Westminster Abbey Muniments Book 11: 'The Westminster Domesday', fo. 171a Westminster Abbey Muniments 1844

Charter of Isabel Poybele of Morden concerning a certain croft with pertinences in the same place [temp. Edward I. (1272-1307) (Staundone was Rector 1273-1301)]

To all the faithful in Christ, the present charter about to see or hear, Isabel Poybele, of Morden daughter of John le Berther, greetings in the Lord. Know that I have rendered, granted and by my present writing charter, have confirmed to Master Gerard, rector of the church of Morden, all that croft with all its pertinences in Morden, which is between a tenement of the aforesaid church on each side, whose northerly head abutts upon the royal way and the southern head upon the tenement of John Snoter. To have and to hold to the same Master Gerard and his successors and his aforesaid church freely, quietly, truly and in peace forever. I have remitted also and have wholly quitclaimed for me and my heirs forever to the aforementioned rector and his successors and his church aforesaid, all right and claim which I ever had or could have or ought to have in the aforesaid croft with pertinences. Namely on condition that neither I, the aforesaid Isabella, nor my heirs nor any in our name or for us, in the the aforesaid croft with pertinences henceforth shall be able to exact or lay claim to any right or claim. In witness whereof I have confirmed the present charter by affixing my seal. These being witnesses, Ralph de la Chambre de Creshalton, Richard Aurifaber, Robert de Sutton, Robert de Cheyham, Geoffrey de Morden, clerk, Thomas de la Forge of Merton, Thomas atte Water of Wymeldon and others.

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White seal - fleur de lis - S' **ISABELLE** POYBELE

[See also WD fo. 171a = WAM 1845 – Staunden to Westminster Abbey]

NOTES:

In 1312 Gerard de Staundon was recorded as holding a valuable freehold tenement in Lower Morden, later known as Wynterworthes. Its house probably stood on or near the site now occupied by Morden Park Baptist Church.

John Snoter had held the free tenement held in 1312 by John le Hayter at an annual quitrent of 6d.

The Tithe Apportionment of 1838 shows as glebe a small plot of meadow land in Lower Morden. Could this, or part of it, have been, or included, the croft that Isabel Poybele granted to the church of Morden?

