give the damaged party compensation*) thereof and to keep the town sheep and swine that they do not trespass in the fields and to keep the fences in repair after the Byelawmen upon view conceive them to be good and sufficiently made and he is to have and to receive for his pains of every owner and occupier of land, one sheaf of corn for every acre of land not enclosed and kept in tillage. And the constable and alotastors are to do such offices as the Law appoints them to do.

7)What is the usage and commons or Common Fields as to the Eatage, getting Turves, Whins or Brackens and what quantity each ought to have and by whom taken.

To the seventh article they say the common fields, after the corn and hay is Inde) (in), have time out of mind been eaten by stint after such a proportion and for so long time as the Byelawmen and inhabitants by a byelaw for that purpose agree and appoint and that every ancient messuage or cottage have three wain loads of turves of the Common every year and no (whins) gorse but only for repair of the fences in the fields and Ings and so many brackens as they can move after sunrise on the fourteenth day of September, yearly and no more.

8)What houses have within memory of man been divided and yet thereof is the ancient house and what eatage, Turves or Whins are belonging the same

To the eighth article they say that John Crosby's house and Robert Sherwin's George Preckit's and Robert Cobbs, Henry Young's and George Young's, Seth Lazenby's and William Douthwaite, Andrew Wood and Thos Prost, Thos Maddocks and William North's house are divided within the memory of man and that John Crosby's George Peckit's and George Youngs, Seth Lazenby's, Andrew Woods and William North's had the ancient chimneys belonging the said houses and no more eatage, turves or whins belonging to the said divided houses than to any other messuage or cottage undivided.

9)What new erected cottages there are in the Town and what undersettles.

To the ninth article they say that, Robert Sherwin has lately erected one dwelling house on his Rouber (the Roobers are a piece of land at the West end of the village near to the pond and William Faceby has lately erected on the Holmes. William Folother has two houses erected on his croft. William Dixon has Mary Young an undersettle. Mr. George Bell has widow Walker undersettle, John Jackson has Alice his mother an undersettle. Thomas Linton has four undersettles, Mary Dale has John Boke, Robert Wiley has Jane Wilkinson undersettle.

10)What highways over any mans ground arenow stopped and by whom.

To the tenth they say and present Thos Hornby for stopping a way laying over the North end of his brokes inclosed to the damage of the inhabitants and do lay a pain of twenty shillings on him which he is to forfeit if he do not set good stiles there before the first day of October next.

11)What highways or causeways or gates ought to be repaired by the Town in general or by any person in particular and how they are to be repaired.

To the eleventh they say that the Mill causeways and causeways in the Town so far as every house extends are made by the houses of mill causeways after this manner viz: the Lord's House twenty foot at the west end from the Broadstone Eastwards and both the bridges & twenty foot at every end of both the said bridges and every messuage five yards and every cottage two yards and a half on this side of the bridge next the Town and every messuage four yards and every cottage two yards next the Mill.

12)What quantity or number of acres are in the several fields and enclosures or parcel of the said fields and what Tenements are in the said Town and what Copyhold rent each man ought to pay for the said houses or lands.

To the twelfth article they say that there are six hundred and eighty three acres by estimation of land and meadow or near thereabout in the common fields and field lands inclosed and eighty seven several houses erected before memory besides the vicarage house and the Lords house all which houses and lands pay yearly to the Lord the rent or sums of fifteen pounds and one shilling at two days in the year by equal proportions in manner following viz every house the rent herein particularly expressed and every land from Jack Lane to the Ridding Baulk every year a farthing called Ridding Rent. Yet part of the said rent of fifteen pounds and one shilling and every five roods of common field and enclosure four pence in the said field the crofts anciently

belonging to the houses excepted which said severall rents or sums will raise the said sum of fifteen pounds and one shilling per annum to the Lord.

13)What Riggs, Baulkes or Boundaries are in the common fields and how are they to be used and enjoyed and in whose occupation they now are and what breadth every flat or furlong in the fields ought to be if and if all the lands in every several furlong are to be equal in breadth.

To the thirteenth article the said jurors upon their oaths do say the one baulk called Northskeugh baulk has time out of mind been employed for finding Bell strings, Bawtryes and other necessities about the Bells and such persons as kept the bells receive the profits of the said baulks. And the Pinder has the profits of all other common baulks, siding pieces, Bull pieces and waste pieces except those in the sixth article mentioned to belong to the Byelawmen for keeping a common Bull for the said town. And also the custom of the Manor is that that all the lands in the common fields in every flat or furlong are to be kept of equal breadth and that some of the inhabitants do usually about seed time measure their lands in the said flats or furlongs or some part there to the end of the said lands may be kept of unequal breadth as near as maybe and not one land broader than another land in the flat or furlong.

Those jurors do conceive it necessary for the more equal raising of the rent yearly payable to the Lord of the Manor and for raising assessments that a Registrar be chosen by the Jury to keep a book and particulars of every mans land within the Manor and therein register the same and to receive of every person (who) leases, buys or exchanges any land, two pence for registering such sale exchange or lease to be paid equally by the sellers and buyers to the end the same may be duly kept as well by the said registrar as the person who parts with or takes any land. And we lay a pain of twenty shillings a piece on every person which shall neglect or do contrary hereunto to be forfeited and levied and we appoint Thomas Bland the younger Registrar for that purpose.

The said jurors do lay a pain that the Byelawmen for the time being shall give public notice about the Town, six days before they appoint a day for viewing the repairs of fences belonging to the fields and commons and for laying out everymans part and a proportion thereof. To the end that everyman may know his fences in all places and repair the same within the time appointed by the Byelawmen for repairing thereof. And the said Byelawmen shall forfeit for every default thereof made by them three shillings and fourpence and the parties who are to make such fences after public notice given for laying forth the same as aforesaid shall forfeit for every default in their fences being unmade at the day appointed for that purpose three shillings and fourpence.

The jurors aforesaid do present Henry Batty and William Martin, overseers of the Highways for not making common days work this last year as the law appoints. And also they do present Mrs. Crofts Mill causeway belonging the Hall to be in default, the like for Edward Hall in two places and not repairing them in convenient time after notice thereof given by us and we do therefore (a moray) him six pence. The like for the house in the occupation of Thos Harrison three pence. The like for the house in the occupation of John Hodgson in two places six pence. The like for the house lately Alice Wimps and now Mr. William Facebys in two places sixpence. The like for George Sherwins causeway before his house three pence. The like for the house in the occupation of William Windross three pence. The like for the house in the occupation of Thos Martyn three pence. The like for the house of Wm. North & Thos. Maddocks three pence. The like for the house of Widow Magson three pence. The like for the house of Mary Daile, widow, three pence. The like for the house of John Wyley three pence. The like for the house of Richard Coupland three pence. The like for the house of Thos. Wood three pence. The like for the house of Richard Coupland three pence.

The Yearly Rents of all the Messuages & Cottages as have been paid Yearly and time out of mind to the Lord of the Manor as follows: (Believed at 1659)

Robert Shirwin, cottage	2.0
Wm. Jackson, cottage	2.9
Wm. Young, cottage	2.0
Wm. Cobb, cottage	2.4
Wm. Stibbin, cottage	1.4
Robert Barker, cottage	1.4
Thos. Fisher, cottage	1.6
George Peckit &	1.0
Robert Cobb, Messuage	2.0
Robert Sherwin, cottage	1.3
William Dikson, cottage	1.3
Wm. Young, cottage	2.0
George Bell, Messuage	2.0
and ancient croft	0.8
William Wilkinson &	0.6
Thos. Sowery, Mess	1.4
	1.4
John Crosby & Robert	1.4
Sherwin, Messuage	1.4
George Young &	1 /
Henry Young, Mess	1.4
Vicars Mes called John	1 /
Morley's House	1.4
Robert Sherwins Mes	2.0
and ancient croft	2.0
Seth Lazenby &	
Wm. Douthwaite, Mess	1.4
Jeffory Lintons cott	2.8
Thos. Young, cott 0.10	
Mr. Thos. Wait, mess	1.8
His cott & two crofts	3.0
Thos Linton, Mess	2.0
Robert Cobb &	
Jeffery Linton, Mess	1.8
Richard Coupland &	
Thos.Wood Mess	1.8
James Linton, Cott	0.8
Wm. Newpage, Cott	1.0
John North, Cott	1.6
Thos Boakes, Cott	1.10
Andrew Skelton, Mess	1.6**
John Prust, cott	0.6**
Nicholas Wyley, Mess	2.6
Wm. Mosey, Mess	1.8
Richard Weightman, Mes	1.8
Richard Theaker Mess	
& his croft	1.10
George Windris &	
Edward Moffitt, Mess	1.8
George Hall, Mess	1.8
John Jackson, Mess	1.0
& four crofts	2.0
Robert Harrison, Mess	2.0
& four crofts	2.0
Thos. Linton Mes	2.0
	2.0
& four crofts Robert Franch, Mess	∠.∪
	1.0
& four crofts	
Andrew Wood &	1.0

Thos.Prust, Mess	2.0
Robert Morley, cott	1.10

W. M 0.G. W. II	
Wm.Martin & George Walker,	2.0
Mess & croft	2.0
Edward Hall, Mess	1.10
Widow Nightingale, cott	1.10
Thos Hebden, cott	1.10
Thos nightingale, cott, and his croft	1.8
Wid. Martin, Mes & croft	2.1
Thos. Maddocks and William	
North, Mess	1.10
Thos Linton, Mess & croft & dovecote	2.3
Rich'd Nondicke, cott and croft	2.0
Thos. Nightingale, cott & croft	2.0
Lawrence Wood, Cott	2.0
John Hodgson Mes & croft	3.0
Widd Magson, cott & croft	2.0
Widd Dales & croft	1.8
Mr. Wm. Faceby, cott & croft	0.6
Mary Humble, cott & croft	0.6
Thos Read, Mess & croft	1.6
Thos. Bland, Mes	1.10
Robt. Wyley, Mess	1.4
John Johnson, Mess & croft	2.0
His other Mes. & croft	2.0
George Humble, cott & croft	2.0
Edward Hall, cott	1.10
Thos. Bland, cott	1.10
Robt. Dickson, cott	2.0
Thos. Thurnam, cott & croft	2.0
Grace Hodgson, cott & croft	2.0
Thos Bland Jnr, cott & croft	1.6
Rodger Peart, cott	1.4
Thos Hornby, cott	2.0
John Wyley, cott	1.4
Rich'd Empson, cott	1.4
Robert Empson, cott	1.4
James Cobb, Mes	1.3
Mr. George Faceby, Mes & croft	1.2
His Wimps cott & croft	2.0
Geo Shirwin cott & croft	1.9
His other cott	2.0
Wm. Bland, cott	1.9
Rich'd Smith, cott	1.4
Total of all above	£7.02.8
All other rents, see article 12	£7.18.4
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£15.1.0

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