

Early Plant Documents concerning Darlaston, Staffordshire

1613 (St Michael + 1 month, 11 James 1) John Plant and land at Meyforde, Stone, and Darlaston

1471 (Hillary, 11 E IV) sued Thomas Plant of Derliston with a Fitton Gentleman of Gawsworth Hall

1479 (Michaelmas, 19 E IV) sued, partly on King's behalf, husbandman Thomas Plant late of Dorlaston along with a knight and two gentlemen of Fitton family of Gawsworth

(see also 1532-3 Plant family of Darlaston at <http://plant-fhg.org.uk/1532-3StaffsFamDetails.html>)

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a garden, an orchard, 30 acres of land, 6 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture, 4 acres of moor, 2 acres of marsh, and common of pasture for all cattle in **Great Barre**.

The deforciant remitted all right to Thomas and his heirs, for which Thomas gave them £41.

At one month from the day of St. Michael. 11 James I.

Between John Plant, complainant, and John Baker and Cecilia, his wife, and John Cardell and Isabella, his wife, deforciant of a messuage, a garden, an orchard, 10 acres of land, 4 acres of meadow, 20 acres of pasture, and common of pasture for all cattle in **Meiforde, Stone, and Darlaston**.

The deforciant remitted all right to John Plant and his heirs, for which John Plant gave them £60.

DE BANCO. HILLARY, 11 E. IV.

Staff. Richard Bromley sued Thomas Swynerton, of Boturton, yoman, and Thomas Paulyn, of Boturton, yoman, for breaking into his close at Boturton and depasturing cattle on his grass. The defendants did not appear, and the Sheriff returned they held nothing, etc. He was therefore ordered to arrest and produce them on the Quindene of Easter. A postscript states that on that date the Sheriff made no return to the writ, and he was ordered to arrest and produce them on the Morrow of St. John the Baptist. *m.* 100.

Staff. Robert Bughey sued Edward Fyton, late of Gauesworth, co. Chester, gentelman, John Bidyll, late of Bidyll (Biddulph), gentelman, Laurence Rope, of Sapley, co. Chester, gentelman, Roger Damporte, of Gauesworth, co. Chester, gentelman, Thomas Plant, of Derliston, co. Stafford, husbondman, William Alcock, of Riston (Rushton), co. Stafford, yoman, Roger Higgonbotham, of Derliston, husbondman, John Couper, of Annesley, co. Stafford, husbondman, John Bromley, of Whitmore, yoman, and others named for taking by force from Derliston a horse, 14 pigs, and 5 cows

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CORAM REGE. EASTER, 19 E. IV.

King's writ adjourning all pleas and processes of Easter term to the Octaves of Holy Trinity, "*propter infectionem aeris pestiferi apud Civitatem nostram Londonii et villam Westmonasterii circumvallantem.*" Dated from Westminster 9th April, 19 E. IV.

Another writ dated from Oburn (*sic*) 11th June, 19 E. IV, adjourns the same to the Octaves of St. Michael.

CORAM REGE. MICH., 19 E. IV.

Staff. Joan, late wife of William Achull, appeared in person, and appealed William Tochet, late of Lychfield, smyth, Thomas Cotrell, late of Lychfield, corveser, John Davy, late of Leeke, yoman, Thurstan Vernon, late of Knolles, co. Warwick, yoman, Agnes Coke, late of Lychfield, huswyf, Nicholas Brown, late of Baddesley Clynton, co. Warwick, gentilman, *alias* Nicholas Broune, armiger, James Lee, of Lychfield, yoman, and Alice, his wife, huswyf, and John Okeley, late of Lychfield, chaplain, for the death of her husband, viz., William Tochet, Thomas Coterell, and John Davy as principals, and the others as accessories. None of the defendants appeared, and the Sheriff was ordered to put into *exigent* the first three named, and if they did not appear, to outlaw them, and if they appeared, to arrest and produce them at a month from Easter, and he was ordered to arrest the others and produce them at the same date. *m.* 43.

Staff. Richard Whalley, who sued both for himself and for the King, appeared against Thomas Fyton, late of Gosworth, co. Chester, knight, Edward Fytton, late of Gosworth, gentilman, Robert Fytton, late of Gosworth, gentilman, Thomas Duncalf, of Botley, co. Chester, gentilman, Thomas Plante, late of Dorlaston, co. Stafford, husbondman, and Geoffrey Smalwode, late of Gosworth, co. Chester, yoman, in a plea of contempt and trespass against the Statute of entry by main force ("*manuforti*"). None of the defendants appeared, and the Sheriff was ordered to arrest and produce them at a month from Michaelmas. *m.* 43.