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To all true Crystenn People <ill><c. 4 words></ill> this present wryttinge shall see or her~ wee
sende grettyng in oure lorde
euerlastynges In als+moche os itt is merytorye and Medefull for euery true Crysten~ Man@ will
disposeth for+to certyfie & recorde
the truthe in euery mater and specialye in suche materes As may by possibilite grove vnto a grett
inconvenientt yff thay be con
tynned ouer+lange wee Therr~for Thomas Lascy esquier~ John~ Sayvell genttilman@ William
Wylkynson@ the son~ of Robert
Wilkynsonn John~ Wylbe yoman@ John~ littister sen~ yoman~ william Daightty yoman@ John
littister Juni~ yoman~ John~
Barstowe off Brounysehirste yoman~ John~ Barstowe of halyfax drapour Thomas littister the son~
of John@ littister Robert
Barstowe of halyfax drapoure . Berynges wittines And Certifynge vnto youre worshipfull
Audiaunce Thatt where
os a Rumour and A grounthyng hathe been@ hade Emonge diuerse People of this sayd parachyn@
of halyfax that ther~
sulde haue been@ oone Charter of the landes of william Otes in Shippedeyn@ by the strenght of
whiche Chartter
all the landes off william Ottes in Shippedeyn@ suld haue standeth in taiall all made by the
Antecessours of william
Ottes Aforsaide the whiche Charter hathe beenn soo laborethe As itt is gyffen@ into the keypyng of
true honeste
and credeable Men@ and A cople of the same hathe been~ shewethe vnto hus for writtyn@ for to
bee vnderstandethe
by oure discrecciouns & A-vise whedder~ hitt wer~ true lawfull or hitt wer~ falsely forgyd by some
curseth & vnhappy
Creators In the whiche Chartter wee fynde that the forsaide landes Ar taileth vnto oone Thomas Ottis
yett levyng
for fawte of here3 lawfullye commyng~ of other~ persons contenyd in the Chartter wharfore wee
haue laborethe the forsaid

Thomas .^[otes] to com~ afor hus afor writtyn@ the xvijth daie of Apriell the xvij yer~ of the Reigne of
 kynge Edward the furthe
 and yer the forsaid Thomas Ottes straittely was examonnid of his Aige by diuers Menys &
 Sworne<?> vpon@ the holy .^[dem?] <exp><1 word></exp>
 & vpon@ the sam~ he hathe vttur his age afor hus byfor writtyn@ thatt is to say yat hee shal+be of
 age lyv yer~ att
 whittesondaye nextt commyng~ the Chartter specyfiyng hitt selfe for to be made At the fest of
 Petur and Paule xj yer~ of
 reigne of kynge henr~ the Furthe Jn so+much As wee aforwrittyn@ Thomas lasey John~ Saivell
 william John~ John~
 William John~ John~ Thomas And Robert vnderstandyng by oure3 discreccouns by the dat~ of this
 chartter & the Age of the forsaid
 Thomas Ottes euery yer~ halfe yer~ quarter of yer~ Monethe Forutenyghtt or sennyghtt~ of the
 Reigne of euery kyng~ Reignyng
 vpon@ hus sithen@ thatt tym~ lelly And truely A-Countethe that hit wase ful sely& wikkydly
 forged agaynes the lawe
 the date of Chartter beyng off the Age of ij yer~ & more Afor the forsaid Thomas Ottes was
 borounde of his Mother~ into
 this world ~~for~~ the whiche Ar~ impossible to stand to-gedire the saide Thomas Ottes & wee
 aforwryttyn@ mervellyng grettely
 that ther~ suld be soo Curseth A creattour or creaturis in this world that suche false Evidenns forgys
 or makythe to be forged
 for any s<?>ngular awayll of this transtitorye lyve consideryng the vtter mysch<?>fe &
 confusioun of the saules iffe thay
 Dysherthe Any erthely Creatour off Any Peneuorthe of lyvelott mekyll more or <ill><1 word in
 crease></ill> iff thay disseherth Any creatour of Any
 grett substans of lyvyng the whiche by Manys reson@ w'oute the meruellous wyrkyng of the
 power~ of gode wer~ impossible
 for yam~ to reforme vnto the ryght Jnheritour Agayn@ iff thaye wold spend th<ill><1-2 chars in
 crease></ill>r bodys & ther~ goodys yer Apon@ to the vtterrest
 yerfor wee Aboven wryttyn@ Exerttes euery Man~ or woman@ hauevyng~ petye & m<?>nde of
 his Awne salwle Jn exchueyng
 of All myscheffe3 & inconuenientes y^t may be possibilite happyn@ by suche A cursed & vnhappy
 Creatour or Creature3 that suche
 Evidenns~ forgys or causethe to be forged to gyve no credenns~ in suche <ill><beginning of
 word></ill>foun<?> Euidens w'oute A lawfull prove Apone
 the same Into the wittynes heroff wee Afor wrettyn@ Thomas lasey John~ Sayvell william
 wilkynson@ John~ wylby John
 littester son~ william <gap> dughty John~ littester John~ Barstowe & John~ Barstowe Thomas



littester And Robert B<ill><end of word not visible, ?arstowe></ill>
to this oure presentt destimoniaill <ill><1 word></ill> hathe sette our~ Seallys writtyn@ Att <ill><2
letters in crease></ill>lyfax