

Horninghold Records held at the Leicestershire Records office:

All of the early documents relating to Horninghold held at the records office relate to the Manor. Key people referenced are:

Sir John Pretyman MP [formerly Receiver of the First Fruits and Tenths]

He has 2 sons:

John Pretyman [Died 1659]

Sir George Pretyman, Baronet

Sir Mathew Mennes MP

He has a daughter:

Margaret Mennes

Margaret marries John Pretyman approx. 1656

and following his death she marries Sir John Heath MP

Note: Receiver of the First Fruits and Tenths.

The First Fruits is a payment to the King [formerly the Pope] of one years Benefice revenue of a Bishop upon his appointment.

Tenths is a payment to the King [formerly the Pope] of 10% of each years Benefice revenue.

Record DG8/132

1656

Abstract of Deed relating to the lands settled upon John Pretyman [son of Sir John Pretyman] and Margaret his wife and the jointure derived from the lands being the Manor of Horninghold, the Mansion and Rectory of Loddington and lands in Battersey Kent.

Record DG8/134

Draft Bill of Parliament.

Sir John Heath MP and Dame Margaret, alleging that Dame Margaret has been defrauded of her jointure by Sir John Pretyman MP and Sir George Pretyman Baronet. They request that the Manor of Horninghold should be settled on Dame Margaret and her heirs and assignees.

Record DG8/136

Michaelmas 1667 Lease

Sir John Heath MP and Dame Margaret

And

John Atkins of Stanwick [Northants] executor of John Atkins his father deceased.

Whereas in Michaelmas [29th September] 1663 a parol lease was made by Richard Verney on behalf of Dame Mary Pretyman with Nicholas Atkins for John Atkins his father of the mansion house and homestead with gardens and orchards and also two closes called Palmers Close and Dane Court Close, each about 4 acres to hold from Michaelmas from year to year at a rent of £22 per annum and whereas the said John Atkins the elder died a few weeks before Ladyday [25th March] 1667 leaving his wife in possession who soon after put an under-tenant in, and whereas only part of the rent was paid, Sir John Heath MP and Dame Margaret have made an agreement with John Atkins for rent payable.

1666 Land Survey of Tenant Holdings:

Mr Penfold: Rent £115.0.0

Millfield [or Andrews Close]
Boroughbrig Close
Great Meadow
Little Meadow
Lodyes Close

Mr Atkins: Rent £22.0.0

The Horninghold Orchard
Palmer Close
Dane Court Close

Mr Atkins: Rent £60.0.0

Hills Wood Close
Ramsborough Close

Road y Shehean: Rent £60.0.0

Corve Close

Charles Fox: Rent £14.0.0

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Charles Fox: Rent £56.0.0

The Tythes of the Rectory.

The Woods: Rent £30.0.0