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Battle Abbey roll III p. 221

The Duchess of Cleveland says that Verdune is an illustrious name still represented in Normandy. Bertram de Verdone, the founder of the great English house, held Farnham Royal, C°. Bucks. in 1086 by the grand serjeanty of providing a glove for the kings right hand on the day of his coronation, and supporting his right arm during the service as long as he held the royal sceptre. In 1095 he attests a charter of William Rufus to St Marys Abbey York, and served as sheriff for C° York in 1100. His son Norman ~~followed~~ followed him and married Sescelina, the daughter of Geoffrey de Clinton, who had great possesions given to him by Henry I, whose treasurer and chamberlain he was, and afterwards justice of England (Dugdale I p. 286.

The principal seat and head of the Verdon barony was Alton in N. staffs.

Norman de Verdon was succeded by his son Bertram II, whose name appears in the pipe roll of 5 Henry II 1158-9 under staffs. "The sheriff renders accounts of 40 marks for Bertram de Verdon who paid £12 into the treasury in these talies; he is pardoned ~~of~~ 20 marks by the kings writ and he owes 2 marks. Bertram paid these 2 marks in the following year and was quit." Pipe roll 6 Henry II 1159-60 in which roll Bertram appears under Warks, + Leics. "In pardons by the kings writ to Bertram

de Verdon 13s-4d and he is quit." Bertram de Verdon served as sheriff of the counties of Warks. + Leics. from 1171 – 1180 and in subsequent years. He took the side of King Henry II in the difficulties with the kings sons and accompanying Richard I in the crusade of 1190 died at Jaffa in 1192 and was buried at ACRE.

Bertram de Verdon left two sons, the elder Thomas married to Eustachia Basset, had no children; the second Nicholas left only a daughter, Roesia, who married Theobald le Botteller of Ireland at the request of King Henry III in 1225, but did not change her maiden name of Verdon. (close rle of Sept 1225) Theobald le Botteller was dead in 1230 when Roesia owed 700 marks for a fine for her releif and for having seisen (possesion) of all the lands which had belonged to her father, Nicholas (now dead also) and that she be not distrained to marry again. (close roll 14 Hen III 1230) By her husband, Theobald, she had two sons, John de Verdon and Nicholas de Verdon, and one daughter, Maud, who married fitzallan, Earl of Arundel.

Roesia was the foundress of the nunnery of Gracedieu about the year 1239. and she died on 20 Feb. 1247 and is buried at Gracedieu. At the dissolution of the nunnery her effigy is said to have been removed to Belton Church, though there seems to be some doubt wether the effigy in the N. aisle is really that of Roesia de Verdon.

John de Verdon the eldest son of Roesia, married a great heiress, Margery de Lacy.

Fine Hilary, 31 Hen III 1247. Between Robert the parson of the church of Newbold (N.V) plaintiff and Rose de Verdon defendant of

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reasonable estovers (perks) which Robert demands to have in Rosgo wood in Newbaud for husbote and heybote (collecting wood and grazing (perks)).

Rose granted the parson and his successors reasonable estovers in her wood in future by the view of her foresters for ever.

Lay subsidy 133-1 1 Edw III 1327.

Newbold Verdon and Brocard (Braocte)

From Elizabeth de Burgo	£0 d
Henry Nichol	2/8
Robert le	4/11¼
William Godd	12d
John son off Godfrey	15¼
Robert Wareyn	12d
John Pope	10¼
William Brid	20d
Robert le Wrighte	12d
William Lotev	3/-
William Norman	3/-
John de Barderton	13d
Margery wife of Ralph	2/-
Robert son of Ida	21¼d.
	sum 29/9¾.

N.B. Elizabeth daughter of Gilbert de Clare, Earl of Glose eoter by his wife, Joan of Acre, daughter of King Edward I. She married 1st John de Burgh son of the Earl of Ulster. died V.P. 18 June 1313. 2nd Theobald de Verdon died in 1316 when the manor of Newbold Verdon was aquired to her ⅔ part of her dowel. 3rd. Roger D'amosic.

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Lay subsidy 133-2, 6 Edw. III 1332.

From the lady of Newbold	5s
Richard de Shenton	4s
Henry Nichol	2s
William de Gotham	18d
John de Glen	3s
Rose Norman	3s
Robert Attewell	3s
William Brid	3s
Robert le swain	2s
Thomas Spyng	2s
Robert son of Ida	2s
William Wylyng	18d
John le Frethar	12d
William Lofter	12d
Roger Brid	12d
John Pope	12d

sum 36/-

Coramlege roll 420, Mich., 40 Edw III 1365
M 48 Leic.

Thomas Danyel of Shilton was attached to answer William Savage parson of the church of Newbold Verdon in a plea wherefore, together with William Branch bury of N.V. he broke Thomas' close at N.V. took away his goods and chattels, and dispastured his herbage with certain cattle.

Fine, Oct Trinity, 7 Hen VII 1492.

Between John Josselyn and Fitzherbert, plaintiffs and John Devereux knt

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Lord Ferrars and Cecily his wife defendants of 10 marks rent issuing out of the manor of N.V. Grant for lives of the said rent in John Devereux + Cecily.

Kelly in 1922 directory says that the parish (incl. Brascote) 1862 acres, popp in 1911 was 1064 the living is a rectory net yearly value £441 incl. 110 acres of glebe and residence the gift of trinity college Oxford.

Lay subsidy 134-205 13 ELIZ 1571
N.V.

From Sampson Vollversten in goods £5 tasc 8/4.
Richard Woode . in goods £6 tasc 10/-
~~£ 25/~~
Thomas Adderston . . £6 tasc 10/-
Sum 25/-.

Fine Michalmas 16/17 Elizabeth 1574

Between Henry Earl of Huntingdon plaintiff and Walter Earl of Essex defendant of the manor of N.V. and 100 messuages, 20 cottages, 20 toffts, 4 mills, 4 dovehouses, 100 gardens, 2000 acres of land, 400 of meadow, 1000 of pasture, 300 of wood, 200 of furze and heather, 300 of moor, 300 of marsh and £4 rent in Shenford, Shelton, Burlestone, Sutton Cheney, Lutterworth Barton Brescote + Naneby and the advowson of the church of N.V.

Fine Trinity 25 Eliz 1581

Between Francis Hastings Esq. plaintiff and

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and Peter Overton and Dorothy his wife defendants of a messuage and garden, virgates of land, 10 acres of meadow 6 of pasture and common pasture in Braxcote and N.V.

Fine Trinity 24 Eliz 1582

Between Francis Hastings esq. plaintiff and Henry Earl of Huntingdon, defendants of the manor of N.V. and 100 messuages, 20 cottages, 4 mills, 4 dovehouses, 100 gardens, 200 acres of land, 400 meadow, 1000 of pasture etc (as in fine of Mich 1574) Grant by Francis to the Earl of a rent of £200 yearly the first payment at lady day on Michalmas next after the death of Margeret Viscountess Hereford.

Fine Oct of Purification 4 James I 1607.

Walter Hastings esq., Henry Beaumont Kt, Thomas Spencer esq. Thomas Harvey gent., plaintiffs, and Francis Hastings knt and Mary his wife, defendants. of the manor of N.V. and 100 messuages, 20 cottages, 4 mills, 4 dovehouses, 100 gardens, 2000 acres of land, 400 meadow, 1000 pasture, 300 wood, 200 furze and heath, 300 moor, 300 marsh and £10 rent in N.V. shenford, Shilton, Barlestone, Sutton Cheney Lutterworth Barton Braxcote and Nanneby and the advowson of the church of N.V. Right of Walter and his heirs for ever.

£1000.

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Fine Trinity 3 weeks 9 James I 1611

Between Richard Herne, Nicholas Herne esq. and Nicholas Hooker plaintiffs and Henry Earl of Huntingdon and Elizabeth his wife, Walter Hastings esq. Thomas Spencer and Thomas Harvey gent defendants of the manor of N.V. and 6 messuages, 6 tofts, 2 mills, 1 dovehouse, 200 acres of land, 60 meadow, 600 pasture 80 wood and 40s rent and view of frankpledge in N.V., Skevington, Brevcote, Naneby, Bilstone, Shenford Sutton Cheney Fondefield, Tugby, Osbaston, Lutterworth Barton and the advowson of the church of Skevington. Right of Richard and his heirs

£500.

I.P.M. 320-51 Series II 1611

John Abell taken at Leicester 15 sept 9 James I.

Long before his death he was siezed in his demesne as of fee of a messuage of tennement in N.V. together with orchard gardens tofts and crofts to the said messuage belonging, and of divers closes and pastures called 'le Hoame close' and 'le Heuremoste close' and of diverse other lands tennements meadows pastures etc in N.V. The said messuage was bought by John Abell from Henry Earl Huntingdon, Walter Hastings of Nierby, Thomas Spencer of Lincolns Inn Co Middlesex and Thomas Harvey of Ashby de la Zouch.

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deed dated 2 sept 8 James I 1610.

By the name John Abel of N.V. clerk of the 1st part and Thomas Mason of the same place, farmer and margeret his wife of the other part. John Abel dimised to the Thomas and Margeret. In term of their lives and longer living of them, the above messuage + closes at a yearly rent of 14l-.

Thomas Mason died at Newbold on 2 March, 5 James. I 1608, Margeret survives. John Abel was also siesed of a close of pasture called 'b rough Wonge at Kirkby Malorge parcel of the lands formerley of George Dilke bought by John Abell from the said George Dilke.

John Abell died on 6 June, 9 James I (1611) John Abell is his son and heir aged 2yrs. 6mth 3weeks.

Further the jury say that a certain Frances Whitinge, late, the wife of the said John Abell and now the wife of Nathaniel Whitinge gent., survives at Eston C° Northants and is entiteled to a third part of the aforsaid property as dower.

Fine Easter 5weeks 10 charles I 1634.

Between Nathaniel Crewe and Edward Bagshaw plaintiffs, and John Crewe defendant of the manor of N.V. and 6 messuages, 6 tofts, 2 mills, 1 dovehouse, 200 acres of land, 60 meadow, 600 pasture, 80 ft wood, 40 sh rent and view of frankpledge in N.V., Skelyngton, Brercott, Naneby, Barlestone, Shanford, Sutton Cheney, Fordefield, Tugby, Osbaston, Lutterworth, Burton and the adowson of the church in Skelyngton. Grant to the plaintiffs in 40yrs at a peppercorn rent yearly

£500

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Lay subsidy 251-9 10 Charles II 1666

Hearth Tax.

Mr John Crewe esq.	6 hearths.
William Biddle	2
John Joyce jnr	2
Lawrence Crosse	1
John Bates	3
William Monteney	2
Abraham Dunckley jnr	1
Nicholas Wood	1
Widow Fletcher	1
William Buckley	2
George Thrlby	1
John Joyce	1
Richard Addock	1
William Monteney	6
Humphrey Chapman	2
A. Dunckley snr	1
George Holmes	1
William Wykies	1
Robert Williamson	1
William Crofner	2
Thomas Plant	2
William Hopkins	1
Thomas Carter	2
John Bott	1
Thomas Southinwood	1
John Eveland	1
George Wilkinson	2
Humphrey	1
Thomas Berry	1
William	1

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Widow Everard 1
Mr Crewe for Hunby house 2.

Laysubsidy 134-306 16 Charles I 15 Ap. 1641

from George Mountney gent in lands £2.
Thomas Terry in goods £3
Dorothy Hemsley widow " " £3
Humphrey Chapman in lands.
Simon Hobbocke " "
John Chayne

Rectors N.V. St James.

Nicholas de Verdon is patron of the church of N.V. Elyas is the parson who was instituted by B. Archdeacon while the see was vacant (ie before 1209) (Matriculas Hugh Welles, Cant + York soc 1. p. 246)

A.D. 1225 Robert de Alston, subdeacon presented by Nicholas de Verdon Knt.
(sd. Hug Wells C+Y soc II p. 301)

A.D. 1241-2. Robert de Whitick subdeacon, presented by lady Roesia de Verdon.
(sd Rot. Grossetiste L.R.S. p416
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Fine Mich 15 George III 1774.

Between Joseph Bonney esq. plaintiff and Edward Wortley otherwise Montague esq. and Sarah his wife defendants of the manor of N.V. and the park of Newbold and 10 messuages, 1200 acres of land. £16, 7, 5½d of yearly rent 11 lb of

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pepper and communial pasture in N.V. Market Boswarth, Osbaston, Shawford, Shotton, Badsten, S. Mon Cheney, L. Atherwarth, Barton, Arnesby and other places.

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