Lists of knight's fees in Kent: 1166: Certificates submitted by the king's tenants in chief: Text

Kent

The archbishopric of Canterbury has fourscore knights and four and a half and a fourth part of a knight. (p 53)

The abbot of St Augustine's of Canterbury (has) fifteen knights. (p 53)

This is the roll of the knights of Willelm earl of Gloucester in Kent. (pp 53-4)

Willelm son of Hamo, 3 knights and a half
Willelm son of Boselin, 1 knight
fee of Osbert Oit deniers, 1 knight
fee of Wimund, 4 knights
Eustachius de Marewrth', 2 knights
Anfridus de Doura, half a knight
Roger son of Herloin, 1 knight
fee of Hugo de Crievequer, 1 knight
Henric de Cambrewell', half a knight
Radulf de Bella aqua, half a knight
Vitalis son of Osbert, a third part of a knight
Ruallo de Valon', three knights and a half, including Godsold
Galfrid de Tiskeseia, 2 knights
Ricard de Alteham, 1 knight
Ricard son of Rabel, 1 knight

<A much longer list of the earl's knights, "excluding his knights
of Kent", is entered under Gloucestershire (pp 161-5).>

These are the knights of Daniel de Crevequer feoffed of his old fee. (pp 54-5)

Helto son of Ricard, three knights and a half and a sixth part Bartholomeus son of Juliana, one knight and a half and a sixth part of one knight

Fulco Folet, one knight and a half and a sixth part Willelm de Einesford, 1 knight
Clemens de Sidingia, 1 knight
Lucas son of Gerard, 1 knight
Ricard Parforere, a third part of a knight
Willelm de Thikeseia, a third part of a knight
Robert de Oxeneia, a third part of a knight

Beyond these, he claims (that he ought) to hold two knights whom the king holds in his hand:

Radulf Crassus, 1 knight Thomas de Nessindenia, 1 knight

And (he says that) his predecessors had these two knights in their hand, and (that) they are of his old fee.

Also, beyond those listed above, Daniel de Crievequer has these knights feoffed of his domain.

Nicol de Kent, 1 knight and a half Stephan de Starkestede, half a knight Hugo de Frenneia, half a knight

Henric the steward, four parts <read "a fourth part"> of a knight

Willelm de Bronfelde, a fourth part of a knight

The certificate of Hugo de Dover'. (pp 55-6)

"To Henric by God's grace king of England, duke of Normandy and Aquitaine, count of Anjou, Hugo de Dovera (sends) his faithful greetings and services.

These are the names of my knights of old feoffment in Kent, in accordance with what you have commanded me by your writ.

Willelm son of Radulf, 2 knights
Willelm son of Aiulf, 2 knights
Petrus de Wierlinge, 1 knight
Hugo Juvenis, 1 knight
Eustachius de Hersta, 1 knight
Elias de Sillighalde, half a knight
Robert son of Willelm son of Galant', half a knight
Hamo son of Osbert, half a knight
Willelm son of Baldewin, half a knight
Engenulf de Apeton', 1 knight
Osbert de Hucham, 1 knight
Herevic de Turnebi, half a knight

Total, 11 knights and a half, and upon my domain two knights and a half. <The end of this sentence, from "two" onwards, is turned down into the next line.>

Of new feoffment.

Willelm son of Radulf, 1 knight.

Farewell."

<Hugo submitted a separate return, worded very much like this one,
for a share of a barony in Cambridgeshire inherited by his wife
(pp 253-4).>

These are the names of the knights of Willelm de Abrincis. (pp 56-7)

IN KENT < This phrase should stand alone.>

Willelm de Albervill' holds "from me" a fee of 4 knights and a half

Willelm de Cherinton', a fee of 5 knights
Walter de Einesbroc, a fee of 1 knight
Osbert de Hevering', a fee of 1 knight
Willelm son of Durant, a fee of 1 knight
Robert de Besvill', a fee of half a knight
Philip de Veteri ponte, a fee of half a knight
Manasser de Hwitsand, a fee of half a knight
Alan Malesmains, a fee of half a knight
Reginald de Valeines, a fee of half a knight
Willelm de Ardene and Radulf de Bec, a fee of half a knight

Of new feoffment after the time of king Henric, the king's grandfather.

..... < The entry which belongs here has fallen out.>

And these knights of Willelm de Albrincis in Kent, when the king takes from knights an aid of twenty shillings, these will give twelve shillings and no more. And if a mark is taken, they will give eight shillings.

BEYOND THE THAMES <This phrase should also stand alone.>

Ricard de Milliers, a fee of 2 knights Roger de Nungun, a fee of 2 knights Philip de Veteri ponte, a fee of 1 knight Radulf de Chainduit, a fee of 1 knight

Of new feoffment after the death of king Henric, the king's grandfather.

Alexander Tirell, a fee of 1 knight Humfrid de Milliers, a fee of 1 knight

(Of new feoffment, Robert de Besevill', half a fee.) <This is a note of the entry which belongs at above.>

Total, 24 knights

<The total comprises 16 knights in Kent (15.5 old, 0.5 new) plus 8
knights beyond the Thames (6 old, 2 new). Willelm was claiming a
rebate of 40 per cent for the knights in Kent, but not for the
others.>

This is the barony of Walchelin Maminot. (pp 57-8)

Robert de Turneham holds from him a fee of 3 knights Henric de Fulger', a fee of 3 knights Gilebert de Hacchesham, a fee of 4 knights Robert de Puinton', 2 knight's fees Symon de Denton', 2 knight's fees Alan Wisc', 1 knight's fee Michael de Codeham, 2 knight's fees Baldewin Wisc' and Willelm son of Robert, a fee of 2 knights Radulf de Nuers, a fee of 1 knight Radulf son of Willelm, a fee of half a knight Hugo Lupus, a fee of half a knight Adam Rufus, half a knight Nicol, half a knight Willelm ... H ... (filius Hai), half a knight Alexander de Bertona, 1 knight Willelm Dunetrop, 1 knight Robert Brito, half a knight Herebert Brito, half a knight

Total, 27 knights <The total is right, but the entries above add up to only 25.5 knights. Presumably some entries have gone missing.>

And of those newly feoffed after the death of king Henric.

Stephan de Haia, a fee of half a knight Alan de Cast', a fourth part of 1 knight Hugo the clerk, a fourth part of a knight

And his domain (is) quit.

The certificate of Walter de Med'. (pp 58-9)

"To Henric by God's grace king of the English, his very dear lord, Walter de Med' <read "Meduana"> (sends) greetings and faithful service.

This is to let you know that, in the year and on the day when king Henric your grandfather was alive and dead, Galfrid Talebot held in chief from him twenty (knights). Now, by your grace, I hold them from you, as follows.

Manasser de Danmartin, 3 knights
Willelm de Clovill', 3 knights
Robert de Sancto Claro, 2 knights
Johan de Sancto Claro, 2 knights
Ricard de Oteringeberge, 2 knights
Henric de Haningefeld', 1 knight and a half
Helyas le Terrier, 1 knight
Reginald de Ginges, 1 knight
Willelm de Berdestaple, 1 knight
Hamo de Scottot, 1 knight
Willelm de Ludesdune, half a knight
Robert de Swaneschampe, half a knight

Radulf son of Gerold, half a knight Waring de Haningefeld', half a knight Radulf de Hurtwell', half a knight

Of new feoffment in the time of king Stephan.

Willelm de Gornaco, half a knight <A blundered passage, but this is what the entry ought to say.> Radulf de Clovill', half a knight Ricard Hagurner, half a knight

<Grievances.>

..... holds of my domain and I get no service from it. <This entry has been muddled with the first "new feoffment" entry, and parts of it have been lost.>

Petrus de Torenni holds eight poundsworth of my domain, and I get no service from it.

Ricard Giffard holds Lodesdon', my domain manor, which is worth twenty-five pounds, and I get no service from it.

Henric son of Gerold holds Eclesse, my (domain) manor, which is worth fourteen pounds, and I get no service from it.

Upon these four knights, (those) who hold the lands just mentioned, and upon my domain, (that) which remains to me, it is my duty to do you the service of nine knights.

Farewell."

This is about the old fee of Willelm de Ros. (p 60)

Roger de Malavilla holds from him a fee of 1 knight Galfrid Mala terra, a fee of 1 knight Thomas Morin, a fee of 1 knight Willelm de Helinton', a fee of 1 knight Johan de Hacrise, a fee of 1 knight Willelm de Wich', a fee of 1 knight Ranulf de S ..., a fee of half a knight

That is how much he has of old fee, namely 6 knights and a half.

This is about his new fee, (that) which he has made from his domain.

Manasser de Danmartin owes the service of 1 knight

The total is a fee <reading "feodum"> of seven knights, and Willelm de Ros owes the service from it to his lord the king. <Not, that is, to the archbishop, whatever the archbishop may say.>

The certificate of Walter <read "Willelm"> son of Helto (p 60)

"To his very dear lord, Henric king of the English, Walter <read "Willelm"> son of Helto (sends) greetings.

This is to let you know that I only have three knights ... <the text is defective here> ... But since king Henric's death I have given a fifth part of a knight from my domain to a certain relative of mine in return for his service."

<Willelm owed the service of 3.5 knights, old fees plus domain.
There is no surviving certificate for the other half of the
barony, the half which was now in the hands of Ernulf Biset.>

<The list which follows (pp 60-1), "a later addition" in the
manuscript (Hall 1896, p 197), is not part of this series of
documents. It dates from circa 1210.>

Hampshire

The certificate of Johan de Port. (pp 72-3)

"To Henric king of the English, his venerable lord, Johan de Port (sends) greetings and faithful services.

An order was sent to me on your behalf that I should let you know for certain how many knights I hold, and who they are, of old feoffment and new feoffment of my holding, as far as it pertains to you. And therefore I inform you of the truth of the matter by this present writing.

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Willelm Malet, 5 knights
Willelm son of Philip, 3 knights
Roger son of Tancred and Henric his nephew, 2 knights
Robertus de Clahalde, 1 knight
Willelm de Popleshale, 1 knight
Willelm de Pesing', 1 knight
Stephan de Moriston', 1 knight
Manasser Arsic, 1 knight

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Gloucestershire

These are the knights of Pagan de Mundublel of old feoffment. (pp 170-1)

Simon de Chelefeld', 5 knights

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Oxfordshire

These are the knights of Manasser Arsic. (pp 177-8)

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Odo de Ceritone, the archbishop's nephew, held a fee of one knight in the time of king Henric. Willelm his son holds the same fee.

Sibilla de Ros holds (one) fee, and held it in the time of king Henric.

Alvred de Bekewelle held a fee of two knights in the time of king Henric. Robert his son holds the second one; he pledged (invadiavit) the first one to his lord, Robert Arsic, <as security for a loan which he failed to redeem, > and Manasser Arsic has given it to Willelm de Dudeville in return for the service of one knight.

Galfrid de Estone held a fee of one knight in the time of king Henric. He sold it to Reigner son of Beringar, and Reigner holds <reading "tenet"> it from Manasser Arsic in return for the service of one knight.

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Essex

These are the knights whom Ricard de Luci holds of old feoffment in Kent and in Suffolk and in Norfolk. (pp 234-5)

In Kent -- upon his domain of Niweton', a fee of half a knight, and Ricard Perfored, a fee of half a knight.

In Suffolk and Norfolk -- Robert de Monteni a fee of 5 knights, ... and Hugo son of Hamel' a fee of 1 knight. And from these (6) knights Ricard's predecessors used to do guard at Dover.

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"These are the knights of Eudo the steward whom I, Henric son of Gerold, chamberlain, hold from the king. (pp 237-9)

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Philip de Leiburn', 7 knights

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Hugo the butler, 7 knights

Galfrid de Ros, 2 knights Helias de Sumeri, 1 knight Stephan de Selva, half a knight

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Radulf Pirot, 4 knights

Radulf son of Geri, 1 knight and a fifth part of a knight. But it was sir Gwarin, my brother, who feoffed him of this fifth part from his domain of Camesinges, <and therefore it is to be counted as a new fee>. And he (Gwarin) gave his (Radulf's) service and the service of Radulf Pirot together with (the manor of) Chamesinges to his wife by way of dower. But Galfrid de Ver has their services <meaning "I ought to but do not; he ought not to but does">.

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<Another half fee reported here should also be in Kent, but I do
not know which one. The five fees allegedly given to Warin's
widow (but not the new fifth of a fee) are also listed in the
certificate of Galfrid de Ver, which in entered under Shropshire
(pp 145-6). In his view they were part of his wife's inheritance;
but he allowed it to be true that this particular batch of fees
had once belonged to Eudo the steward.>

Norfolk

This is the holding of Willelm de Albeneio, the lord king's butler, of the gift of king Henric ... (pp 286-8)

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And the same (Willelm the) butler feoffed eleven knights in Kent from his domain, (these being the knights) whom the count of Eu has as marriage portion (in maritagio) with the daughter of the earl of Arundel, as follows.

Alan Pirot, of 6 knights
Petrus de Ceraris <read "Cesaris"> burgo, of 3 knights
Roger de Verlio, of 1 knight
Willelm de Mill', of half a knight
Ricard Costentin, of half a knight