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**Court held on Wed before the feast of St Denis 18 Henry VI before Richard Samon, mayor, John Ilkeston and John Bate, bailiffs [7 Oct 1439].**

**1** [PUT] Hugh Baxster, by Richard Dalbury his attorney, complains of Adam Knott. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**2** [PUT] William Steward complains of Thomas Gay <essoïn>. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**3** [PUT ? John Crophill], by Richard Dalbury his attorney, complains of Hugh Brockestowe. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. [Put.]

**4** [PUT] The same John, by the same attorney, complains of the same Hugh <essoïn>. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. Put. 27s.6d.

**5** [PUT] Richard Chestrefeld complains of Richard Taverner of Nottingham <day>. Plea: deceit. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**6** ESSOIN Richard Raven def v Henry Hugyn<sup>1</sup> pl. Plea: debt. [Essonr]: Richard Rest. ...

**7** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Mellers <plg> to reply to William Halyfax. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**8** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Tamworth to reply to John Barrowe. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**9** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have the same Richard to reply to the said John. Plea: debt. Second suit. In mercy. Dis.

**10** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have the same Richard to reply to the said John. Plea: debt. Third suit. In mercy. Dis.

**11** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Foston to reply to John Mason, by Robert Cockar condemned (*condepur*). Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**12** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not [have] the same Richard to reply to John Whitelegh. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**13** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Bower to reply to John Etwell. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**14** [INQ] ... jnr in his own person complains of William Joly. Plea: debt of 4s. He says that William on Sun ... the feast of St George 17 Henry VI [19 or 26 Apr 1439] became pledger and fidejussor for Hugh Bladesmyth for [4s. which] he agreed to pay at Whitsun following [24 May 1439] if Hugh should not pay 4s. to John; he paid nothing by which the action accrued to John to seek 4s. from [William]; he paid nothing but refused to pay and still refuses. [Damages]: 12d. He produces suit. William, by Richard Dalbury his attorney, comes and defends the force and says he owes him nothing. [Inq.]

**15** RESPITE M Judgement between Thomas Bladesmyth pl and Roger Brerelegh def rests to the next court as the court was not advised. Day.

**16** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Thomas Benton <plg> and Marion his wife to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.<sup>2</sup>

**17** [ESSOINS]

[Adam Knott def v] Hugh Baxster pl. Plea: debt. Essonr: John Hert.

[Thomas Gay] def v William Steward. Plea: debt. Essonr: Henry Hunt.

Hugh Brokestowe def v John Crophull, *skynner*, pl. Plea: debt. Essonr: John Cost.

The same Hugh def v the same John pl. Plea: debt. Another suit. Essonr: Robert Rich.

**18** DAY Day given between Richard Chestrefeld pl and Richard Taverner def at the wish of the parties to the next [court]. Plea: deceit.

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<sup>1</sup> MS 'John Horspole jnr' crossed through.

<sup>2</sup> MS followed by a large hole.

**19** [PUT] John Barrowe complains of Richard Tamworth. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. [Put.]

**20** [PUT] The same John complains of the same Richard. Plea: debt. Second suit. [Summoned. Does not come. Put.]

**21** [PUT] The same John complains of the same Richard. Plea: debt. Third suit. [Summoned. Does not come. Put.]

**22** M DIS [The bailiffs because they do not] have Thomas Benton and Marion his wife to reply to John Dorham. [Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.]

**23** M [DIS The bailiffs because they do not have] John Bower to reply to John Etwell. Plea: debt. [In mercy. Dis.]

**24** [M DIS] The jurors between Nicholas Bocher pl ..., and between Thomas Lynges and Thomas Benton def, did not come: ..., William Martendale, Robert Cook, *corviser*, John ..., John Pentrich, John Sele, Tristram [Foljamb], ..., *coteler*, John Baker, *kerver*, Thomas Swynderby, ... Flyntham. In mercy. [Dis.]

**25** [M] ... John Mason and Robert Cockar lately bailiffs, complain of Richard ... [Plea: debt of 5s.] Charged for 15 court days [before] this court. Did not appear. [Defaulted. On which defaults come John Mason and Robert Cockar and seek] ... [and] their debt with damages [to have been adjudged to themselves. Adjudged that John and Robert] should recover v Richard 5s. and 4d. damages. In [mercy].

**Court held on Wed after the feast of All Saints [18 Henry VI] [4 Nov 1439].**

**26** [PUT] Simon Ilkeston <essoyn> complains of Hugh Brockestowe. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. [Put.]

**27** [PUT Hugh] Gretewell complains of Thomas Roley. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. [Put.]

**28** [PUT] ... complains of Richard Boney snr. Plea: debt. [Summoned. Does not come. Put.]

**29** [PUT Hugh] Gretewell complains of Thomas Irenmonger. Plea: debt.  
[Summoned. Does not come. Put.]<sup>3</sup>

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**Court held on Wed before ... [18 Henry VI] [?18 Nov 1469].**

**30** PUT Thomas Hunston jnr [complains of Edmund Wodehall]. Plea: debt.  
Summoned. Does not come. [Put.]<sup>4</sup>

**31** [PUT] John ... [complains of] William Brook. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not  
come. [Put.]

**32** LEVY M [Found by inq that] Thomas Benton owes Thomas Lynges 21d.  
Adjudged that [Thomas Lynges should recover v] Thomas Benton 21d. and 3d.  
damages. In mercy. Precept to levy.

**33** DIS Nicholas Bochre np v William Brook. Plea: debt. In mercy.

**34** M William Jole for a licence to agree with John Horspole jnr in mercy. Plea:  
debt.

**35** ESSOINS

Simon Ilkeston pl v Hugh Brockestowe def. Plea: debt. [Essonr]: John ...  
Hugh Gretewell def <day> v Thomas Alestre pl. Plea: debt. Essonr: Robert Rich.

**36** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Thomas Roley to reply to Hugh  
Gretewelle. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**37** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Boney snr to reply to the  
said Hugh. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

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<sup>3</sup> MS followed by an unknown number of illegible entries.

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**38** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have the same Richard to reply to Simon Ilkeston. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**39** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have] ... Waltham to reply to William Jole. Plea: detinue. In mercy. Dis.

**40** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have] Roger Hunt to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**41** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Thomas Gay ?] to reply to William Steward. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

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**Court held on Wed after the feast of St Andrew [18 Henry VI] [2 Dec 1439].**

**42** [PUT] ... complains of John Fossebrook, *corviser*. Plea: debt of 17s. Summoned. Does not come. [Put.]

**43** [PUT] ... complains of Henry Strynger. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**44** ... William Brook complains of Nicholas Bochor. Plea: trespass against the king's peace. Attached by [his] body. Charged. Did not appear. Defaulted. Reattach. ... William to make the king's fine as he did not have Nicholas ...

**45** [PUT]

Geoffrey Kneton complains of Hugh Brockestowe and Richard Hosteler. Plea: debt. Summoned. Do not come. [Put.]

... William Lynges complains of John Smyth, *bochor*. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**46** LEVY M Found by inq that John Ferrour, *flech'*, owes John Mason jnr 2s. Adjudged [that] John Mason should recover v John Ferrour 2s. and 1d. damages. In mercy. Precept to levy.

**47** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Edmund Wodehall <licence> to reply to Thomas Hunston jnr. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**48** [DAY Day given between] Thomas Alestre pl and Hugh Gretewell def at the wish of the parties to the next [court]. Plea: debt.

**49** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have Thomas Roley to reply to Hugh Gretewell. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**50** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Boney snr to reply to the said Hugh. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**51** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have the same Richard to reply to Simon Ilkeston. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**52** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have [Roger Hunt] to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**53** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have Thomas [Gay] to reply to William Steward. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

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**Still the court held on Wed after the feast of St Andrew 18 Henry VI [2 Dec 1439].**

**54** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Tamworth to reply to John Barrowe. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis. <He owes 5s.8d. for 17 days in autumn reaping [and] mowing paid at Michaelmas 14 Henry VI [29 Sept 1435]. Not guilty. Inq.>

**55** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have the same Richard to reply to the said John. Plea: debt. Another suit. In mercy. [Dis.] <He owes 21 days driving ... harrowing paid at Michaelmas 13 Henry VI [29 Sept 1434]. He says he owes him nothing. Inq.>

**56** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have the same Richard to reply to the said John. Plea: debt. Third suit. In mercy. Dis. <He owes 22d. and a ... at the

feast of the nativity of St John the Baptist [24 June], paid at the feast of St Peter advincula [1 Aug]. He say he owes him [nothing].>

**57** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Hugh Brockestowe <day> to reply to John Crophill. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**58** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have the same Hugh <day> to reply to the said John. Plea: debt. Another suit. In mercy. Dis.

**59** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Raven to reply to Henry Hugyn. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**60** [M] ... Thomas More complains of Nicholas Coton. Plea: debt. Nicholas acknowledges and paid. In mercy.

**61** INQ William Lynges in his own person complains of John Smyth, *bochr'*. Plea: trespass against the king's peace. He says that John on Sat ... Michaelmas 18 Henry VI [26 Sept or 3 Oct 1439] with force and arms (staff) took and carried off 20 wool skins (*cum bene lanat'*) worth 6s.8d. Damages: 10s. He produces suit. John in his own person comes and says he is not guilty. Inq.

**62** [LEVY M] Thomas Benton and Marion his wife charged for 15 court days at the suit of John Dorham. Plea: [debt of 3s.8d.] ... for stockfish bought [from him] ... Easter last [5 Apr 1439], which they should have paid at the feast of the invention of the [H]C following [3 May 1439]. Thomas [and Marion] charged for 15 court days. Did not appear. 15 defaults. On which defaults [comes] John and seeks judgement and his debt with damages to have been adjudged to himself. [Adjudged] that John should recover v Thomas and Marion 3s.8d. and 4d. damages. [In mercy. Precept to levy.]

**63** [INQ] ... Smyth. Plea: detinue. He says he owes and unjustly detains 9 *dowbles* of iron worth ... [which] he should have delivered at Michaelmas [29 Sept 1439]; he delivered nothing but unjustly detains. Damages: 12d. He produces suit. ...

**64** ... William Lynges complains of the same John. Plea: debt of 4s.8d. ...

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**65** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have John Smyth <acknowledges> to reply to William Lynges. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**66** [M] Edmund Wodhall for a licence to agree with Thomas Hunston jnr in mercy. Plea: debt.

**67** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have William Brook to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**68** M Hugh Brockestowe for a licence to agree with Simon Ilkeston in mercy. Plea: debt.

**69** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Hugh Gretewell <day> to reply to Thomas Alestre. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**70** LEVY M Thomas Roley acknowledges 24s.2d. v Hugh Gretewell. Plea: debt. Thomas, by Richard [Dalbury his attorney], comes and acknowledges 14s.2d. Damages discharged. In mercy. Precept to levy.

**71** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Boney snr to reply to the said Hugh. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**72** M Simon Ilkeston [for a licence to agree with] Richard Boney snr in mercy. Plea: debt.

**73** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Roger [Hunt to reply to] John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**74** M Thomas Gay for a licence to agree with William Steward in mercy. Plea: debt.

**75** DAY Day given between John Crophill <np> [pl and] Hugh Brockestowe def at the wish of [the parties] to the next [court]. Plea: debt.



**76** DAY Day given between John ...<sup>5</sup> [pl] and the same Hugh <licence> def in another suit at the wish of the parties to the next [court]. Plea: debt.

**77** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Raven to reply to Henry Hugyn. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis. <He says he owes him nothing. Inq.>

**78** [DAY Day] given between Richard Chestrefeld pl and Richard Taverner def at the wish [of the parties] to the next [court]. Plea: deceit.

**79** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Foston to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.<sup>6</sup>

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**80** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have] John Fossebrook to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. [In mercy. Dis.]

**81** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Smyth], *bochr'*, to reply to William Lynges. Plea: debt. [In mercy. Dis.]

**82** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have] William Brook to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**83** [DAY Day given between] Thomas Alestre [pl and] Hugh Gretewell def at the wish [of the parties to the next court]. Plea: debt.

**84** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have] Roger Hunt to reply [to John Wylbram]. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**85** [M John Crop]hill np v [Hugh Brockestowe] in mercy. Plea: debt.

**86** [M Hugh Brocke]stowe for a licence to agree with John Crophull in mercy. Plea: debt.

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<sup>5</sup> MS surname omitted.

<sup>6</sup> MS followed by two illegible entries.

**87** [DAY Day] given between Richard Chestrefeld pl and Richard Taverner def at the wish [of the parties to the next court]. Plea: deceit.

**88** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Foston to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**89** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Wodhall, *barbour*, to reply to John Dokett jnr. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**90** M William Lynges np v John Smyth, *bochr'*, in mercy. Plea: trespass against the [king's] peace.

**91** [INQ] ... Henry Hugyn complains of Richard [Raven]. Plea: debt of 5s.6d. He says that Richard owes and unjustly detains 5s.6d. for a half quarter of malt (*bras' orde*), which Richard should have paid at Michaelmas 18 Henry VI [29 Sept 1439]; he paid nothing but refused to pay and still refuses. Damages: ... He produces suit. Richard in his own person comes and defends the force and says he owes him nothing. [Inq.]

**92** [INQ] ...John Dorham complains of John in le Wroo of Nottingham and William Lynges of the same. Plea: debt of 12s. He says that John in le Wroo and William Lynges at Whitsun 17 Henry VI [24 May 1439] became the pledgers and fidejussors of John Brockestowe of Nottingham and agreed to pay John Dorham 12s. at the feast of St Martin following [11 Nov 1439] if John Brockestowe [should not pay]; he did not pay by which the action accrued [to John Dorham] to seek v [John] in le Wroo and William 12s.; [they paid nothing but] refused to pay and still refuse. Damages: ... John in le Wroo and William in their own persons come and defend the force and say [they owe him] nothing. [Inq.]

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**93** [PUT] William Jell complains of Robert Cotyngham. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**94** M Hugh Bladesmyth for a licence to agree with Katherine Manchestre in mercy. Plea: debt.

**95** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Esthwayt snr <licence> to reply to Thomas Were. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**96** M Edward Coteler for a licence with John Mason, *ymager*, in mercy. Plea: debt.

**97** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Alice North <licence> to reply to William Steward. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**98** [M] Thomas Tapeter for a licence to agree with John Philyppes, *corviser*, in mercy. Plea: debt.

**99** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not] have John Fossebrook, *corviser*, to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**100** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have William] Brook to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**101** [DAY Day given between] Thomas Alestre pl and Hugh Gretewell def at the wish of the parties to the next [court]. Plea: debt.

**102** [M Thomas Roley] snr acknowledges 24s.2d. v the same Hugh. Plea: debt. In mercy. Precept to levy.

**103** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Roger Hunt to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.<sup>7</sup>

**104** DAY Day given between Richard Chestrefeld pl and Richard Taverner def at the wish of the parites to the next [court]. Plea: deceit.

**105** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Foston to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**106** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Wodhall, *barbour*, to reply to John Dokett jnr. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

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<sup>7</sup> MS formulae for a 'precept to levy'.

**107** M Hugh Brockestowe and Richard Hosteler for a licence with Geoffrey Kneton in mercy. Plea: debt.

**108** [INQ] ... John Dorham, by Richard Dalbury his attorney, complains of Thomas Hunston, chaplain, and Richard Hosteler. Plea: debt of 8s. He says [that] Thomas and Richard owe and unjustly detain 8s. for the pledge of John Alen and Alice his wife, which they should have paid at the feast of St Peter advincula 17 Henry VI [1 Aug 1439]; they paid [nothing] but refused to pay and still refuse. Damages: 2s. He [produces suit]. Thomas and Richard, by Thomas Hunston jnr their attorney, come and defend the force and say they owe him [nothing. Inq.]

**109** [M DIS The jurors between William Bower ?] and Henry Strynger, and between John Barrowe and Richard Tam[worth] in 3 suits, did not come: ... Wodhall, William Alen, Henry Sotheron, William Couper, Richard Calton, John Pentrich. In mercy. [Dis.]

[Roll 3]

**Court held on Wed after the feast of the conversion of St Paul 18 Henry VI [27 Jan 1440].**

**110** PUT William Brodholm complains of John Sele <essoin>. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**111** LEVY M Henry Strynger acknowledges 12d. v William Bower. Plea: debt. Damages assessed at 2d. In mercy. Precept to levy.

**112** M Richard Tamworth for a licence to agree with John Barrowe in mercy. Plea: debt.

**113** M The same Richard for a licence to agree with the same John in another suit in mercy. Plea: debt.

**114** M The same Richard for a licence to agree with the same John in a third suit in mercy. Plea: debt.

**115** M Richard Raven acknowledges 5s.6d., by Richard Dalbury, v Henry Hugyn. Plea: debt. Damages assessed at 1d. In mercy. Precept to levy.

**116** ESSOIN Robert Cotyngham def v William Jell pl. Plea: debt. Essonr: Richard Hunt.

**117** AGAINST The jurors between John Dorham pl <rests> and John in le Wroo and William Lynges defs [in respite] against the next [court] to the close of Easter [3 Apr 1440] at the mayor's precept. Plea: debt.

**118** M John Esthwayt snr for a licence to agree with Thomas Ewer in mercy. Plea: debt.

**119** PAID M Alice North for a licence to agree with William Steward in mercy. Plea: debt.

**120** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Fossebrook, *corviser*, to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**121** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have William Brook to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**122** DAY Day given between Thomas Alestre pl and Hugh Gretewell def at the wish of the parties to the next [court]. Plea: debt.

**123** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Roger Hunt to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**124** DAY Day given between Richard Chestrefeld pl and Richard Taverner def at the wish of the parties to the next [court]. Plea: deceit.

**125** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Foston ?] to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**126** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Wodhall], *barbour*, to reply to John Dokett. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**Court held on Wed the feast of St Scholastica in the above year [17 Feb 1440].**

**127** ESSOIN Thomas Hunston, chaplain, and Richard Hosteler defs v John Dorham pl. [Plea: debt.]

Rest of the court session cannot be read as a large hole.

**Court held on Wed after the feast of St Peter in cathedra in the above year [24 Feb 1440].**

**128** ESSOIN John Wodhall, *barbour*, def v John Dogette, *spycer*, pl. Plea: debt. Essonr: John Hunt.

**129** PUT John Kylton in his own person complains of Magot Baylly. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. [Put.]

**130** M Edmund Whetelegh complains of John Wylbram. Plea: debt. John for a licence in mercy.

**131** M The same Edmund complains of Richard Flechre. Plea: debt. Richard for a licence in mercy. Plg: Thomas ...

**132** M Thomas ... for a licence with John Dorham in mercy. Plea: debt.

**133** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John [in] le [Wroo] to reply to William Brodeholm. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis. <He says he owes him nothing. Inq.>

**134** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Robert Co[tyngnam] to reply to William Jell. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**135** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Fossebrook, *corviser*, to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**136** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have William Brook to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: [debt]. In mercy. Dis.

**137** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Roger Hunt to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**138** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Foston to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**139** DAY Day given between Richard Chestrefeld pl and Richard Taverner at the wish of the parties to the next [court]. Plea: deceit.

**140** [PUT John] Balthwayt complains of John Forde. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**[Court] held on Wed before the feast of St Gregory the Pope in the above year [9 Mar 1440].**

**141** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Wodhall], *barbour*, to reply to John Doget, *spycer*. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**142** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Magot] Baylly to reply to John Kylton. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**143** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Robert] Cotyngnam to reply to William Jell. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**144** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have] John Fossebrook, *corviser*, to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**145** [M DIS The bailiffs because] they do not have William Brook to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**146** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have] Roger Hunt to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**147** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have] Richard Foston to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**148** [DAY Day given between] Richard Chestrefeld pl and Richard Taverner def [at the wish of the parties to the next court]. Plea: [deceit].

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**Court held on Wed before the feast of the annunciation of the BVM in the said year [23 Mar 1440].**

**149** [PUT] William Steward complains of Thomas Gaye. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**150** [PUT] Hugh Bladesmyth <np> complains of William Wa[de] and John Smyth ... Plea: ...<sup>8</sup> Summoned. Do not come. [Put.]

**151** [PUT] John Dogett, *spycer*, complains of William W... and John ... Plea: debt. Summoned. [Do not come. Put.]

**152** [PUT] John Horspole jnr complains of William [Lynges]. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**153** ... John Wodehall ... John Dogett, *spycer*. Plea: debt. Damages ...

**154** [M] ... [Margot Baylly for a licence] to agree with John Kylton [in mercy]. Plea: debt.

**155** [M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have] Robert Cotyngham to reply to William Jell. Plea: debt. [In mercy. Dis.]

**156** [M DIS The bailiffs because] they do not have John Fossebrook, *corviser*, to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. [In mercy. Dis.]

**157** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have William Brook to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. [In mercy. Dis.]

**158** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have Roger Hunt to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. [In mercy. Dis.]

**159** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have Richard [Foston] to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**160** [DAY] Day given between Richard [Chestre]feld pl and Richard Taverner def at the wish of the parties [to the next court]. Plea: deceit.



**161** [M DIS The bailiffs because] they do not have John [Forde] to reply to [John] Balthwayt. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**[Court held on Wed] ... the Apostle in the above year [? 6 Apr 1440].**

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**162** Hugh Bladesmyth np v William Wade and John Smyth lately bailiffs. Plea: debt. In mercy.

**163** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have William Lynges to reply to John Horspole jnr. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**164** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have John Fossebrook, *corviser*, to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis. <He owes 16s. for the pledge ... at the feast of St ... [He says] he owes him nothing. Inq.>

**165** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have William Brook to reply to John Wilbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**166** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have Roger Hunt to reply to John Wilbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**167** [DAY Day given between] Richard Chestrefeld pl and Richard Taverner def at the wish of the parties to the next [court]. Plea: deceit.

**168** ... owed [for] 4 yards of frieze (*fryse*) cloth worth 3s.8d. ...

**169** [INQ PLG] PROS [AS] ABOVE William Jell complains of Robert Cotyngnam. Plea: debt of 4s. for ale; he paid nothing. [Robert] says [he owes him] nothing. ...

**170** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have John Ford to reply to John Balthwayt. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

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**Court held on Wed before the feast of St George 18 Henry VI [20 Apr 1440].**

**171** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Forde to reply to John Balth[wayt]. Plea: debt of barley. In mercy. Dis.

**172** [PUT] John Dorham and Richard Dalby complain of John Fossebrook, *corviser*. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**173** [PUT] The same John and Richard complain of Thomas Baceford <essoïn>. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**174** [M] John Dogett, *spycer*, np v William Wade and John Smyth lately bailiffs. Plea: debt. In mercy.

**175** [ESSOIN] Magot Baylly def v Katherine Manchestre. Plea: debt. Essonr: John West.

**176** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have William Lynges to reply to John Horspole jnr. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**177** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have William Brook to reply to John Wylbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**178** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Roger Hunt to reply to John Wilbram. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**179** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Foston to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**180** DAY Day given between Richard Chestrefeld pl and Richard Taverner def at the wish of the parties to the next [court]. Plea: deceit.

**181** [INQ] ... John Dorham, by Richard Dalbury his attorney, complains of John Fossebrook, *corviser* <he owes nothing. Inq. Essoin>. Plea: debt ... [He says that] John Fossebrook owes and unjustly detains ... of Cotgrave; [he paid nothing

but refused to pay] and still refuses. Damages: ... He produces suit. John Fossebrook in his own person comes and says he owes him nothing. [Inq.]

**Court held on Wed after the feast of the invention of the HC in the above year [4 May 1440].**

**182 ENROLMENT** To this [court comes Geoffrey Kneton] offering [a charter which Thomas of] Sutton of Mansfield [and Margaret his wife made to him]. Thomas and Margaret, [being present in court, assert the charter to be theirs] lawfully made to Geoffrey and seek the charter to be read, publicly pronounced and enrolled. Allowed. Grant by Thomas of Sutton of Mansfield and Margaret his wife to Geoffrey Kneveton of Nottingham of their capital messuage called *le Normantonbarnes* lying between ... Segrave and the tenement of the chantry sometime of John Plomptre on the southern part and the chantry of St Mary's church, Nottingham, ... on the northern part; it abutts towards the east on the ditch of Nottingham and *le Tylehouses* and on ..., for an annual rent of 10s.4d. at [2] terms (nativity of St John the Baptist, Christmas) ...<sup>9</sup>

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Date of the court session cannot be read [?18 May 1440]. There are entries for 2 essoins and 5 entries beginning M DIS The bailiffs ... but the names cannot be read.

**183 LEVY M** John W[ilbram complained] of William Brook of Nottingham. Plea: debt of 8s. ... 15 defaults. On which defaults comes John [and seeks judgement and his debt] with damages [to have been adjudged to himself]. Adjudged that John Wilbram should recover v William 8s. ... In mercy. Precept to levy.<sup>10</sup>

**184 [M DIS The jurors between] ... [did not come]:** John Swyllington, Richard Raven, Richard Innocent, John Sellers, Richard Parker, Richard A..., ... Coteler, Robert Clerk, *skynner*, John Annesley. In mercy. Dis.

**185 [M]** John Balthwayt for a licence to agree with Nicholas Plumptre in mercy. Plea: trespass against the king's peace.

<sup>9</sup> MS preceded by an unknown number of illegible entries.

<sup>10</sup> MS followed by an unknown number of illegible entries.

**[Court held on Wed after] the feast of St Petronilla in the above year [1 June 1440].**

**186** [INQ] Hugh [Bladesmyth complains of] Hugh Brockestowe. Plea: trespass against the king's peace. He says that H[ugh] ... the purification of the BVM 17 Henry VI [c 2 Feb 1439] with force [and arms] ... took and carried off ... worth ... Damages: 3s.4d. He produces suit. [Hugh] ... comes and defends the force and says he is not guilty. Inq.

**187** [LEVY M] Found by inq that Robert Cotyngham owes William Jell 4s. Adjudged that William should recover v Robert 4s. and 4d. damages. Robert in mercy. Precept to levy.

**188** [LEVY M] John Fossebrook, *corviser*, acknowledges 16s. v John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Precept to levy.

**189** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have John Wodhall, *barbour* <licence>, to reply to Alice Dyvett. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**190** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have Thomas Baceford to reply to John Dorham and Richard Dalby. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**191** [M] DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Magot Baille to reply to Katherine Manchestre. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**192** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have William Lynges to reply to John Horspole jnr. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**193** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Ford to reply to John Balthwayt. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

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**Still the court held on Wed after the feast of St Petronilla 18 Henry VI [1 June 1440].**

**194** [INQ] .. John Dorham and Richard Dalby complain of John Fossebrook, *corviser*. Plea: that he owes and unjustly detains 4s. John Fossebrook comes, by

John Moreton his attorney, and acknowledges 3s. for a shop. Let them recover. As to 12d. for a ..., he says he owes [them] nothing. Inq.

**195** [INQ] ... William Wade complains of John Fossebrook, *corviser*. Plea: debt of 3s.10d. He says that John owes and unjustly detains 3s.10d. outstanding of a greater s[um] by the pledge of William Fysshre, *bochr'*, which William paid to the king as a parcel of the farm ..., which John should have paid at Michaelmas 18 Henry VI [29 Sept 1439]; he paid nothing but refused to pay and still refuses. Damages: 12d. He produces suit. John in his own person comes and says he owes him nothing. Inq.

**[Court] held on Wed before the feast of St Botolph in the above year [15 June 1440].**

**196** [PUT] ... Samon complains of Edmund Wodhall. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. [Put.]

**197** ... Dorham complains of John ...

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**198** [ENROLMENT] ... Geoffrey and Agnes his wife will defend ... with the other small ... with its appurtenances to William. Sealing. Witd: Richard [Samon, mayor], John Ilkeston and John Bate, bailiffs, William Halyfax, William Webster, ... Nottingham, Wed after the feast of St Peter advincola 18 Henry VI [3 Aug 1440]. Agnes, Geoffrey's wife, comes and being examined by the mayor [and bailiffs] on the making of the charter, acknowledges it to have been made of her own free will without pressure or distraint of her husband. She [seeks] it likewise to be entrolled.

**Court [held on Wed the] feast of St Bartholomew in the above year [24 Aug 1440].**

**199** [LEVY M] Found by inq that Richard Raven owes William Bower 9s. Adjudged that William should recover v Richard 9s. and 6d. damages. ...

**200** ESSOIN John Couper of Ti[mber]hill def <2+> v William Bryges. Plea: debt. 2 ...

**201** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Strelley to reply to William Jonson. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**202** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Thomas Baceford to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**203** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Strelley to reply to William Jell. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**204** ... John Balthwayt complains of John Forde. Plea: debt.<sup>11</sup>

[Roll 6]

Most of this roll is missing or has been cut off.

**Court held on Wed the eve of the nativity of the BVM 1[8] Henry VI [7 Sept 1440].**

**205** [M DIS] The bailiffs because [they do not have] John Couper of [Timberhill] to reply to William Bryges. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**206** [M] DIS The bailiffs because they do not have [the same John Couper to reply to] the same William. Plea: debt. Another suit. [In mercy. Dis.]

**207** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Strelley to reply to William Jonson. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**208** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Thomas Baceford to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. [Dis.]

**209** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Strelley to reply to William Jell. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**Court held on Wed the feast of St Matthew in the above year [21 Sept 1440].**

**210** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Strelley to reply to William Jonson. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**211** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have Thomas Baceford to reply to John Dorham. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**212** M DIS The bailiffs because they do not have John Strelley to reply to William Jell. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**213** M John Couper of Timberhill (*Tymb'hill*) for a licence to agree with William Briges in mercy. Plea: debt.

[Roll 7]

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**Court held on Wed after the feast of St Matthew [18] Henry [VI] [28 Sept 1440].**

**214** [PUT] ... [William] Halyfax complains of John Mellers. Plea: debt. Summoned. Does not come. Put.

**215** [M DIS The bailiffs] because they do not have Richard Raven <essoin> to reply to Hugh ... [Plea]: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**216** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have William Joly <owes 3s.> to reply to John ... Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**217** [M] ... Swynderby ... Plea: debt. In mercy.

**218** [M DIS The bailiffs because] they do not have Richard Tamworth to reply to John Barrowe. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**219** [M DIS The bailiffs because] they do not have the same Richard to reply to the said John. Plea: debt. Another suit. In mercy. Dis.

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<sup>11</sup> MS entry unfinished.

**220** [M DIS The bailiffs] because they do not have the same Richard to reply to the said John. Plea: debt. Third suit. In mercy. Dis.

**221** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have Richard Foston to reply to John Mason and Robert Cockar. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**222** [M DIS] The bailiffs because they do not have the same Richard to reply to John Whitelegh. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.

**223** [M DIS The bailiffs] because they do not have John Bower to reply to John Etwell. Plea: debt. In mercy. Dis.