

## Solicitors' Records

# Taylor, Bridge, Baron and Sykes, Wigan

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### BOX 1

1. Award concurring Mr. Richard Worthington's right to land in Pemberton, Wigan & Aspull 28<sup>th</sup> May 1545
2. Lease of Hindley Common land and tenement. Ralph Southworth & heir, John Southworth, to Edward Green of Hindley, also lease of 3<sup>rd</sup> February 1605 4<sup>th</sup> June 1621
3. Demise of lease for 100 years of a moiety and messuage in Hindley. John Smith of Hindley, webster, and on his death for his two brothers Peter & James Smith 13<sup>th</sup> August 1657
4. Assignment of premises and land in Pemberton. Lawrence Winstanley of Pemberton, linen Webster and Edmund Winstanley of same place, blacksmith, to Victor Moss of Lancashire, husbandman 13<sup>th</sup> Jan. 1665
5. Copy of Randle Collier of Hindley, yeoman, as to Dauve Neeses, tenement, Hindley 17<sup>th</sup> April 1681
6. Lease of messuage and cottage in Hindley. John Parr of Westleigh, yeoman, to Peter Smith of Hindley, fustian weaver 29<sup>th</sup> May 1688
7. Lease of a messuage and land in Hindley. Phillipp Langton of Lowe-within-Hindley, esq., and Edward Langton his son, to Henry Hart of Hindley, yeoman 19<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1688
8. Lease of a year of a messuage and lands in Bedford, Lancashire, pending a release of declaring the uses of a recovery. George Naylor of Bedford, yeoman, and others to James Banckes and James Sorocold 1<sup>st</sup> March 1694
9. Deed leading to declaration of uses of messuage & lands in Hindley. George Naylor & Richard Woodroffe 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1694

10. Bond for performance of covenants and agreements  
messuage and lands in Hindley. James Laithwaite of  
Hindley, yeoman, to John Partington of Hindley,  
Weaver, in conson of £50. 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 1698
11. Settlement as to manor of Chisenhale, with Thomas  
Whitbley, Richard Langton, William Patton,  
Josiah Gregson, all of Preston 8<sup>th</sup> Feb. 1699
12. Bond for performance of covenants release and  
assignment. John Wright of Bedford to James  
Laithwaite of Westleigh, yeoman 1699

**BOX 2**

1. Pedigree of John Green of Green Hall, upon his sale of Hindley Common tenement to Peter Fletcher of Westhoughton, tanner 27<sup>th</sup> August 1703
2. Bond for performance of covenants. John Green to Peter Fletcher. Abstract of Peter Fletcher's title to the three closes purchased from Robert Hindley not dated (deeds 1672-1716) 21<sup>st</sup> Sept. 1703
3. Lease messuage, Hindley of Leigh. John Hamond and another to Peter Fletcher of Westhoughton, conson, £135. 21<sup>st</sup> Sept. 1703
4. Rev. Robert Hindley, rector of Aughton to Peter Fletcher of Hindley, lease and release in conson £103.7.6 of closes in Hindley, and lease from 6<sup>th</sup> February 1716 for a year. 7<sup>th</sup> February 1716
5. Assignment of messuage and cottages in Hindley. Peter Smith of Hindley, fustian weaver to his son William Smith of Hindley, labourer 11<sup>th</sup> June 1722
6. Release of messuage and land in Hindley in conson of £500, in possession of Henry Hart of Hindley esq., deceased. Edward Langton of Lowe-within-Hindley, to Benjamin Irlam of Sale, Cheshire, chapman 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1727
7. Bond for performance of covenants. Edward Langton to Benjamin Irlam 9<sup>th</sup> August 1727
8. Conveyance of a parcel of land in Hindley. Nicholas Mather to Peter Fletcher 6<sup>th</sup> May 1729
9. Assignment of a parcel of land in Hindley in conson allotted for Wood Crofts and bond for performance of covenants. John Parr of Westleigh to Peter Fletcher of Hindley 10<sup>th</sup> May 1731
10. Feoffment of lands and cottage called 'Peter Smiths' in Hindley. John Parr of Westleigh, yeoman, to Peter Fletcher of Hindley, tanner, conson of £140.10.0 10<sup>th</sup> May 1731
11. Will and probate of Benjamin Irlam of Sale, Cheshire. Will dated 12<sup>th</sup> June 1752 12<sup>th</sup> June 1752

12. Bond for £100 and interest. Messrs. Rigby, Heyes & Watkinson, all of Ormskirk, to Miss Molly Blundell Of Ormskirk, spinster 25<sup>th</sup> March 1755
13. Lease of messuage and cottage at Lamberhead Green, Pemberton. Thomas Moss of Pemberton, Linen weaver to Thomas and Matthew Lyon Of Warrington, gents., Conson £36. 12<sup>th</sup> April 1755
14. Conveyance off Church Street, Ormskirk in trust, etc., James Heyes of Ormskirk, butcher to Mrs. Ann Watkinson of Ormskirk, widow and daughter. Lease from 5<sup>th</sup> April 1757 for a year. 6<sup>th</sup> April 1757
15. Final agreement made at Lancaster, between John Bower, plaintiff, and Richard Grantham and Alice his wife, John Barlow, gent., and Martha his wife deforciant, of seven messuages and land in Hindley. Letter dated 31<sup>st</sup> July 1826 to Richard Barlow of Hindley as to redemption of land tax and other commissioners papers, also certificate of the contract for redemption of land tax, dated 28<sup>th</sup> August 1826 30<sup>th</sup> March 1765
16. Attested copy lease to vest possession of property at Sale, Cheshire, Grantham & Barlow and their wives to John Bower 3<sup>rd</sup> Dec. 1765
17. Attested copy of partition deed as to messuage and and property in Sale, Cheshire. Messrs. Grantham & Barlow and their wives to John Bower 4<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1765
18. Lease from George Evans to Thomas Fleming of a house in Bachelor Lane, Drogheda for 31 years from 5<sup>th</sup> November 1772, rent £16, indri of 1<sup>st</sup> April 1766 between Richard Jebb and Nathaniel Evans both of Drogheda as to Dwelling house in Bachelor's Lane. Letters of 29<sup>th</sup> January 1781 and 12<sup>th</sup> May 1785, 4<sup>th</sup> December 1794, 14<sup>th</sup> June 1799 and 9<sup>th</sup> November 1804 to Mrs. Mary Evans of Liverpool, as to rent due 13<sup>th</sup> February 1773
19. Administration of effects of Benjamin Irlam of Sale, Cheshire 4<sup>th</sup> June 1776
20. Feoffment from Mr. Mort to Ralph Knight of a plot of land in Atherton, perpetual rent of 9/4d 8<sup>th</sup> March 1777
21. Deed concerning the disposition of the seats at St. George's Church, Wigan, and the application for the rents of the seats and the money to arise from the sale. With schedules of the seats and purchasers. Directions dates 6<sup>th</sup> August 1781

from St. George's Chapel, Wigan, to the trustees  
to surrender the said Chapel to the Bishop of the  
Diocese of Chester for consecration of the same. 13<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1778

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**Box 3**

1. Lease of a plot of land, part of Gibbon's Close, Hindley, for 999 years. Mrs Barlow And others to Anthony Hodgkinson of Hindley, husbandman 12<sup>th</sup> August 1780
2. Release and bargain for sale of real and personal estate in Aughton, to be sold for payment of debts. Mrs Anne Watkinson of Aughton, widow, and others to Mr Moorcroft of Ormskirk, gent., and others trustees. Lease dated 13<sup>th</sup> April 1782 for one year. 16<sup>th</sup> April 1782
3. Release and conveyance in fee simple of two closes of land in Hindley. Giles Boardman of Bedford, Lancashire, nurseryman, to Francis Heys of Hindley, fustian manufacturer, commencing 7<sup>th</sup> May 1782 as lease year 8<sup>th</sup> May 1782
4. Solicitor's bill to Mr Milnes for £13.11.9 for better security of Mr Harrop's £500 and interest as to mortgage of Hindley estate 30<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1782
5. Account of Mrs Ann Watkinson's trust dated 1782-1801 1782-1801
6. Assignment of messuages and dwelling houses and land in Church St, Ormskirk. James Rigby of Liverpool, gent., and James Heyes formerly of Ormskirk, butcher, to Messrs. Evan Counce, Ralph Culshaw of Blackmore, Lancashire and Wrightington, respectively. 10<sup>th</sup> April 1783
7. Mortgage for 1,000 years for security of £200 and interest of several closes of land - Nearer & Further Moss, Hindley, Low Green. Francis Heyes And another to Thomas Doncaster of Wigan, banker 22<sup>nd</sup> April 1785
8. Feoffment of several messuages in Hallgate St,

- Wigan. James Hodson, esq., of Wigan to William Bolton and his trustee of Wigan, butcher 19<sup>th</sup> March 1787
9. Mr Troughton's deeds, contains lease of several cottages and premises in Standish, behind the Eagle & Child. Edward Townley Standish, esq., to Mrs Margaret Lunt of Standish, widow, conson £100 15<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1787
  10. Surrender of the remainder of a term of 1,000 years in certain premises in Hindley. Thomas Doncaster of Wigan, banker, to Francis Hays of Hindley, fustian manufacturer 29<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1787
  11. Mortgage for 500 years of certain premises in Hindley for securing £200 and interest. Francis Hays to Henry Fisher 31<sup>st</sup> Oct. 1787
  12. Deed to subject certain mortgaged premises at Low Green, Hindley and buildings thereto to a further sum of £200 and interest. Francis Hays of Hindley, fustian manufacturer to Henry Fisher of Standish, yeoman. Nearer and Further Moss 23<sup>rd</sup> July 1790
  13. Deed for subjecting premises already mortgaged to a further sum. Francis Hays to Henry Fisher 29<sup>th</sup> May 1792
  14. Administration, Peter Watkinson, to Ann Watkinson, mother of same, late of Ormskirk, bachelor 16<sup>th</sup> February 1795
  15. Deed to charge money on account on premises in Hindley, subject to a prior mortgage for securing £500 and interest. Francis Hays and Henry Fisher to Thicknesse & Woodcock 26<sup>th</sup> August 1795
  16. Release and assignment of real and personal estate by way of settlement, of estate in Orrell. George Eckersley of Hindley, gent., to his wife and trustees. Lease dated 4<sup>th</sup> March 1797 for one year 5<sup>th</sup> March 1797
  17. Feoffment of plot of land "Pipping Croft" in Golborne, with buildings thereon, conson £21 James Counce of Golborne, innholder, and his mortgagee to Peter Ditchfield of Golborne cotton weaver. 14<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1798

**Box 4**

1. Probate of will and codicil, John Rice late of Speke, yeoman. Will dated 8<sup>th</sup> July 1797  
Codicil dated 15<sup>th</sup> February 1799 19<sup>th</sup> April 1800
2. Deed surrendering residue unexpired of a 2,000 year term and charging the mortgage lands with a further sum of £100 and interest. Messrs. Thicknesse & Woodcock and Francis Hays to Henry Fisher 30<sup>th</sup> Nov. 1801
3. Commission to erect a gallery with pews or seats at Holland Chapel, Lancashire, to Thomas Meyrick, Thomas Barton, James Ball, and the curate and wardens 2<sup>nd</sup> April 1806
4. Reconveyance of premises site of Whalley's House, Standishgate, Wigan. Trustee of estate and effects from Thomas Holmes and others to Mr Gaskell in trust for Thomas Holmes 9<sup>th</sup> May 1807
5. Conveyance of premises in Hindley. Devisees in trust of late Francis Hays to Mrs Rice 12<sup>th</sup> May 1807
6. Settlement made previous to marriage of Thomas Cooper of Chorley, farmer, with Mrs Elizabeth Guest of Euxton, widow 27<sup>th</sup> August 1807
7. Articles previous to the marriage of James Alexander Hodson of Liverpool, esq., 19 years. With Miss Sarah Hodges of Twickenham, Middlesex, Spinster. List of rental and freehold estates and Premises in Aspull, Wigan, Pemberton, Upholland, Belonging to James Fowden Hodson of Heskin Hall Not dated - also letters from solicitors, 1842-1844 1<sup>st</sup> April 1808
8. Letter from Thomas Losh & Co., to Henry Gaskell attorney, Wigan, as to John Bullock's affairs 28<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1808
9. Release of plot of land in Wigan. Michael Brown and his trustees, to Messrs. Birch & Holmes. Also lease for a year from 10<sup>th</sup> September 1806, conveyance devisees John Tatlock to Michael Brown and his trustees of a messuage in Wigan, also, memorandum of agreement of 1<sup>st</sup> April 1811 24<sup>th</sup> Dec. 1808
10. Assignment of estate and effects, William Whittle of Westleigh, farmer, to William Rigby of Westleigh,

Farmer, Joseph Parr of same place, yeoman,  
And others the creditors of William Whittle

12<sup>th</sup> January 1811

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**Box 5**

1. Draft deed of disclaimer of the trusts of Thomas Blinkhorn's, butcher of Wigan, deceased, for perusal of Messrs. Clayton & Grimshaw. William Eccles esq., to the Rev. Thomas Pigott & Thomas Claire, with other papers. Sale, notice of land Poolstock Field On 5<sup>th</sup> November, 1810. Lots 1-5. 19<sup>th</sup> February 1811. Case for opinion of Mr. Preston. List of creditors. 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1811
2. Letter from Sam Baker of Chester to Henry Gaskell, solicitor, Wigan, as to search for the will of Thomas Kendal, late of Wigan, innholder from 1762 to 1780 not proved. 27<sup>th</sup> February 1811
3. Settlement by Thomas Bolton of Hardshaw-within-Windle, butcher, executor of William Bolton, of Wigan, butcher, of two messuages and herets, Wallgate Street, Wigan. 17<sup>th</sup> August 1811
4. Lease of possession dwelling house and tenement called 'Hindley's tenement' and several closes of land thereto in Pemberton, the inheritance of James Billinge of Pemberton, yeoman. Henry Banks of Wigan, cotton spinner to Miss Jane Eastham of Liverpool, spinster, with second mortgage to secure £150 and interest 6<sup>th</sup> February 1812
5. Deed of covenants between John Grayson and others for regulating the price of sizing cotton, warps and twist 29<sup>th</sup> October 1812
6. Release of two undivided 7<sup>th</sup> parts of shares and of all the other shares or parts of the said Alice Wood of and in certain cottage and Frog Lane, Wigan. Alice Wood to Newsham & Taylor, executors of the Late Mr. Hilton. Lease 1<sup>st</sup> June 1814 for a year. Will 18<sup>th</sup> September 1791 of William Johnson

- Of Wigan, bricklayer, who left cottage to his sons and Alice, wife of Joshua Wood, and others 2<sup>nd</sup> June 1814
7. Conveyance of messuage and premises in Richmond Street, Liverpool, in trust to sell. heir at law and executor John Miles, esq., at direction of Peter Lewes, to Margaret Bevan Lease 1<sup>st</sup> December 1815 for a year 2<sup>nd</sup> December 1815
  8. Copy of final agreement made at Lancaster Lent assizes. Ralph Knight, James Bevan and others, enforceants as to messuage and lands in Pemberton 23<sup>rd</sup> March 1816
  9. Bond as a collateral security for £600 and interest Peter Lewis to Margaret Bevan 2<sup>nd</sup> December 1816
  10. Assignment of herets and premises in Pennington for 999 years, conson £120. John Partington to Henry Gaskell 4<sup>th</sup> February 1817
  11. Release in fee of four undivided fifth parts and of four fifth parts of the remaining fifth part of several closes of land in Skelmersdale. Devisees of the late James Sephton to Richard Blundell and his trustee. Lease 28<sup>th</sup> October 1817 for a year. Abstract of title of estate in Skelmersdale Richard Blundell's papers of August 1807. Blundell V James Sephton. August 1817, Blundell V Hewitt & others. 10<sup>th</sup> October 1803, Copy probate will of Jane Sephton and same 16<sup>th</sup> October 1809, Alice Sephton and pedigrees 29<sup>th</sup> October 1817

**Box 6**

1. Assignment of two sums of £25 and £44.18.9, upon certain trusts for the benefit of Ann Penson. Miss Ann Penson to Mrs Penson. Release of Claims in same 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1840, Ann Penson to Whitaker & Gaskell 3<sup>rd</sup> February 1818
2. Lease of premises in Chorley for 2,000 years for building upon, rent £4.7.4. Messrs. Grundy & others and Cunliffe & others and their trustee to Thomas Brown. Also 1824 draft assignment of premises in Chorley, John Smith to William Unsworth, and schedule (indres 1819-1824) 30<sup>th</sup> April 1819
3. James Fairclough of Wigan, bankrupt, bills and lists of debts, promisory notes. Bills of Richard Ainsworth Son Co, bleachers, Bolton. 6<sup>th</sup> March 1819 and same date, Thwaites, Hick & Rothwell, Union Foundry, Bolton. James Lindsay Ironworks, 1818-1819 1819
4. Assignment of part share in estate of James Gaskell. James Edleston, late of Ashton-In-Makerfield, labourer, now of House of Correction, Liverpool, to Henry Gaskell of Wigan, gent, 4<sup>th</sup> November 1820
5. Mortgage of certain leasehold buildings and premises in Wigan, for securing £600 and interest Thomas Lewis to Henry Gaskell 12<sup>th</sup> May 1821
6. Assignment of rent for securing £120. Rent £67.17.9. Mrs Ellen Chadwick & Peter Chadwick of Aspull to Messrs. James & Ralph Knight of Wigan, butchers 7<sup>th</sup> October 1825
7. Conveyance and assignment of real leasehold & personal effects upon the trusts, Edward Alcock to Henry Gaskell 3<sup>rd</sup> August 1826
8. Registrar of taxes redemption of land tax. R. Barlow of Hindley as to acknowledgement of receipt 20<sup>th</sup> September 1826
9. Assignment of money under Mr. Robinson's will for securing £106.11.6 and interest. Mr & Mrs Heaton and others to Henry Gaskell

- of Wigan, gent. 4<sup>th</sup> January 1834
10. Conveyance in fee of mines under land in Hindley at Higher & Lower Moss fields, Conson £480. Ralph Peters esq., and his Trustees to Matthias Woods of Hindley, Manufacturer 4<sup>th</sup> August 1836
11. Probate of will of John Taylor of 14 Brasenose Street, Manchester, gent., Will dated 27<sup>th</sup> December 1835 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1839
12. Release and indemnity trusts Messrs. John Penson Whitaker, Henry Whitaker, of Wigan William Whitaker and Henry Whitaker of Liverpool, esquires, to Sir Robert Holt Leigh Bart and John Hodson Kearsley, esquire Of Higher Hall, Westleigh 18<sup>th</sup> January 1841

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**Box 7**

1. Conveyance of two mines under closes land Higher and Lower Moss in Hindley, conson £100 Devises of last will of Ralph Peters, esquire, deceased with the concurrence of Matthias Woods to Mrs Ann Kay. Lease 27<sup>th</sup> January 1841 for a year 28<sup>th</sup> January 1841
2. Henry Whitaker, Jr, of Wigan Lane, Wigan, notice of claim to vote for Southern Division of Lancashire 17<sup>th</sup> July 1841
3. Lease of messuage and premises called Sickle Field, Wigan for ten years rent of £60 Mr & Mrs Heron of Wigan, to Thomas Cropper Ryley, of Haigh, iron founder 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1842
4. Release of a messuage in Standishgate, Wigan as to uses to bar dower. Messrs. John Cordeaux and James Walker, executors, and trustees Richard Cordeaux, deceased, to Messrs. Henry Whitaker & Arthur Heron 4<sup>th</sup> April 1846
5. Act to alter and amend and Act for enabling trustees of Frances Duke of Bridgewater to carry into execution articles of agreement into by them with Rt. Hon. Francis Egerton, now Earl of Ellesmere 31<sup>st</sup> August 1848
6. Lease of a railway over certain lands, Higher Moss

- Meadow, Long Croft and Small Croft, at Low Green, Hindley, for 21 years at a rent of £20. Mrs Woods, Mrs Kay and Peter Johnson coal master of Hindley, to Messrs. Byrom, Taylor & Byrom. Solicitors Gaskell & Darlington of Wigan. Thomas Byrom and Henry Taylor of Wigan, William Byrom of Oldham, coal masters 16<sup>th</sup> October 1848
7. Deed of dissolution of co-partnership and release and assignment of partnership and lands, mines buildings, credits and effects. Henry Hull and Messrs. May & Andrews. Henry Hull of Ince, William May and William Andrews of same place, coal proprietors, Charles Pigot of Wigan gent, Indre 24<sup>th</sup> February 1849, William Parsons of Nottingham, gent. Samuel Parsons of same place Gent., John Price of Thringston, Leics, coal master William May of Ince, coal proprietor. William Andrews and John Isherwood of Over Darwen, contractor. 16<sup>th</sup> October 1850
  8. Deed of covenant for production of deeds. The devisees in trust under will of Henry Gaskell, esq., deceased to Mayor Aldermen Burgesses of Wigan. With lease of 13<sup>th</sup> January 1798 for 99 years premises in Heath Charnock. Mrs Alice Waddington to Joseph Pimblett with notices to treat Liverpool Corporation Water Works of land in Heath Charnock. 19<sup>th</sup> January 1852 to Henry Lomax Gaskell, John Fowden Hodges and Alexander Fowden Haliburton 12<sup>th</sup> March 1852
  9. Conveyance of lands, Nearer and Further Moss, Low Green, Hindley, and premises for securing £50 and interest, Mrs Margaret Woods and another to Caleb Hilton of Wigan, attorney 1<sup>st</sup> November 1852
  10. Appointment of Messrs. Richard Ranson and Thomas Frederick Taylor to be trustees under the marriage settlement of Mr & Mrs Fitzadam 1<sup>st</sup> July 1853
  11. Lease of land over certain lands at Low Green, Hindley, for 21 years, rent £12. Mrs Kay and Mrs Harwood to William Hayes esq., of Runcorn, Cheshire, merchant. Higher Moss and Long Croft 14<sup>th</sup> November 1853
  12. Probate of William Woods late of Low Green Hindley, bookkeeper, died 5<sup>th</sup> June 1855 Will dated 14<sup>th</sup> April 1855 17<sup>th</sup> December 1855
  13. Mortgage by way of further charge of land and premises situate at Hindley, for securing £121.5.6 and interest, Matthias Woods to

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**Box 8**

1. Probate of will of Mrs Ann Kay of Wigan, widow. Will 9<sup>th</sup> September 1857. Died 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1858 8<sup>th</sup> November 1858
  
2. Counterpart lease of coal mines under lands at Low Green, Hindley, ten years rent at £100. Matthias Woods and others to Messrs. Yates, Caldwell and Pickin. Lowe Green Colliery. Caleb David Watson of Liverpool, merchant, Tenant of above accepted 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1862. Ploughed Meadow, Lower Moss Meadow, Middle Meadow, Higher Moss Meadow, Long Croft, Small Croft, being west of the road Wigan to Hindley, near road going off to Ashton. Thomas James Reynolds of Yates of Bridgeford, Staffs, William Caldwell of Liverpool, John Pickering of Newport, Salop, coal dealers, Master coal miners and co-partners. 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1860
  
3. Counterpart lease of land in Golborne, 999 years rent £3.12.9. The trustees of will of Robert Worsley, esq., of Golborne to John Simpson, of Lowton, farmer 12<sup>th</sup> May 1861
  
4. Transfer of mortgage of land and premises in Hindley for securing £300 and interest. Matthias Woods of Hindley, watchmaker and his mortgagee to Joseph Harwood of Dalton, gent. 15<sup>th</sup> July 1861
  
5. Conveyance of 5 closes of land in Pemberton, reserving mines. The trustees under will of The Most Noble Francis late Duke of Bridgewater To John Stephen esq., of Pemberton 30<sup>th</sup> November 1861
  
6. Printed notice to coal proprietors and others as to dissolution of partnership Low Green Colliery, Hindley. To be sold by auction, 16<sup>th</sup> May 1862,

- at Royal Hotel, Wigan. With 8 years lease 10<sup>th</sup> May 1862
7. Duplicate conveyance of mines at Low Green, Hindley, conson of £1,650. Matthias Woods and Others to Messrs. John Pearson & Thomas Knowles, With schedule of deeds and documents 27<sup>th</sup> August 1862
  8. Reconveyance of heredts in Hindley. Joseph Harwood to Matthias Woods 28<sup>th</sup> August 1862
  9. Conveyance of several undivided shares of land at Low Green, Hindley upon trust for sale. John & Matthias Woods and others to Harwood & Wright 25<sup>th</sup> February 1865
  10. Settlement made on Mr Matthias Woods and his wife and family from the money to arise from the sale of certain real estate in Hindley 25<sup>th</sup> February 1865
  11. Building lease of plot of land at Low Green, Hindley, for 999 years, rent £5.4.2 Matthias Woods his trustee and mortgagees to James Knowles of Chorley, brewer. Plan shows land between Crompton & Shawcross railway and on road To Wigan and Hindley 1865

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31<sup>st</sup> August 1848

6. Lease of a railway over certain lands, Higher Moss Meadow, Long Croft and Small Croft, at Low Green, Hindley, for 21 years at a rent of £20. Mrs Woods, Mrs Kay and Peter Johnson coal master of Hindley, to Messrs. Byrom, Taylor & Byrom. Solicitors Gaskell & Darlington of Wigan. Thomas Byrom and Henry Taylor of Wigan, William Byrom of Oldham, coal masters 16<sup>th</sup> October 1848
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1. Probate of will of Mrs Ann Kay of Wigan, widow. Will 9<sup>th</sup> September 1857. Died 3<sup>rd</sup> March 1858 8<sup>th</sup> November 1858
2. Counterpart lease of coal mines under lands at Low Green, Hindley, ten years rent at £100. Matthias Woods and others to Messrs. Yates, Caldwell and Pickin. Lowe Green Colliery. Caleb David Watson of Liverpool, merchant, Tenant of above accepted 22<sup>nd</sup> May 1862. Ploughed Meadow, Lower Moss Meadow, Middle Meadow, Higher Moss Meadow, Long Croft, Small Croft, being west of the road Wigan to Hindley, near road going off to Ashton. Thomas James Reynolds of Yates of Bridgeford, Staffs, William Caldwell of Liverpool, John Pickering of Newport, Salop, coal dealers, Master coal miners and co-partners. 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1860
3. Counterpart lease of land in Golborne, 999 years rent £3.12.9. The trustees of will of Robert Worsley, esq., of Golborne to John Simpson, of Lowton, farmer 12<sup>th</sup> May 1861
4. Transfer of mortgage of land and premises in Hindley for securing £300 and interest. Matthias Woods of Hindley, watchmaker and his mortgagee to Joseph Harwood of Dalton, gent. 15<sup>th</sup> July 1861
5. Conveyance of 5 closes of land in Pemberton, reserving mines. The trustees under will of

- The Most Noble Francis late Duke of Bridgewater  
To John Stephen esq., of Pemberton 30<sup>th</sup> November 1861
6. Printed notice to coal proprietors and others as  
to dissolution of partnership Low Green Colliery,  
Hindley. To be sold by auction, 16<sup>th</sup> May 1862,  
at Royal Hotel, Wigan. With 8 years lease 10<sup>th</sup> May 1862
7. Duplicate conveyance of mines at Low Green,  
Hindley, conson of £1,650. Matthias Woods and  
Others to Messrs. John Pearson & Thomas Knowles,  
With schedule of deeds and documents 27<sup>th</sup> August 1862
8. Reconveyance of heredts in Hindley. Joseph  
Harwood to Matthias Woods 28<sup>th</sup> August 1862
9. Conveyance of several undivided shares of land  
at Low Green, Hindley upon trust for sale. John &  
Matthias Woods and others to Harwood & Wright 25<sup>th</sup> February 1865
10. Settlement made on Mr Matthias Woods and his  
wife and family from the money to arise from the  
sale of certain real estate in Hindley 25<sup>th</sup> February 1865
11. Building lease of plot of land at Low Green, Hindley,  
for 999 years, rent £5.4.2 Matthias Woods his  
trustee and mortgagees to James Knowles of  
Chorley, brewer. Plan shows land between  
Crompton & Shawcross railway and on road  
To Wigan and Hindley 1865

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**Box 11**

1. Lease of messuage and lands in Astley.  
Richard Whitehead & John Southern,  
gents, to William Bradshawe of Astley,  
yeoman 26<sup>th</sup> January 1663
2. Lease of messuage and closes in Bedford,  
Lancs. Richard Shuttleworth of Bedford, gent,  
to Daniel Whitwell of same place, taylor 28<sup>th</sup> May 1688
3. Lease messuage in Bedford, Lancs. Richard  
Norris of Liverpool, merchant and Thomas Moss  
of Prescott, innkeeper. Lease dated 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1706  
for one year 4<sup>th</sup> May 1706
4. Lease closes in Astley, Bedford, Lancs, Bertie  
Entwisle of Wigan, esq., to Alice Sale of  
Hopekar-with-Bedford, and counterpart lease 20<sup>th</sup> September 1715

5. Feoffment of lands in Bedford, Lancs.  
Thomas Moss of Prescott, innkeeper to  
Mr Darwell of Leigh, innkeeper 30<sup>th</sup> March 1720
6. Lease messuage and lands in Bedford, Lancs.  
George Darwell of Leigh, innkeeper, to John  
Spakeman of Bedford, husbandman 13<sup>th</sup> July 1721
7. Lease messuage and land in Bedford. John  
Spakeman of Bedford, husbandman, to Frances  
Eaton of Astley, widow 26<sup>th</sup> July 1721
8. Conveyance of the estates of Richard Sale of  
Astley, gent, to trustees for payment of debts 5<sup>th</sup> October 1754
9. Citations, Bishop of Chester, notice. Richard  
Sale of Astley, deceased. Sons and daughters  
to attend Astley Chapel, as to the will of the  
deceased, on 6<sup>th</sup> March 1777. Citation  
published Chapel Astley, 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1777 22<sup>nd</sup> February 1777
10. Appointment of administration. John Sale (son)  
of Richard Sale, late of Astley, yeoman 19<sup>th</sup> May 1777
11. Copy probate of the will of John Sale of Bedford,  
Lancs, yeoman 24<sup>th</sup> March 1810
12. Provisional assignment, 8<sup>th</sup> April 1828  
Memos of details of bankruptcy. Award & issue  
against Thomas Stopford of Upholland, cotton  
manufacturer and chapman 16<sup>th</sup> April 1828
13. Counterpart provisional assignment re Thomas &  
Richard Stopford, cotton manufacturers of  
Upholland, bankrupts 16<sup>th</sup> April 1828
14. Printed sale notice. Sale 11<sup>th</sup> September 1834 at  
White Horse, Leigh. 'Sale Estate' farm lots 1-4.  
Messuage, outbuildings, garden and appurtenances  
Six closes, Crow Croft, Broad Field, Greatfield Acre,  
Little Field Acre, Higden's Croft & Pingot or Coal  
Garth at Moss Side, Astley, now in possession of  
John Farnworth. Lot 2 close 'Land Close' Astley.  
Lot 3 dwellinghouse etc & land called Croft,  
Shippon Croft & Brook Croft at Low Common,  
Bedford. Lot 4 of three cottages near Bedford,  
Mill Lane End in Bedford in occupation of  
Edward Ramsdale, with Smith & Thomas Richardson  
as tenants. Henry Gaskell, solicitor, Wigan. 11<sup>th</sup> September 1834
15. Appointment of Joshua Coleby of Bedford, to make  
reserve biddings as to James Sale and others. 11<sup>th</sup> September 1834
16. Re sale - Conditions for the sale of the pew in

- centre aisle, Leigh Parish Church 11<sup>th</sup> September 1834
17. Re sale - Mr Gaskell's letter to Mr Farnworth 15<sup>th</sup> October 1834
  18. Mr Hampson's letters as to Lot 3 Nov-Dec 1834
  19. Re sale - affidavits, Henry Smith of Bedford, weaver. James Sale (son) of Bedford, yeoman, as to extracts and burials & register at Leigh Parish Church December 1834
  20. Draft release in fee of lands in Astley & Bedford in order to defeat an estate tail therein. James Sale to Henry Gaskell. Draft abstract of the title Mr Sale late of Bedford, yeoman, as to messuage And three closes in Bedford, lot 3. Ditto 3 cottages Near Bedford Mill Lane, Bedford, Lot 4 1834
  21. Letter, Edward Wilcock of Preston, to Henry Gaskell of Wigan, re search for fines and Recoveries re Mr Sale 27<sup>th</sup> January 1835
  22. Notes as to pedigree of Lythgoe. John Marsh, John Sale (died 18<sup>th</sup> October 1809) c.1835
  23. Exparte sale and other conditions for sale, lots 1-3. 9<sup>th</sup> November 1837
  24. Printed notice. Sale's Estate Farm of 4 lots for sale 9<sup>th</sup> November 1837
  25. Letter of Mr Gaskell & Fred Taylor of Wigan to John Farnworth of Bedford, asking if John Hampson Of Bedford, farmer is still living etc. 14<sup>th</sup> March 1839
  26. The executors of John Sale of Bedford, bill 12<sup>th</sup> April 1839
  27. Mr Johnson's letter giving consent for money to be paid to James Sale 16<sup>th</sup> June 1839
  28. Re Sale's Estate Draft advertisement for sale of 7<sup>th</sup> August 1843 of Hay grass 1843
  29. Manchester Courier page 8 col. 6. Sale notice of 'Sale's Estate' for sale 4<sup>th</sup> June 1846 30<sup>th</sup> May 1846
  30. Exparte Sale, conditions of sale 4<sup>th</sup> June 1846
  31. Printed notices of sale of Sale's Estate on 4<sup>th</sup> June 1846 4<sup>th</sup> June 1846
  32. Re Sale - Copy contract between James Sale & Col. Ross, also 21<sup>st</sup> October 1846 and 18<sup>th</sup> October 1846. Messrs Ormond to Mr Sale 15<sup>th</sup> October 1846
  33. Letters re Sale's Estate bills and biddings 1846

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| 34. | James Sale's Estate, short statement of the title  | 1846                        |
| 35. | Affidavit of James Sale of Bedford, yeoman as to his late father John Sale who died October 1809 | 1846                        |
| 36. | Copy conveyance of Sale's Estate in Astley. James Sale & others to M.N. Ross esq.                | 27 <sup>th</sup> March 1847 |

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**Box 12**

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| 1.  | Hugh Stirrup of Lowton security to John Birchall of Latham, of land in Lowton   | <sup>th</sup> October 1700     |
| 2.  | Copy of conveyance of messuage in Hindley of 15 <sup>th</sup> January 1617. James Massey of Hindley to Ralph Southworth of Westleigh                | 4 <sup>th</sup> September 1703 |
| 3.  | Contract for reversion of tenement in Lowton, Samuel Byrom esq., to Hugh Stirrup  | 12 <sup>th</sup> July 1707     |
| 4.  | Release Samuel Byrom to John Torbock  | 21 <sup>st</sup> January 1708  |
| 5.  | Sir Edward Chisnall's deeds and writings relating to Peter Fletcher   | 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 1716 |
| 6.  | John Lowe's will, late of Lowton, husbandman  | 18 <sup>th</sup> February 1719 |
| 7.  | Mortgage of £100 and interest in messuage and land in Lowton. Hugh Stirrup and his son both of Lowton, yeomen, to Rev. Samuel Aldersoy of Wigan     | 9 <sup>th</sup> June 1719      |
| 8.  | Release of messuage and land in Hindley. Sire Edward Chisenhall of Chisenhall Hall And Alexander Leigh of Wigan, to Peter Fletcher Of Wigan, farmer | 27 <sup>th</sup> April 1721    |
| 9.  | Bill of costs Hugh Stirrup to Alexander Leigh   | 9 <sup>th</sup> September 1726 |
| 10. | Lease for one year, messuage and land in Hindley. Edward Langton, of Lowe-in-Hindley, esq., to Benjamin Irlam of Sale, chapman,                     | 1 <sup>st</sup> February 1727  |
| 11. | Attorney's bill of costs Peirpoint V Hodson   | 1727                           |
| 12. | Copy of Peter Legh of Lyme, Cheshire, grant to Edward Heyes of Billinge, husbandman,  |                                |

- of a cottage in Billinge, rent 1d 26<sup>th</sup> June 1730
13. Bargain and sale of Peartree House and closes in Hindley. Mt Ture and others to Thomas Ashall Also conveyance dated 8<sup>th</sup> October 1434 in fee Of messuage and lands in Hindley. Thomas Ashall to Ann Bettonsall of Pemberton, Linenweaver, widow. Lease dated 7<sup>th</sup> October 1734 for one year. 28/29<sup>th</sup> October 1734 conveyance of an estate in Hindley. Ann Bettonsall to trustees for her daughter 9<sup>th</sup> October 1733
  14. Mr Palmer's estimate of the charge of the work for making the River Asland & River Douglas navigable. £6,684.13.0. 1733
  15. Admon of Thomas Marsh of Aspull, naylor 24<sup>th</sup> May 1736
  16. Book containing some of the proprietors of lands, receipts and value of land cut and made use of afterwards in navigation of the Rover Douglas through Parbold & Wigan April 1738
  17. Letter relating to cottage of which overseer of the poor of Billinge imprudently took a lease from Mr Legh in 1747 21<sup>st</sup> July 1739
  18. Lease of messuage in Scholes, Wigan, James Brown's executors, late of Wigan, gentlemen, to Jennet Crane of Liverpool, widow. Lease 30<sup>th</sup> April 1740 for one year 1<sup>st</sup> May 1740
  19. Ellen Moss of Pemberton, spinster's will 8<sup>th</sup> November 1743
  20. Peter Moss otherwise Walmesley of Pemberton, linenweaver, will 10<sup>th</sup> March 1747
  21. Articles with Mr Hawarden and Mr Howard for accepting 1/- per ton for coal etc. upon River Douglas for 21 years 13<sup>th</sup> April 1754
  22. For opinion of J. Dunning, Lincoln Inn Fields, as to articles entered into between Lords of Makerfield to defend their rights against Mr Legh of Lyme 29<sup>th</sup> July 1755

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| 23. | Conveyance of two dwellinghouses, Scholes Street, Wigan. Thomas Langshaw of Market Harborough, Leics, only son and heir Of William Langshaw, late of Wigan, brazier and Mary Woods of Wigan, widow. Lease dated 1 <sup>st</sup> October 1756 for one year | 2 <sup>nd</sup> October 1756 |
| 24. | Letters, Sir William Meredith of Henbury & Wigmore Street to Mr Pennington, town clerk Of Wigan as to aldermen of Wigan.  | 1756 - 1761                  |
| 25. | Letters re James Taylor's as to being discharged from the army. Letters dated 12 <sup>th</sup> June 1758 and 3 <sup>rd</sup> August 1758  | 12 <sup>th</sup> June 1758   |
| 26. | Letters, Sir William Meredith to Mr Pennington, attorney, Wigan.  | 1758                         |

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### **Box 23**

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| 1. | Articles of co-partnership, James Bevan, George Bevan, William Chapman, Henry Robinson & Thomas Dean, in the breweries in Wigan & Preston, term 7 years  | 1 <sup>st</sup> December 1803  |
| 2. | James Orrell esq., of Blackbrook-within-Parr. Declaration of trust   | 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 1803  |
| 3. | Probate of the will dated 31 <sup>st</sup> August 1803, of John Moulton of Manchester, gent.   | 17 <sup>th</sup> December 1803 |
| 4. | Memorandum of agreement as to contract regarding brewery at Wigan and premises at Workhouse Lane, Great Bolton. George Bevan of Liverpool, James Rudge of Bolton-Le-Moors, gents   | 27 <sup>th</sup> April 1804    |
| 5. | Conveyance of premises in Wrightington held under Edward Dicconson, esq., for 3 lives. William Turner & others to Gaskell in trust for Messrs Snape & Stock. Lease dated 5 <sup>th</sup> June 1802 of messuage land in Wrightington, Edward Dicconson to William Turner. 18 <sup>th</sup> January 1803, assignment premises in Wrightington for securing £323 and interest. William Turner to Snape & Stock. 31 <sup>st</sup> October 1808. Lease for possession Snape & Stock and another to Samuel Gaskell | 25 <sup>th</sup> January 1805  |

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| 6.  | Assignment of household goods upon certain trust, Samuel Fairbrother of Wigan, spoonmaker, to Charles Holding of Wigan, chairmaker  | 10 <sup>th</sup> May 1805       |
| 7.  | Assignment of insolvent effects for the equal benefit of his creditors, James McNish of Wigan, timber merchant to Samuel Lythgoe, and James McNish's composition deed.  | October 1805                    |
| 8.  | Assignment of premises in Workhouse Lane, formerly Naggabrook Street or Lane, Great Bolton. Bevan and others to James Rudge of Great Bolton, chapman.   | 1 <sup>st</sup> January 1806    |
| 9.  | Assignment of leasehold premises for 99 years devisees, late John Tatlock to James Coats.   | 10 <sup>th</sup> September 1806 |
| 10. | Lease of three lives of Worthington Mill in Worthington. Sir Richard Clayton Bart and his brother to Robert Crompton  | 1 <sup>st</sup> March 1807      |
| 11. | Appointment of administrators of William Dickinson of Upholland, plumber and glazier  | 20 <sup>th</sup> October 1807   |
| 12. | John Dalglish of Wigan, miller to George Nuttall of Wigan, miller. Deed of dissolution of copartnership of moiety of effects, conson £750 of premises formerly 'Water corn mill' Wigan, on banks of Leeds & Liverpool canal   | 13 <sup>th</sup> February 1809  |
| 13. | Settlement on marriage of Mr Goodlad with Miss Hall of personal estate bequeathed to her by will of late brother Ralph Hall.  | 22 <sup>nd</sup> February 1809  |
| 14. | This being a piece of wrapping paper marked Mrs Bevan & Mr Ogden's deeds of Lowton. 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 1809 demise premises in Horwich, term 285 years, rent 13/4d. Messrs Ridgeway & others to Thomas Ogden of Manchester | 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 1809      |

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**Box 24**

1. Deed of dissolution of copartnership and

- an agreement of Mr Leyland's interest in the partnership stock & effects as farmers in Abram John Dobb of Abram, yeoman and Ralph Leyland of Wigan, farmer 13<sup>th</sup> October 1810
2. Schedule of deeds belonging to messuage and lands in Westleigh and Pennington, late inheritance of George Fielding, deceased, demised brother James Fielding of City of London, gent 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1811
  3. Hand & Banner public house, Great Bolton. Lease of messuage, dwellinghouse and premises for 21 years commencing 12<sup>th</sup> May 1811. Thomas Markland of Anderton, labourer, to James Isherwood of Bolton, innkeeper 12<sup>th</sup> May 1811
  4. Halmot Court, proclamation surrender, three messuages, cottages, brewhouse at Duerden Gate, Haslingden. John Holt, Jonathan Wallwork & Robert Barker to Richard Hamer 20<sup>th</sup> October 1811
  5. Assignment of the further Rye Croft, part of a tenement in Haigh now held for two lives in conson £60. James Leigh of Lydiate, land surveyor to Messrs Bevan & Co of Wigan, common brewers. 12<sup>th</sup> May 1785, assignment of lease of Rye Croft, Haigh. Robert Morris To James Leigh 12<sup>th</sup> March 1812
  6. Assignment of  $\frac{1}{4}$  of three messuages in Howell Croft, Bolton, for securing £100 and interest George Kitchen of Bolton-Le-Moors, shoemaker to Dawes & Fogg of Bolton, common brewers 17<sup>th</sup> March 1812
  7. Deed of copartnership between Henry Robinson & Co 1<sup>st</sup> September 1812
  8. Probate of the will dated 9<sup>th</sup> February 1811 of Robert Moulton of Manchester, gent, 8<sup>th</sup> September 1812
  9. Sale of premises to pay debts conson £60. William Slater of Wheelton, labourer and James Reddish of Brinscall Hall, Wheelton, calico printer to Robert John and James Pickup of Blackburn, spirit merchants 4<sup>th</sup> December 1812
  10. Locke & Cowling. Mr Woods bill 22<sup>nd</sup> February 1813
  11. Assignment of messuage brewhouse, Dearden Gate, Haslingden. Richard Hamer of Fletcher Bank, Walmsley, Bury, innkeeper, to use Of John Mason of Overfields, Bury, gent. 1<sup>st</sup> April 1814

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| 12. | Indre mortgage, £250, premises Dearden Gate Haslingden. Richard Hamer of Fletcher Bank, Walmsley, Bury, innkeeper, to use Of John Mason of Overfields, Bury, gent.  | 1 <sup>st</sup> April 1814      |
| 13. | Conveyance of land and premises in Aspull. James Knowles of Aspull, farmer to Roger Grimshaw of Wigan, gent., in trust for Thomas Moore of Wigan, ironmonger.<br>Lease 15 <sup>th</sup> August 1814 for one year. Copy of Release and assignment 2 <sup>nd</sup> December 1808. Thomas Rylands to James Knowles | 16 <sup>th</sup> August 1814    |
| 14. | Letters of admin of John Mather of Wigan, gent  | 29 <sup>th</sup> August 1814    |
| 15. | Administration of will dated 12 <sup>th</sup> February 1806, of Joseph Winstanley of Wigan, yeoman  | 10 <sup>th</sup> July 1815      |
| 16. | Probate of will dated 25 <sup>th</sup> May 1811, of Thomas Corves of Spurnton, Cheshire gent.   | 21 <sup>st</sup> September 1815 |
| 17. | Deed of covenant for production of title deeds, Rev. John Vause to Richard Kerfoot  | 3 <sup>rd</sup> October 1815    |
| 18. | Coneyance of messuage or dwellinghouse in Little Bolton called 'Dog & Partridge' for two lives and 20 years subject to rent £5.0.0.. Executors late John Haslam and others Of Great Bolton, innkeeper to Dawes & Fogg Of Great Bolton, common brewers   | 13 <sup>th</sup> November 1813  |
| 19. | Assignment of their estates and interests in certain leasehold hereds and premises in Haigh for securing £50 and interest. Margery Winstanley & others to Ralph Pendlebury  | 24 <sup>th</sup> November 1815  |

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### **Box 25**

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| 1. | Sale 'Stag' public house, Haslingden, for £500 when giving title. Richard Hamer of Fletcher Bank, publican, to Messrs Dawes & Fogg of Bolton   | 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 1816 |
| 2. | Release in fee of messuage and premises in Kinderton, Cheshire. George Daniels and his trustee of Middlewich, chapman to William Okell of Great Budworth, Cheshire, surgeon. Lease 24 <sup>th</sup> March 1816 for one year. | 25 <sup>th</sup> March 1816 |

3. Deed of covenant for the production of title deeds, George Daniels to William Okell 3<sup>rd</sup> August 1816
4. Release in fee of stable coal house, garden & premises in Kinderton, Cheshire, William Okell of Frodsham, now of Gt Budworth, surgeon, to Joseph Dale of Kinderton, miller Lease 28<sup>th</sup> September 1816 for one year 29<sup>th</sup> September 1816
5. Further security, Richard Kerfoot to Henry Gaskell 9<sup>th</sup> November 1816
6. Reconveyance of hereditaments and premises in Ince-within-Makerfield, conveyed in mortgage for £300 & interest. Timothy Shearson of Newton-in-the Willows, gent, to James Dobb & his trustee, yeoman of Westleigh, now of Timperley. Lease 1<sup>st</sup> January 1817 for one year 2<sup>nd</sup> January 1817
7. Further security, Richard Kerfoot of Wigan plasterer to Henry Gaskell of Wigan, gent. 28<sup>th</sup> February 1817
8. Halmot Court, proclamation to the surrender of the 'Nagg' public house, Dearden Gate, Haslingden, Bury from Richard Kerfoot, innkeeper, of Walmsley, Bury, to Matthew Dawes & Thomas S. Foff, of Bolton-Le-Moors, common brewers 6<sup>th</sup> May 1817
9. Deed of further charge of £600 and interest upon several messuages, dwellinghouses, rents and hereditaments in Manchester, before charged with a sum of £500. Thomas & John Moulton to Mr Sergeant 24<sup>th</sup> July 1817
10. Release of leasehold hereditaments and premises in Burscough upon trust to be sold, William Jones Jr, of Burscough, innkeeper to William Smith of Wigan, bookkeeper. Lease 19<sup>th</sup> August 1817 for one year. 22<sup>nd</sup> February 1804, mortgage of freehold lands in Burscough for securing £200. William Jones to Messrs Robinson & Co. 28<sup>th</sup> June 1804, lease William Jones from Earl of Derby. Lease 1<sup>st</sup> March 1774, Robert Wareing to assign freehold to Henry Robinson, witnessed 12<sup>th</sup> August 1817 20<sup>th</sup> August 1817
11. Mortgage of several messuages, dwellinghouses & premises in Scholes, Wigan, to secure £1,500 & interest, John Atherton of Wigan, yeoman and his trustee to Henry Gaskell lease 22<sup>nd</sup> October 1817 of possession, also, 23<sup>rd</sup> October 1817 for one year 23<sup>rd</sup> October 1817
12. Release in fee of several messuages and

- dwellinghouses & premises in Scholes, Wigan upon trust to be sold, John Atherton and his trustee to Samuel Gaskell 24<sup>th</sup> October 1817
13. Assignment of Mr Smith's share of copartnership effects of Smith & Coupe and release by Mr Lea of Wigan, gent, of a debt owing to him by William & John Smith. William Smith of Standish, cotton manufacturer 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1818
14. Mortgage in fee of plot land, heredts & premises in Standishgate Street, Wigan for securing £200 & interest. John Prescott of Wigan, yeoman to James Dickenson of Upholland, plasterer. Also lease of August 1818 for one year c. March 1818
15. Articles of copartnership Messrs James Donaldson & Samuel Livesey of Wigan and Manchester respectively, Irish linen importer and merchant, as to dealers in Manchester in cotton goods 7<sup>th</sup> April 1818
16. Assignment for the equal benefit of creditors Edward Fletcher of Hardshaw, Windle, ironfounder to John Cooper of Wigan, sheriff's officer 25<sup>th</sup> August 1818
17. Deed directing Mr Woodcock to transfer 1/3<sup>rd</sup> share of £700, 3% bank annuities to Rev. John Johnson of Kirby Ravensworth, Yorks, farmer to Thomas Woodcock esq., of Wigan 28<sup>th</sup> October 1818
18. Demise and assignment of two estates upon trust to sell William Slater to Messrs Pickups 16<sup>th</sup> November 1818
19. Release in fee of heredts in Astley & surrender of an outstanding term of 2,000 years to merge same in conson £474.12.0.. The assignees & mortgages of Robert Cunliffe a bankrupt shopkeeper to Miss Cunliffe 23<sup>rd</sup> December 1818

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**Box 26**

1. Probate of will 1817 of James Green of Bedford, Lancs, gent. 25<sup>th</sup> January 1820
2. Lease for a year, John Atherton to Samuel Jackson 1<sup>st</sup> August 1820

3. James Green of Bedford, Lancs, deeds & documents 1820-1824
4. Bargain & sale for a year, Mrs Margaret Bevan and others of Liverpool, widow, to James Kearsley, esq., of Over Hulton of 1/3<sup>rd</sup> part land in Parbold on road Newburgh to Preston 16<sup>th</sup> April 1821
5. Assignment of certain buildings and premises in Wigan for residue of term of 999 years at Parsons Ford on Leeds & Liverpool canal. Henry Gaskell to Thomas Jarvis of Wigan, potter 11<sup>th</sup> May 1821
6. Release and assignment of several cottages & premises in Westleigh, upon trust to sell for raising £355 & interest. James Pendlebury of Westleigh, victualler to Henry Robinson and others... 20<sup>th</sup> August 1814, deed of covenant for production of title deeds. William Partington to James Pendlebury 14<sup>th</sup> August 1814
7. Provisional assignment of assignee, Nancy Mather of Wigan, widow, to James Bolton of Windle, gent. Lease of 8<sup>th</sup> February 1822 for one year with plan 7<sup>th</sup> January 1822
8. Assignment upon trust to attend inheritance of three terms of 1,000 years for premises in Windle and Rainford, purchased by James Bolton from Richard Hill. Archibald Keighley of Liverpool, gent to Henry Gaskell 9<sup>th</sup> January 1822
9. Conveyance of freehold premises in Windle & Rainford. Richard Hill & mortgagees to James Bolton of Windle, gent. Lease of 8<sup>th</sup> February 1822 for one year with plan 9<sup>th</sup> January 1822
10. Counterpart release in fee of plot of land in Scholes, Wigan for building upon. Rent £3.5.0. John Atherton and his mortgagee and trustee to Kershaw Bromiley 10<sup>th</sup> July 1822
11. Release of lifehold estate in Orrell and covenant to levy a fine in 4/17<sup>th</sup> shares thereof. Executor of the will of Richard Culshaw to Bevan, Robinson & Kearsley. Lease 19<sup>th</sup> July 1822

for one year. 28<sup>th</sup> June 1810, probate of will of Richard Culshaw of Orrell, yeoman, will dated 20<sup>th</sup> March 1809. Extract of lease of premises on Orrell granted by Holt Leigh to James Bradshaw, butchers. Copy extract burials of James Bradshaw and others Final agreement 21<sup>st</sup> August 1822.  
Henry Robinson v. Richard Lowe

20<sup>th</sup> July 1822

12. Release of lifehold estate in Ormskirk. conson £505, acting devisee in trust and executor of John Fogg, late of Wigan, gent, to Bevan Robinson & Kearsley. Lease 27<sup>th</sup> November 1822 for one year. Abstract of late John Fogg's title to certain leasehold premises in Ormskirk for Mr Robinson at the brewery. 1805, John Fogg's lease. Auction sale notice for 24<sup>th</sup> October 1822 28<sup>th</sup> November 1822

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**Box 27**

1. Counterpart demise of land in Scholes, Wigan for 999 years for building upon, rent £9.11.3. John Atherton and his mortgagee & trustee to Kershaw Bromiley 10<sup>th</sup> December 1823
2. James Green of Bedford, gent, deceased Sale of estate on 6<sup>th</sup> May 1824. 14 lots also on 30<sup>th</sup> August 1824. Lot 3 second sale 6<sup>th</sup> May 1824
3. Counterpart release in fee of coal and cannel mines in Worthington, Richard Clayton, Bart of Adlington to The Earl of Balcarres 18<sup>th</sup> June 1824
4. Appointment and assignment of the overplus money to arise from the sale of heredts and premises in Wigan for securing £72.10.0 and interest. Thomas Ranson & Uxor to Robinson & Co 1<sup>st</sup> January 1825
5. Mortgage by demise of three cottages or dwellinghouses and plot of land in Orrell upon trust to sell, Henry Culshaw of Orrell, yeoman to Bevan, Robinson & copartners (John Hodson Kearsley) 15<sup>th</sup> September 1825
7. Reconveyance of buildings, lands and chief rents in Wigan. Henry Gaskell and his trustees to John Atherton and his trustee. 6<sup>th</sup> December 1825

8. Appointment of administration of James Clare of Manchester, innkeeper, bankrupt 8<sup>th</sup> April 1826
9. Proclamation of Court of surrender of cottages & brewhouse at Deurden Gate, Haslingden. Abraham Wood & Joseph Mason to M.C. Dawes & Thomas Fogg 18<sup>th</sup> April 1826
10. Transfer of mortgage of a leasehold estate in Haigh and the assignment of money to arise from the sale thereof for securing £500 and interest. Ralph Pendlebury and Mrs Margery Winstanley & others (farmers of Haigh) to Henry Gaskell of Wigan, gent. Higher Cow Hey, Lower Cow Hey, New Hey, Rush Hey, Little Bank, Middle Flat Croft, Great Meadow, Blackearth, Orchard Folds, Barncroft. Also 8<sup>th</sup> October 1782 assignment of a lease for securing £100 and interest of messuage and tenement in Haigh. Joseph Winstanley to Betty Barker. 20<sup>th</sup> April 1784 assignment of remainder of term 99 years for security of £250 and interest of leasehold messuage and lands in Haigh. Betty Barker and another to Richard Irlam. 15<sup>th</sup> January 1787, further security of lands in Haigh and appointment of a receiver for purpose of discharging the interest and diminishing the principal. Joseph Winstanley to Richard Irlam. 22<sup>nd</sup> June 1790, assignment of mortgage of leasehold estate in Haigh for securing £250 and interest further secured by bond same date. Richard Irlam to Messrs Chisenhall Vause & Heaton, executors of late John Vause of Coppull 8<sup>th</sup> June 1826
11. Schedule of deeds and writings relating to 1/5<sup>th</sup> part hereditals in Pemberton & Wigan belonging to Joseph Martlew and Uxor and in mortgage to William Mawdesley for securing £600 and interest 1826

## Box 28

1. Release of the New Norley estate in Pemberton for held on a life lease. Assignee of estate of Mr Haughton, bankrupt & another with consent of the reversioner to Mary Shaw. Lease 1<sup>st</sup> April 1828 for one year, John Johnson Jackson of Liverpool, merchant to Joseph Leigh of Belmont, Cheshire, esq. 9<sup>th</sup> September 1808 assignment of four undivided fifth parts messuage and tenement New Norley Estate, Pemberton. Devisees late Jane Jackson to Thomas Haughton esq. 1<sup>st</sup> November 1819 assignment of messuage tenement New Norley Estate, for life of Thomas Jackson. John Harrison & others to Thomas Haughton esq., in conson for £400  
2<sup>nd</sup> April 1828
2. Articles of copartnership as general commission merchants until 31<sup>st</sup> May 1832. John Close Sr, and Thomas Close both of Manchester. John Close Jr of Palermo and James Close of Naples, as James Close & Co at Naples, Messina & Palermo  
19<sup>th</sup> July 1828
3. Assignment of certain interests in leasehold premises in Haigh for securing £300 and interest. George Winstanley and others to John Ackers  
1<sup>st</sup> December 1828
4. Probate of the will, 1<sup>st</sup> March 1826 of Richard Tyrer of Blackrod, yeoman  
10<sup>th</sup> April 1829
5. Release in fee of messuage or dwellinghouse, lands and premises, part of Martin Hall estate in Burscough, subject to prior mortgage upon trusts for securing £400 and £350 and interest. Ralph Leyland to William & Robert Leyland and Ralph Knight and Miss Leyland  
15<sup>th</sup> September 1830
6. Deed of copartnership Messrs Peter Dorning of Bolton, cabinet maker and Jonathan Dorning of Marple, Cheshire now of Bolton, cabinet maker as to becoming co-partners in the trade of cabinet makers  
1<sup>st</sup> December 1831
7. Lease of coalmines under the Hawkley

- Estate, Pemberton for 40 years. Brian William Molineux, esq., and mortgagee to Messrs Thomas Jenkinson of Wigan, grocer & James Richard Grimshaw of Wigan, linendraper 10<sup>th</sup> April 1832
8. Settlement made previous to the marriage of Henry Robinson of Wigan, common brewer and Mrs Mary Tipping of Wigan, widow. Lease 10<sup>th</sup> October 1832 for one year messuage, dwellinghouse in Wallgate, Wigan Henry Robinson to Henry Gaskell & Samuel Singleton 11<sup>th</sup> October 1832
9. Deed of dissolution of partnership each party receiving a portion of the debts of the concern, Peter Dorning and Jonathan Dorning both of Wigan, cabinet makers 18<sup>th</sup> April 1834
10. Deed of dissolution of partnership and assignment of Mr Orrell's interest in the property, the partnership being from 26<sup>th</sup> November 1834 as brass founders at Wigan. John Orrell and Thomas Clegg both of Wigan, brass founders 13<sup>th</sup> September 1836

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**Box 29**

1. Orrell Tithes. Agreement for the commutation of Township of Orrell 23<sup>rd</sup> May 1838
2. Probate of the will dated 7<sup>th</sup> June 1836 of John Atherton of Upholland, yeoman 25<sup>th</sup> June 1838
3. Settlement of Mr & Mrs Thomas Morris of Wigan, gent, of sun £666.19.2 upon trusts 12<sup>th</sup> July 1838
4. Lease of coal mines in Little Hulton, certain rent £170 p.a. Rev. Richard Gwilym & others to Francis Charlton of Little Hulton, coal master. Plan on reverse marked 'John Daglish, St Helens 1839' Land being alongside road from Chorley to Manchester the fields known as Intack. Higher Moor Heys, Lower Moor Heys, Chapel Meadow, Lower Chapel Meadow all near the chapel 15<sup>th</sup> July 1839
5. Reconveyance in fee of certain messuages dwellinghouses, warehouses and buildings

- in Brazenose Street, Manchester and of certain chief rents. Executors of William Sergeant, esq., of Cornbrook Bank, gent, to Thomas Moulton and his trustee of Manchester, calico printer 28<sup>th</sup> June 1840
6. Release of claims in respect of a legacy of £6,000 and interest charges by Mrs Penson upon her Standish and Coppull property. Mr & Mrs Arthur Heron & trustees of their marriage settlement to trustee under the will of Mrs Molly Penson, deceased 10<sup>th</sup> October 1840
7. Release of claims in respect of a legacy of £1,400 bequeathed by Mr Blinkhorn's will and interest thereof. Executors and children of James Taylor and others to the surviving executor of Thomas Blinkhorn, deceased 14<sup>th</sup> October 1840
8. Residuary account of executors of Molly Tyrer late of Blackrod, widow, who died 29<sup>th</sup> January 1840, will proved 9<sup>th</sup> January 1841 23<sup>rd</sup> May 1841
9. Counterpart lease of plot of land in Bedford, Lancs, for 999 years for founding a Charity School. Rev. Sir Henry Robert Dukinfield Bart, and another. St Martins in the Fields to Unwin Clark and others 25<sup>th</sup> June 1841
10. Settlement of Mrs Elizabeth Robinson of Wigan, widow, personal estate previous to her marriage with George Leigh, 9 Castle Street, Holborn, London, gent. 21<sup>st</sup> March 1859 appointment of Reece Bevan, esq., and Alexander Walker to be trustees, assignment of portion of the property 15<sup>th</sup> April 1842
11. Declaration of £30,000 secured upon the mortgage of estates belonging to Sir William Thomas Stanley & Massey Stanley. Messrs Gaskell & Haliburton to Henry Gaskell and others 1<sup>st</sup> May 1842
12. Release and indemnity (Penson), Miss Whitaker and Henry Whitaker of Liverpool to Sir Robert Holt Leigh, Bart of Hindley Hall, Aspull. John Hodson Kearsley esq., of Higher Hall, Westleigh 16<sup>th</sup> November 1842

13. Miss Orrell's papers as to £50 left to her by North & Madge. Miss Orrell of Cambridge Street, Cambridge, to Mr Gaskell, solicitor of Wigan. Assignment 17<sup>th</sup> October 1840, Messrs Fereday & Orrell and creditors to Richard Singleton Crockett 1842-1846
14. Lease of messuages and premises in and near Chapel Lane, Wigan for 50 years. (if Mrs Cheetham and Mr Warden so long live) rent £50, Marsden & Burland to Thomas Warden 27<sup>th</sup> November 1843
15. Transfer of mortgage for a term of 1,000 years of four messuages and heredts in Kinderton, Cheshire for securing £200 and interest. Thomas Hope to Miss Mary Taylor & Thomas Frederick Taylor & Thomas Moulton 26<sup>th</sup> February 1844
16. Will of John Fisher of Standish, farmer. To use of John Darlington of Charnock Richard, coal merchant and John Whalley of Welch Whittle, gents and trustees 9<sup>th</sup> December 1844
17. Lease of Charnock Green coal mine under the moss in Charnock Richard. Edward Silvester of North Hall-within-Worthington, gent, to John Charnock of Charnock Richard, coal master. Plan shows land as off road from Welch Whittle to Chorley 20<sup>th</sup> March 1845
18. Assignment by way of mortgage of their interest in real estate devised by will of late John Atherton for securing £60 and interest, Roger Hart and Elizabeth his wife to Henry Gaskell 11<sup>th</sup> April 1845
19. Papers relating to the Brick House Estate, Westleigh belonging to Misses Finch. (On road Wigan to Leigh) the new deed of covenants from Messrs Hall to be exchanged for the old one, which are to be destroyed and put in exchange for these papers 1845

\*\* 1805 maps of Brick House Estate also gives plans of Six Acres Estate, Crownest, Hursthouse Estate and Parrs Estate. 1789 abstract of William Orrell's title to an estate in Westleigh (indres 1675-1789) 2<sup>nd</sup> April 1834 conveyance of Mr Orrell's real

and leasehold estates, except his rectory, upon trust to sell. Rev. William Green Orrett to Messrs Nicholson & Gaskell\*\*

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**Box 30**

1. Lease of a farm and several cottages and railway in Upholland for 21 years. Rev. Charles Kenrick Prescott, rector of Stockport to John Laithwaite of Upholland, delf master 16<sup>th</sup> January 1846
2. Probate of will dated 15<sup>th</sup> January 1846 of Richard Cordeaux of Wigan, shoemaker, died 29<sup>th</sup> January 1846 5<sup>th</sup> February 1846
3. Appointment of Messrs Taylor & Cottam, executors of will of Thomas Moulton, deceased and conveyance and assignment to them of the trust estate, James Consterdine & Thomas & J.H. Moulton, deceased to Messrs Taylor & Cottam 20<sup>th</sup> January 1848
4. Deed of confirmation and general release and covenant of indemnity. The widow and children of Thomas Moulton deceased to Messrs Taylor and Cottam 20<sup>th</sup> January 1848
5. Draft conveyance Richard Hoole to Reece Bevan deeds relating to premises in Marsh Green, Pemberton, purchased from Rev. Hoole, August 1848 by Reece Bevan esq. (Indres 1699-1749), also 1871 deeds of same purchased by Mr Nicholson 23<sup>rd</sup> August 1848
6. Conveyance of moiety of hereditaments upon trusts for sale and management and division of proceeds amongst children. The children of late Esther Taylor and trustees under the will of Robert Moulton to Taylor & Richmond, plus conveyance of legal estate of other moiety 16<sup>th</sup> October 1849
7. Copy conveyance, land in Billinge upon trusts Sir Robert Tolver Gerard, Bart to Frederic Sewallis Gerard, esq., to uses. 13<sup>th</sup> September 1859
8. Admin of will dated 20<sup>th</sup> January 1855 of Mrs Elizabeth Leigh (wife of George Leigh, late of Wigan, now of Huyton), died 17<sup>th</sup> August 1860 16<sup>th</sup> October 1860
9. Title deeds of Aughton Hall Estate. Covenant to

- perform covenants of Henry Gaskell, esq., deceased for production of deeds and documents now delivered to Mr Musgrave. Edgar Musgrave esq., with Henry Lomax Gaskell esq., and others. 29<sup>th</sup> August 1862
10. Conveyance and assignment from Jane Worsley to Robert Worsley of hereds, moneys, premises in conson of payment by Robert Worsley of the mortgage debts affecting same premises and other property of Jane Worsley. Mrs Jane Worsley to Robert Worsley 8<sup>th</sup> December 1864
11. Duplicate deed of dissolution of partnership assignment of 1/3<sup>rd</sup> share of partnership property, Pepper Mill Foundry, Darlington St, Wigan. James Draper of Wigan, foundry manager and Messrs William Leech of Wigan, agent and William Gerard of Ince, secretary 23<sup>rd</sup> September 1868
12. Letters, F.J. Leslie & Co, solicitors, Liverpool to South Lancashire Tramways as to a meeting of the council 1899-1900

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**Box 31**

1. Ledger 'C' indexed, expense accounts of Thomas Houghton 1824-1831

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**Box 32**

1. Release of claims as to messuage from farm and tenets, Thomas Gerrard, esq., to Edward Potter 20<sup>th</sup> February 1606
2. Abstract of deeds and writings of houses in Millgate, Wigan, called "Mort't" and house in Hallgate, late estate of Robert Almond, deceased as to Mort's houses 1606-1767
3. Stephen Carr's lease of land in Wigglesworth, from Richard Sherbourne of Wigglesworth Hall, for one life or 80 years. 4<sup>th</sup> August 1626
4. Lease for 21 years or 1/3<sup>rd</sup> part of land at Thornley, Lancashire, William West of Middleton,

esq., Robert Edmonson of Heysam, Lancs, gent.,  
to Thomas Rogerston of Thorneley, Lancs, yeoman 25<sup>th</sup> April 1654

5. David Potter's marriage settlement of lands in Windle and Whiston 8<sup>th</sup> December 1668
6. David potter's marriage as to articles of agreement as to messuage and tenement in Windle as to David Lathom and Anna Lathom's children 8<sup>th</sup> December 1668
7. John Ainsworth family bills and receipts and sale notices of messuages in Hallgate, Wigan 1679-1819
8. Will and probate, Gerrard Potter of Whiston, yeoman 12<sup>th</sup> march 1687
9. Samlesbury, lease and release:  
29<sup>th</sup> March 1692 William Rushton  
19<sup>th</sup> November 1895 Thomas Anderton  
12<sup>th</sup> January 1702 Henry Molding  
12<sup>th</sup> January 1702 Henry Molding  
12<sup>th</sup> January 1702 Thomas Pye  
27<sup>th</sup> August 1707 Gregory Hoole  
27<sup>th</sup> August 1707 Thomas Anderton  
27<sup>th</sup> August 1707 Gregory Hoole / Christopher Lumpnor  
2<sup>nd</sup> May 1720 William Prescott  
25<sup>th</sup> March 1761 William Wilcock  
25<sup>th</sup> March 1761 Henry High  
25<sup>th</sup> March 1761 John Crook
10. Transfer of messuages and heredts in Windle, Rainford and Whiston, in order to make a precipe for a recovery. David Potter of Windle and others to Peter Smithson of Shevington, yeoman and Henry Whaley of Upholland, yeoman 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1693
11. Transcript of a recovery of lands in Windle and Rainford Bridge, and Whiston 28<sup>th</sup> March 1694
12. Schedule of deeds and covenants of Mr Naylor as to Hyndley. James Laithwaite to John Partington 27<sup>th</sup> January 1699

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**Box 33**

1. David Potter's will, yeoman of Windle 1<sup>st</sup> January 1703
2. Lease of messuage and dwellinghouse, Upholland. Lawrence Gaskell of Upholland, linen weaver to John Fairclough of Upholland husbandman 26<sup>th</sup> March 1706

3. Counterpart lease of messuage tenement in Samlisbury. Thomas Fleetwood of Bank-within-Brotherton, esq., of Penwortham esq., Thomas Winckley of Preston, gent, to James Anderton of Beansleigh-within-Samlisbury, yeoman 27<sup>th</sup> August 1707
4. James Whittle of Leigh, husbandman. Lease for possession and 6<sup>th</sup> January 1718, his release of property in Leigh Lane, Leigh 5<sup>th</sup> January 1718
5. Leases: (1719-1728)
  - Messuage or cottage in Leigh, James Whittle to Joseph Whittle 8<sup>th</sup> May 1719
  - Release of land in Leigh Lane, Leigh, James & Humphrey Whittle, of Leigh 4<sup>th</sup> April 1728
  - Probate of Humphrey Whittle's will (17<sup>th</sup> August 1728), late of Pennington, bricksetter 17<sup>th</sup> August 1728
6. Title deeds (in a bundle marked 'title deeds to a pew in Leigh P.C. No 24 between William Henshall and myself) Deeds relating to premises in Pennington 1725
7. Marriage settlement release of messuage and land in Rainford, George Potter of Prescott, gent to John & Richard Richardson of Lowton. Lease dated 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1727 for one year 3<sup>rd</sup> February 1727
8. Mortgage of Whittle's land in Leigh to Gyles Halliwell. Joseph Whittle, late of Pennington, executors, fustian weaver & Jeffrey Muncks of Pennington, victualler & others 29<sup>th</sup> July 1729
9. Assignment messuage and tenements in Brotherton. John & William Blackhurst sons of John Blackhurst of Brotherton, yeoman, deceased, to John Cooke of Brotherton, gent. Richard Hatch of Eccleston, yeoman 24<sup>th</sup> March 1731
10. Articles of agreement as to messuage in Lathom, Henry Jackson, butcher, Margaret Culshaw of Lathom, widow 6<sup>th</sup> December 1731
11. Plans and particulars of making part of

River Douglas navigable through various meadows (\*\*also see Douglas navigation box at end of list\*\*)

27<sup>th</sup> September 1733

12. Assignment of a mortgage term for security of £30 and interest, premises in Leigh Lane, Leigh. Giles Holliwell of Pennington, yeoman to Ralph Hasleden of Leigh, taylor 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1735
13. Description of the sea coast of England and Wales from Blackcomb, Cumberland to the point of Linus in Anglesea, by Samuel Fearon and John Eyes 1736-1737
14. Demise of a farm and messuage, tenement in Pemberton. Peter Moss, otherwise Walmsley of Pemberton, linen weaver and Thomas Moss of Pemberton, linen weaver in conson £50 13<sup>th</sup> January 1747
15. Grant and conveyance of her share in River Douglas and of all boats, etc., land etc., belonging to the undertakers. Mrs Mary Holt to Edward Holt esq. 1<sup>st</sup> / 2<sup>nd</sup> December 1747
  
16. Wills: (1747-1767)

6 <sup>th</sup> April 1747	Hannah Wigan
30 <sup>th</sup> December 1756	Margery Holmes
5 <sup>th</sup> November 1760	Robert Bibby
5 <sup>th</sup> May 1763	Mrs Ann Hartley
25 <sup>th</sup> February 1764	Ellen Milton
5 <sup>th</sup> November 1766	Robert Bibby
14 <sup>th</sup> March 1767	Ann Almond
17. A deed of a gift of property in Leigh. Richard Darwell and his wife to Thomas Wood. Also, same date Thomas Wood and his wife to Richard Darwell of Pennington, fustian weaver. (His wife Elizabeth was widow of Humphrey Whittle of Pennington, bricksetter) 23<sup>rd</sup> February 1748
18. Grant and release of Highers House, Pemberton. Thomas Turton & Sarah Moss to Thomas Moss of Pemberton, yeoman. Conson £22 25<sup>th</sup> May 1748

19. Conveyance of Buckley House, Wigan, in possession of William Fairbrother. Nathaniel Baldwin of Wigan, gent., & others to John ? 9<sup>th</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup> October 1750
20. Assignment by the mortgagee of land Platt Meadow, Hallgate, Wigan, assignees of the commission of bankruptcy against Edward Leatherbarrow late of Wigan, grocer. Thomas Barton, Platt Meadow or Field, Wigan 9<sup>th</sup> January 1753
21. Mortgage for £750, messuage tenement land in Windle. Charles Dagnall of Eccleston, yeoman, to John Blackburne esq., of Orford-within-Warrington 31<sup>st</sup> December 1755
22. Ainsworth:
- Conveyance ½ of three burying places Wigan P.C. Thomas Laithwaite to John Ainsworth 24<sup>th</sup> November 1757
- Indre of apprenticeship for 4 years Robert Laithwaite to Thomas Waite 17<sup>th</sup> March 1759
- Bond of above 1<sup>st</sup> April 1759
- Bond of payment of mortgage money and performance of covenants, Roger Almond to John Ainsworth 13<sup>th</sup> December 1773
- Bill of sale, William Walker to John Ainsworth of household goods, Millgate Street, Wigan 5<sup>th</sup> December 1775
- Bond to charge several houses in Wigan already in mortgage for £180 and interest with further £20. Roger Almond to John Ainsworth 6<sup>th</sup> August 1776
- Receipt £44, James Boardman to John Ainsworth 10<sup>th</sup> February 1780
- Release of legacy, John Bibby to John Ainsworth 9<sup>th</sup> September 1780
- Assignment of household goods, Alexander Hilton to Jeremiah Ainsworth 25<sup>th</sup> November 1788
23. Seizin of household goods of a house at Kirkby. Matthias Lawronson of Kirkby Lane husbandman Henri Martindale of Kirkby. Conson £20 10<sup>th</sup> January 1758

24. Account of principal money and interest paid by William Hilton to Charles Dagnall's account July 1759
25. Mortgage of messuage and lands in Windle & Rainford for £800 & interest, William Hill of Roby, gent, to John Ford, late of Sutton, now of Eccleston, yeoman 3<sup>rd</sup> May 1760

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**Box 34**

1. Letters re burgesses of Wigan as joint candidates to represent the Borough in next parliament 1760-1770
2. Account principal and interest money paid. William Hill to John Ford 1766-1768
3. Abstract of the general charges of the River Douglas Navigation alias Asland (exclusive of charges of obtaining the Act of Parliament for making the said River navigable) 1<sup>st</sup> May 1768
4. Lease and release to declare the uses of a recovery intended to be suffered at the next Assizes, Lancaster, as to messuages and lands in Wigan. James & Thomas Wigan & others to John Cross 9<sup>th</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup> August 1768
5. Agreements as to tenants in common of property in Wigan. Elizabeth Wigan of Wigan, widow. James Wigan of Wigan, innkeeper, with James & Thomas Wigan the sons, both gentlemen of Wigan to John Cross of Preston gent, and Thomas Battersby of Wigan, gent. 10<sup>th</sup> August 1768
6. Assignment of a mortgage in fee for securing £400 and interest of several messuages in Wigan. Edward & Richard Clayton and Thomas Wigan to Roger Holt, esq., in trust for the said Edward Clayton and lease 21<sup>st</sup> October 1771 for one year 22<sup>nd</sup> October 1771
7. Counterpart lease of messuage and tenement and certain closes of land in Samesbury for 99 years or three lives. Dame Catherine Leicester and another to Robert Parker esq. 3<sup>rd</sup> October 1772
8. Assignment in trust to attend the inheritance

- of mortgaged premises. Ralph Hasleden and Thomas Wood to Samuel Monks. 14<sup>th</sup> November 1772
9. Lease for seven years of a cottage in Leigh. Martha Wallwork to Edward Heaton, also 20<sup>th</sup> November 1777 assignment of a cottage in Leigh, Martha Wallwork to Edward Heaton, also 3<sup>rd</sup> April 1798 memo as to rent of Woods tenement in Leigh of Edward Heaton of Leigh, tallow chandler. 28<sup>th</sup> September 1826, notices by Henry Gaskell solicitor, Wigan, to various people to pay rent of property in mortgage to him. 5<sup>th</sup> July 1773
  10. Renunciation of executorship of Ann Almond's will, Johnston & Heyes to Roger Almond, the other executor 1<sup>st</sup> January 1773
  11. Feoffment of a cottage or dwellinghouse in Standishgate, Wigan. John Baldwin, gent, of Wigan to Martin Martindale of Wigan, cordwainer 20<sup>th</sup> April 1774
  12. Feoffment of a house in Standishgate Street, Wigan in trust. John Baldwin late of Wigan, now a student at Brazenose College to Martin Martindale of Wigan, shoemaker 6<sup>th</sup> March 1775
  13. Mortgage of 1,000 years of a house in Wigan for securing £50 and interest, Martin Martindale of Wigan, shoemaker to Richard Monk of Langtree, yeoman 5<sup>th</sup> May 1775
  14. Probate of will dated 4<sup>th</sup> July 1774, of James Richardson of Lowton, yeoman 19<sup>th</sup> May 1775
  15. Lease of messuage, two dwellinghouses and shop in Standish called 'Smalleys' in possession of Widow Marsden. John Marsden of Standish, joiner, from Cecilia Townley of Standish, widow 15<sup>th</sup> May 1776
  16. Assignment by way of mortgage from Thomas Wigan, of Wigan, gent, & others, Richard Clayton of North Hall, Worthington, for securing £150 and interest from Richard Maddock of City of Chester, gent. Lease 19<sup>th</sup> November 1776 for one year 20<sup>th</sup> November 1776
  17. Counterpart conveyance of land in Stockport Sir George Warren of Poynton to John Whitaker of Stockport, in trust. 4<sup>th</sup> December 1776

18. Abstract of Mrs Wigan's title to several houses in Wigan c.1776
19. Release being a mortgage in fee for securing £500 and interest. Richard Maddock and Thomas Wigan to Miss Katerine Lupton. 5<sup>th</sup> May 1778
20. Copy of release of purchase deeds of a messuage and tenement in Ribby-with-Wray, four acres, conson £451. John Nickson to Thomas Moulden, both of Ribby-with-Wray, yeomen 30<sup>th</sup> April 1779
21. Extract of agreement concerning now erected chapel in Wigan, between Rev. Fairfax, rector of Wigan and James Hodson of Wigan, merchant & others 22<sup>nd</sup> July 1780
22. Copy of William Marsh of Aspull, cotton manufacturer's will, proved, 30<sup>th</sup> August 1781 9<sup>th</sup> November 1780
23. Mortgage in fee of buildings and premises in Leigh for securing the repayment of £150 and lawful interest, also bond for performance of covenants, same date, James Wood of Pennington, yeoman to Messrs Lever & Green, executors. Lease 30<sup>th</sup> November 1781 for one year 1<sup>st</sup> December 1781
24. An abstract of Edward Alcock's will, of Oxford St, Warrington 19<sup>th</sup> November 1783
25. Feoffment of a messuage in Standishgate Street, Wigan, and assignment of remainder of a term to attend the inheritance. Martin Martindell and another to Mrs Alice Hart and her trustee of Blackrod, widow 18<sup>th</sup> July 1785
26. Conveyance of five cottages in Pennington to levy a fine. James Wood and others to Edward Heaton. Also 4<sup>th</sup> August 1785, lease for one year 5<sup>th</sup> August 1785
27. Final agreement, James Taylor, gent. plaintiff, James Wood and his wife, Samuel Monks and his wife, defendants as to seven cottages and land in Pennington, conson £133 6<sup>th</sup> August 1785

28. Articles of copartnership for carrying on brewery and malting business in Wigan. Thomas Higson, James Bevan, George Bevan and William Chapman 1<sup>st</sup> June 1790
29. Will of Robert Lyon of Bickerstaff, yeoman 16<sup>th</sup> April 1793
30. Lease of land, Smithy Field, Pennington, Henrietta Maria Atherton of Atherton to John Partington of Westleigh, brickmaker 13<sup>th</sup> August 1794

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**Box 35**

1. Feoffment of land, part of Higher Hey, Wigan. Richard Holmes to William Rannicars 16<sup>th</sup> May 1800
2. Conveyance of real estate and assignment of personal estate for benefit of creditors, Thomas Holmes to Messrs William Rannicars and John Singleton. Also, April 1801, bargain and sale for one year 16<sup>th</sup> April 1801
3. Feoffment of several plots of land and dwellinghouses thereon at Botany Bay within Chorley. Edward Alker of Samlesbury, yeoman to John Lewis of Knowley Wharf within Chorley, innkeeper. 12<sup>th</sup> November 1803
4. Bond of indemnity for giving up a deed to be cancelled. John Dobb of Abram, farmer and William Glover of Upholland, yeoman to Mr Gaskell of Wigan, gent 17<sup>th</sup> February 1804
5. Bargain and sale of the estate of Windle. Richard Whittle of Tarleton, bankrupt shopkeeper. The commissioners to the assignee, James McNish 25<sup>th</sup> February 1805
6. Second mortgage in fee, the first mortgagee a party of premises in mortgage for securing £300 and interest. Roger Bolton of Wigan, butcher, to Mrs Ann Fairclough of Upholland, widow 1<sup>st</sup> March 1806
7. Bond for payment of an annuity of £5, Henry Goore & others of Hallsall, yeomen to Mary Ryding of Liverpool, widow 1<sup>st</sup> September 1806
8. Copy will of Thomas Moulden of Ribby-within-Wray, yeoman 14<sup>th</sup> February 1807

9. Assignment of Platt's Hey, Wallgate, Wigan for the two surviving names in original lease subject to covenants, conson £210. The assignees of Thomas Barton, late of Liverpool merchant., bankrupt and Thomas Barton to Messrs Robinson and company 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1807
10. Feoffment of a plot of land in Union St, Wigan, and to certain uses. Thomas Burrows to William Rich 7<sup>th</sup> October 1808
11. Feoffment of several plots of land near Union St, Wigan. Thomas Burrows to Thomas Ashcroft and William Rich 8<sup>th</sup> October 1808
12. Demise of 3,000 years of three cottages and two yearly rents issuing out of other dwellinghouses in Wigan, in trust to indemnify against a rent charge. Thomas Burrows to Thomas Ashcroft and William Rich 21<sup>st</sup> February 1809
13. Assignment of the term of 1,000 years in messuage, Standishgate Street, Wigan, (Marton Martingdales) William Clayton, of Wigan, gent, and others to Atherton Heaton of Blackrod, yeoman 18<sup>th</sup> March 1809
14. Arbitration bond as to the soundness of a horse sold. William Henry Blundell Hollinshead, esq., to George Gaskell. 7<sup>th</sup> August 1812
15. Attested copy probate of will dated 1<sup>st</sup> April 1794, of Edmund Partington of Wigan, gent 25<sup>th</sup> August 1812
16. Probate of the will dated 9<sup>th</sup> February 1811, of Robert Moulton of Manchester, gent. 3<sup>rd</sup> November 1812
17. Mortgage of freehold premises for lives in Pennington for securing £80 and interest. John Partington of Westleigh, brickmaker to Henry Gaskell of Wigan, gent. 1<sup>st</sup> March 1813
18. Release as to ¼ part of estate at Coton Clanford, Staffs. William Revell of Camberwell, Surrey, innkeeper to Edward Pegg's executors, and 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1815 release of same Miss Jane Revell of London, spinster to Edward Pegg's executors 2<sup>nd</sup> March 1813
19. Further security for £20 and interest, John Partington of Westleigh, brickmaker

- to Henry Gaskell of Wigan, gent 2<sup>nd</sup> September 1813
20. Copy will of Ellen Towers of Ribby-with-Wrae, widow. This being addressed to John Towers, Scarisbrick Bridges, Ormskirk and other letters of 1817 and 1834 5<sup>th</sup> February 1814
21. Assignment of estate and goods to creditors. Garvis Willgoose of Wigan, victualler, Ralph Knight of Wigan, butcher Matthew Middlehurst of Wigan, corn dealer 10<sup>th</sup> May 1814
22. Mortgage in fee of the 'Fox' public house and other premises in Leigh for securing £500 and interest. William Leyland of Bedford, Leigh, victualler to Messrs James Bevan, Margaret Bevan and Henry Robinson of Wigan, brewers. Lease 21<sup>st</sup> May 1814 for one year 21<sup>st</sup> May 1814
23. Bond of indemnity as to £300, James Scott of Wigan, innkeeper, and James Baines of Leigh, innkeeper, to Robert Rowbottom esq., of Abram 24<sup>th</sup> June 1814

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**Box 36**

1. Assignment of a shop, No. 78 in Union Hall, City of Chester, for term of 5,000 years. Samuel Henry of Nantwich, draper to John Cartwright of Wigan, check manufacturer 12<sup>th</sup> October 1814
2. Attested copy of a release of rent charge of £12.10.10 ½ issuing out of a plot of land and several cottages in Wigan. James Alexander Hodson esq., and his trustee of Upholland, John Hodson of Ellerbeck, esq., to Richard Cardwell of Blackburn esq., Also William Clayton of Wigan, gent., surviving feoffees. (Mentions James Kearsley of Hulton, deceased). Further Marklands Field Ince at side of Union Street or Gaggy Lane. Will of James Hodson dated 25<sup>th</sup> July 1791 29<sup>th</sup> August 1815
3. Mortgage of certain hereditaments and premises in Leigh for securing £200 and interest. Edward Heaton to William Bibby. 22<sup>nd</sup> November 1815

4. Release in fee of several undivided 1/8<sup>th</sup> parts of premises in Bedford and Pennington. Conson £446. The devisees under Caleb Chapman's will to Edward Heaton 25<sup>th</sup> November 1815
5. Conveyance of certain hereditaments and premises in Pennington. Lease of three lives with a release of the equity of redemption and covenant to levy a fine. Conson £180. William Henshall and heir and others to Edward Heaton. 15<sup>th</sup> May 1816, lease for a year 16<sup>th</sup> March 1816
6. Final agreement as to land in Pennington, messuages, dwellinghouses, cottages and rents in Bedford. Edward Heaton, plaintiff and William Potter 23<sup>rd</sup> March 1816
7. Lease of part of a coal mine under certain estates in Adlington and Blackrod called 'Sharrocks' and 'Crawshaws' and of cottages and dwellinghouses for seven years determinable as within mentioned reserving ¼ of all coal retrieved and £20.16.0. yearly for cottages. Thomas Clayton of Adlington, yeoman, to Messrs Hale & Dewhurst, Lawrence Hale of Blackrod, Thomas Dewhurst of Brindle, coal merchants. Coal Pit or Eye called No. 3 near Lancaster Canal side and now sunk and made in estate of Thomas Clayton called Brown's in Blackrod now in possession of James Gregory & others Coal yard near said pit under 'Sharrocks' now belonging to Alexander Haliburton esq., in Blackrod and Adlington, namely 'Sharrocks' and 'Crawshaws'. Five cottages on said estate in possession of Lawrence Hall and Thomas Dewhurst as undertenants 1<sup>st</sup> April 1816
8. Lease of part of a coal mine in Blackrod called 'Resolution Mine' for 20 years of Raven coal. Thomas Clayton of Adlington, yeoman to John Golden of Blackrod, coal dealer April 1816
9. Release in fee of one undivided 1/8<sup>th</sup> part of premises in Pennington & Bedford, Lancashire. Matthew Potter and devisee under Caleb Chapman's will to Edward Heaton 30<sup>th</sup> August 1816

10. Mortgage in fee of 1/4<sup>th</sup> part of hereditaments in Ribby-with-Wrae, Lancs, for securing £200 and interest. John Towers of Scarisbrick, victualler to Bevan Robinson of Wigan, common brewer. Lease dated 14<sup>th</sup> March 1817 for one year 15<sup>th</sup> March 1817
11. Lease of premises in Pemberton for seven years of Mr Orrell. James & Ralph Knight of Wigan, butchers, to Thomas Knight of Pemberton, farmer. Also, 6<sup>th</sup> February 1818, warrant of attorney Thomas Knight to James & Ralph Knight 11<sup>th</sup> November 1817
12. Feoffment of several plots of land in or near Union Street, Wigan to certain uses. Thomas Burrows to Thomas Ashcroft and William Rich. 8<sup>th</sup> October 1818
13. Contract of agreement as to land called Shawcroft, Wigan. Messrs George Rice and Luke Smalley, both of Wigan, tallow chandlers and copartners and John Cartwright of Wigan, calico manufacturer, with plan. 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1819
14. Surrender of premises and hereditaments in Leigh for residue of term 999 years to the intent to merge the same. Messrs Bibby and Kirkman devisees in trust of William Bibby, deceased to Edward Heaton. Copy of William Bibby's of Westleigh, coach proprietor's will dated 17<sup>th</sup> October 1816 112<sup>th</sup> February 1819
15. Assignment of the interest of the said William Pemberton of Westleigh, weaver, under his father's will to secure a debt of £21.16.01 to said Richard Rothwell 12<sup>th</sup> April 1819
16. Appointment of administration. Robert Grayson of Wigan, cotton spinner 18<sup>th</sup> October 1819

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**Box 37**

1. Assignment of land & premises in Ince for residue of term of 999 years for securing

- £50 and interest, subject to prior mortgage for £400 and interest. Land of William Gidlow Higher Broon Field. Richard Fairclough to Samuel Gaskell 21<sup>st</sup> February 1820
2. Final agreement as to building used as cotton factory and land in Wigan and messuages in Ince and Billinge and pew in Billinge Parish Church. Thomas Rimmer, William Rich and his wife, James Whittle and his wife, also Alice Birchall 24<sup>th</sup> March 1822
  3. Release by way of partition of a plot of land in Wigan. William Rich and the devisees in trust in will of Thomas Ashcroft, deceased, to Henry Gaskell, trustee for Mr Rich 13<sup>th</sup> December 1822
  4. Conditions of sale of Mr Ralph Knight's property in Atherton. Lots 1&2 12<sup>th</sup> December 1825
  5. Disclaimer of the executorship of Ralph Knight's will late of Atherton. Will dated 13<sup>th</sup> October 1806. Jonathan Marsden of Wigan, hatter to Ralph Knight of Shakerley reedmaker 2<sup>nd</sup> January 1826
  6. Mr Gaskell, clerk to trustees. Letter trustees of Wigan & Preston Roads, south of Yarrow, next meeting by adjournment at Eagle & Child Inn, Wigan, Saturday next, trustees to consider taking down the gate across Yarrow Bridge called Duxbury Gate 4<sup>th</sup> July 1826
  7. Thomas Bowker's assignees Vs Edward Alcock of Warrington, architect, Edward Alcock indebted to Bowker, money & goods sold and delivered. Henry Gaskell, solicitor, of Wigan. Letters 1823-1827 1826-1827
  8. MISSING
  9. Deed of copartnership as to profession of surgeons in Wigan. Thomas Dobson Croft and Thomas Fisher both of Wigan, surgeons. Conson £500 6<sup>th</sup> August 1827
  10. Power of attorney, John Close to Thomas Close 15<sup>th</sup> August 1827
  11. Deed of disclaimer of the trusts and executorship of the will of Robert Moulton and of the executorship of the will of Thomas Hope by Messrs Potter, Mawson and Robert Hope 14<sup>th</sup> March 1831

12. Articles of copartnership as merchants and commission agents for seven years. John Close Jr, of Naples, merchant and James Close of Manchester, merchant 31<sup>st</sup> May 1833
13. Deed of dissolution of copartnership, Messrs Close 30<sup>th</sup> July 1833

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**Box 38**

1. Probate of will dated 7<sup>th</sup> March 1837 codicil, 18<sup>th</sup> August 1742 and 27<sup>th</sup> August 1742, of William Lea, of Wigan, gent 27<sup>th</sup> February 1843
2. Lease for the first seven feet of mine under two closes of land part of Bank House Estate in Tyldesley for seven years, certain rent £120. John Farnworth surviving trustee of the real estate of William Speakman of Astley, late of Tyldesley, gent., to William Atkin of Little Hulton, coal proprietor. Plan shows two closes Top and Lower Meadow 28<sup>th</sup> November 1843
3. Appointment under the wills of John & Robert Moulton, deceased. Esther Taylor of Stretford, widow to her children 5<sup>th</sup> February 1844

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**Box 39**

1. Grant: Robt. Banastr', 'Lord of Makerfield' to Ric. s. of Stephen de Laceton, for homage and service: ¼ lands in Lauton, except 1 ½ acres of John le taylor, all land once held by Ric. s. of Beatrice, along the ditches towards the west to the land of Wm. del Egge up to a corner made by Ric. s. of Beatrice and from that ditch along the ditches towards the North up to the land of Alex de Lecthe and up there along the ditches which Ric. made in the woods

towards the East up to the Utlone of Lauton and from the Utlone along the ditches to the south of the land of Ric. s. of Beatrice, also the land from all the boundaries of Kenion, below, 'le Egge' along the ditches once made by Ric up to the Utlone de Lauton and then following the Utlone up to the land which Wm. de Sonky once held and thus following the land of Wm. de Sonky along the ditches up to the aforesaid boundaries of 'Kenian', with acquittance of pannage for all their pigs in Lowton Wood, with husbold and haybold. Rent: 12s pa in four payments, i.e. Christmas 3s, at the Annunciation of the Blessed Mary the Virgin 3s, at the Nativity of John the Baptist 3s, and the feast of St Michael 3s.

Witnesses: Richard de Bradchawe, Gilbert de Sothwerth, Hugh de Hindlegh, Jordan de Kenion, William de Sonky, Robert de Alston', and Richard de Culchit

1292-1294

2. Grant: (1) Roger de Fletecroft to (2) Robt. de Langton, Lord of Lowton,, 40 acres of wood waste and pasture in Lowton Wood and (2) grants to (1) that remainder of woods etc., in Lowton not granted hereby will be available to (1) under the terms of previous grant to (1) and acc. to ancient usage. Position of land is near that of Wm. s. of Hugh del Egge. Given at Newton-in-Makerfield. Witnesses, by interchanging seals of parties

December 1337

3. Bond in £30 to perform covenants John Mather of Lawton, husbandman bound to John Stynroppe of Lawton, husbandman, on indenture between (1) JM Thomas Mather and Peter Mather and (2) JS

December 1611

4. Feoffment (1) Hugh Stirrope of Lawton, husbandman, to (2) John Lowe of Lawton, husbandman, cons not given, all messuages, cottages, lands etc of HS in Lowton. Also, power of attorney James Sorowulde and Thomas Halle appointed to deliver seisin

2<sup>nd</sup> June 1614

5. Copyhold transfer: John Stirrupp pays 12d fine and inherits as h. and s. of

- Hugh Stirrup deceased, lands in  
Lowton and Golborne - manor of  
Great Woolton of Wm. Earl of Derby 10<sup>th</sup> October 1619
6. Will of Nicholas Curwen, esq., of  
Gresgarth in the township of Caton 13<sup>th</sup> February 1625
7. Lease for 21 years. (1) Henry Byrom, gent  
of Lowton, and John Stirrup, yeoman  
of Lowton, and (2) Edward Parr,  
linendraper of Lowton - cons.  
£42: rent one peppercorn. Closes called  
Woodfield, Lower Croft and Corn Field  
(4a) in Lowton and Byrom 20<sup>th</sup> January 1628
8. Declaration/decreed issued from the  
Chancery Court of Bsp. of Chester, ruling  
for party (1) and party (2) to meet costs  
re contest of will of NC. Recites action  
between (1) Richard Sherburne exor. of  
Nicholas Curwin, late of Gresgarth alias  
Greysyard (par. of Caton) and (2) Thomas  
Morley, Francis Morley, Hugh Dicconson,  
sen. gent., Anne Dicconson and Mary  
Dicconson, widow, on 26<sup>th</sup> Feb 1634 Sept-Oct 1635
9. Manor of Widnes: Copy enrolments:  
incl. (1) 13<sup>th</sup> August 1650. Surrender of  
copyhold by Thomas Whitfield of Allerton,  
yeoman, and Ellen his wife, Wm.  
Wainwright, ibid., yeoman and Susannah  
his wife, Joanna Carter of Wavertree, widow,  
Wm Whittlefield of Toxteth, yeoman,  
and his wife Elizabeth and Robt. Gregory  
of Upton, Widnes, tanner. Cons: £40 to  
TW and wife, £40 to W. Wainwright and wife  
£20 to JC paid by W. Whitfield, and £24  
to RG paid by Thomas Hawarden of Upton -  
Rathbones House in Denton in Widnes,  
w. app. in occup. of John Patten and  
Gilbert Hey and 5 parcels of land in Upton  
in Widnes. Admission of Arthur Bold and  
John Linater as customary tenants.  
Fine 6s 7d for messuage etc., and 12d  
for 5 parcels. (2) 13<sup>th</sup> August 1650.  
Enrolment of a common recovery ,  
for above: Thomas Hawarden,  
demandant 13<sup>th</sup> August 1650
10. Will: Robert Ditchfield of Lowton, joiner,  
copy. Bond of indemnity attached 14<sup>th</sup> July 1652
11. Assignment of a lease in 30 years.  
(1) Robt. Collier of Kenyon, yeoman to  
(2) Henry Collier s. of RC of Kenyon,

husbandman - messuage in Kenyon etc.  
w. common of pasture. Rent: 25s 8d p.a.  
to Richard Holland. Recites previous  
lease by Richard Holland of Denton esq.,  
(24<sup>th</sup> June 1661). Covenants: (2) is to  
allow (1) and wife Anne to occupy floor  
below Lower Floor called 'Eld House'  
for their several lives. (2) will also pay  
(1) and wife £5 p.a. for the lives.  
If RC dies before Anne his wife, then  
(2) will pay the said Anne, £3 p.a. for  
life. If said Anne dies before RC then  
(2) will pay RC 40s p.a. for life.

10<sup>th</sup> May 1677

12. Lease for 1 ¼ years. Cons: £5. (1) Thomas Povey esq., of St-Martins-in-the Fields, Middlesex, to (2) Edw. Edwards cutler ibid., - a shop, a back closet, a kitchen and a cellar with a 'House of Office' the use of a water pipe therein, then in tenure of EE part of a house occupied by (1) on the East adjoining the street from the Mewes to Westminster and on the West side fronting Spring garden, all in St Martins par Middlesex. Rent: £20 by instalments at feasts of St Mary the Virgin, St John the Baptist and St Michael and final 4<sup>th</sup> instalment of one peppercorn.

7<sup>th</sup> September 1681

13. Hugh Stirrup of Lowton: receipts for rent

1686-1730

14. Lease for six months of messuage in Halebank: Robert Williamson to Roger Drosse, both of Halebank within Halewood, Lancs

1<sup>st</sup> February 1690

15. Lease for three lives. (1) Adam Byrom of Byrom esq., and John Byrom of same esq., to (2) Wm. Stirrup of Lowton, husbandman. Cons: surrender of a lease with 2 lives in being and £13. Rent: 17s p.a. Lives for present lease: WS, wife of Margaret and son Edward, messuage in Lowton, now in occup. of WS, rights to commit waste and to minerals reserved to JB as entailed interest. Covenants: to marle, to spend c. 3 days on lord's land (or 1s in lieu of one day's reeping) and to keep one hound. Rights of easement reserved to JB for hunting etc

9<sup>th</sup> March 1692-1693

16. Halmote Court of Halton: Admission and

- fine of copyhold tenants. John Lowe - admitted closes 'The Hampyeard', the Smithy Croft, the Priestscrofts, the Quarter in the Dowels' and one moss for life of JL. Elizabeth his wife and Ric. Dennis of Kennion. £25 paid by JL to previous tenant Robt. Cheshire, clerk for transfer but an annual rent of 16s 8d reserved from RC to JL 18<sup>th</sup> August 1693
17. Release cons: £96. (1) Robt. Williamson linenwebster of Halebancke in Halewood, to (2) Roger Crosse, husbandman, ibid., messuage or cottage in Halebancke once held by Thomas Wainwright, called the 'Roundabout The Yard' and 2 Cov Gates 2<sup>nd</sup> February 1693/1694
18. Acknowledgement of receipt of £20. William Stirrup of Lowton, yeoman, received from John Bate of Lowton, glover, and John Lowe of Lowton, husbandman, upon a conveyance 25<sup>th</sup> August 1694
19. Acknowledgement of a receipt of £30 as annuity on HS inherited estate in Lowton. John Bate of Lowton, glover, and John Lowe of Lowton, husbandman, received from Hugh Stirrup 25<sup>th</sup> August 1694
20. Lease for 6 months. (1) Sir Edward Chisenhale of Chisenhale and Wm. Chisenhale s. and h. app of EC to (3) Thomas Winckley of Preston, gent - manor of Chisenhale, capital messuage called 'Chisenhale Hall' and app. in Chisenhale, Wrightington, Coppull, Langtree, Holland, Wigan, Hindley, Darcy Leaver, Preston and Shevington 7<sup>th</sup> February 1699/1700
21. Receipt for 4s being 8 years, St. John of Jerusalem rent. Joshua Williamson received from John Lee July 1699
22. Exchequer writ of summons to answer certain articles before the barons of the exchequer. £100 penalty for non-appearance 9<sup>th</sup> July 1712
23. Helmete of Farnworth in Widnes. Copyhold transfer: cons of £100 (1) John Wright of Upton, watchmaker, and Robert Wright, tanner - New Hey in Upton (2a) 15<sup>th</sup> March 1724
24. Final concord (1) John Prespoint and (2)

John Hudson and Hanna his wife.  
Def - 1 messuage, 1 cottage, 2a land,  
1a meadow, 2a pasture and common of  
pasture in Lowton and Golborne. £60

25<sup>th</sup> March 1727

25. Final concord (1) John Byrom and Ric  
Atkinson gents, and (2) John Clayton and  
Jane his wife. Def - 1 messuage, 1 cottage,  
1 barn, 1 stable, 2 gardens, 1 orchard,  
6a land, 2a meadow, 2a pasture and common  
of pasture in Lowton and Golborne. £100 30<sup>th</sup> March 1727