Edgiock is a hamlet in Worcestershire near Inkberrow, situated just south of Redditch. By the early 18th century Edgiock was reckoned as a manor, and had gone through several changes of ownership until it was in the possession of the Baber family. Francis Baber died in late 1740 or early 1741 (his will was proved in February 1740/1), and left his property, including Edgiock, to be sold for the benefit of his family.

Unfortunately, it seems that Baber died in debt, and his will was disputed. By the late 1740s, however, his estate was being sold off, and in 1749 University College was invited to purchase the land at Edgiock. The conveyance whereby the College purchased the land is now lost (it was presumably passed over to the purchaser when the property was sold in 1920), but the Billa Bursarii for 1751/2 (UC:BU5/F2/2 fol. 7) and UC:E20/D1/32 below suggest that the purchase was finally agreed in 1751, at a cost to the College of £650.

It seems that the Edgiock lands were purchased subject to a life interest in an annuity of £120 on the land (see UC:E20/D2/1), and therefore the College seems to have received no income from the land until the lease at UC:E20/D2/1 was drawn up in 1773. The first income from Edgiock was then recorded in the General Accounts for 1775/6 (UC:BU2/F1/4 fols.203–203v).

In 1885 and 1901 the College purchased two small pieces of land adjoining the Edgiock estate (see UC:E20/D4). However, it then sold off all its property in Edgiock in 1920–1, at the same time as it was disposing of a great many of its agricultural estates. No extant deeds concerning the sale survive, but the following copies of lost conveyances relating to the sale of the land (and also the purchase by the College of some adjoining land) are preserved:

UC:EB1/A1/7 pp. 193–5: Conveyance, dated 14 Aug 1920, of The Court Farm and Gilbert Farm, situated in Inkberrow and Feckenham, Worcs., as shown on an attached map and set out in a schedule, to Harry Richard Broome of Edgiock Manor, near Redditch, Worcs., Farmer, for £4750. This sale covered the greater part of the College’s property at Edgiock.

UC:EB1/A1/7, pp. 338–9: Conveyance, dated 10 Nov 1921, is of some land at Ashwood Bank, Inkberrow, Worcs., as shown on an attached map, to Albert Houghton of Ashwood Bank, Worcs., Market Gardener, for £350. The land bought by Houghton included the land bought by the College in 1901 above.


In 1897–8 the College had previously sold off a small portion of its land at Edgiock. Papers relating to this transaction may be found at UC:P33/2.

The documents relating to Edgiock are typical of the College’s estate collections, comprising deeds, maps, correspondence and some financial papers. There were all found in the archives in the summer of 1993, except for UC:E20/D4/1–3, which were transferred to the archives from the Estates Bursary in July 2002 as part of Accession no. 378.

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UC:E20/D1 - DEEDS CONCERNING EDGIOCK BEFORE ITS PURCHASE BY THE COLLEGE

UC:E20/D1/1  9 Feb 7 Ja I (1609/10)

Bargain and Sale

Parties:
1. Sir Francis Egiock of Egyock, Worcs., Kt., one of the Tellers of His Majesty's Receipt of Exchequer.

Property: A capital messuage known as Egiock in Egiock in the parish of Inckbarrow, Worcs.; a meadow called Selching; a meadow called Brandes; a meadow called Pallmers, a meadow called Neather Bax Furlong; a close of meadow or pasture called the Crofte; a close of pasture called Ridgway Close and Longe Studs; a close of pasture called Pallmersclose; a close of pasture called Over Bax Furlong; a coppice called Digfield coppice; a coppice called Packwood Coppice; a parcel of wood called the Grove; a close of pasture called Moze Hill; a tenement now or lately occupied by John Ireland; a tenement now or lately occupied by Robert Parker; a tenement now or lately occupied by John Webb; a tenement now or lately occupied by John Packwood; and all buildings in Egiock, Inckarrowe and Feckenham, Worcs., now or lately occupied by John Ireland, Robert Parker, John Webb and George Packwood; lands and tenements known as Lane Stands in Inckbarrow; lands and tenements known as Oldfields in Egiock and Shirnake.

Consideration: £2800.

Comments: 1 sells the above property to the King, and then agrees to procure a letter patent of the King to hand the land over to 2.

UC:E20/D1/2  10 Feb 7 Ja I (1609/10)

Copy of a Bargain and Sale

Parties:
1. Sir Francis Egiock of Egyock, Worcs., Kt., one of the Tellers of His Majesty's Receipt of Exchequer.
2. King James I.

Property: All as in UC:E20/D1/1 above.

Consideration: None given.

Comments: The transaction is made following a decree made in the Court of Exchequer on 24 November 1607 concerning the sale of lands to settle debts owed by 1 to 2.

UC:E20/D1/3  20 Feb 7 Ja I (1609/10)

Letters Patent

Parties:
1. King James I.

Property: As in UC:E20/D1/1 above.

Consideration: £100 and an annual rent of 13s 4d.
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Comments: 1 grants the above land to 2. The deed bears a fine version of the Great Seal of James I.
Language: Latin.

UC:E20/D1/4 15 Days from Easter 8 Ja I (23 Apr 1610)
Final Concord
Parties:
1. John Savage, Gent.
2. Francis Egiock, Kt., and his wife Eleanor.
Property: 6 messuages, 1 cottage, 1 dovecot, 6 gardens, 6 orchards, 20 acres of land, 60 acres of meadow, 200 acres of pasture, 24 acres of woodland, all in Egiock, Inkbarrow and Feckenham.
Consideration: £240.
Comment: This and UC:E20/D1/5 below were found pinned to UC:E20/D1/1 above.

UC:E20/D1/5 15 Days from Easter 8 Ja I (23 Apr 1610)
Counterpart of UC:E20/D1/4 above.

UC:E20/D1/6 20 Dec 11 Ja I (1613)
Settlement
Parties:
1. (a) John Savage of Egoock, Worcs., Esq.
   (b) John Savage of Elmley Castle, Worcs., Esq., son and heir apparent of William Savage of Elmley Castle, being a relative of 1a.
   (c) George Savage of Waletun upon the Olds, Leics., Esq., and brother of Anne Savage, decd., late wife of 1a.
2. (a) Sir Thomas Estcourt of Lashborough, Glos., Kt.
   (b) William Savage of Elmley Castle, Worcs., Esq.
Property: A Capital Messuage called Egoock, situated in Egoock, Worcs., with tenements and lands attached; various pieces of arable land in Egoock, Inckbarowe and Feckenham, namely a leasow called Back furlong, a leasow called the Croft, a leasow called Long Lands, a leasow called Oldfields, an enclosure now divided into two parts called the Fower Lengthes, a leasow called Hunts Close, a meadow called Freemans meadow, a close or pasture called The Stripp; a pasture called Upton and Upton Olds in Blokkley, Worcs., on the south side of the highway called London Way leading from Brodwey, Worcs., to Burton on the Hill, Glocs.
Consideration: See comments below.
Comments: Out of 1a’s love for John Savage, George Savage, Robert Savage, and Christopher Savage, his sons by Anne Savage, his second wife, and also to Thomas Savage, 1a’s eldest son and heir apparent by Anne Savage, his first wife (who was the daughter of Richard Daston, Esq., and his wife Anne, the sister of 2b above), 1 grants the above properties to 2 in trusty for 1a for life, and then on his death to John Savage, his second son, and to his heirs. If John the second son has no heirs, the land will descend to the third son, George, and so on to Christopher, if there are no heirs.
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UC:E20/D1/7  20 Dec 11 Ja I (1613)
Copy of a counterpart of UC:E20/D1/6 above.

UC:E20/D1/8  1 Apr 1634
Marriage Settlement
Parties:
Property: A capital messuage called Egeocke, situated in Egeocke, Worcs., and tenements and messuages there occupied either now or recently by John Ireland, George Packwood, Humfry Ellins, John Webb and John Higgs; also adjoining lands and tenements in Egeocke, Feckenham, and Inkeborrowe all as set out in UC:E20/D1/6 above.
Consideration:
Comments: 1 has married Marie, daughter of 3, and has received a marriage portion for her of £1600. He now agrees to levy a fine on the above property in favour of 2, and also enact an action of common recovery. This is to arrange a jointure for Marie and her heirs.

UC:E20/D1/9  6 Apr 1659
Lease for a Year
Parties:
1. (a) Mary Savage of Warwick, widow of John Savage, late of Egeocke, Worcs., decd.
   (b) Hester Savage, one of the daughters of 1a and John Savage.
2. (a) Thomas Apletree the elder of Dadington, Oxon., Esq.
   (b) Thomas Apletree the younger, son and heir apparent of 2a.
Property: The manor or reputed manor of Egeocke, with properties all as in UC:E20/D1/8 above.
Consideration: 5s

UC:E20/D1/10  7 Apr 1659
Marriage Settlement by way of Release following Lease for a Year
Parties:
1. (a) Mary Savage, as in UC:E20/D1/9 above.
   (b) Hester Savage, as in UC:E20/D1/9 above.
2. (a) Thomas Apletree the elder, as in UC:E20/D1/9 above.
   (b) Thomas Apletree the younger, as in UC:E20/D1/9 above.
3. (a) John Rous of Tatchbrook, Warks., Esq.
   (b) Edward Norris, esq., son and heir apparent of Sir Francis Norris of Weston on the Greene, Oxon., Kt.
Property: As in UC:E20/D1/9 above.
Consideration: £612 from 2a to 1a.
Comments: 1b and 2b are due to marry, so 1 gives 2 the above property in trust for the marriage, with 3 acting as trustees.
UC:E20/D1/11
1 Mar 1685/6
Marriage Settlement
Parties:
1. (a) John Apletree of Edgeock in the parish of Inkberrow, Worcs., Gent.
   (b) Anne, wife of 1a.
2. (a) William Vernon the elder of Edgeock, gent.
   (b) William Vernon the younger, elders son of 2a.
3. (a) John Bearcrofte of Shurneck Court, Worcs., Gent.
   (b) John Sheldon of Nowberry in the parish of Inkberrow, Gent.

Property: The manor or reputed manor of Edgeock with the capital messuage, called Edgeock House and various fields, namely: a close with the great pool containing about 3 acres; a meadow called the Lower meadow containing about 12 acres, a leasow called Bushey Palmers containing about 15 acres; a close called the Stockt Coppice containing about 7 acres; a close called Oldfield containing about 13 acres; two closes called Mussey Hills containing about 14 acres; a coppice of wood called Mussey Hill coppice, containing about 12 acres; 1 close called the Croft containing about 15 acres; a close called Serjeants Leyes containing about 14 acres; a close of meadow called Brands containing about 17 acres; a close called Freemans containing about 19 acres; a close called the Kitchen Meadow containing about 11 acres; a close called Spring Field containing about 14 acres; a close called Longlands containing about 15 acres; a close called the Barne close containing about 4 acres; a ground called the Park containing about 20 acres; another ground, parcel of the Park containing about 14 acres; also lands at a village called Compton Scorpion within the parish of Ilmington, Warks.

Comments: 1a and 1b have just married, and 1b is the daughter of 2a. The parties agree to levy a fine on the above property to ensure a jointure for 1b, should she outlive 1a. 3 are to be trustees for the marriage.

UC:E20/D1/12
1 Mar 1685/6
Counterpart of UC:E20/D1/11 above.

UC:E20/D1/13
A month after Easter 2 Ja II (4 May 1686)
Final Concord
Parties:
1. William Vernon the elder and William Vernon the younger, Gents.
2. John Apletree, gent., and Anne his wife.

Property: 3 messuages, 200 acres of land, 30 acres of meadow, 50 acres of pasture, and 30 acres of woodland, in Edgeock and Inkberrow, Worcs.; and one messuage, 100 acres of land, 60 acres of meadow, and 30 acres of pasture, in Compton Scorpion and Ilmington, Warks.

Consideration: £520.

UC:E20/D1/14
2 Feb 1703/4
Mortgage
Parties:
1. (a) John Apletre of Egiock of the parish of Inkberrowe, Worcs., Esq.
   (b) Anne, wife of 1a.
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(c) Thomas Apletre, Gent, eldest son and heir apparent of 1a and 1b.
2.  
   (b) Thomas Shewell of London, Gent.
3.  
   William Hall of The Field in the parish of Bayton, Worcs., Gent.
4.  
   (a) William Vernon the younger of Cawdwell, Worcs., Gent.
   (b) John Perkes of Stoake Prior, Worcs., Gent.

Property: 1. The manor or reputed manor of Egiock as in UC:E20/D1/11.
2. A messuage and farm now in the possession of William Egerton with attached lands, namely three pastures adjoining together called the Homestall containing about 9 acres, having a great common called the Rudge Way on or near the east part; a close of leasow of arable land called the Hill Ground, containing about 6 acres; another leasow called the Flatted ground, containing about 4 acres, of which 2 are mowing ground and 2 are arable; a close of arable land called the Parke containing about 14 acres; a close called the Slingett with the meadow pleek [sic], part arable land and part mowing ground, containing about 5 acres; a close or leasow called called the Stable Close containing about 10 acres; a close of mowing ground adjoining called the Lower Length containing about 4 acres.
3. A close or leasow called Beeseleys Close containing about 4 acres; a close of arable land called Tenants Close containing about 8 acres; a close or leasow called the Lady Poole Close containing about 8 acres; a close of wood ground called the Spring Field Coppice, containing about 8 acres.
4. One other messuage now in the possession of Isabell Dillworth, with three closes belonging, namely the Homestall, containing about 12 acres, a close called Coppice Close containing about 2 acres, and a leasow or close called Springfield containing about 12 acres.
5. A close or leasow, part arable and part pasture or mowing ground, containing about 7 acres, in the possession of Thomas Laight.
6. One close or leasow, part arable land and part meadow or pasture, containing about 6 acres, now in the occupation of Thomas Laight.
7. One close, leasow or parcel of pasture or mowing ground containing about 3 acres now in the occupation of Walter Hill.
8. A close or leasow of arable land, pasture or mowing ground containing about 4 acres, now in the occupation of Joseph Bristow.

All these lands are in Egiock.

Consideration: £1000 from 3 to 1.

Comments: 1 and 2 agree to levy a fine on the above property, and 1, 2 and 3 also agree to take out an action of Common Recovery, all so that 1 can mortgage the above land to 3. UC:E20/D1/15, UC:E20/D1/20 and UC:E20/D1/22 were found folded in this deed.

UC:E20/D1/15  Morrow of St. Martin 2 Anne (11 Nov 1703) & the Purification of the Virgin 2 Anne (2 Feb 1703/4)

Final Concord

Parties:
1. Edward Milles, Gent., and Thomas Shewell, Gent.
2. John Apletree, Esq., Anne his wife, and Thomas Apletree, gent.
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Property: The manor of Egiock, 3 messuages, 3 gardens, 200 acres of land, 50 acres of meadow, 80 acres of pasture, 20 acres of woodland, and 3 acres of land covered by water, in Inkberrowe, Egiock and Feckenham.

Consideration: £320.

Comments: This document appears to have two dates.

UC:E20/D1/16 12 Feb 2 Anne (1703/4)

Exemplification of Common Recovery

Parties:
1. William Vernon the younger, Esq., and John Perkes, Gent.
2. Edward Milles, gent, and Thomas Shewell, gent.
3. Thomas Apletree, Gent.

Property: The manor of Egiock, 3 messuages, 3 gardens, 200 acres of land, 50 acres of meadow, 80 acres of pasture, 20 acres of woodland, and 3 acres of land covered by water, in Inkberrowe, Egiock and Feckenham.

UC:E20/D1/17 after 12 Feb 2 Anne (1703/4)

Copy of UC:E20/D1/16 above (which was also found there).

UC:E20/D1/18 18 Mar 1711/12

Lease for Life

Parties:
2. Thomas Apletree of Egiock, Gent., eldest son and heir apparent of 1.

Property: Parcel of land divided into several piece, and known as the Brands and Freemans, containing 36 acres, now occupied by Richard Stanley; also lands known as Selchings Lays, the Crofts, Bushy, Palmers, Lower Meadow, now divided into two parts, Oldfield, Stock Coppice, Mussey Hills with the little Coppice adjoining, and also closes known as Bradley row Coppice, all occupied by Richard Stanley; a parcel of woods in Bradley row now in the possession of 1; a mansion house called Egiocke, and a meadow adjoining called the Kitchin meadow, and now divided into two parts; a close called Poole close with the pook on it.

Consideration: £240, and £13 a year.

Comments: 1 has leased to 2 several rooms and chambers in the mansion house at Egiocke and a stable there until 2 is married.

UC:E20/D1/19 6 Mar 1713/14

Assignment of Mortgage

Parties:
1. William Hall of the Field in the parish of Bayton, Worcs.
2. Thomas Apletree of Egiock in the parish of Inkberrough, Worcs., Gent., son and heir apparent of John Apletree, late of Egiock, esq., and Anne his wife.
3. Court Dewes of Mapleberrough Green in the parish of Audley, Warks.

Property: All as in UC:E20/D1/14 above.

Consideration: £1052 5s from 3 to 1.

Comments: 1 assigns his mortgage on the above properties to 3.
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UC:E20/D1/20  6 Mar 1713/14
Bond
Parties:
1. Thomas Apletree (as in UC:E20/D1/19 above).
2. Court Dewes (as in UC:E20/D1/19 above).
Consideration: £2090.
Comments: 1 is bound to 2 to perform the covenants in UC:E20/D1/19 above. This document was found in UC:E20/D1/14 above.

UC:E20/D1/21  9 Mar 1713/14
Mortgage
Parties:
1. Thomas Apletree (as in UC:E20/D1/19 above).
2. Court Dewes (as in UC:E20/D1/19 above).
Property: All as in UC:E20/D1/14 above.
Consideration: £1450.
Comments: 1 mortgages the above property to 2.

UC:E20/D1/22  20 Jul 1714

UC:E20/D1/23  28 Sep 1725
Mortgage
Parties:
2. Thomas Appletree of Egiock in the parish of Inkberrow, Gent.
Property: A close of arable land in Feckenham, Worcs., called Toms’s Brake, containing about 2 acres
Consideration: £20.
Comments: UC:E20/D1/24 was found pinned to this deed.

UC:E20/D1/24  n.d. (1725?)
Note of deeds relating to Toms’s Brake, dating between 1684 and 1708. This was found pinned to UC:E20/D1/23 above.

UC:E20/D1/25  5 Oct 1727
Mortgage
Parties:
1. Thomas Appletree of Egiock in the parish of Inkberrow, Worcs., Gent.
Property: 6 closes, grounds, or meadows, known as the Paddock, Freemans Meadow, the Upper and Lower Freemans, Brans Close, and Brans Meadow, containing about 41 acres, in the parish of Inkberrow, lately in the possession of Richard Stanley and now of Anthony and Thomas Harper, and bordering on a carm called Tookes Farm, in the possession of John Lane.
Consideration: £400.
Assignment of Mortgage in Trust to attend the Inheritance

Parties:


2. (a) Charles Lee of St. Andrew Holborn, Gent.
(b) Hester, wife of 2b.
(c) Richard Cooper of St. Catherine Creed Church, London, Citizen and Carpenter.
(d) Ann, wife of 2c.
(e) Thomas Goodman of St. Andrew Holborn, Citizen and Turner.
(f) Mary, wife of 2e.
(g) Margaret Apletree of Stoke Prior, spinster. (2b, 2d, 2f and 2g are the surviving sisters and co-hairs of Thomas Apletree).

3. Francis Baber of Bark Hill, Berks., Esq., grandson of Sir John Baber, late of St. Paul Covent Garden, Middx., Kt., decd.


5. George Petre of Clements Inn, Middx., Gent.

Property: Toms Brake, as in UC:E20/D1/23 above.

Consideration: £20 from 4 to 1, with the approval of 2.

Comments: Thomas Appletree's estate is to be sold to 3 for £5315, but this piece of land needed to be administered separately.

Lease for 99 Years

Parties:

2. Francis Baber of Egiock, Worcs., Esq.
3. John Barry the elder of St. Botolph, Aldgate.

Property: (1) The manor of Edgiock, Worcs., with the capital messuage called Edgiock, a meadow or parcel of mowing ground called the Kitchin Meadow, not divided into two parts, and a close called Poole Close with a pool therein, and a piece of land in Bradley Row, all of which was in the possession of Thomas Appletree.

(2) A messuage in Inkberrow once occupied by Richard Stanley, and meadows attached, namely the Brands and Freemans, containing about 35 acres, and also some meadows known as Selchings Leys, the Crofts, Bushy, Palmers, Lowest Meadow (now divided into two parts), Oldfield, Stock Coppice, and Mushy Hill, with a little coppice adjoining, and also three closes called Bradley Row Coppice, all of which were also in the occupation of Richard Stanley.

(3) A close called Longlands, sometime divided into two parts, containing about 15 acres.

(4) A messuage lately in the possession of William Eggerton, and all meadows attached, namely the pastures adjoining together called the Homestal, containing about 9 acres, having a great common called the Rudge
Way on the east part, a close or leasow called the Hill ground, containing about 6 acres, a close or leasow called the Flatted ground containing about 4 acres, of which 2 acres are mowing ground, and 2 acres arable, a close or arable land called the Park, containing about 14 acres, a close or leasow called the Slingitt, with the meadow pleck [sic], part arable and part mowing ground, containing about 5 acres, a close or leasow of arable land called the Stable Close, containing about 10 acres, a close of mowing ground adjoining called the Lower Lenth, containing about 4 acres.

(5) A close or leasow called Beeseleys Close containing about 4 acres; a close of arable land called Tenants Close containing about 8 acres; a close or leasow called the Lady Poole Close containing about 8 acres; a close of wood ground called the Spring Field Coppice, containing about 8 acres.

(6) One other messuage once in the possession of Isabell Dillworth, widow with three closes belonging, namely the Homestall, containing about 12 acres, a close called the Coppice Close containing about 2 acres, and a leasow or close called Springfield containing about 12 acres.

(7) A close or leasow, part arable and part pasture or mowing ground, containing about 7 acres, once in the possession of Thomas Laight.

(8) One close or leasow, part arable land and part meadow or pasture, containing about 6 acres, once in the occupation of Thomas Laight.

(9) One close, leasow or parcel of pasture or mowing ground containing about 3 acres once in the possession of Walter Hill.

(10) A close or leasow of arable land, pasture or mowing ground containing about 4 acres, once in the occupation of Joseph Bristow.

**Consideration:** 5s each paid to 1 and 2 by 3.

**Comments:** Sir Francis Baber, grandfather of both 1 and 2, arranged for trustees to help 2 purchase land which should then be entailed to his family. The will also set out regulations for making leases on this land. The lands are therefore leased to 3 on trust for to make such leases.
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Consideration: 5s each to 1 and 2 from 3.
Comments: 1 and 2 give the above land to 3 in trust.

UC:E20/D1/30 27 May 1741
Grant of Annuity
Parties:
1. Francis Baber of Edgcock, Worcs., Esq.
   (b) John Barry the Younger of the same, Gent, trustees for 1.
Property: All as in UC:E20/D1/27 above.
Consideration: 5s each from 3 to 1, 2a and 2b.
Comments: 1 and 2 assign the above property to 3 so that he can claim an
annuity of £120.

UC:E20/D1/31 19 Aug 1751 & 23 Jun & 17 Jul 1764
Three documents bundled together. They comprise a receipt from 1751 of
£650 for the purchase of the estate at Edgcock, and two letters from Francis
Fawkes to the Bursar of University College on a proposal to buy out Mr.
Barnadiston of his annuity of £120 (see UC:E20/D1/30).

UC:E20/D1/32 21 May 1750
Copy of questions put to counsel about the property at Edgcock. Francis
Baber had left his property (including Edgcock) to his sister Katherine Bate
and her son Hugh Barker to clear his debts, with the residue going to Barker.
On his death (dated here to after 27 Dec 1740) the will was disputed, and had
to go to court. The Master and Fellows of University College have been
invited to purchase the estate, and ask certain questions of counsel to clear
up possible problems relating to the title of the estate.
This was found in UC:E20/D2/1 below.

UC:E20/D1/33 1762
Solicitors’ Bill for University College for expenses incurred in 1749–62 in
relation to the purchase of land at Egiock, and some other transactions. This
document suggests that the estate was sold on the death of Francis Baber,
and that the College paid £650 for it. The money was handed over in 1751.
The bill suggests that the transaction proved a complex one, not least
because Baber died in debt.

UC:E20/D2 - LEASES OF THE EDGIOCK PROPERTY

No leases of the estate before 1773 are known, presumably because it was still occupied by
members of the Barnardston family.

UC:E20/D2/1 30 Aug 1773
Lease for 21 Years
Parties:

Property: (1) The manor place or remains of the same, with kitchen, malthouse, at Edgiock, Worcs.; also a parcel of mowing ground adjoining the house called the Kitchen Meadow, and now divided into two parts, a close called Pool Close with the pool therein, and a piece of wood or woody ground lying in Bradley Row, all of which were ones in the possession of Thomas Appletree of Edgiock, Gent.

(2) A messuage and house in Inkberrow once occupied by Richard Stalley; a parcel of meadow ground now divided into several pleases, commonly called the Brands and Freemans, containing about 35 acres, also once occupied by Richard Stanley; meadows, closes and pastures called Selchings Legs, the Crofts, Bushy, Palmers, Lowest Meadow (now divided into two parts), Oldfield Stock Coppice and Mussey Hills with a little coppice adjoining; three closes called by that part of Bradley Row Coppice, which is or was stocked up, all of which was occupied by Richard Stanley.

(3) A close called Longlands sometimes in two parts, containing 15 acres, and a message lately in the possession of William Eggerton, with all lands attached, including three pastures adjoining together called the Homestall containing about 9 acres, having a great common called the Rudge Way near the east part, a close or leasow of arable land called the Hill ground containing about 6 acres, a close or leasow called the Flatted Ground, containing about 4 acres, of which 2 acres were mowing ground and 2 arable, a close of arable land called the Park containing about 14 acres, a close or leasow called the Kingitt with the Meadow Pleck, part arable and part mowing ground, containing about 5 acres, a close or leasow of arable land called the Stable Close, containing about 10 acres, and one close of mowing ground adjoining called the Lower Lenth, containing about 4 acres, all of which was once in the possession of William Eggerton.

(4) A close or leasow of arable land called Beeselye Close, containing about 4 acres and another piece of arable land called Tenants Close, containing about 8 acres, a close of arable land called the Lady Pool Close, containing about 8 acres, a close of woody ground called the Springfield Coppice, containing about 8 acres, and a message, all once in the possession of Isabell Dilworth, widow; three closes of arable land belonging to the above, containing about 12 acres, a close of arable land called the Coppice Close, containing at least 2 acres, and a leasow or close called Springfield containing about 12 acres, all of which were also in the possession of Isabell Dilworth.

(5) A close or leasow, part arable and part pasture or mowing ground, containing about 7 acres, formerly occupied by Thomas Laight, a close or leasow, part arable and part pasture, containing about 6 acres, formally occupied by John Laight: a close, leasow or parcel of pasture or mowing ground containing about 3 acres, once in the possession of Walter Hill; a close or leasow of arable land containing about 4 acres, once in the occupation of Joseph Bristow.

All the above lands are in the parishes of Inkberrow and Fleckenham, Worcs.
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UC:E20 Land at Edgiock, near Inkberrow, Worcs., 1610–1922

All timber rights are reserved to 1.
Rent: £25 a year.
Comments: 1 had purchased the above property subject to an annuity of £120 payable to Timothy Barnardston, Nathaniel Barnardston, and John Barnardston during their lives. In 1759 Nathaniel Barnardston assigned the property to 2 to hold for 77 years or life. In addition to paying this rent, 2 also relieves 1 from the need to pay the annuity of £120. Should any of the Barnardston family die within the next 21 years, then 2 will pay a rent of £145 a year.

UC:E20/D1/32 was found in this document.

UC:E20/D2/2  Counterpart of UC:E20/D2/1 above.

30 Aug 1773

UC:E20/D2/3–4  Two drafts of UC:E20/D2/5 below.

1788–9

UC:E20/D2/5  8 May 1789

Lease for 21 Years
Parties:
2. James Duncan of Lincolns Inn, Middx., Gent.
Property: All as in UC:E20/D2/1 above.
Rent: £140 a year.

UC:E20/D2/6  9 May 1789

Bond
Parties:
1. James Duncan of Lincolns Inn, Middx., Gent.
2. Nathan Wetherell, DD, Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same.
Comments: 1 is bound to 2 for £100. Several new buildings have been erected at Edgiock, and some expenses on them have yet to be settled. 1 now undertakes to indemnify 1 against any charges relating to these unpaid bills.

UC:E20/D2/7  1797

Draft of UC:E20/D2/8 below.

UC:E20/D2/9  4 Nov 1797

Lease for 21 Years
Parties: All as in UC:E20/D2/5 above.
Property: All as in UC:E20/D2/1 above.
Rent: £140 a year.
UC:E20/D2/6 was found in this document.
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UC:E20/D2/9 1819
Draft of UC:E20/D2/10 below.

UC:E20/D2/10 7 May 1819
Lease for 12 Years

Parties:
1. James Griffith, DD, Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same.

Property: Lands at Edgiock, as set out in a schedule at the bottom of the deed, including the manor of Edgiock.

Rent: £181 a year, with an extra £25 a year for every acre dug up for tillage.

Comments: The deed has been used as a draft for the lease of 1833 to Mary Gilbert (see below). Numbers have been added to the houses and fields listed on the schedule, which can be identified with numbers on the maps of 1789 at UC:E20/M1/1–2.

There is a copy of a lost lease for 10 years, dated 17 June 1833, to Mary Gilbert of Edgiock, Worcs., Widow, of the property leased to John Hemming in 1819, for a rent of £150 a year, on UC:EB1/A1/5 pp. 232–7.

UC:E20/D2/11 1819
Draft of UC:E20/D2/12 below.

UC:E20/D2/12 7 May 1819
Lease for 12 Years

Parties:
1. James Griffith, DD, Master of University College, and the Fellows of the same.

Property: A farm and lands at Edgiock, as set out in a schedule at the bottom of the deed.

Rent: £123 a year

Comments: The deed has been used as a draft for a lease to Broome of 1833 (see below). Numbers have been added to the houses and fields listed on the schedule, which can be identified with numbers on the maps of 1789 at UC:E20/M1/1–2.

There is a copy of a lost lease for 10 years, dated 17 Jun 1833, to John Broome, as above, of the same property as in UC:E20/D2/12 above, for a rent of £100 a year, with an extra £20 for every acre dug up for tillage, on UC:EB1/A1/5 pp. 228–32.

No copies of later leases on this property are known, except for UC:E20/D2/13 below.

UC:E20/D2/13 22 Nov 1889
Lease on yearly agreement

Parties:
1. The Master and Fellows of University College, Oxford.
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2. Samuel Peto Smith of Selwood Bank, Worcs.

**Property:** Right of way to enter into the College's land at Edgionk Farm, Inkberrow, Worcs., now occupied by Richard Gilbert, to lay down a drain pipe on Magotty Meadow (as indicated on a plan attached to the deed), and then inspect and repair it.

**Consideration:** 2s 6d a year.

UC:E20/D3 - PURCHASE OF A QUIT RENT

UC:E20/D3/1  4 Sep 1901

Conveyance

**Parties:**

1. William, Marquess of Abergavenny, of Eridge Bank, Sussex.
2. (a) The Hon. Ralph Pelham Nevill of Birling Manor, Kent.
   (b) The Hon. Charles Gathorne Gathorne Hardy of no. 43 Lennox Gardens, London.

**Property:** An annual quit rent of £1 19s 8d payable to 1 from 3 on Edgionk Farm, Worcs.

**Consideration:** £39 13s 4d (from 3 to 2, who are 1's trustees).

**Comments:** In return for the above sum, 1 and 2 agree that the above rent may be extinguished.

UC:E20/D4 - CONVEYANCES OF OTHER LAND AROUND EDGIONK

UC:E20/D4/1  8 Oct 1878

Conveyance

**Parties:**


**Property:** Two pieces of land situated at the Ridgway in Inkberrow, measuring 2 roods and 25 perches.

**Consideration:** £227 16s 4d.

**Comments:** On the dorse of the deed is a note that on 24 June 1885, Perkins sold one of these pieces of land to Sarah Anne Lloyd.

UC:E20/D4/2  24 Jun & 4 Jul 1885

Certificate, with accompanying letter, from the Supreme Court on a search for deeds relating to Josiah Perkins.

UC:E20/D4/3  4 Jul 1885

Conveyance

**Parties:**

2. The Master and Fellows of University College, Oxford.

**Property:** A piece of land at Inkberrow, as shown on a map drawn on the deed.

**Consideration:** £121 7s 7d
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Comments: This land adjoins the College’s main estate at Edgiock.

The College purchased a second extra piece of land in 1901. On UC:EB1/A1/7 p. 5, is a copy of a conveyance, dated 4 Sep 1901, from Charles Watts of Cockhill, near Alcester, Warks., Baker, of a piece of land adjoining Edgiock Lane, in Feckenham, Worcs., as shown on an attached map, for £40.

UC:E20/C1 - CORRESPONDENCE

UC:E20/C1/1–4 12 Mar 1785–13 Apr 1789
Four letters from and concerning James Duncan, the College’s tenant at Edgiock, and John Davis, the College’s land agent. The letters discuss Duncan’s request for a rent abatement in the light of building work which he has carried out there.

UC:E20/C1/5–6 23 Oct 1818 & 8 Feb 1819
Two letters from John Heming, the College’s tenant at Edgiock, to the Bursar of University College. In one he reports that he is planning to send the College a brace of hares; in the other, he discusses drainage work.

UC:E20/C1/7 7 Mar 1819
Letter from Clayton, Scott and Clayton, the College’s London solicitors, to the Bursar of University College. They report that Mr. Duncan (the College’s previous tenant at Edgiock) has not paid any outstanding rent.

UC:E20/C1/8 19 Nov 1822
Report from Henry Dixon to the Bursar of University College on the College’s estate at Edgiock and also at White House Farm, Oxford (also known as Eastwick Farm).

UC:E20/C1/9 n.d. (but dated 1828 on the back)
Letter from Thomas Gilbert and John Broome to the Bursar of University College. Several cases of arson have been reported around Edgiock, and they are aware of threats being sent to other people in the area. They therefore advise the College to insure their buildings.

UC:E20/C1/10 5 Feb 1829
Letter from Thomas Gilbert and John Broome to the Bursar of University College, reporting on paying money into the bank for drainage work at Edgiock.

UC:E20/C1/11 1 Nov 1831
Letter from Thomas Gilbert (address, Edgiock) to the Bursar. Gilbert requests that the College invest in a new pump on his land.

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UC:E20/C1/12–15 15 Sep 1834–6 Feb 1838
Four letters either from Thomas Gilbert and John Broome, or both to the Bursar of University College, all reporting on paying money into the local bank for drainage work and poor rates.

UC:E20/C1/16 17 Nov 1841
Letter from Charles Jones (address, Alcester) to Frederick Plumptre, on settling the tithe apportionment on the College’s lands at Edgiock.

UC:E20/C1/17 Feb–Dec 1841
11 items (mostly numbered from “1” to “10”) relating to a dispute about whether Thomas Gilbert and John Broome, the College’s tenants at Edgiock should be allocated pews in Inkberrow church. The correspondents include G. R. Gray, the vicar of Inkberrow, and his churchwardens John Wheeler and Richard Ladbury, and Henry Dixon for the College. The pews at Inkberrow have been refurbished, and the College’s tenants claim that the pews normally assigned to them have been removed following the installation of a pulpit there. Gray observes that neither tenant has actually attended church very often. One of the items is a plan of the current pews, offering proposed seatings for the College’s tenants.

UC:E20/C1/18 Feb 1841–Feb 1842
A second bundle of papers about the claims of Thomas Gilbert and John Broome, the College’s tenants at Edgiock, to be assigned pews in Inkberrow church. Correspondents include Henry Dixon, G. R. Gray, the Bishop of Worcester, Frederick Plumptre, and Gilbert and Broome themselves. It appears that the College, on hearing the Bishop’s own views on the matter, decided that further intervention on their part would be fruitless [7 items].

UC:E20/C1/19–21 3 Feb–4 Nov 1845
Letters from John Broome or Thomas Gilbert (address, Edgiock) to unnamed addressees, in which they report that they have paid money into local banks for their rent, tithes, and other taxes.

UC:E20/C1/22 30 Apr 1856
Printed petition (with a handwritten addition) from the vicar and churchwardens of Inkberrow, sent to Frederick Plumptre, asking for assistance in raising money to purchase some land to enlarge the churchyard at Inkberrow.

UC:E20/C1/23 11 Feb 1858
Letter from Francis Field (address, 11 Merton Street, Oxford) to the Bursar of University College. Field advises on what to allow John Broome to do with Moggs Reins Wood.
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UC:E20/C1/24 12 & 20 Feb 1864 & 6 Feb 1866
Three letters from the vicar of Inkberrow (name illegible) to the Bursar of University College on the College’s decision to make an annual subscription of 2 guineas towards the local school.

UC:E20/C1/25 9–13 Nov 1865
Three letters from John Broome (address, Edgiock) to the Bursar of University College, on settling financial matters between them.

UC:E20/C1/26 16 Feb 1866
Letter from John Broome (address, Edgiock) to Francis Headlam. Broome has had his stables inspected, and has been told that they should be completely pulled down and replaced.

UC:E20/C1/27 Mar 1876
Envelope containing printed letters from Charles Faulkner to Richard Broome and Richard Gilbert respectively, desiring that the tenancies which they hold from the College should remain unaffected by the Agricultural Holdings (England) Act, 1875.

UC:E20/C1/28–30 were found together in an envelope inscribed “Reports Maps etc.” by Charles Faulkner.

UC:E20/C1/28 Oct 1881
Letters from E. Perkins (a local land agent) to Charles Faulkner. Perkins discusses his dealings with the College’s tenants at Edgiock, in particular concerning some cottages which have been leased separately from the farm leased to Broome, and the allotments there [6 items].

UC:E20/C1/29 1881
Envelope containing papers concerning plans for creating allotments at Handley Park and Edgiock [6 items].
UC:E20/M1/6 was also found in this envelope.

UC:E20/C1/30 1881
Printed form of agreement for letting land allotments at Edgiock and Handley Park.

UC:E20/C1/31 Jul–Dec 1913
Envelope inscribed by Poynton “Edgiock Broom 1913/4 Drainage”, containing correspondence with and concerning J. Broome about his farm at Edgiock.

UC:E20/C1/32 Nov 1919–Jun 1922
Envelope of correspondence concerning the sale of the College’s property at Edgiock. Other subjects include the death of the College’s tenant Mr. Broome in 1920 [20 items].
| UC:E20/F1/1 | 26 Jan 1790 |
| Certificate for the redemption of the payment of Land Tax on Edgiock. |

| UC:E20/F1/2 | 1 Jun 1799 |
| Certificate for the redemption of Land Tax on University College’s lands at Edgiock. |

| UC:E20/F1/3 | n.d. (1820s–1840s?) |
| Particulars of lands at Edgiock occupied by John Broome and John Hemming. This is written in Henry Dixon’s hand. |

| UC:E20/F1/4 | Jun 1823–Jun 1824 |
| Bundle of bills and related papers concerning substantial rebuilding work at Thomas Gilbert’s farm at Edgiock [36 items]. |

| UC:E20/F1/5 | 1825–1839 |
| Bundle of receipts and receipted bills relating to the Edgiock property, involving the College’s tenants Mary Gilbert (and later Thomas Gilbert) and John Broome. Receipts are given for payments for a highway levy, poor rates, a quite rent to the Earl of Abergavenny, bills for drainage, insurance premiums, and tiles [26 items]. |

| UC:E20/F1/6 | 16 Sep 1872 |
| Fire insurance certificate for the Master and Fellows of University College for its lands at Edgiock. |

| UC:E20/F1/7 | 27 May 1874 |
| Valuation of the farm occupied by Mary Gilbert at Edgiock. |

| UC:E20/F1/8 | 14 Jul 1879 |
| Agreement from Richard Gilbert that the pasture laid down by him in 1875 is to be permanent, and not to be broken up without the College’s permission. |

| UC:E20/F1/9 | 27 Oct 1880 |
| Report from Field and Castle on the College’s estates at Edgiock, leased to Messrs. Broom and Gilbert, in the light of the current agricultural depression. |

| UC:E20/F1/10 | Mar 1882 |
| Rental on allotments leased out at Edgiock for the half year ending 25 Mar 1882. All tenants are listed. Some related documents are pinned to this document. |
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UC:E20/F1/11  Sep 1882
Rental on allotments leased out at Edgcock for the half year ending 29 Sep 1882. All tenants are listed. Some related documents are pinned to this document.

UC:E20/F1/12  19 Feb 1883
Fire insurance certificate for the Master and Fellows of University College for its lands at Edgcock.

UC:E20/F1/13  1891
Rental and account for allotments in Edgcock for the year ending Michaelmas 1891.

UC:E20/F1/14  1911 & 1913
Two TS reports written by A. B. Poynton after visits made by him to Edgcock.

UC:E20/M1 - MAPS AND PLANS

UC:E20/M1/1  1789
Survey of the manor of Edgcock taken by John Ashmore. All tenants are listed. It includes a map drawn in ink on parchment, of which UC:E20/M1/2 is clearly a copy.

UC:E20/M1/2  1789
Map of the manor of Edgcock
Draughtsman: John Ashmore? (see UC:E20/M1/1)
Scale: 1 inch to 7 and a half chains.
Size: 305 by 360 mm.
Inscribed: A / Plan / of the Manor of / Edgcock / in / Worcester / 1789 [the fields are all numbered, and neighbouring landowners are identified.
Signed: Unsigned
Dated: [See above]
Medium: Ink
Support: Paper mounted on linen.
Format: 1 sheet.
Notes: The numbers of fields on this plan can be matched up with the numbers written on to the schedules of lands at UC:E20/D2/11 and UC:E20/D2/13 above. It is presumably a tracing taken from the map at UC:E20/M1/1.

UC:E20/M1/3  postmarked 7 Dec 1842
Elevation and ground plan of house occupied by Mr. Broome at Edgcock, showing proposed alterations and repairs
Architect: Unnamed
Scale: 1 inch to 8 feet.
Size: 400 by 250 mm.
Inscribed: Mr Broome’s house with / Alterations & Repairs [rooms are named on the plan]
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UC:E20 Land at Edgiock, near Inkberrow, Worcs., 1610–1922

Signed: Unsigned
Dated: Undated, but postmarked 7 Dec 1842
Medium: Ink and pink wash
Support: Paper
Format: 1 sheet, folded in half.
Notes: Half the sheet contains the plan, the other half consists of detailed notes of work to be carried out at Mr. Gilbert's and Mr. Broome's houses.

UC:E20/M1/4 28 May 1881

Tracing of the 1789 map of the manor of Edgiock
Draughtsman: Unknown
Scale: 1 inch to 7 and a half chains.
Size: 390 by 420 mm.
Inscribed: Plan of / the Edgiock Estate / Worcestershire / belonging to / University College / Oxford / Traced from Plan of Estate / 28th May 1881 [the fields have the same numbers as those in 1789, and there are some annotations in Charles Faulkner's hand.
Signed: Unsigned
Dated: [See above]
Medium: Ink with pink and blue washes, to indicate which fields belong to which tenant.
Support: Paper mounted on linen.
Format: 1 sheet.

UC:E20/M1/5 1881

Key to UC:E20/M1/4 above, giving a schedule of the fields, and naming the tenants as Richard Broome (of Edgiock Court Farm) and Richard Gilbert (of "2nd Farm" [sic]).

UC:E20/M1/6 29 Sep 1881

Map of allotments planned for the College's estate at Edgiock
Draughtsman: Unknown
Scale: 1 inch to 2 chains
Size: 760 by 535 mm.
Inscribed: Edgiock Allotments / Worcestershire / 29th Sept 1881 [measurements of fields are given, as are the names of local roads]
Signed: Unsigned
Dated: See above
Medium: Ink with pink washes.
Support: Linen paper.
Format: 1 sheet,
Notes: This was found with UC:E20/C1/29.

UC:E20/M1/7 n.d. (early 20th cent.?)

Booklet inscribed University College Edgiock Estate Worcestershire. It contains a portion from an Ordnance Survey map backed onto linen paper and folded, with the College's land at Edgiock coloured in in pink.