

[Morden] - Account of Richard Edward reeve at the same place of the issues of the same manor from Michaelmas Day in the 18th year of the reign of King Edward III after the Conquest until the same feast next following in the 19th year of the reign of the same king.

[1344-1345]

Arrears

First he renders his account for 101s 5½d of arrears of his preceding account.* Sum 101s 5½d.

Rent of assize

The same answers for 18s 0½d from rent for the Christmas term. And for 18s 0½d from rent for the Easter term. And for 18s 0½d from rent for the term of the Nativity of St John the Baptist. And for 2s 8d of Medsilver at the same term. And for 22s 11d from rent for the Michaelmas term. And for 1d from rent of William atte Thorne for the year. And for 5s from tallage of customary tenants at Michaelmas. Sum £4 4s 9½d.

Corn sold

The same answers for 14s 8d for 8 quarters oats sold to the Queen, of which 4 quarters priced 20d a quarter, and for 4 quarters priced 2s a quarter. And for ~~10s~~^{12s} for 3 quarters curall wheat sold, price of a quarter 3s 4d[†] and no more ^{because} thin. Sum 26s 8d.

Livestock sold

The same answers for 2s 9d for 11 piglets of issue sold, price per head 3d. And for 6s 3d for 25 geese sold, price per head 3d. And for ~~2s 6d~~^{3s} for 12 capons sold, price per head ~~2½d~~[‡]. And for 18d for 10 hens from rent sold, of which 4 cocks. Sum 13s 6d.

Dead stock sold

The same answers for 3s for the hide sold of 1 bull of murrain. And for 20d for the hide sold of 1 cow of murrain. And for 2s 4d^{9d} for 11 wool fleeces sold wholesale and no more because too weak. And for ~~4s 5d~~^{7s 3½d} for 35 sheepskins sold ~~and no more because weak~~. Sum 14s 8½d.

Labour services sold

The same answers for 18d for 12 ploughing works sold, price of a work 1½d. And for 7d for 14 dung-carrying services sold, price of a work ½d. And for 2s 2d for 26 carrying services sold, price of a work 1d. And for 17s for 408 winter works sold, price of a work ½d. Sum 21s 3d.

Issues of the manor

The same answers for 6s for the farm of 12 hens for the year. And for 50s for farm of 10 cows for the year for each cow 5s. And for 3s for the agistment of lambs in the fallow. Sum 59s.

* This account has not survived

† 3 quarters @ 3s 4d is 10s not 12s.

‡ The revised price assumes 3d per head.

Fines and profits of the Court

The same answers for 3s 6d for the Court held 14th October. And for 3s for the Court held 14th February. And for 15s ^{6d} for View with Court held 4th July. Sum 22s.

Sold at the audit

And for 28s 6¼d for various [things] charged at the audit as shown on the outside. Sum 28s 6¼d.

Sum Total Receipts with arrears: £18 11s 10¾d.

EXPENSES**Quittances of rent**

First he accounts in quittance of rent of the reeve for the year 2s. In quittance for the same for medsilver 2d. In default of rent of land formerly Robert Fabean for the year because in the lord's hand 2s 4d. In rent paid to John de Kenewardus^{lc} ~~eld~~ for land at Goldenehelde for the year 4s. Sum 8s 6d.

Cost of ploughs

Also in payment made to the smith for fitting iron to 2 ploughs for the year at his own expense 14s. In 2 plough feet bought 6d. In 2 new ploughs bought 2s. In 2 ploughshares bought 2s. In fitting 2 ploughs with mould-boards 6d. In shoeing 2 draught horses for harvest 4d. Sum 19s 4d.

Costs of carts

Also in 16 clouts with nails bought 16d. In grease bought 4d. In 2 pairs wheels bought 3s ~~6d~~. In 2 pairs frets bought for the same 2d. In 2 collars bought ~~13d~~. ^{12d} In 1 pair traces bought 4d. In white-tawed leather bought 6d. In shoeing 2 carthorses for the year 16d. In fitting 2 carts before harvest with axle-trees bought for the same 6d. In 1 pair saddle-pads for cart saddles [*cella*] 6d. Sum 9s.

Building costs

Also in stipend of 1 roofer with his mate hired for 3 days for roofing over the hall and stable 12d. In 1 lock with key bought for the door of the granary 3d. Also in timber bought for the wall of the barn made ready for the north groundsill 12d. Also in stipend of 1 carpenter for the said wall, groundsill and fitting with laths and for building a latrine 7d. In 100 laths bought for the same 2d. In 500 lathnails bought for the wall and for repairing other defects 3½d. Sum 3s 3½d.

Mill costs

Also in 1 millstone bought ^{London} £4. In piercing, opening and carrying the said stone 3s 4d. In carrying the said stone by water as far as Brigges[§] 12d. In carrying the said stone to Morden by cart 12d. ~~In lifting and laying the said stone 12d.~~ In rungs and cogs bought 12d. Sum £4 6s 4d.

[§] Bridges, a Westminster Abbey estate in Battersea.

Petty necessities

Also in 2 bushels of salt bought 6d. In making 2 quarters large oats into meal 8d.^{6d} In food and oblations for servants on Christmas and Easter days 2s 4d. ~~In making water channels 6d.~~^{because none made} In 2 sacks bought 12d. In cutting stubble [*stipula*] 6d. In 1 tree-trunk bought 4d. In 10 hurdles bought for the fold 15d. In 1 shovel/threshing sledge [*tribula*] and 1 spade of iron bought 6d. In 1 hemp halter bought 1d. In 2 halters made of draught horses' hair ½d. ~~¾d~~ In 1 wheel for wheelbarrow bought 2d. Sum 7s 2½d.

Threshing corn

Also in threshing 61 quarters 2 bushels wheat, 3 quarters rye and 8 quarters pulses by piece-work 16s 0¼d, viz per 9 bushels 3d. In threshing 17 quarters 4 bushels barley by piece-work 2s 7¼d, per 9 bushels 2d. In threshing 75 quarters 3 bushels oats by piece-work 5s 7d, per 9 bushels 1d. In winnowing half the total corn by piece-work, 18¼d, per 9 bushels ¼d. Sum 25s 8d.**

Corn bought

Also in 4 bushels beans bought for planting 2s. In 3 quarters 6½ bushels mixstillio bought for livery and for seed 12s 8½d, price of a quarter 3s 4d. Sum 14s 8½d.

Livestock bought

Also in 1 cow bought before calving 10s 7d. In 2 calves of issue bought 2s. In 12 chickens bought for making capons 12d. Also in 1 bull-calf bought 7s. Sum 20s 7d.

Hoeing and Mowing

Also in hoeing all the lord's corn this year 7s 3d.^{6s} Also in mowing 1½ acres meadow in Eylond, 3 roods in Geldenemade, 1½ acres ½ rood in Neweburygardyn, and 1 acre 3 roods in Comstrode by piece-work 2s 10½d, per acre 6d. In customary payment to customary tenants for haymaking in the same 1 bushel maslin. In 1 cheese bought for the same 4d.^{3d} Sum 9s 1½d.

Harvest costs

Also in expenses of 204 workers both free and customary at 3 boonworks in harvest as though for 1 day together with expenses of 32 men sent out with rods to superintend reapers who reaped this year 70 acres of corn of every kind; in bread as on the dorse [*in tergo*]; in ale bought 9s 10d, viz for each of them ½d; in meat and fish bought for the same 14s 9d, viz for each of them ¾d. Also in expenses of 31 customary tenants at 2 dry boonworks, who reaped 12 acres of corn of every kind 7¾d, viz for each of them ¼d. In reaping and binding 39 acres 1½ roods^{††} corn of every kind by piece-work, 19s 6d, per acre 6d. In 2 lb of candles bought 4d. In stipend of 1 reap-reeve in harvest 3s. In stipend of 1 stacker 3s. In expenses of reeve and 1 reap-reeve over and above ~~their livery 2s.~~ In servants' expenses for their 'harvest goose' 18d. Sum 52s 6¾d.

** The odd farthings have not been included in this sum.

†† The 1½ roods have not been included in the calculation.

Servants' stipends

Also in stipend of 1 carter, 4 servant ploughmen and 1 dairy worker for the year 27s, each taking 4s 6d. In stipend of 1 shepherd keeping alien ewes at the lord's fold 2s. Sum 29s.

Foreign Expenses

Also in boat-hire at Lambeth for corn carried to the other side of the Thames ~~6d.~~^{4d} Paid to the bailiff of the lord king for taking a certain distraint owed for the bridge of Vauxhall [*ponte de Faukeshall*] 6s 8d.^{**} In expenses of the reeve for enforcing the said distraint ~~viz 2 cows 12d.~~ In expenses of 2 grooms, horsemen of the lord king, staying at the same place with horses continuously ~~6s 4d.~~^{4s} Sum 11s.

Expenses of Bailiff and Auditors

Also in expenses of auditors 6s by 1 tally. In expenses of bailiff for his coming 6d 4d by 1 tally. In expenses of steward for Courts held 3s 2d by 1 schedule [*cedul*]. Also in expenses of bailiff for the months of June and July 8s by 1 tally. Sum 23s 6d.

Sum of all expenses £15 19s 9¾d. And thus he owes 52s 1d.

Manor valued this year 100s.

DORSE

Morden**Issues of the grange at the same place for year 19 – Richard Edward reeve****Wheat**

3-fold plus 1 quarter

First he renders his account for 61 quarters 2 bushels of issue of the grange at the same place by struck measure, threshed by piece-work, of which 10 quarters curall. Sum 61 quarters 2 bushels.

Of which in sowing over 69½ acres in various parcels, of which in Comstrod 13 acres 1 rood, in Northschote 24 acres, in Twyeacre 1 acre 3 roods, in Cherchforlong 6 acres, in Bottes atte Gretehegg 5½ acres, in Westbutte [4 acres] and in Langehul 15 acres and no more because 4 acres 3 roods lie uncultivated, 19 quarters ~~4 bushels~~, over the acre 2 bushels 1 peck minus [4 bushels 1½ pecks]. In customary payment to sower ~~1 bushel~~. In maslin for servants' livery 10 quarters curall. In expenses of bailiff for his coming for superintending and regulating the state of the manor 1 bushel. Delivered to brother Richard de Reddyngg keeper of the granary 20 quarters by 1 tally. In livery of reeve between 1st August and Michaelmas 1 quarter. In livery of 1 reap-reeve for 5 weeks in harvest 5 bushels. In livery of 1 stacker for the same time 5 bushels. In bread baked for expenses of 205 men at 5 boonworks in harvest 1 quarter 2¹ bushel. And in sale 3 quarters. In sale at the audit 6 bushels. Sum 56 quarters 2 bushels. And there remain 5 quarters wheat.

3s

Rye

2-fold minus 2 bushels

The same answers for 3 quarters rye of issue of the grange at the same place by the aforesaid measure, threshed by piece-work. And for 1 quarter mixstillio of purchase for seed. And for 2 quarters 6½ bushels mixstillio of purchase for livery. And for 1 quarter received from the *serviens* of Battersea by 1 tally. And for 7 bushels charged at the audit as/so that [ut] he answers for 3-fold grain.^{§§} Sum ~~7 quarters~~ 6½ bushels. ^{8 quarters 5½ bushels}

^{**} Not the present Vauxhall Bridge over the Thames!

^{§§} Is this because the yield does not reach the set quota?

- 6s 3d Of which in sowing over 7 acres 1½ roods in Northberworth 2 quarters, over the acre 2 bushels plus in total 1 bushel 1 peck. In maslin for servants' liveries 4 quarters 6½ bushels. ^{In sale at the audit 1 quarter 7 bushels.} Sum as above. And none remains.
- Pulses** 3-fold minus 2 bushels The same answers for 8 quarters of issue of the grange at the same place by the aforesaid measure, threshed by piece-work. And for 4 bushels beans bought for planting. Sum 8 quarters 4 bushels.
- Of which in planting over 6 acres in Durantesfeld 2 quarters 2 bushels, over the acre 2 bushels. ^{***} Also in planting over 1 acre in Thistelcroft [4 bushels] beans. Also in sowing over 7½ acres, of which in Durantesfeld 3 acres 1½ roods and Thistelcroft 4 acres ½ rood, 2 quarters, over the acre 2 bushels 1 peck minus in total 3 pecks. ^{†††} In maslin for servants' livery 3 quarters 6 bushels. Sum as above. And none remains.
- Barley** 5-fold grain with surcharge The same answers for 17 quarters 4 bushels barley of issue of the grange at the same place by the aforesaid measure, threshed by piece-work. And for 7½ bushels charged at the audit as/so that [ut] he answers for 5-fold grain. Sum ~~17 quarters 4 bushels.~~ ^{18 quarters 3½ bushels}
- 3s 1½d Of which in sowing over 12 acres in Southberworth 6 quarters, over the acre 4 bushels. And 10 acres at the same place sown with oats. Delivered to brother Richard de Reddyngg keeper of the granary [at Westminster] 5 quarters by 1 tally. In maslin for servants' livery 6 quarters 4 bushels. In sale at the audit 7½ bushels. Sum as above. And none remains.
- Oats** 2½-fold with surcharge The same answers for 75 quarters 3 bushels of issue of the grange at the same place by the aforesaid measure, threshed by piece-work. And for 8 quarters of the same issue by estimation in sheaves. And for 2 quarters 2 bushels charged at the audit as/so that [ut] he answers for 2½-fold. Sum ~~83 quarters 3 bushels.~~ ^{85 quarters 5 bushels}
- Of which in sowing over 66½ acres land in various parcels, of which in Thistelcroft 16 acres 3½ roods and no more at the same place because 5 acres ½ rood with beans and peas above, in Southberworth 10 acres, in Buttesattehache 4 acres 1½ roods, in Wolwarduscroft 5 acres 1 rood, in Snakehul 6 acres, in Geldenehelde 12 acres and no [more] because 5 acres lying uncultivated, and in Heldeattecherch 12 acres and no more because 24 acres 3 roods lie uncultivated, 33 quarters 4 ² bushels, over the acre 4 bushels ~~plus in total 2 bushels.~~ In meal for servants' pottage for the year 2 quarters. In fodder for 2 carthorses from Michaelmas day until 3rd May for 215 nights, 6 quarters 5 bushels 3 pecks, taking per night 1 peck. In fodder for 3 draught horses at winter and Lenten sowing 2 quarters. In fodder for 17 oxen by estimation in sheaves, and in expenses of weak animals and in weaning calves, 8 quarters. In fodder for the horse of brother Richard de Wynton bailiff for his coming 3 bushels by 1 tally. In fodder for the steward's horse for Courts held 2 bushels by 1 sealed schedule [cedul sigill]. In fodder for the horses of horsemen [janitar'] of the lord king staying at the same place between Michaelmas and 1st August except 6 weeks, 8 quarters. Delivered to brother Richard de Reddyngg keeper of the granary at Westminster 12 quarters by 1 tally. In sale to the Queen 8 quarters. ~~And for the same purpose taken in the measure [ad hoc capt' in mens]~~ ^{4 bushels} 1 quarter. Given to the bailiff of the Hundred of Wal[ling]ton by order of the bailiff 1 quarter. In sale at the audit 3 quarters 4 bushels 1 peck. Sum ~~82~~ ⁸⁵ quarters 5 bushels ~~2 pecks.~~ And no oats remain.
- 7s 0¾d acres sown this year 169 [acres] 3½ roods

*** These figures are calculated on 3 bushels an acre

††† This should be 3½ pecks.

Multure of the mill The same answers for 9 quarters multure of issue of the mill for the year besides tithes. And delivered as servants' livery.

Servants' maslin The same answers for 10 quarters curall wheat, 4 quarters 6½ bushels rye, 3 quarters 6 bushels pulses, 6 quarters 4 bushels barley and 9 quarters multure of the mill received above for livery. Sum 34 quarters ½ bushel.

Of which in livery of 1 carter, 4 servant ploughmen and 1 dairy worker for the year 31 quarters 1½ bushels, each taking a quarter per 10 weeks. In livery of 1 shepherd keeping alien ewes from Michaelmas day until the Purification of blessed Mary for 18 weeks 1 quarter 4 bushels, taking a quarter per 12 weeks. In livery of 1 rook-scarer at both sowings 2 bushels. Given to the customary tenants lifting the lord's hay by custom 1 bushel. In livery of 1 shepherd keeping alien ewes for 12 weeks in summer 1 quarter. Sum as above. And none remains.

LIVESTOCK ACCOUNT

Carthorses The same answers for 2 carthorses from the remaining. Sum 2. And there remain 2 carthorses.

Draught horses The same answers for 2 draught horses from the remaining. Sum 2. And there remain 2 draught horses.

Oxen The same answers for 17 oxen from the remaining. Sum 17. And there remain 17 oxen.

Bulls The same answers for 1 bull from the remaining. And for 1 of purchase. Sum 2. Of which in murrain 1. And there remains 1 bull.

Cows The same answers for 10 cows from the remaining. And for 1 of purchase before calving. Sum 11. Of which in murrain before calving 1. And there remain 10 cows.

Calves of issue The same answers for 2 calves of issue of purchase. Sum 2. And there remain 2 calves.

Wethers The same answers for 10 wethers from the remaining. And for 3 added from hoggets. Sum 13.

5s Of which in murrain before shearing 5, in sale at the audit 5 wethers ^{because not witnessed [qz no test]†††} Sum 5. And there remain 8 wethers.

Ewes The same answers for 4 ewes from the remaining. Sum 4.

2s Of which in murrain before lambing and shearing 2, in sale at the audit 2 ^{because not witnessed} Sum 2. And there remain 2 ewes.

Hoggets The same answers for 3 hoggets from the remaining. And added above with wethers.

Lambs The same answers for 33 lambs from the remaining. Sum 33.

10d Of which in murrain before shearing 31, ³⁰ in sale at the audit 1 ^{because not witnessed} Sum 31. And there remain 2 hoggets.

Sows The same answers for 1 sow from the remaining. And there remains 1 sow.

Piglets of issue The same answers for 12 piglets of issue. ^{And for 3 charged at the audit as he answers for full issue.} Sum 12. ¹⁵

9d Of which in tithes 1. And in sale 11. ^{In sale at the audit 3} Sum as above. And it balances.

††† Although the claims for the deaths of these 5 wethers, 2 ewes and 1 lamb were rejected because they were not witnessed, the roll records the sale of 35 skins, the other 3 going as tithes to the vicar.

- Geese** The same answers for 31 geese from the remaining, of which 2 are ganders and 4 breeding females. And for 28 goslings of issue. Sum 59.
Of which in tithes 3. Delivered to brother Richard de Wynton bailiff as far as Westminster 6. And in sale 25. Sum 34.
And there remain 25 geese, of which 2 are ganders and 4 breeding females.
- Capons** The same answers for 12 capons from the remaining. And for 12 made from chickens. Sum 24.
Of which in sale 12. Sum 12. And there remain 12 capons.
- Cocks and hens** The same answers for 1 cock and 12 hens from the remaining. And for 10 from rent at the Christmas term, of which 4 are cocks. Sum 23.
Of which in sale 10, of which 4 are cocks. Sum 10. And there remain 13 of which 1 is a cock.
- Chickens** The same answers for 12 chickens of purchase. And accounted in making capons above.
- Hides** The same answers for the hide of 1 bull and 1 cow of murrain above. And sold within.
- Wool** The same answers for the 12 wool fleeces of issue of shearing above. Sum 12.
Of which in tithes 1 fleece. And in sale 11. Sum as above. And none remains.
- Sheepskins** The same answers for 38 sheepskins of murrain above. Sum 38.
Of which in tithes 3. And in sale 35. Sum as above. And it balances.
- Hurdles** The same answers for 13 hurdles from rent at Hokeday. Sum 13.
Of which in allowance to reeve 1 hurdle. And expended upon the sheepfold 12 hurdles. Sum as above. And none remains.

WORKS ACCOUNT

- Ploughing works** The same answers for 13 ploughing works arising from 13 customary tenants of the lord, each of whom ploughs 1 rood of land at the sowing of wheat, the price of a work 1½d. Sum 13 works.
Of which in allowance of work to reeve 1 work. And in sale 12 works. Sum as above. And it balances.
- Dung-carrying services** The same answers for 15 dung-carrying services arising from 13 customary tenants, the price of a work ½d. Sum 15 works.
Of which in allowance of work to reeve 1 work. And in sale 14 works. Sum as above. And it balances.
- Carrying services** The same answers for 56 carrying services arising from the said customary tenants, the price of a work 1d. Sum 56 works.
Of which in allowance of work to reeve 4 works. In carrying 10 quarters oats as far as Westminster 10 works. Also in carrying 8 quarters wheat as far as Westminster 16 works. And in sale 26 works. Sum as above. And it balances.

- Manual works** The same answers for 520 manual works arising from the said customary tenants of which 1 customary tenant does 60 works between Michaelmas and 1st August and 12 customary tenants each do 40½ works^{§§§} for the same period and 1 customary tenant does 20 works for the same period, deducting 4 festival weeks, the price of a work per ½-day ½d. Sum 520 works.
- 6d Of which in allowance of works to reeve 40 works. In harrowing the lord's land at Lenten sowing ~~20 works~~. In planting 4 bushels beans 12 works, viz per bushel 3 works. In cutting stubble [*stipula*] for roofing buildings 40 works. And in sale 408 works. In sale at the audit 12. Sum as above. And it balances.^{****}
- Harvest works** The same answers for 105 harvest works arising from the said customary tenants between 1st August and Michaelmas, the price of a work 1½d. Sum 105 works.
- Of which in allowance of works to reeve 8 works. And in reaping and binding 48½ acres wheat and oats 97 works, viz over the acre 2 works by custom. Sum as above. And it balances.
- Harvest boonworks with lord's food** The same answers for 69 boonworks arising from free tenants at the reaping and binding of the lord's corn with the lord's food twice in a day. And for 133 boonworks arising from the aforesaid 13 customary tenants with the lord's food as above. And for 2 boonworks arising from Walter Wolde^{††††} and William atte Thorne, the price of a work ½d. Sum 204 boonworks.
- Of which in allowance of works to reeve 3 boonworks. In reaping and binding 70 acres corn of every kind 201 works, viz over the acre 3 boonworks minus in total 9 boonworks. Sum as above.
- Dry boonworks at harvest** The same answers for 33 harvest boonworks arising from the aforesaid customary tenants of which 13 boonworks arise from free tenants, price of a boonwork 1d. Sum 33 boonworks.
- Of which in allowance of works to reeve 2 boonworks. In reaping and binding 12 acres of corn of every kind 31 works, viz over the acre 2½ works.^{****} Sum as above. And none remains.
- Morden** **Account for Morden for 19th year.**

^{§§§} This should only be 40 works, not 40½. It should be 11 tenants not 12.

^{****} The total is only 512 not 520.

^{††††} He is normally called Walter Webbe

^{****} 12 acres @ 2½ works per acre is only 30 works, not 31.