



Wanborough

Feet of Fines for the Period of Elizabeth I

The Purpose of a Fine.

To add strength and security to a conveyance that had already been virtually effected was then the prime motive for making or, as it was called, 'levying' a fine. This is shown by two Wiltshire examples. On 17 May 1287 Edward I granted by letters patent to Matthew son of John, knight, among other things the castle and manor of Devizes for life. In Michaelmas term in the same year Matthew acquired by fine the same estate from the king and Eleanor the queen.

1558

Antonius Abarrowe, gen., and John Brynde, ge, and Dorothea his wife, and John Michell; a water mill and lands in Wanborough.

1559

Thomas Godderd, senr., and John Brende; messuages and lands in Wanborough. 130 marks

1560

Thomas Goddard and John Brynde; messuages and lands in Wanborowe

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