

Richard Gerard

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Ref: Dorset Fines, Dorset And Wilts. 15 Richard II (1392). Item #231

“At Westminster, on the morrow of the Ascension of our Lord, 14 Richard II., and afterwards in the octaves of St. Hilary, 15 Richard II. Between John Roches, “Chivaler,” and Willelma his wife, plaintiffs, and Richard Gerard, deforciant, of twenty messuages, one and a half carucate of land, one hundred acres pature, fifty acres wood, four pounds rent in Tarente Goundeville and a moiety of the manors of Lange-kirchell and Hamme Preston and a moiety of fourteen messuages, one hundred and seventy-nine acres land, thirty acres meadow, one hundred acres pasture, forty acres wood, three shillings rent and a rent of one pound of pepper in Fernham, Litelcaneford, Wymbourne Mynstre and Warham, and a moiety of six messuages, three carucates and twenty acres of land, two hundred and fifty acres pasture, two hundred and fifty acres wood, and eight shillings and fivense rent in Tollard in co. Wilts. Plea of covenant was summoned. John acknowledged all the tenements, moiety of manors, tenements and rent, and advowsons to be the right of Richard. Of which Richard has the tenements by his gift. For this Richard granted the same tenements to John and Willelma and rendered them them at court. To have and to hold to John and Willelma and the heirs of John by her of the chief lords of that fee by the services which to those tenements belong for ever. Moreover, Richard granted for himself and his heirs that the moiety of the manor of Langekirchll and the moiety of the tenements and rent and the advowson of the church of Langekirchell which Edith who was the wife of William de Lucy, `chivaler,` held for term of life; and also that the moiety of the manor of Hamme Preston which William Wodehay and Isabella his wife held for term of life of the inheritance of the said Richard in the said vills on the day this accord was made, and which after the death of Edith and William and Isabell ought to revert to the said Richard and his heirs should then wholly remain to John and Willelma and the heirs of John, to hold together with the tenements which remain to them by this fine of the chief lords of that fee by the services which to the said moieties and advowson belong for ever, with remainder should John die without heirs of his body to Gilbert Roches and heirs of his body to hold as aforesaid for ever; with remainder should Gilbert die without heir of his body to Simon Sandon and the heirs of his body to hold as aforesaid for ever; with remainder should Simon die without heir of his body to the right heirs of the said John Roches, to hold as aforesaid for ever. Richard and his heirs will warrant to them the said premises against all men for ever.”

Notes by Tom Jerrard

15RII spans the time 22 Jun 1391 to 21 Jun 1392. Remember that the new year at that time would start on 24 Mar. The day of ascension of our lord is the 14 day after Easter Sunday thus the year of this document is 1392.