

Table of recognizance holders in date order of agreement made

Those named in italics had died before the case came to court

Recognizance holder	Recognizance date, sum	Initial loan	Initial rent charge ¹	Interest of 9% as stated	Total interest 1583 to 1606	Rent charge by Dec 1606 ²	Land charged ³
<i>John Brooke</i> (d.1598) Richard Brooke	10 Mar 1583 £3000	£1500	£ 120	£135	£3105 (135 x 23 years)	£127	Beoley £100; Middle Ditchford £20
Philip Scudamore <i>Robert Chamberlain</i>	9 Nov 1584 £2000	£1000	£ 90	£90	£1980 (90 x 22 years)	£244	Chelms- cot
Scudamore <i>Roger Gifford</i> (d.1597) ⁴	26 Nov 1586 £3000	£1500	£ 144	£135	£2700 (135 x 20 years)	£244	Compton Scorfin
<i>Horde, Allen</i> (d.1603) (not in will) ⁵	26 Nov 1586 £1800	£900	£ 54	£81	£1620 (81 x 20 years)		Compton Scorfin
Humfrey Gifford <i>Francis Biddulph</i> (d.1598) ⁶	25 Nov 1587 £2200	£1100	£ 100	£99	£1891 (99 x 19 years)	Seised of £100*	Upton Old
Robert Dormer & John Dormer	22 Nov 1588 £3000	£1500	£ 144	£135	£2430 (135 x 18 years)	Not given ⁷	Guys & Free- man's Ditchford
Thomas Astley <i>Edward Brook</i> (d. by 1608)	24 Nov 1589 £1800	£900	£ 81	£81	£1377 (81 x 17 years)	£281 ⁸	Combe Basker- ville Over & Nether Westcott
Walter Gifford <i>Edward Brook</i> ⁹	30 May 1595 £6000	£3000	£ 279	£270	£2970 (270 x 11 years)	£279	Weston
TOTALS	£22,800	£11,400 ¹⁰	£ 1012 ¹¹	£1026	£18,126 ¹²	£ 1175	

¹ TNA E 126/1, 28 Jan 1608, f.95

² TNA PROB 11/111/ 401; Horde's will made upward adjustments to the rent charges.

³ TNA C 2/JasI/S22/51.

⁴ The cost of these arrangements together with those with Alan Horde was 10s, Warwick CRO CR 2632, f.28.

⁵ This bond was always treated separately from those to Thomas because Alan was not a recusant.

⁶ The cost of the arrangement was 7s 10d, CR 2632, ff.139, 140, 142. In Horde's will Humphrey Gifford was said to be seised of £100. Biddulph died in 1598, C 142/680/3. £6 was payable in case of non- or late payment, £1100 paid at any one time would extinguish the arrangement, TNA C 54/1939, no. 23.

⁷ No rent charge is given in Horde's will for Dormer – though possibly by then it was £244. £9 was payable in case of non- or late payment. £1600 paid at any one time would extinguish the arrangement, TNA C 54/1939, no.24.

⁸ In Horde's will Astley was said to be seised of £81 and arrangements were made if the bond were repaid to give £100 each to relatives of Thomas Horde; to reach the total of £1800 interest it is assumed that the rent charge was for £281.

⁹ This bond is described in Chancery as being for £3100, made in 1591, TNA C 2/JasI/S22/51, Horde's Further Answer.

¹⁰ In the period covered by the account book, (CR 2632) Michaelmas 1586-Mich 1588 £500 was received between 7-24 May 1587 (ff.7, 8); a total of £327 was paid on 7 and 21 November (ff.103, 104) and a further £13 on 22 May 1588, (f.111).

¹¹ At one point (TNA E 126/1 f. 95) Sheldon stated that the yearly interest had reached £1018; in the petition to Queen Anne the figure was given as £1040; by addition of the rent charges it is £1012 while 9% on £5600 would be £504.

¹² Sheldon stated in the Exchequer court that the agreed interest to be repaid was £23,569 3s. A figure of £23,669 can be reached by adding 9% per year to £18,126, the total interest payable to 1606 (£7443) and subtracting the sum Sheldon claimed he had repaid, £1,900, see his arguments in TNA E 133/111/20, 21, 22.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Total interest due by 1606} &= \text{£18,126} \\ &+ 7,443 \text{ (compound interest of 9\% on that sum)} \\ &= 25,569 \\ &- 1,900 \text{ (Sheldon's claimed repayment)} \\ &= \text{£23,669} \end{aligned}$$

Horde claimed that a further sixty pounds was still outstanding, due as arrears; he also sought delivery of certain tapestry hangings to furnish two chambers and a bed. The demands were clearly thought to be unreasonable and were referred to the arbitration of Thomas Throckmorton and Thomas Wilford, already associated with Horde's accomplice Richard Carey. Thomas Throckmorton is likely to be Sheldon's brother in law, the husband of Sheldon's step-sister, Margaret née Whorwood. Both would have been champions of Sheldon rather than of Horde, BAH MS 3061/1/497 (former 167897). The document is often interpreted as evidence for the continuation of the tapestry works Ralph's father had planned to establish at Barcheston, Warwickshire but, in the absence of evidence that the plan succeeded, it could as well mean that Horde thought Sheldon could arrange this.

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