

Richard Newell, Draper of London

Property transactions are held at Shropshire Archives:

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Contents:

Cardington, Rushbury, and elsewhere

1. Sir Francis Lacon of Lynlett, Salop, knight, and Rowland Lacon, esq., his son and heir.
2. Isaack Jones citizen and merchant taylor of London, and **Richard Newell of London, draper.**

Sale of the manors of Gretton al. Grottington, al. Gretington, Hatton, Astwall al. Eastwall, Wildertop al. Wilderhope, and Wall under Eywood, with all messuages, etc. and appurtenances including fishing places, mines, and quarries in the towns, fields, hamlets, parishes of Cardington, Eton, Corve, Rushburye, al. Rushburye, Gretton al.

Grottington al Gretingdon, Astwall al Eastwall, Wall under Eywood, Acton Cotesm Stone acton, and Wildertop, al. Wilderhope, with courts, profits, perquisites of courts leets, views of frankpledge, wayefs. estreyes, free warrens, etc.

Consideration. £900.

With quitclaim.

Signed. - on, Row. Lacon.

Seal missing.

Certificate of enrolment, signed John Croke.

Witnesses: Fra. Draper, John Jeninges, Charles Benyon.

Endorsed: 1. As to enrolment.

2. Docketed. 3 separate hands.

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/A2A/records.aspx?cat=166-563&cid=6#6>

Thank You John Philip Newell for these ones:

After the reunion of the moieties of Rushbury manor c. 1340 some interest in Wall under Heywood was apparently retained by the Harleys' heirs, for in 1540 land there was held of Richard Lacon by the Gowers of Stone Acton. (fn. 91) In 1613 WALL UNDERHEYWOOD was one of several manors or reputed manors mortgaged by Sir Francis Lacon, and in 1616 property there was among that which, with his son Rowland, he sold to Isaac Jones **and Richard Newell**. Jones's brother Edward sold what was probably all his property in Wall under Heywood in 1636. It belonged to the Baldwins of All Stretton 1636-1722 and in 1770 was bought by Elizabeth Cressett, lady of Rushbury. (fn. 9)

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Sir Thomas Lacon (d. 1536) had an estate in Rushbury including property at East Wall which passed to his son Richard (d. 1543). (fn. 23) Richard's son Rowland (d. 1608) greatly reduced the family's estate in the parish by the sale in 1581 of Lily wood, south of Rushbury, to Richard Leighton of Coats. (fn. 24) In 1616 Rowland's son Sir Francis Lacon sold property, including East Wall 'manor', to Isaac Jones and **Richard Newell**; the claim to manorial status, like those the Lacons advanced in respect of their properties in Wall under Heywood, Wilderhope, (fn. 25) and elsewhere, (fn. 26) seems to have been baseless.

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The two manors that Otes of Bernières held of the two mesne lords in 1086 evidently became one, and it descended until 1616 with Kenley. (fn. 83) In 1613 Sir Francis Lacon mortgaged it to Edward Jones and Richard Newell who probably foreclosed in 1616, the manor passing to Jones's brother Isaac. It probably soon passed to the family of Isaac's brother Edward, and thereafter it descended with Wigmore (in Westbury), at least until 1824, when both were offered for sale. (fn. 84) Still in the 1830s, however, Gretton belonged to Sir T. J. Tyrwhitt Jones (d. 1839), whose widow Eliza (d. 1865) later owned it. (fn. 85) From 1875 or earlier until 1935 or later Gretton descended with Plaish. (fn. 86)

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LINLEY

Linley was a small parish on the right bank of the Severn c. 4 km. south-east of Broseley. Its rural character was little altered by the enterprises of miners and ironmasters from the 17th to the early 19th century. ([fn. 97](#))

By 1625 John Slaney, merchant tailor of London and brother of Richard Slaney (fl. 1603) of Linley, ([fn. 65](#)) apparently owned most of the southern half of Linley: *THE HEM* (164 a.) and Ruckleys farm (138 a.). ([fn. 66](#)) Richard's estate may have been acquired from the Lacons, some of whose lands lay interspersed among John Slaney's. ([fn. 67](#)) John (d. 1632) left the estate to Richard's son John ([fn. 68](#)) who sold it in 1652 to Michael Stephens, of Little Stretton.