

The History of West Court

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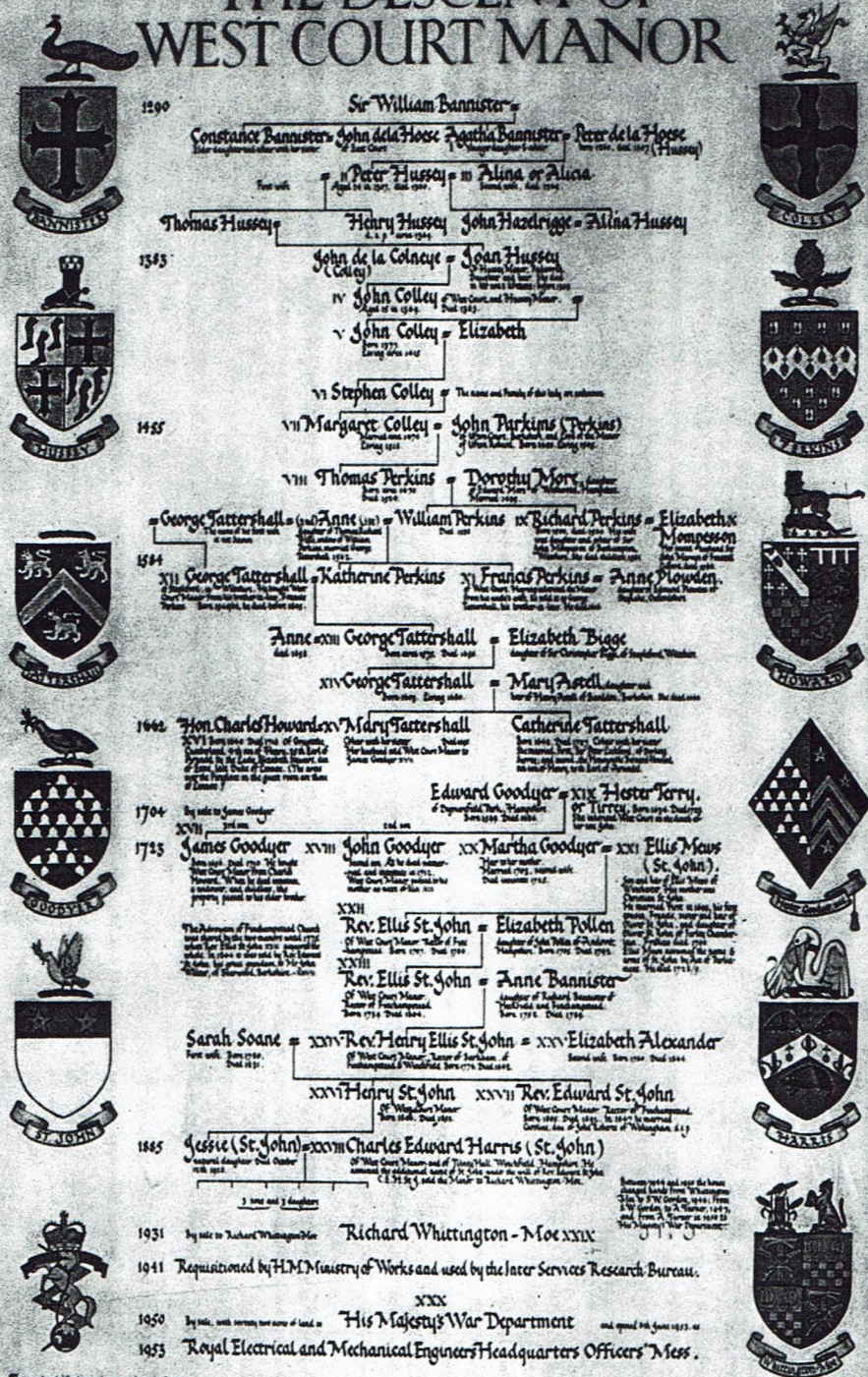
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Manor



The Headquarters Mess
Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers

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THE DESCENT OF WEST COURT MANOR



The descent of the Manor of West Court from 1290 to 1953 is shown in this chart. The names of the owners of the Manor are given in the margin. The names of the owners of the Manor are given in the margin. The names of the owners of the Manor are given in the margin.

West Court Manor in the Parish of Froghampton in the County of Wiltshire. The Manor was granted to the Monks of Froghampton in 1290. The Manor was granted to the Monks of Froghampton in 1290. The Manor was granted to the Monks of Froghampton in 1290.

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A SHORT HISTORY OF WEST COURT

By MAJOR J. T. COOPER (RETD.)

IN the hall of West Court there is an attractively designed chart which records the descent of the Manor from early times. Covering a period of over six hundred and fifty years, it is a complete record of those who owned, and who for most of the time occupied, the house. While there are more than a dozen different family names listed as holders of the property, almost the whole of this time can be divided into two periods in which ownership has been vested in closely associated families, genealogical continuity having been achieved either by marriage through the female line or transfer within the family, in addition to the normal direct descent. The first period is from the end of the thirteenth century, when the Manor of Finchampstead was divided into East and West Court and became the property of Agatha Banastre, until the early seventeen hundreds when the property was sold to James Goodyer of Dogmersfield. The second period, which is from that time and continues until the thirties of the present century, mainly concerns the ownership by the St. John family.

While there is no visible or recorded evidence that there was a house on the present site earlier than the seventeenth century, it is very likely that previous buildings were located there as far back as the time of the first member of the de la Hoese or Hussey family who married Agatha Banastre. At that time the estate consisted of a dwelling house and some hundred acres. The building lay alongside the old Roman road known as the Devil's Highway, of which the present main drive is a part, and which at that time was still a much used thoroughfare.

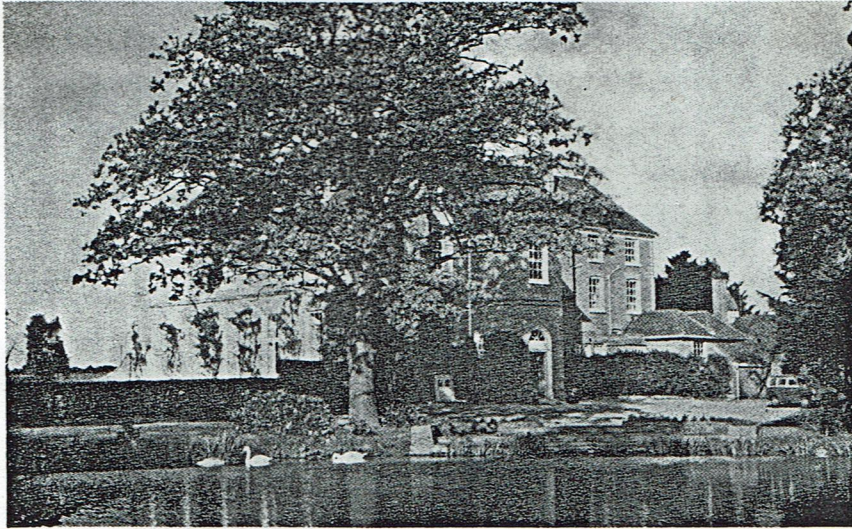
Following the Husseys the families of Colley and Parkyns owned the Manor for about two hundred years, when it was sold by Francis Parkyns to George Tattershall, who was a connection by marriage. At that time the estate consisted of over four hundred acres and half the advowson of Finchampstead. The latter was the right of presentation to a benefice, and in the case of this particular living a system was evolved whereby the patronage was exercised alternately by the owners of the West Court and East Court Manors. This procedure lasted until the beginning of the eighteenth century after which time, except for a short period, the Lords of the Manor of West Court were the patrons.

The Tattershalls, like the Parkyns, were Roman Catholics and it is recorded that certain members of this particular family, four generations of which held the Manor, suffered heavy penalties for their faith.

While it has not been possible to trace the date of the present old house, to which more recent additions have been made, it can be assumed that it was built in the latter part of the seventeenth century, probably by one of the Tattershalls. This post-Restoration period, during which for a time a limited measure of religious tolerance prevailed, would have given a Catholic land-owner an opportunity to rebuild and generally make good his property, owing to freedom from oppressive financial restrictions.

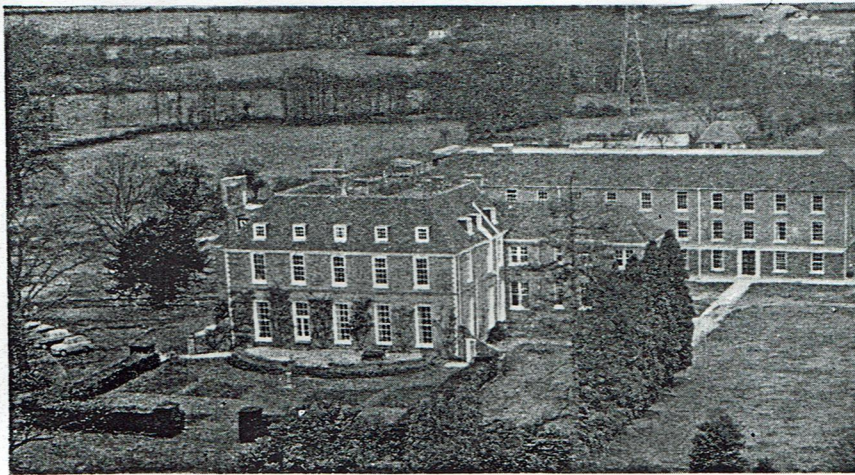
Among the number of carved oak fireplaces in the building, the one considered to be the finest is now in the guest room and is divided into three bays with the allegorical female figures of Wisdom, Justice and the Arts. It is thought, on account of the arms in the middle panel, that it may have been associated with Lady Elizabeth Stewart, the mother of the Hon. Charles and Bernard Howard who married Mary and Catherine Tattershall, respectively. As far as the other wooden carvings of arms are concerned, their connections with any of the families associated with the house are not known, and it seems

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The view that will be remembered. Entrance to the old West Court Mess, taken from the ornamental lake

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The old building from the south, with the new sleeping quarters in the rear

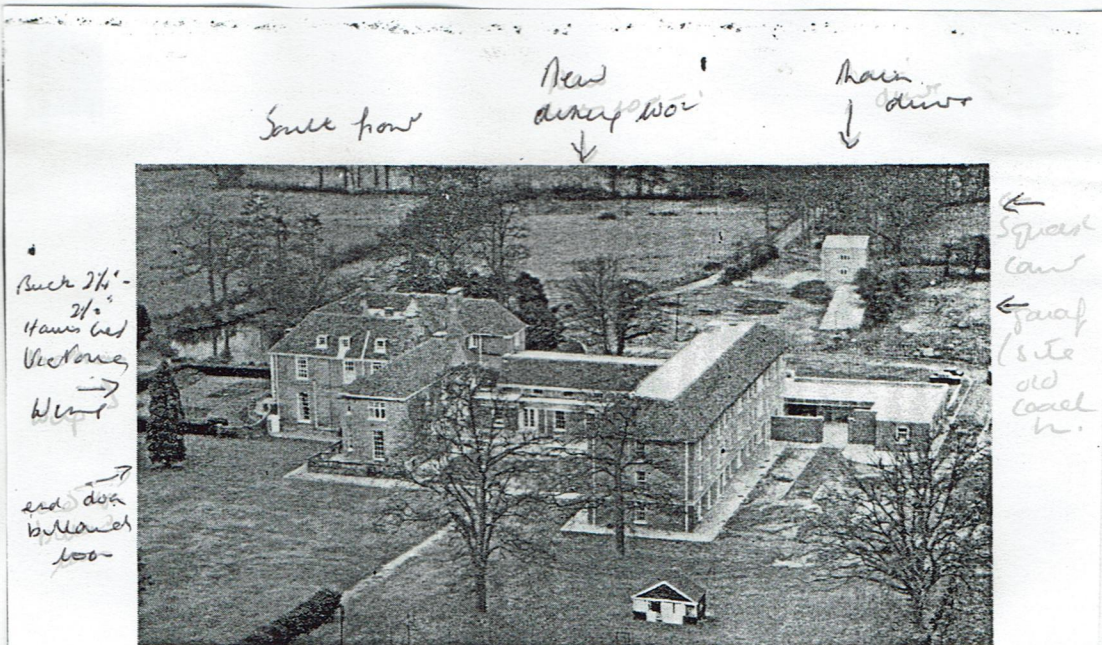
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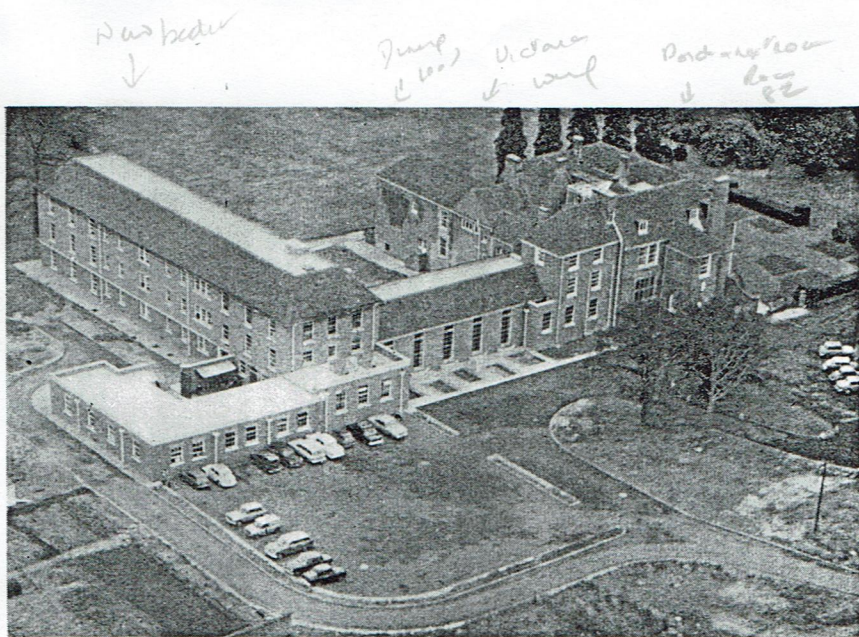
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Victoria Way
Harris Wall

the building is 10 years old
the road is 10 years old
the wall is 10 years old



The new and old buildings taken from the east, showing the tennis pavilion in the foreground and new squash court beside the drive.



The new sleeping quarters and the old building, taken from the north west. The new dining room joins the two. Car park and staff quarters in the foreground.

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New dining room.

Victoria wing

Porch (Row 82-83 above)

that at different times suitable ornamental woodwork has been introduced from elsewhere. Some of the pieces and panelling date from Tudor times.

There is a priest's hiding hole, which dates from the time of the Howards. The passage to it starts near the door in the small room over the porch (the latter being a more recent addition to the house) and runs to a windowless room which is in the middle of the building.

The main section of the outbuilding known as the Stable Block, which was recently demolished, was considered older than the house and dated from the Elizabethan era.

When James Goodyer purchased the property from the Hon. Charles Howard (circa 1704) it had appreciably increased to a number of houses and cottages, a mill, and well over a thousand acres of land which largely consisted of heath and common. James had no children and so the estate passed to his sister Martha through his mother, who outlived him by ten years. Martha's husband was Ellis Mews who subsequently changed his name to Ellis St. John and their son became the first of the rectors of Finchampstead of that name: he held the living for forty two years.

At that time the avenue of oak trees formed the drive to the house, the main door being on that side. The house was moated and had a draw-bridge, a relic of earlier and more turbulent days when the object was not so much to withstand a large scale assault as to make it difficult for parties of marauders to force an entry.

There were four members of the St. John family who owned West Court and they were also rectors of Finchampstead. The first Reverend Ellis was succeeded by a son with the same first name, and he in his turn was followed by his son, the Reverend Henry Ellis St. John. He married Anne Bannister of Heckfield who is considered to have been a descendant of the family which owned the property in the middle ages. This second rector enlarged and renovated the house in the eighteen thirties and filled in the moat, leaving the present small ornamental lake. He carried out very extensive internal alterations, and it is probable that he was responsible for changing the main door from the South to the West side of the house and altering the stairs, thus reducing the stair hall to little more than a passage. It is also likely that the incongruous gothic style window between the door and fireplace in the hall was put in at the same time. It is of interest that until quite recently it had an inner window of stained glass.

Like many other landowners, the Reverend Henry benefitted from the Enclosure Acts and so added to his estate. At this time an annual fair was held in the grounds on the first Wednesday in April. Hunting played a prominent part in the lives of these esquire parsons and it is recorded that the Reverend Henry, after entering into his inheritance of the Manor very early in the eighteen hundreds, purchased a pack of foxhounds. His son the Reverend Edward kept harriers at Finchampstead. He is portrayed in a picture of a meet of the Vine Hunt, painted before the middle of the century; this particular meet was attended by many local celebrities including the rather ageing first Duke of Wellington. About this time Edward, who had married a daughter of Mr. Roberts of Wokingham, moved into the new rectory and West Court was let for a period. Subsequently Jessie, the daughter of his brother Henry, married Charles Edward Harris who assumed the additional name of St. John, and West Court was once more occupied by a member of the family. The Harris arms can be seen carved in brickwork on the south wall of the nineteenth century wing. It was not until the early thirties of this century that the property was sold to Mr. Whittington-Moe.

Early in the second world war West Court was requisitioned by the War Department and was taken over by Special Operations Executive for agent

WEST COURT



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training. The short range in the field at the end of the vegetable garden is a relic of the days when men of many races fired their courses in preparation for clandestine warfare on the continent of Europe. Throughout Britain at this time many of the more remote country houses were requisitioned for this type of training. Some degree of inaccessibility and the fact that training could mainly be carried out within the grounds made such houses very suitable. West Court was a preliminary training school and in addition to various small arms, instruction was given in field craft, map reading, physical training, including unarmed combat and the use of explosives: wireless was also taught. From this school students moved on to Ringway for a parachute course.

One of the commandants of that era writes of a ghost which worried certain officers. If it did exist and was not in fact created by an excessive consumption of low grade wartime liquor it must have eventually been driven away by this first large scale influx of military men into West Court, as there is no record of the spirit having been active since that time. Also no written evidence can be found of there having been a resident ghost in earlier days.

After the war there were two further owners before the property, now reduced to seventy acres of land, was sold to the War Department. In June, 1953, it was handed over to the Royal Electrical and Mechanical Engineers for occupation as the Corps Headquarters Officers' Mess. Since that time various improvements, alterations and additions have been made; culminating with the recent large scale extension which has taken about twenty two months to complete, and has provided a large new dining room, kitchen and accommodation block, all very much in keeping with the original building.

The Reverend Henry Ellis who contributed the earlier extension would undoubtedly be most impressed if he were able to see West Court today.

HISTORY OF THE CORPS

THE history of the Corps, which is now being written by Mr. Anthony Verrier, will be published in the Autumn of 1965.

Anthony Verrier is defence correspondent of the New Statesman, having previously occupied a similar appointment on the staff of The Observer.

The book includes a most interesting historical background from the days of Crecy and shows how the maintenance of arms became ever more important as the complexity of weapons increased.

In broad terms the history covers the birth, growth and impact on the Army of the Corps of R.E.M.E. The factors which led up to its formation and the early difficulties which were experienced by a Corps born during the hectic days of war are fully discussed. Subsequent events in all major theatres are described, emphasising the part played in them by the new Service.

In the story of the first twenty five years of Corps history, R.E.M.E.'s contributions in minor campaigns and the cold war period are brought out. Recent changes within the Corps, due to increased complexity in the electronic field and the assumption of responsibility for Army aircraft servicing, are also described.

There is no doubt that this book will be of the greatest interest to all serving members of the Corps and also to the half million men who have served in it since its inception in 1942. Further particulars will be published in The Craftsman and elsewhere in due course.

Introduction

The story of West Court has been recounted piecemeal in several contexts. The distant past is to some extent legendary but in rural areas, where family ties remain strong, legends die hard. From the times of recorded history and the researches of ardent enthusiasts the threads are not difficult to pull together. The "Chronicles of Finchampstead" by W Lyon (Longman, Green & Co 1895) is the most authoritative account of the Manor's long history and contains the fruits of the most intimate research into its occupancy. Through this and the local acquaintances which have developed in the course of its study across the years it was possible to construct an accurate table of descent. Thanks are therefore due to those officers and their friends whose sustained interest enabled Miss Claire Evans to prepare her attractive scroll which now hangs in the hall. Others who have had an association with the Manor in the course of their everyday work have also made valuable contributions to the records: notably Colonel (Retd) M G M Crosby OBE MC who spent some time as Commandant of the Special Training School located at West Court during the Second World War, Majors J T Cooper and R G Reed who contributed well-researched articles to "The Craftsman" (October 1962) and "The REME Journal" (1965 and 1971) respectively and Lieutenant Colonel G R Riddick OBE MC who has collated the lists of Corps' Mess property and items of general interest.

D CREIGHTON-WILLIAMSON

Lieutenant Colonel

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Associate of the Royal Historical Society

I am personally grateful to David Ross, Jim Rhodes and Margaret Wood for their ready and willing help with photographs, artwork and preparation of copy. D C-W

To be sold by direction of Col. C. E. St. J. Harris-St. John, D.S.O.

B E R K S H I R E .

Particulars, Plan and Conditions of Sale
of the
West Court Estate
Finchampstead.



The Sale will take place

at the

Great Western Hotel, Reading

on

Saturday, June 28th, 1930

At 3 o'clock

(unless previously disposed of by private treaty).



Solicitors—Messrs. RIDER, HEATON, MEREDITH & MILLS,

8, New Square, Lincoln's Inn, W.C.2.

Auctioneers—

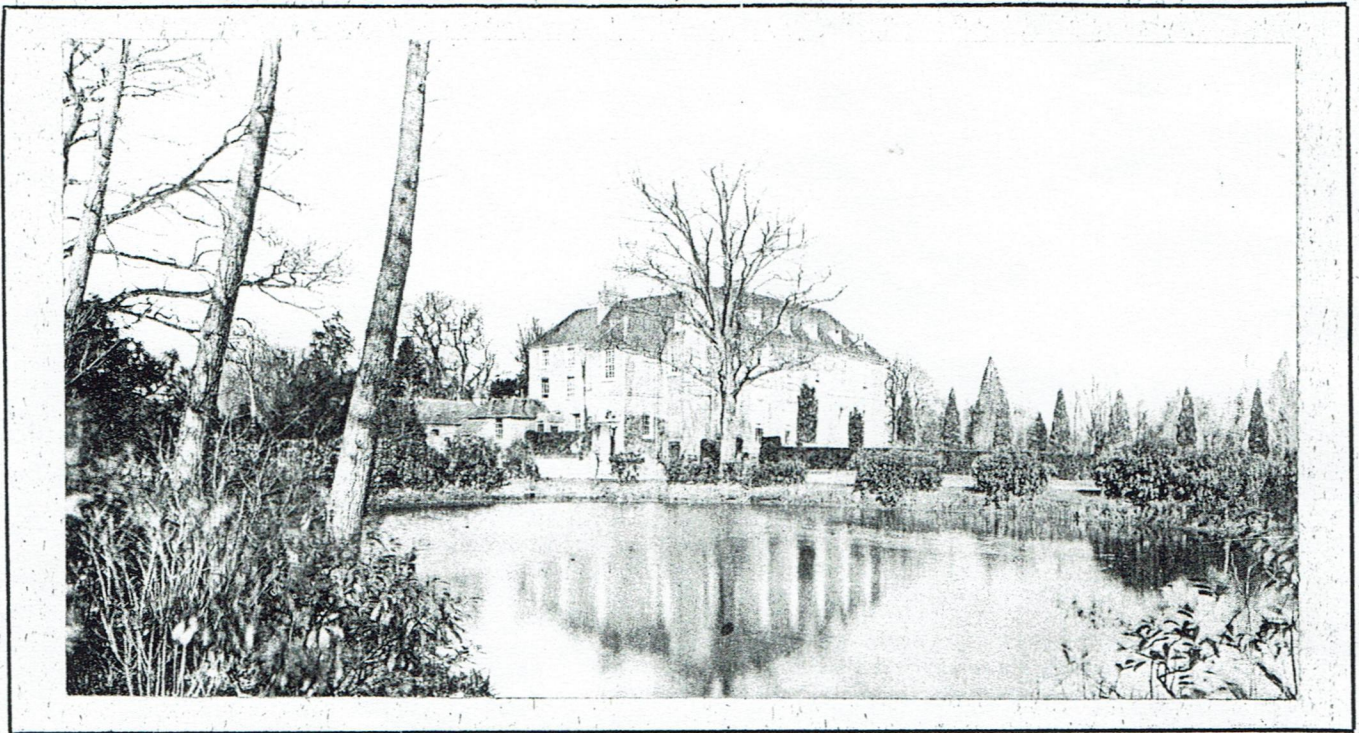
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"Antiquity's pride is on its side."

stated in each flat.

West Court, Finchampstead, 121 acres, has been sold to a client of Messrs. Knight, Frank and Rutley by Messrs. Jackson Stops and Staff (Queen-street and Northampton), who successfully dealt with the rest of the estate by auction recently. Shrewsbury and neighbouring properties will be sold locally by Messrs. Jackson Stops and Staff to-morrow. *News Oct 21.36*

Summary and General Notes of Interest.

MODE OF OFFERING.—The Estate will first be offered as a whole, comprising Lots 1 to 14, and if not so sold it will then be offered as follows:—

Lots 1, 2 and 3 together.

Lots 4, 5 and 6 together.

Failing a sale the Estate will be offered as lotted.

SUMMARY OF PROPERTY.—The historic Residence and secondary Residence, stables, garages, 3 farms, 17 cottages, woodlands.

Extending in all to 528 acres.

WEST COURT RESIDENCE.—5 Reception Rooms, 18 Bedrooms, 3 Bathrooms, Central Heating, Acetylene Gas Lighting, Unfailing Water Supply, Modern Drainage. Telephone (Eversley No. 4).

BANISTER'S RESIDENCE.—3 Reception Rooms, 6 Bedrooms, 2 Bathrooms, Modern Conveniences, Company's Gas and Water.

SURROUNDINGS.—The surrounding country is some of the most charming in England. The amenities of the Estate are beautifully protected by coniferous woodland belts.

SITUATION.—In the Parish of Finchampstead, 33 miles London, 7 miles Reading, 3 miles Wellington College, 3 miles Wokingham, 11 miles Windsor and Ascot.

CHURCH AND POST OFFICES.—Finchampstead Church and Post Office $1\frac{1}{2}$ miles. Eversley Church and Post Office 1 mile. Roman Catholic Church, Corpus Christi at Wokingham, and also at Finchampstead.

TRAIN AND 'BUS SERVICES.—There is an excellent service from Reading (7 miles) connecting to all parts of the Kingdom. London 40 minutes (G.W.R.). Wellington College and Wokingham Stations are on the Southern Railway. Admirable 'bus services to Reading, Camberley and the surrounding districts pass the main entrance gate. Daily service to London.

CLIMATE is notably healthy. The Estate stands some 200 feet above sea level on sandy soil.

HUNTING.—The Estate is situated in the centre of the Garth Country, and the South Berks are within easy distance.

BEAGLES.—The Farley Hill Pack hunt the district.

SHOOTING.—Good rough shooting is enjoyed on the property.

GOLF at Camberley, Wellington College and Fleet (7 miles), and the Royal Berkshire Golf Club is within 11 miles.

RACING.—Newbury (24 miles), Hawthorn Hill (9 miles), Ascot and numerous other important courses are within easy reach. The Garth and Staff College Point to Points were run over the Estate this season.

ROADS AND WATER.—The Estate plan shows the property to be well roaded, and the water supply to the land is admirable.

APPORTIONED OUTGOINGS.
Tithe, £132 19s. 3d.; Land Tax, £6 6s.

INSPECTION.—The Vendor is in residence, and the property can be inspected at any reasonable time upon production of these particulars.

HOW TO REACH THE PROPERTY.—FROM LONDON proceed to Blackwater via Bagshot and Camberley; at Blackwater turn right to Yateley and via Eversley, turning left upon crossing the bridge towards Reading. The main entrance drive being 1 mile along the road on the right. FROM READING proceed via Shinfield, Arborfield, towards Eversley, the main entrance drive being on the left hand side, after passing Arborfield Remount Depot.

SUMMARY OF LOTS.

West Court, Finchampstead.

Lot No.	Description.	Area.	Rentals.
1.	West Court, Grounds and 3 Cottages	64,591	Mostly in hand.
2.	Hogwood Farm and Lea Farm	315.676	£180 0 0
3.	Shepperlands Cottage and Garden	.166	In hand.
4.	Banister's Residence	3.383	£130 0 0
5.	Pasture Field adjoining	17.870	£17 0 0
6.	Banister's Farm	111.466	£75 10 0
7.	Building Land, Banister's Farm	5.700	£6 0 0
8.	Old Gravel Pit	2.600	In hand.
9.	Building Land adjoining "The Firs"	3.238	In hand.
10.	House and Garden, "The Firs," Reading Road	.876	£50 0 0
11.	Cottage and Garden	.279	Service Tenancy.
12.	Ditto	.172	Ditto.
13.	Pair of Cottages	.210	£15 0 0
14.	Cottage and Garden	.560	£16 0 0
15.	House and Buildings, Shepperlands Farm	1.260	In hand.
		Totals	528.047
			£512 0 0

STIPULATIONS

(which shall be deemed to form part of the Conditions of Sale under which the property will be offered).

1. **Sale Particulars.**—The Plan and Quantities are based on the Ordnance Survey, 1911 edition. They, and these particulars are believed to be correct, and any error or omission or mis-statement shall not annul the sale nor entitle either party to compensation, nor in any circumstances give grounds for an Action at Law.
2. **Rights, Outgoings and Easements.**—The property is sold with the benefit of and subject to all rights of way, water, sewerage, support, light and other easement (if any), and to all outgoings or charges connected with or chargeable upon it whether mentioned in these particulars or not. Except where otherwise specified in these particulars, each Lot is sold or retained with the benefit of and subject to an easement or easements whether mentioned in these particulars or not for the continuance of any means of supply (where these exist) of water, gas, light or electricity through or over any other lot, and for the continuance of any drainage facilities over or through any other lot as at present existing, together with all necessary rights of access for maintenance, renewal and repair, and the conveyance of each lot shall contain such reservation and covenants as the Vendor is advised are necessary or expedient for their protection in connection with these stipulations and such exceptions and reservations.
3. **Apportionments of Outgoings and Rents.**—For the convenience of purchasers the principal Landlord's Outgoings are approximately shown, but the Vendor shall not be liable to cause formal apportionments to be made.
4. **Boundaries.**—Should any dispute arise between the Vendor and any Purchaser within six months of the date of completion as to any point whatever contained in these particulars or as to their interpretation, the matter in dispute shall be referred to the arbitration of Herbert Jackson Stops, of Wood Burcote Court, near Towcester, or, failing him, Owen Sebag-Montefiore, of Stops House, Queen Street, Mayfair, W.1, whose decision shall be binding on all parties, and who shall also decide how the cost of such reference shall be borne.

Except where otherwise stated in the particulars, boundaries between lots shall be ascertained and owned as follows:—(a) Where the lands are separated by a ditch with a bank or hedge the ownership of the sites of the ditch and bank or hedge shall go according to the custom of the country, although this may render inaccurate the stated acreage of adjoining fields, and (b) in all other cases the boundary shall be that adopted on the last ordnance survey and shall be a party boundary.
5. **Fences.**—The " T " marks on the Plan indicate the ownership of proposed new fences dividing lots. The Purchaser of any lot affected thereby shall covenant to erect within three months of the date of completion and thereafter maintain a stock-proof fence. The Vendor shall be under no obligation to fence unsold lots.

6. **Private Roads.**—The Purchaser shall take over all the Vendor's rights and liabilities in any watercourses, and/or private roads leading to or adjoining the property sold.
7. **Tenant Right, etc.**—The land is sold subject to all rights of the tenants (if any) and outgoing occupiers and each Purchaser shall indemnify the Vendor against all claims (if any) in respect of the usual tenant right according to the custom of the country or the Agricultural Holdings Act, 1923, and any sum payable to the Vendor or tenants for unexhausted manorial values, or disturbances, shall be apportioned acreably between the Lots, and no set off for dilapidations or waste shall be made by the Purchaser against the Vendor.
8. **Fixtures.**—All such fixtures as are usually denominated Landlord's fixtures and belong to the Vendor, are included in the purchase price, but tenant's fixtures whether mentioned in the Particulars or shown on the Plan or not, are expressly excluded.
9. **Order of Sale.**—The Vendor reserves the right to sell the whole Estate or any Lot, or part of it, before the auction, to alter the order of sale, to amalgamate Lots, or to withdraw the whole or any Lot or Lots, or part or parts thereof without declaring the reserve price.
10. **Drainage.**—Lot 1 is sold with the benefit of the existing rights of drainage over Field Ordnance No. 419, part of Lot 2 to standpipes existing in that field with a right to discharge effluent on to the soil at all times, together with the right for the owner of Lot 1, his agents, servants and workmen to enter (with or without horses, vehicles and materials) upon Field No. 419 for the purpose of inspecting, repairing, renewing and cleansing the drains, and also any branches, connections, standpipes, and other fittings, and Lot 2 is sold subject to these rights. The person exercising such rights shall carry out any work with all reasonable speed, doing as little damage as possible, and making reasonable compensation for any damage done.
11. **Sale.**—The Vendor reserves the right to hold a sale, or sales, by auction on the premises at any time previous to the completion of the purchase.
12. **Outgoings.**—Land tax, £6 6s. 0d. Tithe, £132 19s. 3d.
13. **Leases.**—Copies of the tenancy agreements can be inspected during office hours at either the offices of the Solicitors or of the Auctioneers.

The description of the cultivation of the lands are believed to represent their present state, but are not intended to determine which lands are arable and which are permanent pasture within the meaning of the term of the tenancy conditions, and such descriptions shall not affect the rights of any tenant or tenants to alter such cultivation, or to compensation for laying down lands to permanent pasture, and the lands are sold subject to such rights (if any).

West Court Manor Estate.

Its Part in History and its Owners

FINCHAMESTEDE (XIIth Century):

FYNCHAMSTEDE, FINGHAMSTEDE (XIVth Century).



THE origin of the name is Saxon, and suggests that it was the "Homestead" of a powerful family of the name of "Fynch," or "Fyng." In early days, Finchampstead was a forest parish, and formed part of Windsor Forest; the Forest was first opened up by the construction of the great military road between London and Bath during the period of the Roman occupation.

The road originally intersected the Estate, and went by the unenviable designation of "The Devil's Highway," although how or when it earned this reputation history fails to relate. Possibly the existence of a well described under the Chronicles of the years 1029, 1098, 1100, 1103 and 1164 may have some bearing upon the point, for they state that blood was seen gushing out of the earth; tradition had it that the water from this well (which was destroyed some years ago) was a cure for bad eyes.

All that remains of the road through the Estate at the present time is the carriage drive to the house, although its course can still readily be traced across from Silchester to Wheatlands and Finchampstead Church. The road appears to have been formed upon a sandy soil by means of a binding gravel to the depth of eight inches or more.

An interesting relic of this ancient highway was a Roman milestone, discovered on the Estate in 1841.

The Domesday Book states that the Manor of Finchampstead was held in demesne by William the Conqueror, as part of his Windsor Forest Estate, and that Earl Harold held it "as of fee" (in the time of Edward the Confessor); in consequence of his tenure he was liable to be called upon to entertain the King and his followers at Reading for one or three nights, an ancient form of tenure. It also states that in demesne (i.e., in the Lord's Estate) there was one Manor, 16 villeins (or partly free tenants) and eight bordarii (or poorer tenants), with 14 ploughs.

On the death of Earl Harold, the Lordship of the Manor reverted to the Crown; about 1118, Henry I. granted it to Robert Achard, who enfeoffed two knights, Alard and John Banastre, through the former, the Manor eventually passed to William Banister, who died in 1276, leaving two daughters and co-heirs, Constance and Agatha, who married John and Peter Hussey (de la Hoesse) respectively, members of a rich family possessed of large estates in Wiltshire. The Manor thus became divided into East and West Court.

The West Court Manor is described in a Post Mortem Inquisition on the death in 1306 of Peter de la Hoese, as follows:—

	£	s.	d.
“One capital messuage, which is valued at	0	2	0 per ann.
Eighty acres of arable land, which are worth... .. (the price per acre being 3d.)	1	0	0 „ „
Four acres of meadow, which are worth (the price per acre being 6d.)	0	2	0 „ „
Three acres of separate pasture, worth (the value per acre being 6d.)	0	1	6 „ „
Certain common pasture worth	0	1	0 „ „
Ten acres of wood, the produce of which is worth (as underwood the value per acre being 3d.)	0	2	6 „ „
Total Annual Value...	1	9	0
Rents received from Free Tenants, quarterly	3	4	4
Rents received from Villeins, quarterly	2	9	10
		5	14 2
Labour of Villeins is worth	2	3	5
	£7	17	7

The sum total of the whole being 7l. 17s. 7½d. per annum.”

John de Colneye, upon attaining his majority in 1375, succeeded to the Manor as heir of his great grandfather, Peter de la Hoese, the son of Agatha. The ownership of the Manor descended intail to Richard More, who died in 1560 without issue, and who settled his property on his nephew, Francis Parkyns (whose name about this time began to be spelt Perkins), and who transferred his interest in West Court Manor to his brother-in-law, George Tattershall, who richly embellished the interior of the Mansion with handsome oak carvings and panellings which are still in excellent state of preservation.

His great grandson, in 1662, settled the property on his daughter, Mary Tattershall, who married Charles Howard, fourth son of Henry, twenty-fifth Earl of Arundel.

There is much in the house at the present day which recalls the occupancy of West Court by the Howards. The drawing room fireplace is divided into three bays, with allegorical female figures representing Wisdom, Justice, and the Arts—the middle panel is now fitted with a later achievement of arms (Lennox and Stewart), and above all is a scutcheon charged with a saltire between four roses in memory of Lady Elizabeth Stewart, mother of Lord Charles Howard.

The Howards, like the Tattershalls and the Parkyns, were staunch Roman Catholics, and in the house was concealed a priest, which explains the existence of the “Priest’s Hole,” carefully hidden on the first floor, with no windows and of difficult access.

Howard, after the death of his wife in 1701, sold the Estate to Edward Goodyer, an ancestor of the present Vendor. Martha Goodyer, his daughter, inherited the Estate, and married Ellis Mews, who had assumed the name of St. John by Act of Parliament in right of his first wife and first cousin, Frances St. John.

The St. John family are of Norman origin (denominated from the territory of St. John, near Rouen), and entered England as Grand Master of artillery, and "superior of waggons and carriages" to the Conqueror.

The great grandson of Ellis St. John, the Rev. Henry Ellis St. John succeeded in 1809, a keen sportsman, who, after entering into his inheritance purchased a pack of fox-hounds which were kennelled at West Court, and were the foundation of the present Garth Pack. His great grandson, Col. C. E. St. J. Harris St. John, D.S.O., succeeded as the twenty-seventh owner of the West Court Estate. The Estate is now offered in the open market only for the second time during its whole venerable history.

That the whole of the Manor of Finchampstead in the 12th century was in the possession of the Banister family has been stated, and it is interesting to record that the Estate, bearing the same name, was in possession of the Banister family until Anne Banister (born 1752) married Ellis St. John, thus uniting after six centuries, the Estates of Banister and West Court.

There is a tradition that the Duke of Buckingham entrusted his safety to the fidelity of Ralph Banastre, who sheltered him after the failure of his rebellion against King Richard III. in 1403.

The present Banisters House was partly rebuilt in the reign of Charles II., and the date stone over the porch (1683) bears the initials J.B.H., which is explained as standing for John and Hannah Banister; this John is described in the register as a "rich man," and was in 1695 appointed Regarder of Windsor Forest.



FINCHAMPSTEAD, BERKSHIRE.

With Vacant Possession.

LOT 1.

(Coloured Green on Plan.)

Area: 64 acres, 2 roods, 14 poles.

The ancient County Seat and domain known as

West Court Manor Finchampstead.

"THE HALL HALLOWED BY THE CENTURIES."



A view from the oak avenue.

The Residence

is most beautifully seated amid stately parklands. Part of the structure was originally a moated XVI. Century Manor, but the elevation has in more peaceful times been altered to a delightful example of the period of Queen Anne, and only traces of the moat still exist. The structure is partly of the narrow XVI. Century and other early brick work which has become mellowed by the centuries to a picturesque plum colour, adding to that indefinable feeling of peace and charm which is a distinguishing feature of both the exterior and the interior of this ideal country home.

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The approaches through the park are by two carriage drives; the principal or Western drive has a fine avenue of trees flanked by specimen rhododendrons and shrubberies.

On entering the house one first notices the OAK PANELLINGS AND CARVINGS in a perfection of English workmanship, their glorious surfaces reflecting that ripe beauty which neither craftsmanship or care can bestow. The rooms include:—

ON THE GROUND FLOOR:

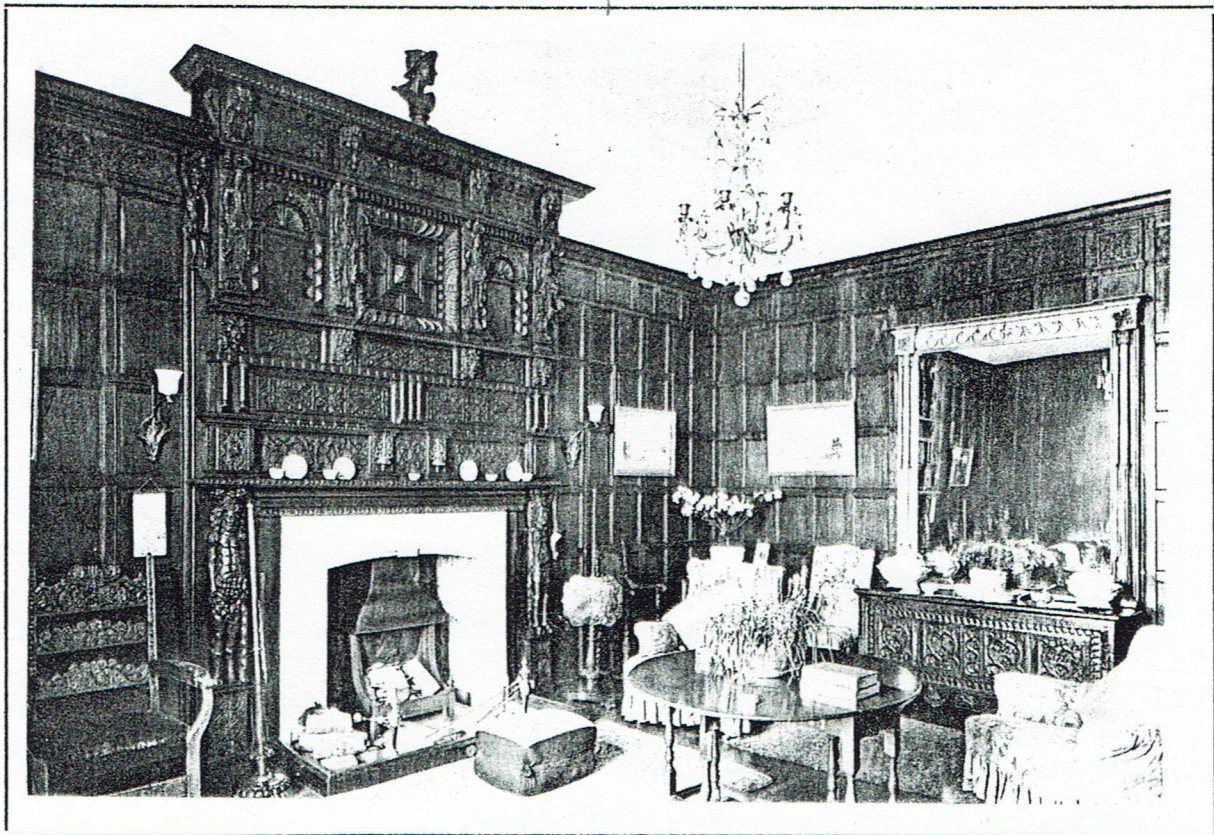
Entrance Vestibule with flight of steps leading to the

Entrance Hall

17ft. 6in. by 12ft., and 14ft. by 46ft. 6in., an imposing chamber panelled to a height of 12ft. with very fine Elizabethan wainscoting with carved strap work decoration, Ionic capitols, and a carved interlacing strap work frieze. The apartment is heated by a large open fireplace with Jacobean oak overmantel with carved linenfold panels. The secret opening to a private room, formerly undoubtedly a "priest's hole," is closed by a perfect Elizabethan oak overmantel with carved tracery panels with centrepiece in bold relief, enriched by a carved heraldic crest.

The window has eight antique stained glass panes, assembled from early glass from an old Church near Canterbury. The floor is of polished oak.

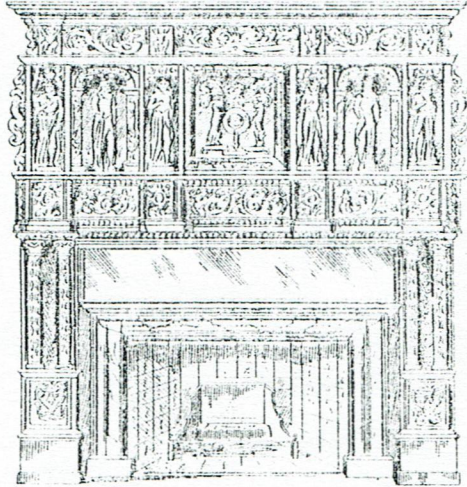
The Oak Room



15ft. 4in. by 19ft. 9in., panelled in Jacobean oak 9ft. high, contains a carved oak mantel and overmantel. Delightful views over the gardens and park to the South are enjoyed from the windows of this comfortable room.

The Staircase

rising from an inner hall, has a Georgian pine Balustrade. The walls are panelled in pine with heavy bolection moulding.



The Drawing Room

is a beautiful apartment, 37ft. by 19ft. 5in., with polished oak dance floor, Elizabethan oak overmantel, and mantel with coats of arms of the Lennox family, and on either side in panels are draped figures carved in high relief.

The Dining Room

17ft. 2in. by 25ft. 2in., has a marble mantel.

The Library

17ft. 9in. by 29ft. 4in., is a charming room with a square bay window overlooking the garden to the South and East, and a French window with steps gives access to the lawns. It is fitted with a carved oak mantelpiece and overmantel of Continental design; the centre panel is in bold relief ornamented with coats of arms.

Study

13ft. by 17ft. 9in., is a comfortable room with a pleasant bay window, carved oak mantelpiece and overmantel adapted from an Elizabethan Court Cupboard. A strong room door is fitted in the room.

GUN ROOM. LAVATORY fitted with basin and W.C. Two Store Rooms and Strong Room.

ON THE FIRST FLOOR, approached by convenient staircases, are

THE WEST BEDROOM, a most attractive room 16ft. 4in. by 21ft., lined with Elizabethan oak panelling, fret frieze, and simple carved capping.

DRESSING ROOM.

THE YELLOW BEDROOM, 18ft. 6in. by 18ft. 6in.

DRESSING ROOM, Elizabethan oak panelled (painted).

The Principal Bedroom

25ft. 6in. by 20ft. 6in., Elizabethan oak panelled (painted), with carved scroll fret frieze (a very bright and cheerful room).

SCHOOLROOM, 3 BEDROOMS, W.C., BATHROOM, 2 W.C.'S.

4 MAIDS' BEDROOMS, BATHROOM AND W.C. STORE ROOM.

ON THE SECOND FLOOR are

7 EXCELLENT BEDROOMS, workroom, store cupboard, Bathroom, W.C., and Tank Room.

The Domestic Offices

include SERVANTS' HALL, KITCHEN, fitted "Eagle" range, Scullery, fitted Sink and Independent boiler for domestic hot water, Larder, Butler's Pantry, fitted. Boot Room, Footman's Room, Game Larder, Wood Shed, Dairy with tiled walls, Larder, Coke Room, 2 Coal Houses, W.C.

IN THE BASEMENT is good Wine Cellarage, Boiler Room, fitted with Central Heating boiler.

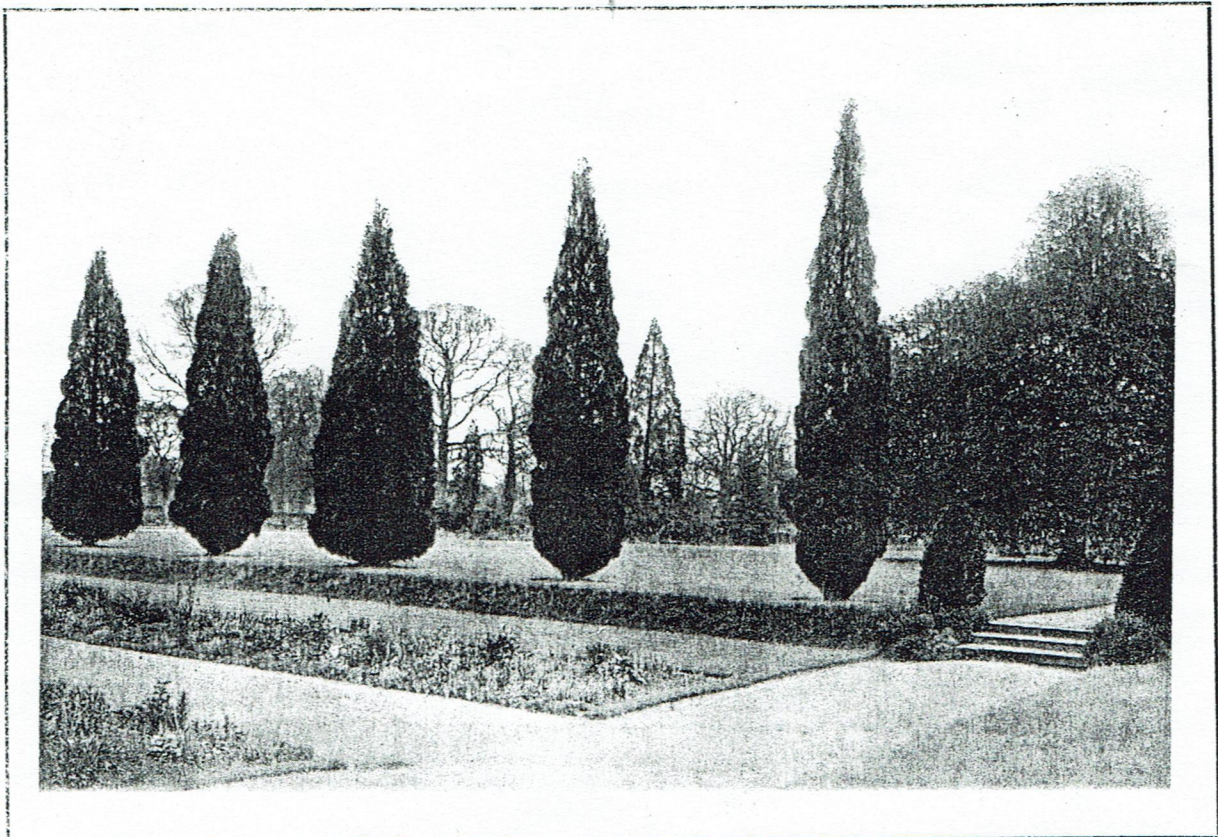
There is an excellent supply of WATER derived from a deep well and pumped by power to Storage Tanks in the House. This supply has never been known to fail.

THE DRAINAGE is in good condition, gravitates to a collecting tank, from whence it is pumped by power on to the agricultural land.

LIGHTING is by an Acetylene Gas Plant, which is in excellent condition.

Telephone is connected—Eversley No. 4.

The Gardens



"The garden hath a world of pleasure in it."

The charm of the richly wooded parklands with their fine forest oaks and beeches, noble avenues, copses and boundary woodlands, is so complete that only simple old-world gardens are necessary to afford a characteristic setting to this fine old house.

There is a terrace on the South West front. Lawns providing TENNIS COURTS, clipped yew hedges, a pretty ornamental pond and rose garden, while in well chosen positions are fine formal or shade bearing trees, between which the delicious vistas over the parklands previously referred to are disclosed.

THE KITCHEN GARDEN

is noted for its productivity. It is sheltered from the cold winds by a brick wall, along which fruits are trained, and beyond the limits of the garden are a variety of bush and standard fruits of selected sorts.

The Stabling

A feature of architectural interest is the fine range of Stabling and Garages built of beautiful mellowed brickwork. The accommodation comprises:—1 Loose Boxes and Stall. Harness and Corn Room. GARAGES for 4 cars (1 heated), Tank Room, Hay Loft, and a COTTAGE containing 4 rooms, modern Cowhouse for 12, Food Room, new Kennels, 2 Piggeries, Loose Box for pony, Range of Shed, Sawmill and Garage.

There is also a 2-bay Cattle Shed in the Paddock.

This Lot is sold with the benefit of the exception and reservation in favour of the Vendor and the Purchaser of this Lot of the existing drainage easement over enclosure No. 419 (Lot 2) as provided by Condition 6.

Outgoings:—Apportioned Rectorial Tithe, £9 18s. 11d. (commuted value).

SCHEDULE.

LOT 1.

O.S. No.	Description.	Area.	Remarks.
Pt. 560	Pasture	5.850	In hand.
558	Do.	4.385	
531	Do.	.957	
556	Do.	3.634	
554	Do.	3.700	
562	Do.	2.218	
557	House and Grounds	7.374	
561	Pond	.293	
555	Plantation	.281	
532	Do.	.669	
530	Do.	1.628	
563	Do.	.415	
565	Do.	.981	
552	Do.	4.085	
559	Do.	.212	
588A	Cottages and Gardens	.192	
560A	Spinney	.678	
Pt. 583A	Do.	.677	Let to Mr. W. J. Borlase on a lease expiring 29th September, 1947, at an apportioned rent of £22 10s. 0d.
Pt. 560	Park	26.243	
Pt. 584	Pond	.119	
		64.591	

LOT 2.

(Coloured Yellow on Plan.)

Area: 315 acres 2 roods, 28 poles.

LEA AND HOGWOOD FARMS,
FINCHAMPSTEAD.

Two Splendid Farms, comprising :—

Lea Farm, Park Lane

with a FINE OLD ELIZABETHAN FARMHOUSE, built of brick with tiled roof, and containing 7 Rooms with outside Domestic Offices (at present used as 2 Cottages).

The FARM BUILDINGS are chiefly built of wood with tiled or slated or thatched roofs, and provide the following accommodation :—

Cowhouses for 25, Stable for 6 with chaff and harness rooms, Barn, 2-bay Shed, Cart Shed of 3 bays, Poultry House, and Granary.

Hogwood Farm

with an interesting old timbered, brick and tiled FARMHOUSE, containing 8 Rooms, with outside Domestic Offices.

THE FARM BUILDINGS are chiefly modern, and built of brick with corrugated iron or thatched roofs, and provide the following accommodation :—Waggon Shed, Food and Engine Room, Stable for 3, Harness Room, 2/4 bay, Dutch Barns, 3-bay Cattle Shed with yard for 8, Cowhouses for 13, 4 Piggeries. In Field O.S. No. 415 is a wood and corrugated iron shed.

THE PASTURE LAND is chiefly good feeding land. Water is laid on to nearly every field. The arable land is very fertile, and crops well.

Included with this Lot is some fine oak timber in the parklands, including Shepperlands Copse and Hogwood Copse, etc. Also the Valuable Belts of growing timber which protect the amenities of the property from the public roads. The timber has been valued at £1,200, which sum must be paid in addition to the purchase money.

This Lot is sold subject to the exception and reservation in favour of the Vendor and the Purchaser of Lot 1 of the existing drainage easement over enclosure No. 419, as provided by Condition 6.

Outgoings :—Apportioned Rectorial Tithe, £77 2s. 5½d. (commuted value).

*Lot 2 with 256 acres
and timber valuation of £4000
& appertaining Mill 7 1/2 acres
with 1500 = 15 acres of timber*

SCHEDULE OF LOT 2.

O.S. No.	Description.	Area.	Remarks.
Pt. 582A	Pasture	6.230	Let on a lease expiring 29th September, 1917, to Mr. W. J. Borlase, at an apportioned rent of £180.
560	Do.	8.500	
564	Do.	7.142	
565A	Do.	.922	
566	Do.	13.287	
363	Do.	24.914	
364	Do.	7.075	
415	Do.	3.668	
416	Do.	2.494	
417	Do.	.844	
419	Do.	57.223	
534	Do.	5.083	
533	Do.	4.437	
553	Do.	14.298	
551	Do.	11.261	
515	Do.	13.784	
517	Do.	4.103	
512A	Do.	9.395	
513	Do.	3.679	
512	Do.	13.242	
Pt. 584	Pond	.119	In hand.
520	Arable	2.809	
528	Do.	21.786	
539	Arable and Spinney	7.207	
540	Do.	14.310	
538	Do.	13.704	
518	Hogwood Farmhouse and Buildings	1.209	
519	Road	1.359	
583	Lea Farmhouse and Buildings	.884	
582	Spinney	1.783	
Pt. 583A	Do.	.370	In hand.
566A	Do.	1.684	
363A	Do.	.447	
364A	Do.	.558	
365	Shepperlands Copse	3.030	
366	Do.	18.704	
536	Spinney	1.401	
537	Do.	3.026	
535	Do.	.675	
541	Do.	.639	
529	Do.	2.547	
529A	Pond	.101	In hand.
516	Spinney	1.072	
514	Hogwood Shaw Spinney	4.666	
		Area	315.676

With Vacant Possession.

LOT 3.

(Coloured Pink on Plan.)

O/S No. 367.

Area: 26 poles.

A PICTURESQUE COTTAGE

situated near Shepperlands Copse, built of brick, timbered with tiled roof, and containing :
GROUND FLOOR : Living Room, Kitchen fitted with copper and sink, Larder and Pantry.
FIRST FLOOR : 3 Bedrooms.

There is a wood and corrugated iron Barn and E.C., and an excellent Garden.
 Water is obtained from a well.

Lots 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 17, 18, 19, 20, 21, 22, 23, 24, 25, 26, 27, 28, 29, 30, 31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36, 37, 38, 39, 40, 41, 42, 43, 44, 45, 46, 47, 48, 49, 50, 51, 52, 53, 54, 55, 56, 57, 58, 59, 60, 61, 62, 63, 64, 65, 66, 67, 68, 69, 70, 71, 72, 73, 74, 75, 76, 77, 78, 79, 80, 81, 82, 83, 84, 85, 86, 87, 88, 89, 90, 91, 92, 93, 94, 95, 96, 97, 98, 99, 100

LOT 4.

(Coloured Pink on Plan.)

Area: 3 acres, 1 rood, 21 poles.

The Historical Residence known as

**BANISTERS,
FINCHAMPSTEAD.**

The Charming Elizabethan Residence approached by a long gravelled avenue from the Reading and Finchampstead Road, protected by tall elm trees. The Residence is built of mellowed brick, with a beautiful old tiled roof, and contains:—

GROUND FLOOR:

Entrance Porch, Smoking Room with exposed timbering, Dining Room with exposed timbering, Drawing Room with marble mantel and wood mullioned tracery window, Cloakroom fitted with W.C. and basin.

FIRST FLOOR

is approached by good staircase with turned balusters. There are 6 well proportioned Bedrooms, Dressing Room with small oriel window. W.C. 2 Bathrooms fitted h. and c., H.M. closet and sink.

THE DOMESTIC OFFICES comprise Kitchen, Scullery, Servants' Hall, and Secondary Staircase.

Gas and Water are laid on from District Mains, and Electric Light Mains are also convenient to the property.

THE OUTBUILDINGS comprise:—Tool Shed, Oil House, Wood House, 2 Sta. Stable and Loose Box, Saddle Room, 2 Garages, Granary, Boot Room, 2 W.C.'s.

THE GARDEN

is delightful, and is shaded by ornamental trees and shrubs, with fine lawns and TENNIS COURT. There is also an excellent vegetable Garden and Orchard.

THE MODERN COTTAGE is built of brick with cavity walls and a tiled roof, and contains:—5 ROOMS, BATHROOM AND W.C. A right of access for all purposes to this Cottage is reserved from the back drive at Point A.

The valuable timber in the Avenue will be included in the purchase price of this Lot.

The Freehold of the back drive for a width of 20ft. from the existing fence between Points A. and B. on plan is included in this Lot, with the right on part of the Purchaser to fence same off.

This Lot is sold with the benefit (1) of the existing combined drainage system serving the cottages marked A. and C. on enclosure No. 319 (Lot 6) as now enjoyed subject to payment of half the cost of the cleansing, upkeep and repair of such joint drainage system (2) of the outfall sewerage tanks and drain situate in the enclosure No. 317 on Lot 6 as now used for the residence, "Banisters," and the right to enter thereon at all reasonable times to empty, cleanse, repair and renew the said tanks and drains and the pipes and other apparatus and connections used therewith.

This Lot is also sold subject to the right of the owner or owners for the time being of Lot 6 to a full right of way with animals and vehicles (but not for lorries or other heavy traffic) over and along the Avenue (Nos. 265 and 222) for access to the cottage marked "C" on the plan, and to the other lands of the Vendor comprised in Lot 6 at the sides and rear of Lot 4 as now used and enjoyed, subject to paying one moiety of the expense of the repair and upkeep of the Avenue and roadway, but the gateway at point A. is to be moved as provided in the Note to Lot 6.

Outgoings:—Land Tax £4 2s. 6d.

SCHEDULE.

O.S. No.	Description.	Area.	Remarks.
Pt. 318	House and Grounds	2.191	} Let on lease expiring 25th December, 1935, to Major C. J. Salt, at a net rental of £130 per annum.
319	Cottage	.088	
265	Road	.545	
222	Do.	.130	
223	Spinney	.179	
Pt. 264	Pasture and Road	.250	} Let on lease to Mr. W. J. Borlase expiring 29th September, 1947.
		<u>3.383</u>	

LOT 5. *Just as per*

(Coloured Green on Plan.)

O/S No. 263.

Area: 17 acres, 3 roods, 19 poles.**AN EXCELLENT CLOSE OF PASTURE LAND**

with a frontage of about 750ft. to the Eversley and Finchampstead Road.

Now let on a lease expiring 29th September, 1947, to Mr. W. J. Borlase, at an apportioned rent of £17 per annum.

Note.—The Landlord has the option to determine the Lease upon a calendar month's notice if the land is to be used for any purpose other than agriculture. (See lease dated 30th September, 1926.)

Outgoings:—Apportioned Rectorial Tithe, £7 12s. 9½d. (commuted value).

LOT 6. *Just as per Borlase 1/14/00*(Coloured Blue on Plan.) *plus £206 for Timber***Area: 111 acres, 1 rood, 34 poles.****BANISTER'S FARM,
FINCHAMPSTEAD.**

THE FARM BUILDINGS are chiefly built of brick, wood with tiled roofs, and consist of:—3 Cattle Boxes, a magnificent model Cowhouse for 30, fitted with drinking bowls, wash-hand basin, Dairy and Sterilizing Room, recently erected regardless of expense, Food Room, Large Barn, 2 Loose Boxes, and accommodation for 9 cattle with yard.

Gas is laid on to the buildings from the main.

There is a MODERN BRICK-BUILT COTTAGE with cavity walls and tiled roof, containing 5 Rooms and a Bathroom.

THE ARABLE LAND is very productive, and the pasture is good feeding land, well watered by running streams, pond, or supplied from the main. Included with this Lot is a valuable area of woodland known as "Banister's Copse" and "Poor Copse," etc. The timber has been valued at £260, which must be taken and paid for in addition to the purchase money.

Outgoings:—Land Tax, £1 16s. 3d. Apportioned Rectorial Tithe, £35 7s. 1½d. (commuted value).

SCHEDULE.

O.S. No.	Description.	Area.	Remarks.
Pt. 264	Pasture	39.452	Let on lease to Mr. W. J. Borlase expiring 29th September, 1947, at an apportioned rental of £73.
317	Do.	2.175	
320	Do.	6.895	
587	Do.	5.221	
586	Do.	4.186	
588	Do.	4.841	
Pt. 319	Do. and Cottage	4.083	
Pt. 621A	Arable	9.900	
589	Do.	11.793	
Pt. 264	Do.	5.000	
Pt. 318	Farm Buildings	.550	In hand.
321	Banisters Copse	11.954	
585	Spinney	2.037	
621	Poor's Copse	3.376	Let on lease expiring 25th March, 1933, to Mr. F. Hall, at a net rent of £2 10s. per annum.
		<u>111.466</u>	

Note.—This Lot is sold subject to the right of the owner or owners for the time being of Lot 4 to have the joint benefit and use (1) of the existing combined drainage system serving the cottages marked A. and C. on enclosure No. 319 as now enjoyed subject to the payment of half of the cost of the cleansing, upkeep and repair thereof, and (2) of the full benefit and use of the outfall, sewerage, tanks and drain as now used in connection with the residence, "Banisters," situated in enclosure No. 317, and of free entry thereon at all reasonable times to empty, cleanse, repair and renew the said tanks, drains and all pipes and other apparatus and connections used therewith. This Lot is sold with the benefit of a full right of way in common with others over and along the Avenue and along the roadway between the points marked A. and B. for access to Cottage C. and to the other portions of this Lot situate at the sides and rear of Lot 4 as now used and enjoyed subject to the payment of one moiety of the expense of the repair and upkeep of the Avenue and roadway.

The existing Gateway at Point A. in Plan, from Park Lane Road to the Farm Buildings at the rear of Banisters, is to be moved by the Purchaser of this Lot to the West, clear of the back entrance to Banister's House, so that it does not cross the Freehold of Banisters. A right of access for all purposes is reserved for the benefit of Lot 4 to the Cottage at Point A.

LOT 7.

(Coloured Pink on Plan.)

O/S No. Pt. 264.

Area: 5 acres, 2 roods, 32 poles.

A VALUABLE AREA OF BUILDING LAND

with a frontage of about 930ft. to the Reading and Eversley Road.

Now let on a lease expiring 29th September, 1947, to Mr. W. J. Borlase, at an apportioned rent of £6.

Note.—The Landlord has the option to determine the lease upon a month's notice if the land is to be used for any purpose other than agriculture. (See lease dated 30th December, 1926.)

Outgoings:—Apportioned Rectorial Tithe, £1 16s. 3d. (commuted value).

With Vacant Possession.LOT 8. *Sold**Order 37/10/5*
(Coloured Pink on Plan.)

O/S No. Pt. 620.

Area: 2 acres, 2 roods, 16 poles.**AN AREA OF LAND**

formerly a Gravel Pit, with a frontage of about 130 feet to the road leading to Lea Farm.

Outgoings:—Apportioned Rectorial Tithe, 9s. 9d. (commuted value).

With Vacant Possession.LOT 9. *B L 110*

(Coloured Green on Plan.)

O/S Nos. Pts. 619 and 620.

Area: 3 acres, 38 poles.**AN AREA OF BUILDING LAND**

with a frontage of 350ft. to the Reading and Eversley Road.

This Land is believed to overlie a good bed of gravel.

Outgoings:—Apportioned Rectorial Tithe, 11s. 11½d. (commuted value).

LOT 10. *B L 425*

(Coloured Pink on Plan.)

O/S No. 620A.

Area: 3 roods, 20 poles.

A delightful Small House known as

THE "FIRS,"

situated and having a frontage of about 104 feet on the Reading Road. It is substantially built of brick with slated roof, set well back from the public road, containing:—

GROUND FLOOR:

DRAWING ROOM with bay window, DINING ROOM, BREAKFAST ROOM, KITCHEN, Scullery fitted with sink.

FIRST FLOOR

are 4 well-proportioned BEDROOMS, W.C., BATHROOM fitted with bath and basin (h. and c.).

There is an outside Copper House and Coals.

Water is derived from a well, and gas is laid on from the mains.

There is a good Garden, well shaded with birch trees.

The House is let to Mr. C. J. B. Monypenny on a quarterly tenancy at a rent of £50 per annum nett.

LOT 14.
(Coloured Pink on Plan.)

O/S No. Pt. 590A.

Area: 2 roods, 9 poles.

A splendid corner property suitable for a Garage or Petrol Filling Station, and known as

“WEST COURT” LAUNDRY.

situated in Park Lane.

and having a frontage thereto of about 160 feet, and with a frontage of about 120 feet to the main Reading to Eversley Road.

The House is substantially built of brick with tiled roof, and contains:—

GROUND FLOOR: LIVING ROOM, PARLOUR, Scullery with sink.

FIRST FLOOR: 3 BEDROOMS.

OUTSIDE: Large Washhouse fitted with copper, Ironing Room, E.C., and Garden Shed.

Water is derived from a well, and gas is laid on from the mains.

There is a Good Garden, and Vacant Possession can be obtained of the corner portion.

Let to Mrs. Geo. Mason on a weekly tenancy at a gross rent of £16.

With Vacant Possession.

LOT 15.
(Coloured Pink on Plan.)

O/S Nos. Pts. 372 and 373.

Area: 1 acre, 1 rood, 1 pole.

Known as

SHEPPERLANDS FARM,

PARK LANE.

An attractive Week-end Cottage, part of the interior has been destroyed by fire. It is built of brick, and timbered with tiled roof, and contains on the

GROUND FLOOR:

DINING ROOM with brick fireplace and dog grate, DRAWING ROOM with 2 windows (which has been damaged by fire), KITCHEN fitted sink and rotary pump, Scullery fitted copper, BATHROOM fitted bath, basin, and W.C.

FIRST FLOOR:

3 BEDROOMS and Boxroom. A Wooden Room, match boarded and good floor annexed to House.

Water is derived from a well.

There is a good range of outbuildings constructed of wood, with slated or corrugated iron roofs, including:—

Garage for 3 cars, 2 Storage Sheds, and Stable for 3.

There is a Garden and Paddock surrounding the Buildings.

Outgoings:—Land Tax, 7s. 6d.

Special Conditions of Sale.

1. These Conditions shall be read and construed with the National Conditions of Sale (11th Edition, 1930) which shall apply (except the provision as to placing the balance of purchase money on deposit at a Bank pending completion) to all the Lots described in the preceding Particulars of Sale, forming part of the West Court Estate and held therewith, as modified by these Special Conditions. A print of the said National Conditions can be inspected by appointment if desired at the Offices of the Vendors' Solicitors, Messrs. Rider, Heaton, Meredith & Mills, 8, New Square, Lincoln's Inn, London, and each Purchaser shall buy subject to and with notice of such Conditions of Sale whether he inspects the same or not.

2. The Deposit shall be 10 per cent. of the purchase money and shall be paid to the Auctioneers, Messrs. Jackson Stops & Staff, of Stops House, Queen Street, Mayfair, as to Lots 1 to 13 inclusive as Agents for the Settled Land Act Trustees of the Vendor and as to Lots 14 and 15 as Agents for the Vendors of those Lots.

3. The date for the completion of the respective purchases shall be the 29th September, 1930.

4. As to Lots 2 and 6 the timber upon these Lots has been valued by the Auctioneers for the purposes of this sale at the amounts stated in the Particulars and such timber shall be taken and paid for by the respective Purchasers of these Lots in addition to the amount of his purchase money of such Lots. For the purposes of the Conditions of Sale the expression "purchase money" shall include (unless repugnant to the context) the said sums stated in the Particulars as the respective prices to be paid in respect of such timber.

5. As to Lots 1 to 13, inclusive, the Vendor is selling as Tenant for life under the powers conferred by the Settled Land Act, 1925. And as to Lots 14 and 15 the respective Vendors will each convey as Beneficial Owner.

The Title to the various Lots shall commence with the following Conveyances, namely:—

As to **Lot 1** with a Conveyance dated 4th December, 1885.

As to the greater part of **Lot 2** with the said Conveyance of 4th December, 1885, as to a further portion with a Conveyance dated 11th November, 1903, and as to the remainder of the Lot with a Conveyance dated 25th October, 1904.

As to **Lot 3** with the said Conveyance of 4th December, 1885.

As to **Lots 4 and 5** with a Conveyance of 11th May, 1909.

As to **Lot 6** with the following Conveyances, namely: As to the greater part dated 11th May, 1909; as to a further portion dated 23rd September, 1904; as to another portion dated 25th October, 1904; as to another portion dated 25th March, 1902, and as to the remainder dated 20th March, 1907.

As to **Lot 7** with the said Conveyance of 11th May, 1909.

As to **Lot 8** with 2 Conveyances, one dated 14th November, 1906, and the other dated 1st June, 1904.

As to **Lot 9** with the said Conveyance dated 1st June, 1904.

As to **Lot 10** with a Conveyance dated 11th November, 1907.

As to **Lots 11, 12 and 13** with the said Conveyance of 14th November, 1906.

As to **Lot 14** with three Conveyances, one dated 14th February, 1898, to J. R. Dixon, and two Conveyances dated 4th March, 1902, from J. R. Dixon and A. R. Dixon respectively to the Vendor of this Lot.

As to **Lot 15** with a Conveyance dated 14th February, 1898.

6. The Vendor reserves for himself his heirs and assigns owner or owners for the time being of Lot 1 and persons authorised by him or them the full free and uninterrupted right at all times after the completion of the purchase (and in the meantime) to enter and remain upon such parts of enclosure No. 419 pt. of Lot 2 for the purpose of erecting or laying upon or in the said enclosure such drains standpipes pipes tanks and apparatus and of inspecting repairing renewing and cleansing the drains branches connections standpipes tanks and other apparatus used in connection with the drainage of Lot 1 and the full and free and uninterrupted right at all times to discharge sewage effluent on to the soil of the enclosure No. 419 and any part or parts thereof. The persons exercising such rights shall carry out all works with all reasonable speed doing as little damage as possible and making reasonable compensation for any damage caused to crops by reason thereof.

7. In the case of the purchase of any Lot which forms part of the holding of which the Purchaser is Tenant such Purchaser shall if required give up possession to the Vendor of the remainder of the land forming his holding (and which is not included in the Lot purchased by him) on the 29th September, 1930, subject to an adjustment of his rent as apportioned by the Auctioneers in accordance with the Particulars of Sale. Each Purchaser shall accept the apportionment of rents set out in the Particulars of each Lot and shall not require the Tenants consent or any legal apportionment to be obtained thereto and National Condition 6 (5) shall be amended accordingly. The Vendor reserves the right to give notice before completion to determine any tenancy affecting two or more Lots under any power reserved to him in the Lease thereof and if and so far as the Vendor may require, the Vendor and any Purchaser shall in his Conveyance mutually covenant to concur at any time as and when required in giving notice to determine any tenancy affecting both the property conveyed and also any property of the Vendor not actually sold at the present sale or conveyed to any other purchaser and each Purchaser shall become responsible for all claims by the Tenant whether arising before upon or after the completion of the purchase or the expiration of the tenancy for compensation Tenant right or otherwise payable in respect of the Lot or Lots purchased by him and shall indemnify the Vendor from and against all claims in respect thereof and National Condition No. 12 (3) shall be amended accordingly. Each Purchaser shall on the completion of his purchase pay to the Vendor all rent (not exceeding one half year's rent) then due or accrued and also the Vendor's proportion of the current rent less the proportion of the current outgoings.

8. The Vendor reserves the right to hold a sale by auction after the date of the present sale of the contents of the residence thereon and of any farm stock and effects in or about any Lot or Lots the property of the Vendor but will use all reasonable means to prevent damage to the property by reason thereof.



Memorandum.

At the Sale by Auction, made this day, of the Property described in the foregoing Particulars,

of

was the highest bidder for and was declared the Purchaser of the property described in the within Particulars as Lot at the price of £

and the said has paid to Messrs. Jackson Stops & Staff, as Agents for and on behalf of the Vendor's Settled Land Trustees the sum of £ by way of deposit and in part payment of the purchase money, and hereby agrees to pay the remainder of the purchase money and to complete the purchase according to the foregoing Conditions and the said Jackson Stops & Staff as the Vendor's Agents hereby confirm the said Sale and acknowledge the receipt of the said deposit.

Dated this day of , 1930.

Purchase money	...	...	...	...	£
Less Deposit	...	...	...	...	£
					<hr/>
Balance	...	...	...	...	£
					<hr/>

As Agents for the Vendor

we hereby confirm this contract, and acknowledge to have received the said deposit.

Abstract of Title to be sent to:—

West Coast

1915.

Chas. Ed. Harris St. John.

one of four landowners.

Kellys. (The W. Ct. Est. of 500 acres).

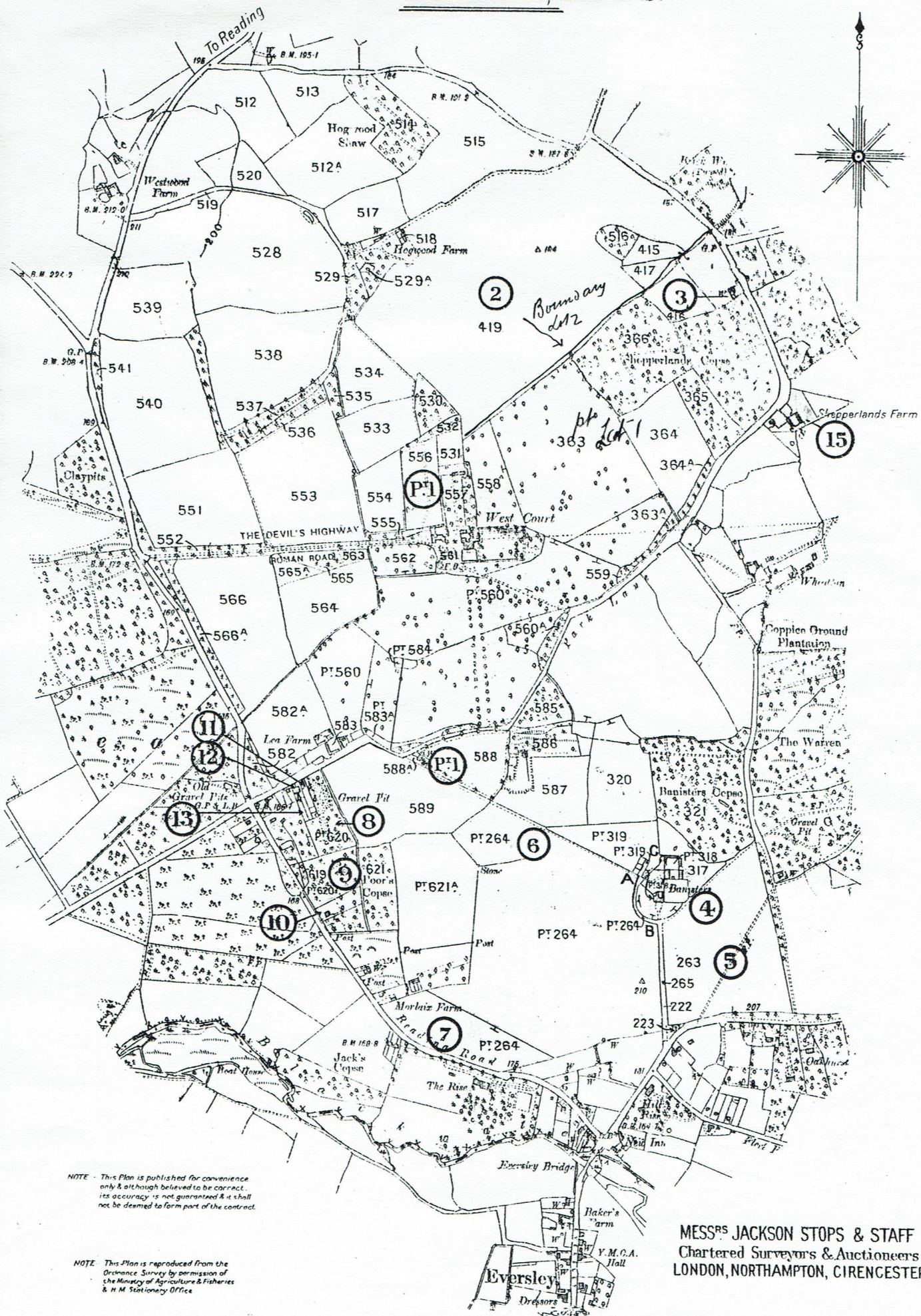
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Geo. Wentworth Darton.

186-196. Day is Robert William Temple, 086.

BW(W)

PLAN OF WEST COURT ESTATE FINCHAMPSTEAD, BERKS.



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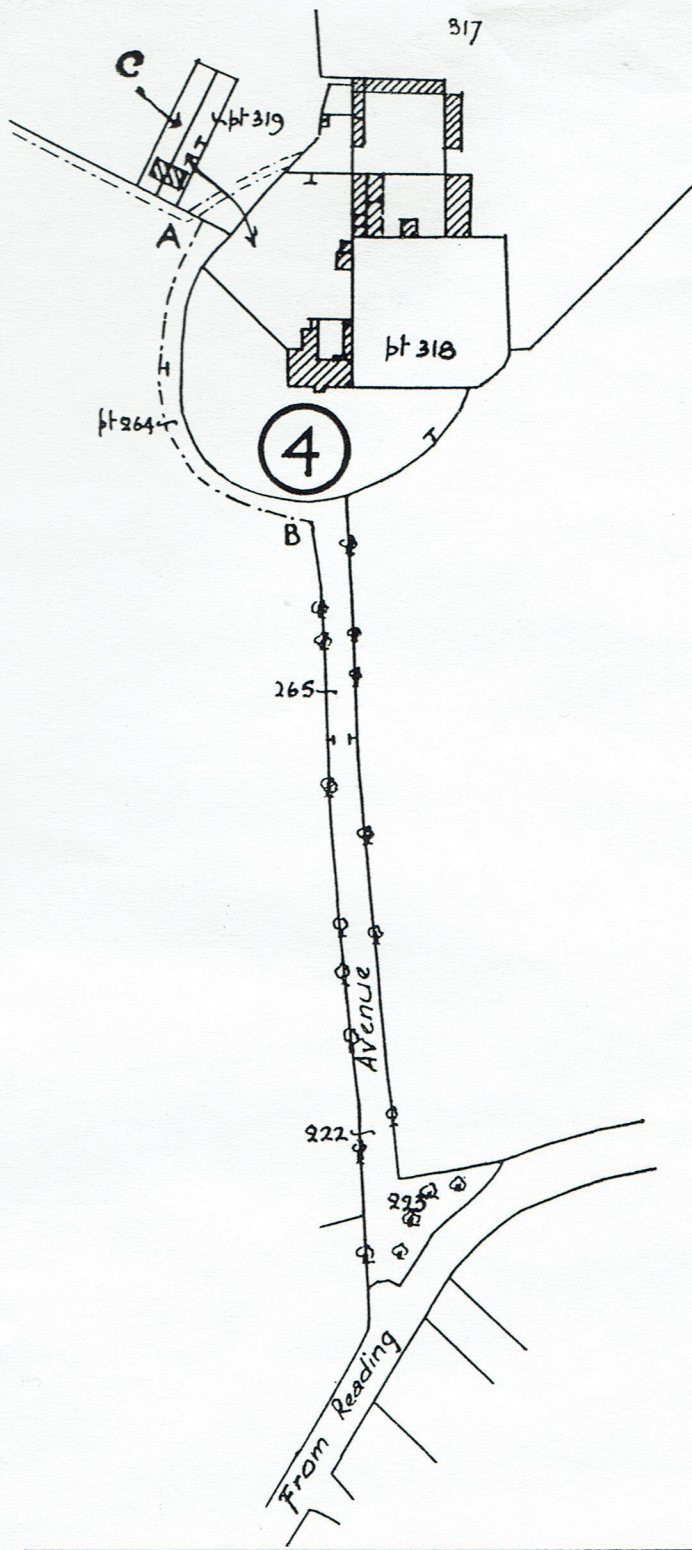
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Scale of Feet

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WEST COURT ESTATE.

25" SCALE.

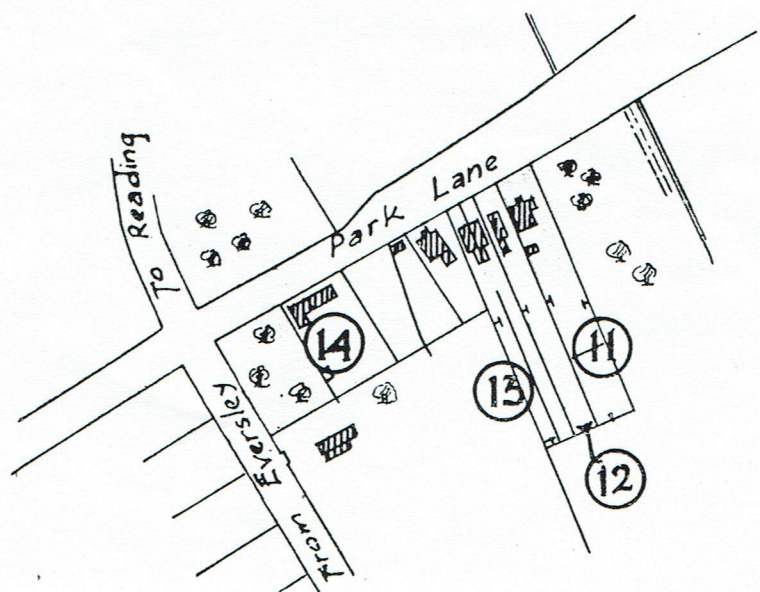


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Cottage Properties

WEST COURT ESTATE.

25" SCALE.



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Chartered Surveyors and Auctioneers,

July 29th 1995

WEST COURT

(from the drive
- Devils Highway)



09 20

New
quarters

Dinner
room

Victoria
Extension

Original 18th
Queen Anne House



Dinner
room

Victoria
Extension

Original



West front
reflected in the lake
(part of old moat?)
filled in 1835



South front reflected in
the lake
(light covered by MIK's coat)



Window of
hall

Porch added
1835
west facade



Original west front

gate leading
to south garden



New living quarters Dining room Victorian extension Hall windows Corner of porch

from old
walked garden



New living quarters

Dining room Victorian extension Original



Rose on south wall
eastern end



South front

← Harris Chest on
Victorian terrace
→ red rose.



Guest bedroom
(pendants room)
Drawing room

Central window
- original porch

Old
bricks
2 1/4"



East wall
Old
Victorian bricks
2 1/2"

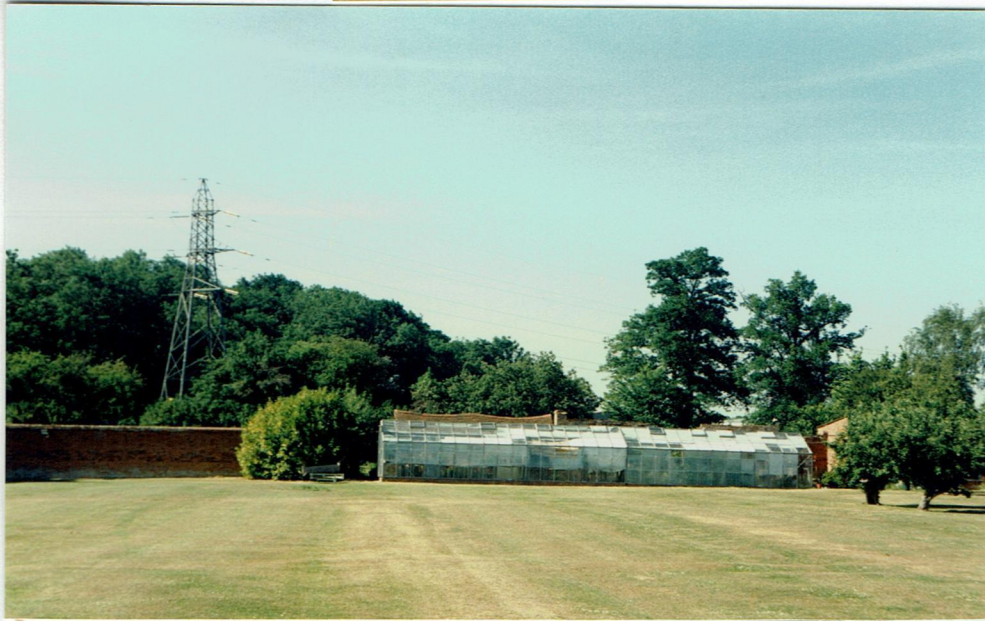


Harris Crest
on
old wall

Harris Crest
on wall of
Victorian
extension



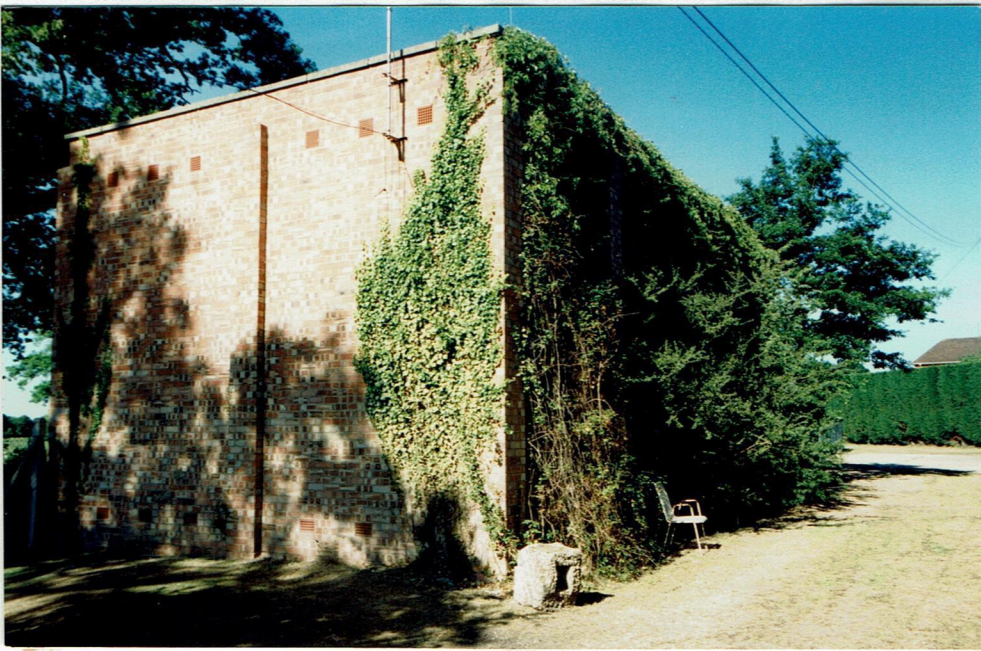
Dining room
joining old
house to new
Sleeping quarters



Old walled
vegetable garden

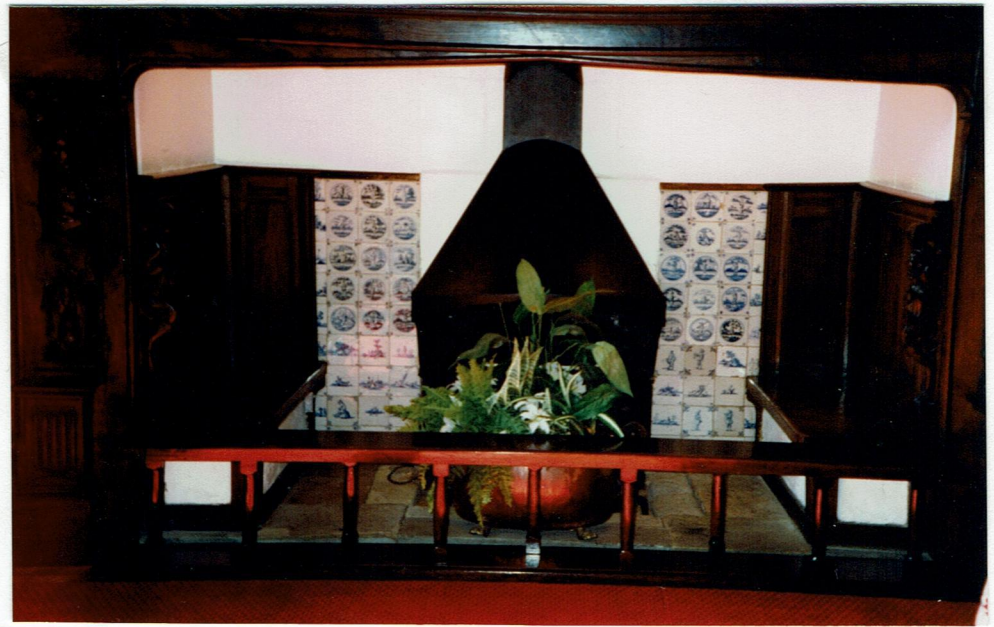
In walled garden
near sewerage pumps





Squash courts
in
site of old stables

Main Hall



Ingle nook



Paneling

Hall

Old window

KHS under

Tattersall Arms



↑
Fireplace

↑
Lander 10
dinner 1000



Tattersall Arms

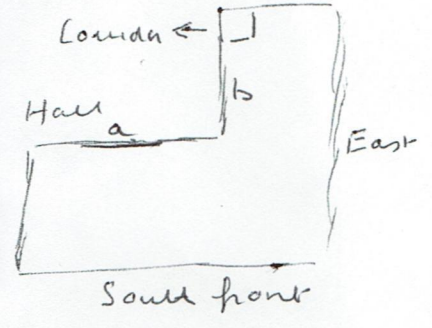
(behind attic - present hole? - doubt/ue)



a
↑
door
to
hall

Drawing

room



Fireplace



b
East angle
Door leading to
Corridor with
David Sheppard's
paintings

Library



Pillars on either
side of mirror
are supports for
overmantle, now
in attic



Overmantle
is
attic

as photographed - upside down

Library

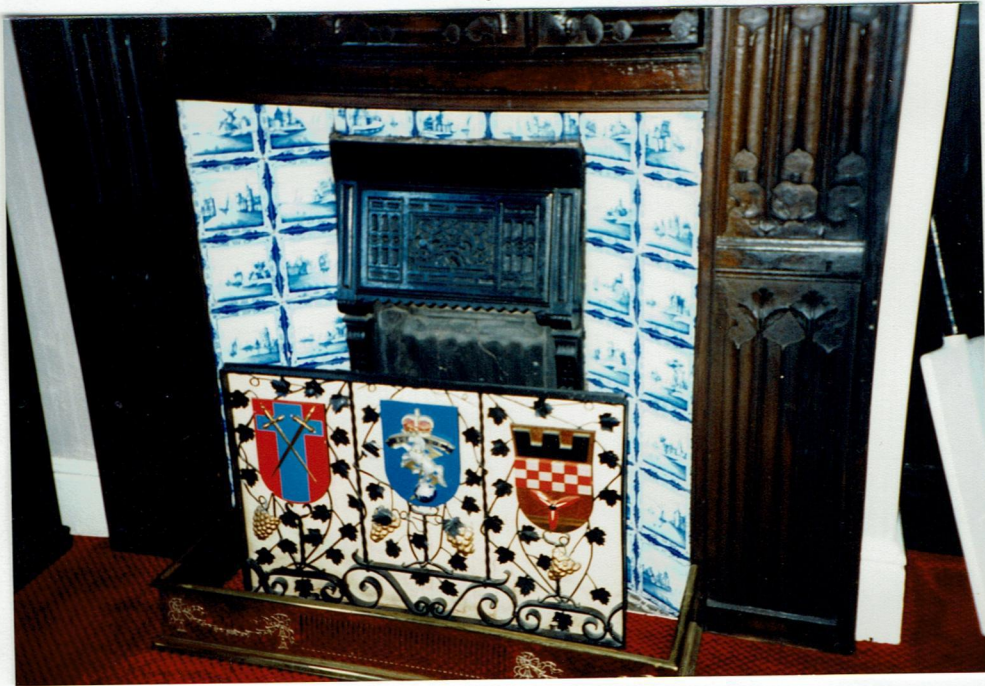
Over mantle
in
library



Photographs
were seen to
show a shadow
b2



Library



Fireplace

Ladies room.



Paneling and reflection
of fire place and mantle



Ladies room.



Major General Sir Bernard Rawcroft



Overmantle



Room 82 - where Mr Green said found steps, under floor board, when putting in bathroom
Also a door would open for no apparent reason



Generals won
Old doorway

Big
Michael
Kneen



Generals room.

Over mantle
Allegorical female
figures of Wisdom,
Justice and the Arts

← Old doorway



Centre: Lemonox
Stewart Arms
(perhaps in memory of
Lady Elizabeth Stewart,
mother-in-law of
Mary and Catherine
Howard, the last of the
Bastard descendants
to own West Court



Bethia Bury Michael
Kneer, window
overlooking
oak avenue



Hall at West Court
(see over for detail of
coat-of-arms.)



Coat-of arms in fireplace

(arrow for loss)



Enlarged detail on coat-of-arms



Arms of Duke of Hennox
in bedroom

Arms of Duke of Hennox in bedroom





Oak avenue - from window
in General's room.



Artic

Model
supporting
timber



Oak avenue looking to south front
from Park house (July 9th)

with
painted
wood



H.M. ~~Elizabeth~~
Queen Elizabeth II

Boder



HRH Prince Philip
Duke of Edinburgh

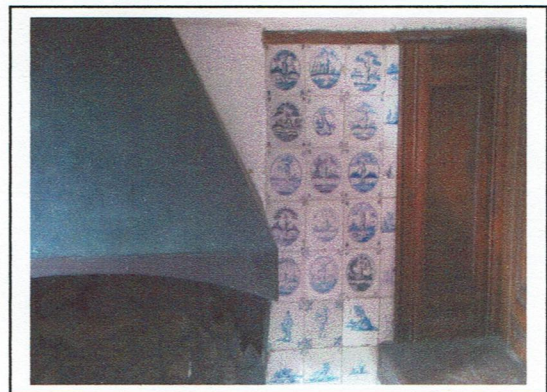
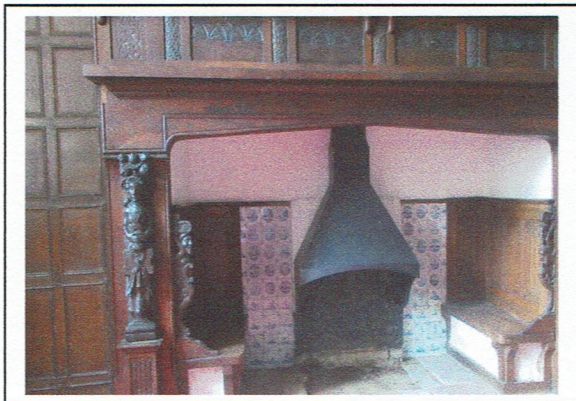
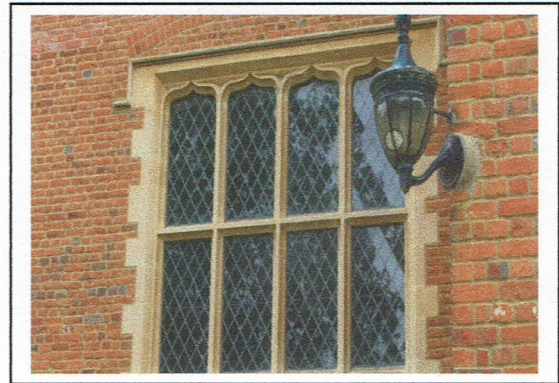
New
dining
room



HRH Princess Marina
Duchess of Kent

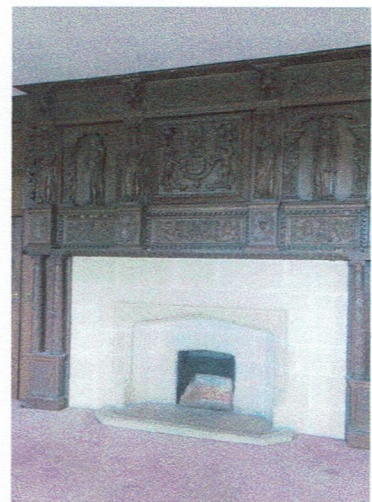
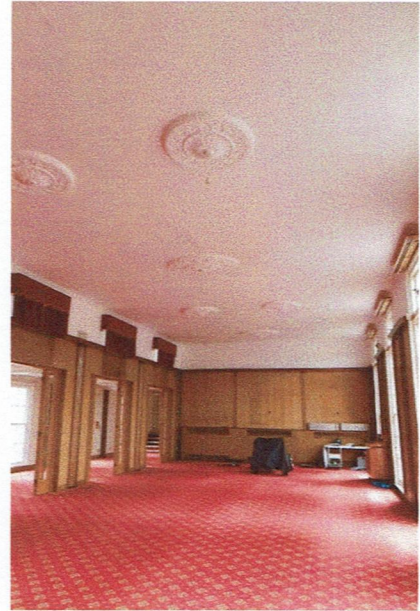
West Court. For sale.

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West entrance view with 17thc building core & 19thc porch on the right end.

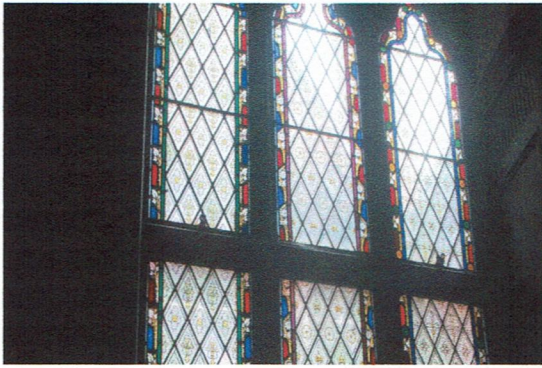
REME crest over entrance. Window to left of entrance. Inglenook fireplace with Delft-style tiles.



REME bar, a reception room and kitchen area. (REME vacated West Court in 2015)

Ground floor overmantel.

First floor overmantel detail and fireplace.

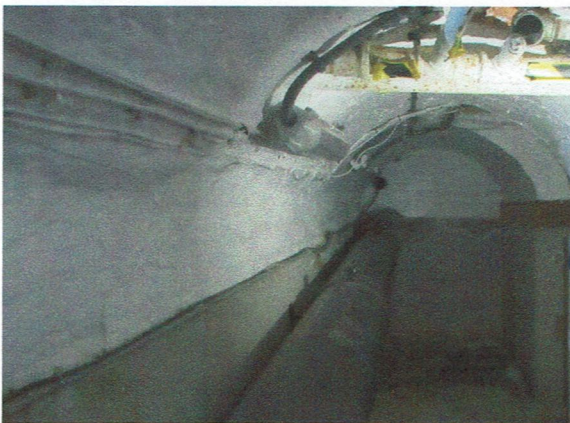


Ground floor stained glass window

Carved overmantel with crest

Decorative tiled bedroom fireplaces

View of garden from the east facade



Beamed bedroom with concealed opening panel in overmantel to reveal wallpaper.
 (Overmantel was probably installed over the early wallpaper at a later date).

Upper room with beams. (Probably servant quarters). Beams with some replacement timbers.

Cellar.

Western approach road to West Court following line of the Roman road.

EAST COURT AND WEST COURT

John Dewhurst

The manor of Finchamstede was owned by King Harold; after his death at Hastings, William naturally took it for his own. Under the feudal system of that time the manor was the basic unit of government; economic legal and military. The manorial court was the source of local justice. The lord had to provide fully armed knights and soldiers as laid down in the terms of his lordship there being no standing army. The lordship was, however, very rewarding. The lord would have quite a lot of the land as his own and, apart from his own serfs, the freemen were required to work on his land for so many days in the year, particularly at busy times such as haymaking or harvest. There were also other sources of income; fines from the court, profits from mills and fisheries and tithes and fees from churches. Lords of the manor often built a church close to the manor house and in early days simply appointed one of their workers as priest regardless of suitability or education.

Finchamstede remained a direct possession of the Crown until some time between 1100 and 1118 when Henry I granted it, with four other lordships to Robert Achard, Lord of Aldermaston, a distinguished Norman knight. Some time before 1135 his son Richard granted the Manor of Finchamstede to Alard Banastre. The manor remained in the hands of the Banastres through successive male heirs until about 1290. There is little doubt that their Manor House and therefore "court" was roughly on the site of the present Manor House and, as would be expected, close to the church which was consecrated in 1150, so clearly built by the Banastres.

Sir William Banastre died in 1299 and, having no son, bequeathed half the manor each to his daughters Constance and Agatha. The sisters had married two cousins John and Peter de la Hoese; Constance, the elder to John and Agatha to Peter. Constance and John took the East Court which included the existing Manor House and Agatha and Peter built a new house for the West Court. The two Courts remained separate up to modern times each passing down the generations, usually, it seems by dynastic marriages and in the case of West Court in a continuous blood line through male and female heirs.

Over the years the powers and privileges of manors were gradually eroded. From early times the King would accept a "fine" in place of actual knights or bowmen; it was probably better to have the money to hire professional soldiers than to rely on the perhaps rather mixed bunch provided by the manors. Also, as a cash economy developed, the lay and ecclesiastical land owners began to "farm" their fisheries, mills, woods and land or in other words to act simply as a landlord taking a rent from those who actually did the work. This became so common that now we call almost any agricultural land a farm. Over the years more and more farms were sold and so became private property. The Manorial Court also gradually lost its powers as the national courts extended their scope. Lordship of manors however persisted and some residual rights remained; some are still contested in court.

Modern times have seen the final extinction of the old order. The St Johns inherited West

Court in 1724 and held it through four different members of the family who were also Rectors of St James'. This was easy for them since they held the advowson of the church giving the right to present the incumbent. Being both squire and parson, they were in the old slang "squarsons". They were also "sporting parsons"; the Rev Henry Ellis St John on succeeding to the property in 1809 immediately bought a pack of fox hounds which he hunted over land to the west of the Loddon; Sherfield, Beech Hill and Stratfield Saye and also took up his duties as Rector. The St Johns remained Rectors of Finchampstead and, until 1847, lived at West Court but then Rev Edward St John moved to the new rectory he had built on the site of what is now Finchampstead House. The old house was let. The last of the squarsons, Edward St John died in 1892 at the age of 97, the Rectory of Finchampstead having been filled by the family for a period of 148 years.

East Court house seems to have been sold away from the manor by Henry Fish-Palmer in about 1728. In the early 1800s Charles Fyshe-Palmer moved to the house now known as East Court.

So all the old dispensations are gone and after over 800 years the old manor house of East Court is no more and West Court is an army officers mess. The lordship is effectively extinct. There is now, it is true, the addition of a North Court and a South Court but these are just names; they have never been "courts" of any kind.

LUNCH FOR NICHOLAS

(We hope Nicholas will be at the lunch as he is back in England)

Finchampstead Sports Club

November 16th At 12.30 pm.

Bric a brac table, Ceramic Christmas Figurines

Tickets at £9 each

from Josie Lawrenson 0118 976 1939, Joyce Hull 01344 772147
and Audrey Metcalf.

Rainbow Playtime

Sing a
Rainbow

Make a
Rainbow

Craft Classes for Pre-school children. Held locally in
Finchampstead Call Keri on 01189732653 for more details
or e-mail keri.bradley@tiscali.co.uk

Music and mess without the clearing up! Each week
children sing songs and make creative articles to a
common theme.

DESCENT OF THE MANOR OF WEST COURT IN FINCHAMPSTEAD, CO BERKS.

in Charlton Hundred 13th Rector of Finchampstead Feb 1299 Rectorius de la Huse

The Manor of FINCHAMPSTEAD originally comprised WEST COURT and EAST COURT and the Advowson of FINCHAMPSTEAD

In 1120 the Manor was held by Aymar BANASTRE (BANISTER-Latin BANASTUS).

1203 William BANASTRE.

1316-72. William BANASTRE.

1290 Sir William BANASTRE =

In 1298 Agatha BANASTRE = Petrus de la HOESE (HUSSEY) Constance BANASTRE = John de la HOESE.

dan/coh

1260

dan/coh

2nd Cousin to Petrus de la HOESE.

Alina (2) = Petrus de la HOESE (1) — ?

(Alina)

age 24. 1307 1361

ob 1361

ob. circa 1360

John HAZELRIDGE took inherited Wills property on a Manor of ROUDON

= Alina de la HOESE (Alina) 1333 1380 ob 1359.

Thomas de la HOESE = — ?

Henry de la HOESE ob. circa 1360.

John de COLNEY = Joan de la HOESE dan/coh 1275. ob. 1360 of PADWORTH (i.e. HUSSEY MANOR)

John de COLNEY (or COLLEE) age 15. 1369. ob 1383 of WEST COURT and 'HUSSEY MANOR'.

Elizabeth — ? = John COLLEE

1377. 1415

Stephan COLLEE

John PARKYNS = Margaret COLLEE d/h 1450/1455 1480 1518.

Dorothy dau = Thomas PARKYNS (PERKINS) Edward MORE of WICHWOOD HANTS 1476 m. 1490 ob 1524.

George TATTERSHALL = Elizabeth dau = (1) Anne (2) William PARKYNS Richard PARKYNS (1) = Elizabeth dau = (2) Sir John MARVYN 1500. ob 1560 Sir John MOMPRESSON ob 1566

William SMITH = Constance TATTERSHALL of HARDWICK ob 1627 age 70 ob 1627 age 70

George TATTERSHALL = Katherine PARKYNS Francis PARKYNS = Anna dau 1591 Edmund PLOWDEN of SHIPPIE OXON 1605 1665

Elizabeth TATTERSHALL = John DONCASTLE 1611 1658 Christopher E. BIGGS of STAPLEFORD WILTS 1658

Thomas of Benthidge Hants 1615 Anne 1615

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Hon Charles HOWARD = Mary TATTERSHALL of GREYSTONE 25th Earl of ARUNDEL 1680. ob 1773 2nd Dorset DORNING SURREY

Catherine TATTERSHALL = (1) Sir Paul LICHFORD of DORNING ob 1727 Doris BRUGSALS d/coh = (2) Hon Bernard HOWARD 25th Earl of ARUNDEL 1642 ob 1717 Doris ST PATRICK MIDD

He sold the Manor of WEST COURT and half Advowson of FINCHAMPSTEAD to James GOODYER in 1704.

Olive ST JOHN

Edward GOODYER = (1) Hester Schuman of DOGHERSFIELD HANTS. 1699 ob 1686 age 87 1599 1686

Ellis MEWS = Christian ST JOHN Olive ST JOHN = Margery d/coh of Francis RIVEST 1666 1699

James GOODYER = John GOODYER = (1) Sarah = (2) Francis ST JOHN = (3) Sarah dau of Sir Hugh STOWLEY 1710 1713 1713 1713

Ellis MEWS = (1) Francis ST JOHN = (2) Sarah dau of Sir Hugh STOWLEY 1713 1713

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ARMIS on HOWARD as to Duke of Norfolk

(COLLEY) 3 circa 1275. d. male 1369 of PADWORTH (C.C. HUSSEY MANOR)

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Henry ST JOHN = Rev Howard ST JOHN = Caroline dau John ROBERTS Esq of WIMBORNE b. 1809. d. 1892

Jessie ST JOHN = Charles Edward HARRIS (illegitimate) b. 1807

- ARMS of HOWARD as for Duke of Brundage ARG a cross SA.
- ARMS of BANISTER OR a papal crown SA.
- HUSSEY Barry of 6 BERM and 6 V.
- BIGGIE ARG on a chief between 3 Martlets SA, 3 unlets OR
- CLIFFE ARG a wavy SA
- PARKYNS OR a fess between 2 Bells SA, a chief quarterly OR and G.U. in the 1/4 2 Red Roses supported
- TATTERSHALL OR a chief between 3 leopards erased on a chief 2 bars nebulee purpuree supported by a (FOX) b. 1776
- GOODYER G.U. a fess between 2 Chevrons VAIK. 3 Chevrons between 3 molets pierced
- ST JOHN ARG a chief G.U. between 2 molets OR.
- HARRIS ARG 3 Hedgehogs SA a horseshoe ermine between
- MERCHANT ADVENTURERS nebulee of 6 ARG and AZ on a chief quarterly OR and G.U. in the 1/4 2 Red Roses supported
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STEEPLE LANGFORD WILTS. FOUNTAIN GIFFORD WILTS. This is descended from P. 5 can be shown. Name as made. After my P. III. K.H. Geo T. was dau Thomas P. = Ann P. III.

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possibly one of the TERRY family of AVINGTON HAUNTS 1611 FARNHAM 1662 ELISHFIELD 1695 LONG SUTTON & STAPLETON 1711 and 1727. X MEWS (MEWES OR MEUX) arms Pale OR & AZ on a Chief G.U. 3 fess forming OR

side admision to John WALTER of Bear Wood 1864

Jessie was dau of Henry ST JOHN (XIV) when did Harin take name. Ann V.C.H. Bucks say 1907 Ann on the W. Lye did not know the a. l. property passed 3 yrs before his brother published.

LORDS OF THE MANOR I. II — XXVII Descend of the Manor — By will By purchase

Withington Murray

OR 2 bars nebulee purpuree supported by a (FOX) b. 1776 3 Chevrons between 3 molets pierced