



Account of Purley on Thames

Chronicles 1200-1224

1200 (1/2 John)

1201 (2/3 John)

Halnoth de Sifrewast's lands were temporarily forfeit to the Crown (85-160, 477-II-1)

1202 (3/4 John)

Robert of Purley owed money to Gervase de Henton (111-1202)

1203 (4/5 John)

1204 (5/6 John)

1205 (6/7 John)

The River Thames was frozen over from 1st Jan to 20th March. No ground could be tilled and frozen ale and wine were sold in Reading by weight (17-12)

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1211 (12/13 John)

Ruelart Huscarle was recorded in the Pipe Roll as having paid his Scutage of Wales in the Honour of Wallingford (105-58)

1212 (13/14 John)

Richard (or Ruelart) Huscarle was succeeded by his son Thomas as Lord of the Manor of Purley Magna. He was recorded in the Book of Fees as having three knights fees in the Honour of Wallingford (105-105, 110-561n, 26-III-418)

Halnoth de Sifrewast was still Lord of Purley Parva, he held one knights fee in Berkshire ((26-III-420, 105-105, 110-499)

Olivia de Auvers claimed through Roeland her attorney a third part of two carucates of land with all its appurtenances in Purley as her dowry, wherewith Roeland Huscarle, her former husband had endowed her. This was agreed to by Thomas Huscarle. (63-1212)

1213 (14/15 John)

The first Parliament was called to meet in Oxford on November 15th. No returns have been found so we do not know who represented Berkshire (120-1)

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1217 (1/2 Hy III)

Halnoth de Sifrewast is presumed to have died and been succeeded as lord of the manor of Purley Parva by his son William (477-II-108)

William de Sifrewast did homage and received seisin of his lands on payment of a relief of 100s (44-i-347, 26-II-420)

William de Sifrewast examined and confirmed the charter which had been made by his aunt Isabell in 1194(?) by which she gave a half virgate to Reading Abbey. The reason was that it had been given to her as a wedding portion and might otherwise have been thought of as properly reverting to the donor or his heirs on her death (477-II-107) (dated 1217x44)

1220 (4/5 Hy III)

The Great Assize came to examine witnesses, among whom was Gilbert de Aubern, about conflicting claims by the Abbot of Hyde and William de Purle (presumably William de Sifrewast) about a half virgate of land in Purley. It was decided that William had the greater right but that he should hold it from the Abbot in perpetuity (63-1220)

The dues due to Henry III from Purley were assessed as 4s for 2 carucates of land in the Hundred of Reading and 9s for 4½ carucates in the Honour of Wallingford. Also in the Honour of Wallingford was 8s for 4 carucates in La Hyde (105)

1224 (8/9 Hy III)

Thomas Huscarle confirmed to the Abbot of Thame one virgate of land in Purley which his father had given the monastery (f of Fines 9 Hy III no 3, 26-III-418)