

**John Koc to John & Emma Spyke: lands in Morden [later held as part of Wynteworthes]**

Know present and future that I John Koc have given, granted, and by this my present charter have confirmed to John Spyke<sup>1</sup> of Morden [*Mordone*] and Emma his wife eleven [*sic*] acres land with the moiety of one piece of meadow with hedges, fences and ditches, commons, easements and all its appurtenances in the fields of Morden, whereof nine acres land lie in a certain [*codam=quoddam?*] place which is called Gyllenelond and land of Robert Berneger<sup>2</sup> on the north and the king's highway on the south, and 4 acres land lie in a certain place which is called le Buttes between land of the abbot and convent of Westminster on the south and land of the prior and convent of Merton on the north, and it extends upon the common which is called Suttoneheth, and the aforesaid piece of meadow lies in a certain place called Gyllenemed as apportioned by agreement [*sicut sors de condonat*] with the aforesaid abbot and convent of Westminster in the aforesaid piece of meadow, to have and to hold the aforesaid fourteen [*sic*] acres land and piece of pasture with hedges, fences and ditches, commons, easements, ways, lanes, feedings and pastures and with all their appurtenances, to the aforesaid John Spyke and my [*mei*]<sup>3</sup> heirs and his assigns freely, quietly, well and in peace of the chief lord for the services in respect thereof due and by law customary forever. And indeed I John and my heirs will warrant the aforesaid 14 acres land and the aforesaid piece of meadow with all their appurtenances to the abovesaid John Spyke and the heirs and assigns of the aforesaid John against all people forever. In witness whereof to this present charter I have appended my seal. Dated at Morden the Friday after the Conception of blessed Mary 19 Richard II [10.12.1395]. Witnesses: Robert Berenger, Ralph at Rithe, William Mulsey, William Priour and many others.

The dorse is blank

*For additional notes, see over*

<sup>1</sup> John Spyk married Emma Edward, and inherited the Edward family virgate [E], but also held other copyhold, freehold and leasehold properties within Westminster abbey's manor of Morden. He farmed the abbey's demesne in the early 15th century.

<sup>2</sup> Robert Berneger or Berenger was a witness to this charter, and is recorded in Morden manorial court rolls as holding an acre of land in Central Road [N3] until 1387 and a cottage probably in Morden Hall Road [I2] until 1391. Most of the land at Gildon Hill was either Westminster demesne land or held of Kynnersley manor. He was not the farmer of the abbey's demesne at this time, though it is possible that he held a sub-lease of a plot of demesne land. Members of the family held various cottages and smallholdings in the 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> centuries.

<sup>3</sup> Is this a scribal error?

**Notes: These 14 acres can be identified in later records:**

**6.5.1540**

**SHC K85/2/2**

John Pleystowe granted to William Pleystowe his brother, part of a messuage called Wynters and 44 acres, including:-

lying together in a certain close by Suttonheth	4 acres
lying together in a certain close called Molthawes	6 acres
lying together in another close called Molthawes	3 acres
meadow in Gyldonhyll Medow,	1 acre

**1571**

**TNA PROB 11/53 f.21**

John Heringman of Morden left 'all my freeholde in the parish of Morden' and lands and tenements in Croydon to youngest son Thomas, and tenements and land in Mitcham and Tooting to his eldest two sons.

**Mich 1612**

**TNA CP 25/2/360/10JASIMICH**

Final concord: Robert Garth, William Moore & Henry Barnabie v. John Heryngman senior, John Heryngman junior, and Johanna his wife:

land	30 acres
meadow	14 acres
pasture	20 acres
heath and furze	6 acres
with pertinents in Morden	

**30.9.1618**

**SHC 2575/3/G**

George Garth let to farm to John Mountjoy of Morden husbandman for 21 years at £20:-

all that Mansion house and tenement in Morden occupied by J Mountjoy with barns, stables, gardens, orchards, etc [later Hill House, Epsom Road, Morden].

a close of ground adjacent 2 acres

1 acre of meadow in the Common Mead 1 acres

and all those closes parcel of ground called Gilden Hills viz.

1 close 8 acres

Stonebridge Close 4 acres

1 meadow called Long Meadow 4 acres

Upper Meadow 4 acres

Further Close 10 acres

4 acres adjacent Sutton Common 4 acres

Also all those closes late purchased by Robert Garth brother of George Garth of John Heringman the elder and younger, viz:

close called Malthawes 8 acres

close of meadow under Gilden Hills 1 acres

close

4 acres