

assert any right or claim in the aforesaid tenements, with their appurtenances, for eleven marks to me beforehand paid.

"In witness whereof, to these presents I have set my seal." These being witnesses—Sir Henry de Ralegh, John de Punchardone, Robert Beaupel (vide Knowston, N. D. J.—), Rob. de Cruces (Cruwys), Nicholas de Filleigh, John de Vautort, of Clyst, Andrew de Treloske (Mr. Archer's place, Trelask, near Launceston), John de Aysselegh, and many others."

The services of their intended champion would have cost Ric. and Lettice nearly twice as much as the sum in dispute.

No. 5. About the same date.

A small parchment deed in Latin, the seal of which is lost, by which the aforesaid Ric. de Cokematone, with the assent of Lettice, his wife, grants to his son Richard (the Coffins married the heir of the Cockingtons), for his homage and service, all his land of Cokematone, with his houses, curtilages, villeins, and their suites (families, mark this), and chattels, he rendering one pair of white gloves, of the value of one penny, at the Feast of S. Michael, for all service, suit of Court, plaint, wardship relief, marriage, and demand, saving the King's service to the same land pertaining.

Witnesses—Gellanus le Denys (Orleigh), Peter de Halesbyri (vide Parkham, part 3, N. D. J., July 9, 1874), Sampson de Selusburg (vide Parkham, part 3, N. D. J., July 9, 1874), Walter Cressy, Simon Tyrel (vide Landkey, N. D. J., July 24, 1873), and others.

Domesday Book, 1086—

"Hamelyn holds of the Earl of Moriton Alwinton. Ordulf used to hold it in King Edward the Confessor's time, and paid tax for one hide and three virgates of land. Arable land consists of 29 ploughs. In demesne are two ploughs; and 10 serfs and 15 villeins and 15 bords have nine ploughs. Here are three acres of meadow, 60 of pasture, 33 of wood. Formerly worth 30s., now four pounds.

"Ordulf used to hold Monkleghe and Frithelstock, &c., &c."

Risdon, p. 243.

"Alwinton, vulgarly Allington, the manor whereof hath been in the name of Coffin even from the Conquest, whose dwelling house is at Portledge, within the same parish.

"The antiquity of which family appeareth by a boundary deed, written in the Saxon language, between Ric. Coffin, lord of this manor and Cokementon, and the Abbot of Tavistock, lord of the manor of Abbots-ham, concerning the bounds of both their lands, which agreement was made with the consent of Galfride, the son of Baldwin, and Nicholas his heir, chief Lord of the fee; whereunto were witnesses—

"William Dacus (Dennis), Ric de Bohecumba (Bocomb, in Alwinton), Joel de Launcels, Hen. de Aluco (Alueto, in Sir W. P.) Ralph de Lege, Hamlyn de Leigh, Fulk de Veteri Ponte."

Prince, in his life of Sir Wm. Coffin, youngest brother of Ric. Coffin, Sheriff of Devon 2 Henry VIII., 1511, says there was a Sir Ric. Coffin here as far back as Henry II., 1154, and that the manor had been in the family from the time of the Conquest. Referring to the Saxon deed mentioned by Risdon, *infra*. as confirmation, "which said deed expresseth