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The Manner of Great Ayton

The Court Leet of view of Frankepledge wth the Court Baron of the worshipfull John Coulson Esq there holden upon munday that is to say the first day of October 1655.

By Nicholas Pearson Steward there.

The names James Stockton gen John Balmer Tho Leavens

ye Jurors John Carter Robert Richardson John Richardson

Willm Younge Thomas Moone John Waller

John Kearton Thomas Younge Willm Linge

Willm Harrison Christo Younge James Tod

The jurors aforesayd are sworne aswell to enquire for his highnesse the lord protector as for the chiefe lord etc.

Thomas Beane & Willm Maston are chosen constables for the yeare ensuing and are sworn.

Thomas Beane

Edward Lawrence

John Balmer &

Thomas Leavens are elected Bylaw men and are sworne.

Thomas Whitton is elected pinder and is sworne.

Willm Leavens and Robert Harrison as Bylaw men of Ayton complayne of Francis Tayler of the same in a plea of debt. 1s. discontinued

The same Wm Leavens & Robert Harrison (as Byelaw men etc.) against Henry Gray in a plea of debt 2d. for his part in repareing the common gates belonging the towne field of Ayton for the yeare last past & upon this etc. The defend. Confessed etc. Agreed

The same agt John Annison of Ayton in a plea of debt 2d. the like declaracon as against Gray etc. the defend came into the Court and refused etc. Agreed

Wm Mattison of Ayton agt Margery Balmer of the same in a plea of trespass to the damage of the plt. 39/111/2d. agreed

Mathew Suggit of Ayton agt Wm Leavens & Robert Harrison as Byelaw men etc. in a plea of debt 20s. Agreed

A verdict by the jurors aforesayd

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Thomas Lyle for suffering his fences on the west Moore to be in decay is put in the mercy of ye lord. 3/4d.
wood dike. 3/4d.
at Holling stile and letting goods into the fallows is amercied 3/4d.
Holling Stile to be in decay. 3/4d.
fallowes is amercied 6/8d.
for the like. 6/8d.
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a pe lar of his fallow gates is amercied 3/4d.
beareing whins forth of the west Moore contrary to a payne is amercied 1s.
for the like. 1s.
for the like. 1s.
Mattison for the like. 1s.
Robt(?) George for the like. 1s.
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Henry Rowntree of Stoxley for rescueing distresse from the pinder 1/8d

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Richard Maukin for his geese trespassing in the Cornefield is amercied 1/4d.

Christopher Currey for the like. 1/4d.

James Gowland for the like. 1/4d.

- ... Harrison for the like. 1/4d.
- ... Simson for the like. 1/4d.

Henry Gray for letting tenn averaige gates to people who live without the towne contrary to a paine is amercied 10s. Christopher Winsper of litle Ayton for overstinte in the fallowes. 6/8d.

In all £3 15s 4d

By me Nicholas Pearson Steward there