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<Text: Memorandum of evidences>

<fol. 91r><line 9>**A record and evidens of drylesden~~n~~ mosse made be old men in ye presence of yies men vnder-Writen@**<followed by a blank line>

Knawenn be hit to al men y^t we Willam of Athirton@ knyght John of Radcliff of Ordesall Thurstan of holond Thomlyn of y^e Bothe Robyn of y^e holt Raulyn@ of prestwiche Robert of longley and Robert of y^e Bothe haue herd & examynt y^e recorde of Jenkyn of Barlowe y^e alder lord of Barlowe on of y^e enquest y^t passid betwene old sir Johnn of Assheton@ and old sir John y^e Biron@ y^e queche John of Barlowe sais y^t he & Dycon of heton@ & Adam of leuer and oyer y^t were sworn@ y^e quech old men weren sworne apon a boke before y^e enquest & enfourmet y^e enquest y^t y^e meire betwene Assheton@ and Mamchest~ began@ at oselache folowyng vp Oselach to Osell birche y^t stode abofe y^e hede of y^e same lache and so fro Osell birche to a blak stake yat stode in y^e mosse and fro y^t stake to a lache y^t rennes out of y^e mosse in-to a Cloght y^t was yen cald hareden@ hirne y^e queche Clogh departes Drylesden@ in y^e Tovne of Mamchester and assheton@ And yen Dycon of heton@ toke oute Adam of leuer & y^e said Jenkyn@ of Barlowe and betwene hym and hom in previte said y^t sir John of Asshetonn hade weddet Willam do3ter of Radclyff y^e queche was yaire iij neghe cosynn

<fol. 91v>And yerfore he said to yaim y^t he wold . [y^t] sir John of assheton@ hade preuely word yat & yan made . [a<ill><3-5 letters></ill>] lyuere yai wolden delyuer after y^e same mere3 as y^e old men hade enfourmet yaim be yaire othes And so be y^t cause was y^e liuere pitte ouer~ and neuer sithen liuere made y^t euer was knawen@ to y^e said John of Barlowe and y^t old Chorley Clerke to y^e shirref was yer to haue taken y^e recorde if any liuere hade ben made and yis we y^e said Willam of Athirton@ knyght John of Radclyff Thurstan@ Thomas Robyn Raulyn@ Robert & Robert certifienn@ and berenn@ wittenes yat y^e said Jenkyn@ of Barlowe in yis fourme recordet and said & swere apon@ a+boke in Manchestr~ kirke apon y^e monenday next after Martynmas day in y^e thridde 3er~ of kyng Henre . y^e sext in presence of vs beforsaid and of Raulyn@ of longford Edmund of Trafford and Raulyn@ of Radclyff of y^e smethehilles & to yis letter patent we haue set to our~ seales writen at y^e place &

y^e day abuf-said

**A record of ye mere³ of Drylesdenn mosse be evidens of
 old men**<followed by blank line>

Knawen be it to al men y^t we John of Pylkyntonⁿ kny3t Willam of
 Athirtonⁿ kny3t Thomas of Radclyff knight Johnⁿ of Radclyff of Ordesall
 Thomas of y^e Bothe Thurst~ of holond Robyn of y^e holt Robyn of worsley
 Willam y^e Mascy Roger of hilton@ John of Bradshagh Roger of leuer . henr~
 of leuer Jame³ of hulme henr~ of Totehull Oliuer of parre Oliuer of
 Andertonⁿ Robyn of Bradshaghe gebon@<?> of Bradshagh Nicholas of
 Worthinton@ hug~ of Adlington@ Jame³ of Prestcote James of AynesWorthe Jak of y^e holt Oliuer
 of Barton@ houkyn@ of Barton@ Thurstan of
 Hyton@ Edmond of prestwyche Bernard of Boterworth Robert of y^e Bothe
 <fol. 92r>Robertus of langley Ric~ of ye Bothe Roger of y^e Bothe John@ of leuer Cistofre of
 kirshagh
 & Thomas kilchith han herd & examynt y^e record of Wilkyn@ of y^e Birches a
 man of iij^{xx} & xvj 3er~ old and of Robyn@ ye Burdemon a+mon@ of iij^{xx} 3ere
 old and jake of Gorton@ a+mon@ a+mon of iij^{xx} & iij 3er~ old and of John
 By the brok amon of ^[xx]iij 3ere old y^e queche Wyllyn@ of y^e Birches sais
 y^t he knawes y^t al y^e tennte³ of Drylesden@ yat yer nowe duellen@ and y^t
 han ben duelland yis iij^{xx} 3ere haue dolfen hor *turues* 3erely opon Drylesden@
 mosse in same pitte³ of ye said mosse yer as y^e tennte³ y^t nowe
 duellenn in Drylesden@ dalfen hor *turues* nowe yis 3ere and y^t y^e said
 tennte³ dalfen in y^e said pittes before y^e passage of Assise y^t was betwene
 old sir John of Assheton@ and old sir John Byron@ ; and ay syn y^t tyme
 yai haue dolfenn pesibuly in ye same pittes with-oute distourbance
 of Any mon til nowe yis last 3ere . Also y^e same Wilkynn of y^e Birches
 knawes y^t al ye foles calues & lombur y^t haue ben folet caluet or
 eynet opon y^e More betwene Assheton@ & Drylesden@ fro yer as ~~fro~~
~~yer~~ as y^e water falle³ toward Mamchester han ben tendet at y^e kirke of Mamchester
 and al yos y^t were caluet folet or eynet fro yer as y^e water falles toward
 Assheton@ opon y^e same More weren tendet at Assheton@ kirke witheouten
 any distourbaunce troubull or debate of any monn And he sais
 y^t he thenkes opon y^t one Thumlyn@ Gybson@ tenant in Drylesden@ hade
 xiiij or xv kye opon y^e same More and som of y^e kye calueten@ opon y^e
 ton side of y^e water fallyng of y^e said more and som calueten opon
 yat oyer side of y^e water fall of y^e same More and were tendet and
 devidet after y^e fall of y^e water betwene Manchestr~ paresshe and
 Assheton@ paresshe and yat wylkyn@ ye Coweherd and Jak of y^e plat
 and al oyer tennte³ of Drylesden@ tendet and devidet hor tend in y^e

same fourme to y^e forsaide kirkes of Manchestr~ and Assheton@ and y^e
 forsaide Robyn ye Burdmon@ knawes y^t old sir John Byron@ gaf and
 <fol. 92v>deliuert to Saunder of Tyldesley a pitt for to delue him *turues* in for *terme*
 of his lif y^e queche pitt lyes next y^e merehed as y^e water shedes opon@
 ye More betwene Assheton@ and Drylesdenn and ^[y^t] fro y^t place at y^e merehed
 vnto y^e blak gate *yer* as sir John Buron@ delfes nowe his *turues*
 dalfe no mon *turues* but by leife & dyliuerance of y^e said old sir John
 Buron@ and fro yat blak gate vnto y^o lome lache al y^e tennte3 of Drylesden@
 dalf hor *turues* 3erely before y^e passage of y^e assise betwene
 y^e said old sir Johnn Buron@ and old sir John of Assheton@ and
 alway syn yat tyme and before y^e forsaide ~~tyme~~ tenante3 of Drylesden@
 han dolfenn yaire *turve3* pesibully in y^e same pittes as yai nowe
 donn with-outen distourbanse of any mon to yis last 3ere and
 one Johnn By y^e broke a+mon of iiij^{xx} 3ere of age and duelland in 3orkeshire
 sais y^t he & his ij breyer & iiij oyer men of his negheburs were
 send after be old sir John Buron@ to be with him y^t day y^t y^e meres
 shuld haue ben ladde and y^t yai weren@ with sir John Buron@
 opon y^e mosse and y^t *yer* fell suche wordes betwene y^e ij kny3te3
 y^t at yat day y^e enquest wold lede no mere but departeten and
 3oden home . Also henry of leuer son of Adam of leuer was before vs and
 sais yat he herd his fader say y^t he was one y^t pasett opon y^e enquest
 & passege of y^e assise beforseide and was *yer* oponn y^e mosse with his
 feloghes to hafe made lyuere and yat *yer* was no meire ladde by y^e
 enquest because of grete debate y^t was like to hafe fallen@ betwene
 y^e partie3 . Also we haue herd John of leuer y^e queche sais y^t
 he asket Elys of Entwysell 3ister-day at Bolton kirke of y^e lyuere of
 y^e assise beforseide And y^t Elys told to John y^t he neuer herd of no
 lyuere ne of no mere leding donn be y^e enquest and y^e same John of leuer sais y^t y^e same day y^t y^e
 leuere shuld haue ben made yat
 <fol. 93r>Dycon of hulton of halywall hogekyn@ of Bolton@ and he were in gate yiderward
 at Mostonn for to loke hugynn of Moston@ y^t lay seke and so for soth to haue ben
 at y^e leuere and y^e mere ledyng of y^e mosse and or yai come to y^e mosse yai
 mett of y^e enquest y^e queche told yaim y^t *yer* was no mere ladde be-cause
 of y^e variaunce yat was like to haue ben betwene y^e partie3 and we herd y^e
 forsaide Jak of Gorton@ say y^t as+fer as he couth here tell y^t as y^e water rennes
 donn Osellache fro y^e hed to y^e fote was cald y^e mere and y^t y^e tennte3 of Aldewynshagh . [and al oyer]
 be leife and sale of sir John of Assheton@ dolfen opon y^t
 side Osellache nerre Aldewynshagh And y^t Saunder of Tyldusley was y^e
 first mon y^t euer dalfe any *turues* opon y^t oyer side Osel-lache be gift & leif

of old sir John Buron@ and y^t he dalfe in a pytt be y^e merehed of Osellach
 ye queche pit is 3et knawen@ wele and y^e same Jak sais y^t henre of
 y^e Ege henr~ hancoksonn & oyer old men tolden him y^t y^e comyn@ voice was
 y^t y^e mere on y^t oyer side y^e mosse begann at harden@ hyrne and so vp y^e
 lome-lache and fro y^e lome-lach@ streght on y^e mosse to y^e Croket birche y^t
 stode toward y^e Ewe wall and y^e same Jak sais y^t he knowe3 y^t hit was
 vset y^t if any mare folet kowe caluet or ewe euet fro y^t place of y^e mosse
 y^t y^e water fell toward Claytonn y^t yen y^e foele calf or lombe was tendet
 to Manchester kirke And if yai weren folet calfet or euet opon yat oyer syde
 ye water fallyng of y^e mosse y^t yen yai weren tendet to Assheton kirke And
 y^t y^e same Jak hade diuerse tyme ben send to y^e mosse to loke quer~ y^e kye
 hade calfet and to tell his graunsire y^t he my3t yen tend his caluer yer after And
 if he were opon y^e mosse he couth tell hou y^e mere was cald at y^t tyme
 And y^e same Jak sais y^t he was opon y^e mosse y^t day y^t y^e mere shuld
 haue be lad betwene old sir John Buron@ & old sir Johnn of Assheton@ and quen y^e enquest was
 opon y^e mosse y^e enquest varyet and so
 departet and so 3ode home & lad no meire & y^t it stode so in debate xx
 3ere aft~ & more And yen 3ode sir John of Assheton@ & toke his awen@
 <fol. 93v>mene and made meeres y^e quech meere3 yai callen nowe y^e mere3
 and so yai ocupiet forth and yis we ye said John of pylkynton Willam
 of Athirtonn Thomas of Radclyff kny3te3 John of Radclyff Thomas of
 y^e Bothe and al yose oyer abuf-said certifienn and berenn wyttene3 y^t
 y^e forsaid Wilkynn of Birches Robyn Burdmon@ & Jak of Gorton and
 John Bythebrok in yis fourme saidenn & swerenn oponn a+boke in
 Manchestre kirke y^e monenday next after ye vij day of 3ole in ye
 thrid 3ere of regnyng of kyng henr~ ye sext in ye presence of vs & of
 mony oyer gentilmen and yemen Jn wittene3 of ye queche thing
 to yis letre patent we haue set oure seales writen at ye place ye
 day and 3ere abuf-said