

FAMILY TREE 1500-1599

c1500: ROBERT SWINDLEHURST & ISABELL _?

[Robert son of John Swynlrst & __? married 1440-1460]

[Isabella married again and to James Helme]

Children: ?

Smith: Fair Oak - During the latter part of the reign of Henry Yil. (1500-1509), it was stated in pleadings before the Duchy Court that Robert Swynlhurst, late husband of Isabella, now wife of James Helme, had owned a moiety of a fain called Farrock House in Bolland for 24 years, at a yearly rent of 40s. His widow, as executor, continued the tenancy for four years, paying no rent; whereupon Robert Swynlyrst, John his father, and others, came and sowed the land with grain. In his reply Robert Swynlyrst states that his father held the tenement of the King, and had allowed his brother Robert, now deceased, to occupy a moiety, and (afterwards) to his wife so long as she remained sole ...?

From Bowland Forest website-

Sir Richard Empson's 'Improvements', 1506/7

(Summary by Dr Bill Shannon: not a full transcription. Modernised spelling except for place-names)

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Sum of all the increases perfectly agreed in Bowland, beside such others as all lying together amounted to £26 7s (crossed out and £21 11s inserted)

And beside such other farms of which the occupiers refused to take [...] with us [...]

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1509: **DL 41/74**

Duchy Commission to ameliorate Sir Richard Empson's 'Improvements', 1509/10

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the king's grace is improved yearly therein £9 3s 4d

FAIR OAK: Ar: 1515-1518: Ar: From the Act Book at Whalley Abbey there are several references to the family being called as Jurymen in the Ecclesiastical Courts. Robert Swynhilhurst appeared in 1515 and again in 1518. Also in 1518 John Swynhilhurst was called regarding a forbidden relationship between Agnes Sourbutts and Mathew Parker who were blood relations and in 1519 he was called again to pass judgement on Elizabeth, the widow of Jorn Robinson, who was denounced for declaring she would keep the black fast to get vengeance on Edmund Parker. In 1522 he was concerned in another case where the verdict of the Jury was that Reynold Sawyer be commanded to go round Whitewell Church on two Sundays carrying a candle for committing adultery with Isabella Hayerst. (See later chapter re Burholme).

1520?: JOHN SWINGLEHURST & ELIZABETH _?

[John son of John Swynlrst & ? married 1440? - 1460?] Fair Oak origins

John & Elizabeth _? married c1520?

Children:

1. Robert Swinglehurst. Born c1520. Died c1570
[Married Alice Parker of Radholme 1582]

2. John Swinglehurst. Born c1520
[Married Anne Shuttleworth about 1552]

Appears to fit with:

1540 - 1553: To the Halmote came John Hyrd, a tenant of the King [Henry V111 or Edward V1], and surrendered two acres of land, lying in Bold Croke, within the town [area] of Chatburne, which Robert Swyndylhyrst delivered to him, to the use of John Swyndylhyrst, of "le ffolde", John Swyndylhyrst, jun., son of the said John Swyndylhyrst, sen., and Elesabeth, wife of the said Robert. The Intent declares that the foeffees above named shall be fined and seised of the said premises, to the use of the said Elizabeth for the term of her life, with remainder to John Swyndylhyrst the elder and John Swyndylhyrst the younger, for term of their lives, with remainder to their right heirs for ever.
[Note first recorded surname spelling containing letter 'd']

1522/3: Clitheroe Court Rolls. Rents for Mich., 31, Hen.V111:
['Mich' = Michalmas - Feast of St Michael 29th Sep each year]
Byrholm: Christofer Swinehurst, James Swynehurst, John Swynehurst.
Farrokhowe: Robert Swynehurst

In 1527 the Clitheroe Court Rolls listed the tenants as John Swynelhurst, Thomas Borogh, Reynold Sawyer (probably the same Reynold Sawyer who in 1522 is commanded to go round Whitewell Church on three Sundays carrying a candle for committing adultery), William Bound and Thomas Bond. Twelve years later in 1539 Christopher Swynelhurst and James Swynelhurst also have tenancies as also has John who was presumably their father. Similarly there was a Reginald Sawyer and Christopher Bond included in the list.

1527: FAIR OAK: Ar: In 1527 there was recorded in the Court Rolls of the Honour of Clitheroe that Fair Oak was now let to John and Robert Swynehurst for four-pounds, ten shillings per annum, the old Vaccary system having given way to Leasehold Farms.

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Perhaps it was the rugged and sturdy independence of character, together with a sincere attachment to their religious faith which caused local people to rise against the Dissolution of the Monasteries. When the cause was taken up by the Yorkshire lawyer Robert Aske with the support of prominent nobles, the gentlemen of Bowland and neighbouring Craven together with clerics from Whalley Abbey and Sawley Abbey responded by marching on Skipton Castle and laying seige to it. No blood was shed and they marched peacefully south to Pontefract and thence to Doncaster where they were confronted by the King's emissaries. On a promise that their grievances would be heard, the rebels dispersed. It is more than possible that the Fair Oak family took part in this episode for they were at this time closely connected with the Abbey at Whalley and also closely connected with families like the Tempests who did suffer the consequences of the "Pilgrimage of Grace", described in "History of Whalley" by Dr.Whittaker as a "fanatical rabble of priests and peasants headed by some men of military skill". The Abbot of Whalley and some local men were beheaded at Tyburn for taking part in this adventure.

On May, 20, 1529, Robert Crombleholme, of Lowdo Mythom, occurs in a local case of adultery. By will, March 30, 1597, Anne Crombleholme, of Loud Mytholme, desires to be buried in Chipping churchyard, near her late husband. She names her son Eichard, son-in-law, George Crombleholme, and daughters, Cecily and Alice. The inventory of her goods includes ** 2 flitch of bacon and a quarter of beef, 20s., 3 hens and a cock, 16d." And, on April 2, 1614, was taken the inventory of John Crombleholme, late of Loudmythom, yeoman. His goods included : — 4 oxen, 6 twinters, 8 kine, and 20 sheep; "two tables and one stone cistern, to remayne as heirlooms ; " 24 pewter dishes, 26s. 8d. ; 3 brass candle- sticks, 4s. ; 6 silver spoons, 40s. ; money and goulde, 11/. ; and debts due from Thomas Marsden, of Pale, **George Swinlehurst, of Burholme**, and Thos. Parkert of Higher Greystoneley — the total being £307.

1530: Bowland Forest website: Shaw (1956) showed that the keepers of Leagram and Radholme parks were in most cases vaccary tenants too. Winchester shows that there were three vaccaries in the Lancashire portion of the Forest of Bowland in 1530: Fair Oak, Greystoneley, and Lickhurst – the latter two immediately adjacent to Leagram Park, and Greystoneley lying between it and Radholme park. In the Yorkshire portion of Bowland, there were five vaccaries recorded in 1422, and a further seven in 1530, of which Burholme and Browsholme lie immediately adjacent to the Radholme deer park.

1536-1537: We may well have participated in the 'Pilgrimage of Grace' as neighbours did.

FAIR OAK 1536 - 1600: Ar:

The family wealth and importance grew considerably in the 16th century. John Swynelhurst and Robert his son and later John his grandson in turn became masters of Fair Oak. All were great speculators in land with some leased from the Church in places as far away as Chipping and Ribchester. There are Court records at Clitheroe Castle showing that a considerable amount of land was leased in the Chatburn and Grindleton area to John and Robert Swinglehurst. Steps were also taken to enlarge the land around Fair Oak with sections of the forest (New Launde) being annexed in 1542, sometimes legally, but in the most part the legality of such extensions is doubtful. This led to many disputes being brought to the Forest Courts.

In 1544 Robert made other enclosures at Tunstall Ing between New Laund and Long Knott and at Wyneholme Yait. In 1552 Robert, John his father and Robert his uncle are recorded as having had sheep pasturing on a parcel of waste ground known as Chepyn (Chipping) Coomes and were fined. One such case brought before the Duchy Court in Lancaster in 1554 was to consider the lease of pasturages and closes around Fair Oak. It was stated that Henry Banyster the Deputy Master Forester and brother-in-law of Robert Swynlehurst had permitted the latter to enclose three acres of New Launde which adjoined Fair Oak. John Tempest and Thomas Parker sought entry to this land for hunting which they said was leased to them through the Crown. Christopher Parker (aged 39) gave evidence for the plaintiffs but Christopher Swynlehurst one of the keepers for the past 16 years spoke for the defendants. It is not certain what exactly was the legal outcome but New Launde remained part of Fair Oak. A 1566 roll recorded that he had broken down the hedge of the Long Knott so that his own beasts could graze there and he enclosed a further 4 acres 3 roods of New Laund for tillage.

It was during the reign of Henry VIII that visitations were made to most parts of the country by the King's agents principally to extract a tax for the financing of the Royal coffers and for the building of a new Navy. Knighthoods were offered at a price to certain gentlemen (£50 was suggested) and refusal to accept a knighthood meant a tax of about £15. One such visitation to Fair Oak House in a publication Seats and Residences of Nobility and Gentry in the County Palatine of Lancaster. The Swinglehursts apparently did not accept the offer of a knighthood. It is likely that they were not offered one for the family was not popular, having clung to the Catholic faith in spite of the edicts of Henry.

In 1547 Henry VIII died and was succeeded by the ten year old Edward VI. The relief of the Catholics was short lived for by 1553 Edward was dead with tuberculosis. Mary came to the throne and much to the joy of the Catholics she was determined to restore Roman Catholicism. She gave up Little Bowland (the area around Fair Oak) as a Royal preserve in 1556 and no doubt this led to some of the annexations referred to above.

The Court case of 1554 at Lancaster reveals further interesting information regarding the condition of the forest. The population of deer had declined to a mere 300 whereas between 1494 and 1523 there had been an estimated 2000. The chief cause of the steady decline in numbers was the excessive slaughter by poachers, mostly local gentlemen who organised massive hunts, sometimes holding the keepers captive whilst the hunt was in progress.

GenLinks: Parish Registers were first ordered to be kept by Thomas Cromwell, Vicar General of King Henry VIII in 1538. Cromwell ordered that every parish in England and Wales must keep a register and that every Sunday, the Parson, in the presence of the wardens, must enter all the baptisms, marriage and burials of the previous week. The register was to be kept in a coffer with two locks. Failure to comply imposed a fine of 3s 4d (17p) which was to be spent on the upkeep of the church. The order was received with much suspicion - most people believed it was the forerunner for some new tax. Many parishes ignored it. The order was repeated in 1547 during the reign of Edward VI but this time the fine was to go towards poor relief.

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1548: Smith: Disputes were of frequent occurrence about the lands leased by the Crown to the Master Foresters. About 1548, Ralph Greenacres complained in the Duchy Court against Thomas Catterall, Esq., John Parker, and 1 lizabeth Parker, widow, who, he said, with other evil disposed persons, to the number of 10 and above, had with bows, arrows, swords, bucklers, and other weapons forcibly kept possession of certain pastures called Wliiteladale,

Brennand, Lees, Swynlehurst, Wardeleygh, Qradale, New Hey, Stodeley, and the Fence all in the Forest of Bowland-which said pastures were sub-let to plaintiff on May 1, 1545, by Sir Arthur Darcy, Knt., Master Forester. Elizabeth Parker admits she was tenant-at-will of " Swinhillhurst Inge " under Sir Arthur Darcy ; and that after the feast of the Nativity of St. John Baptist, 1548, she did refuse to allow two men ^* being strangers" to mow the said meadows ; but since then she has quietly given up possession. Among others who gave evidence were, Alan Bradley of

1550: JOHANNES SWINGLEHURST & JOYSSA RILAND

[Johannes's parents ?]

Johannes & Joyssa married 1550 Mavesyn Ridware, Staffs.

Children: ?

Note: 'JOAN SWINGLEHURST F Marriage: 21 JAN 1559 Saint Mary, Stafford, Stafford.
Spouse: JAMES LOCKWOOD' Perhaps Joan is Johannes and married twice'

Note also:

MARGARET SWINGLEHURST OR SYNGLEHURST F
Christening: 11 NOV 1565 Saint Mary, Stafford, Stafford.
Mother: HELEN SWINGLEHURST

1550: JOHN SWYNLEHURST & ALITIA SLATER

[John son of ?]

John & Alitia married 30 Aug 1550 Whalley, Lancs.

Children: ?

? Will. April 16 1593. Probate. May 6 1593. John Swynlehurst (Burial Hill Waddington)

John Swynlehurst M Birth: About 1525 Of, Whalley, Lancs.
Spouse: Alitia Slater Birth: About 1529 Of, Whalley, Lanc
Marriage: 30 AUG 1550 Whalley, Lancs. [Slater 1550]

1550 Johes Swynlehurst et Alicia Slater Married. Whalley Parish Church

JOHN SWYNLEHURST M Marriage: 30 AUG 1550 Whalley, Lancs.

John Swynlehurst August 30th 1550, marriage to Alitia Slater, at Whalley, Lancashire, during the reign of King Edward V1, known as "The Boy King", 1547 - 1553.

BMI (Boyd's Marriage Index). 1550 Jn. Swinglehurst & Alice Slater, Whalley

1550: ROBERT SWINLEHURST & ALICE PARKER of Radholme

[Robert of Fair Oak son of John Swynlrst & Elizabeth _?]

Marriage of Robert & Alice yet to be found

Children:

1. John Swinglehurst. Born c1550. Died 1618 (Distraught)
[Married Elizabeth Marsden of Pale]
2. Ambrose Swinglehurst. Born c1552
3. Thomas Swinglehurst. Born c1554
[Married __? about 1590]
4. Richard Swinglehurst. Born c1556
[Married Isabel _?] They moved to Manchester

Burial: xxxi Mar 1573 St Peter, Burnley, Lancashire, England
Issabell Swynlehurst

Burial: xxvi Mar 1578 St Peter, Burnley, Lancashire, England
uxr Swynenste - Spouse of Ricd. Swynenste

5. Jane Swinglehurst. Born 1544. Died 1626
[Married Nicholas Tempest of Catlow] Married c1564
[Sufferers under the Pilgrimage of Grace]

Alice died about 1570 leaving the following Will:

Yorkshire Archeological and Topographical Journal, Vol 11, pg 276 and will of brother Christopher Parker (1557)
LRO film extracted will of Alice SWYNLEHURSTE, widow, late wife of Robert, 13 Jul 1576 of Forreckehouse in Bolland; "buried at Chippyn as near to where my husband lyeth; son Ambrose Swynlehurst; to Edythe Bannister; son John Swynlehurst; Alice Morton; Jane Hairste? for her good service; dau Jane Tempest?; children John, Thomas, Richard, Jane Tempest; John Exec; Roger Shirburne of the Wolfehouse Gent, Jane Bannister of Waddington, Wid, Gilbert Moreton, Nicholas Tempest with divers others; Signed by Jhon Swyngherste and Nycholas Tempeste; sealed in the presence of Roger ? Gilbert Moreton, Leonard Walker and others; proved 1580

Robert SWINLEHURST M Birth: About 1515 Of Farrick [Fair Oak] House, Bolland, Yorks.
Death: Before 1576 . Burial: Chipping, Lancs.
Wife. Alice PARKER. Birth: About 1520 Of Radholme, , Yorks.
Death: 13 JUL 1576. Will Dated, Of Bolland, , Yorks.
Burial: 1580 Chipping, Lancs.
Marriage: About 1540 , Lancs.

Ar: Alice Swinglehurst the widowed mistress of Fair Oak had reason to plead with the Duchy of Lancaster in 1570, as the Church had broken a lease and taken valuable lands from her. £100 had been paid for the lease of this land and a rent of £25.15s.8d per annum had always been promptly paid to the Right Reverend William, Bishop of Chester, yet a new Deed had been made in favour of Edward Gibson for 21 years and she was being evicted. It was all to no avail. The lease to Edward Gibson was confirmed by the Court.

The Swinglehursts also gave up lands at Ribchester. These had been sub-let for £19.17s.9d per annum to Robert by Christopher Parker of Radholm his brother-in-law. Although this had a 90 year lease from the Bishop, the interest was sold for 400 marks to Alex Houghton of Lee and John Talbot of Salbury.

1570: Smith: In 12 Eliz (1570), Alice Swinglehurst, widow of Robert Swingle- hurst, of ITarrochhouse in Bolland, in her plea to the Chancellcr of tl^e Duchy of Lancaster, stated that whereas George Wolfette,* late parson of the parish church of Chepyn was lawfully seised of the rectory or parsonage of Ohepyn, and therein confirmed by deed of John late Bishop of Chester, patron of the said church, with the assent of the Dean and Chapter of Chester, in consideration of £100 paid by the said Robert Swinglehurst, about the 2nd of Edward VI*** (1548-9) demised to the said Robert the parsonage of Chepyn, with all the glebe and demesne lands, tenements, and oblations, and other com- modities thereto belonging, for many years yet enduring, on payment of a certain rent [£25 15s. 8d.] to the said parson during his life, and afterwards to the said Bishop and his successors. Aftev the death of her husband, complainant adds she has enjoyed the profits of the lands, and has paid the rent to the Right Rev. William, Bishop of Chester, which he has accepted and taken for seven years, since the death of the said parson. The deed and confirmation referred to, having now come into the hands of the Bishop, and of Edward GKbson, his servant, they by colour thereof are trying to defraud the plaintiff of the premises, and * In the copy in the Bishop's R^istry he is called **Gre@rge Wilfeth doctor of laws and parson of Cheapyn**

The proceedings at "the Whytewell" help to piece together some of the family tree and the will of Alice Swinglehurst of Fair Oak, proved in 1580, throws more light on the subject. She is described as the "late wiffe of Robert Swinglehurst". She requested her body be buried "in the Church of Chipping as near to the place where my late husband lyeth as possible can be". To her son Ambrose she leaves £40, to Edith Bannister £20 when 21 years of age, her son John "to keep her until then with meate, drink and clothes". To Alice Moreton and Jane Hairst 20 marks apiece. To her daughter Jane Tempest and her son 20 nobles each; to her sister Edith Bannister "my baye mare" and to her son John "the foal she now bath". Residue among her children John, Thomas, Richard and Jane; her son John to be sole executor. Witness Robert Sherburne of Wolfe House, gent., Jane Banastre of Waddington, widow, Gilbert Moreton, Nicholas Tempest.

An inventory was taken by Thomas Parker of Greystonleigh, Alexander Bleasdale of Dinkling Green, Arthur Parker of Lickhurst, Reynold Parker also of Greystonleigh. Of great length, it includes

8 oxen £24
 4 fat oxen 40 marks
 20 kine and one bull £33.6s.8d
 13 styrkes £8.13s.4d
 2 graze horses £5.6s.8d
 one large horse £2
 50 sheep £8.6s.8d
 10 lambs £1
 10 weathers £3.6s.8d
 10 olde swyne and 5 young pigges £3.5s.0d
 oats £18.8s
 3 acres of barley £10
 hay £3.6s.8d
 meal and malt £5
 brass pottes £3.6s.8d
 feather beds, 12 bouldsters, eight pillows and five mattresses £15
 13 pair of blankets and an olde blanket £3
 lent money to Alex Parker of Radholm £27
 lent money to Roger Sherburne 55 shillings

 Total £264.7s.8d.

Funeral expenses were £3.2s.7d, and Leonard Walker charged 10 shillings for writing the Will, Mr. John Moreton claimed "an angel of golde, a golde ring and a felt hatte" value 26s.6d. and William Hodgkinson of Preston "a frise gowne" value 16s.

This will does more than throw light on the value of farm animals and household goods in the 16th century, for it gives a complete family tree in an age when Church records were incomplete. It connects Swinglehursts with the Parkers and the Bannisters, both very important families and with the Tempests. In view of the happenings 200 years later in Barrowford, the Bannister and Parker relationships are most remarkable. It also relates the interesting story of a young lady Edith Bannister, not yet 21, living at Fair Oak and her mother who would presumably be the widow of Henry Bannister, the Deputy Master Forester mentioned previously.

Smith: The earliest Will we have found is that of Alice, ** late wyffe of Robert Swynlhurst," dated 13 July, 1580. She leaves her body for burial in the church of Chyppine ^* as neare to the place where my late hiisband lyeth as possyble can be." To her son Ambrose, £40 ; to Edith Bannister £20, when 21 years old, her son John *' to keep her till then with meate, drink and clothes ;" Alice More ton, and Jane Hairst, 20 marks a piece. To her daughter Jane Tempest, and her son John Swinglehrst, 20 nobles each ; to her sister Bannister ^ my baye mare and to her son John the foale she now hath." Residue among her children John, Thomas, Richard, and Jane ; her son John, sole executor. Witnesses, Roger Sherburne of the Wolf- house, gent., Jane Banester of Waddington, widow, Gilbert Morton, Nicholas Tempest, with divers others. The inventory, taken 20 Aug., 1580, by Thomas Parker of Graystonley, Alexander Bleasdale of the luklinge Green, Arthur Parker of Lickhurst, and Reynold Parker of Greystonley, is of great length. It includes : 8 oxen, 24/ ; 4 fat oxen, 40 marks ; 20 kine and 1 bull, 33/ 6s. 8d. ; 13 styrkes, 8/ 13s. 4d. ; 2 graye horses, 5/ 6s. 8d. ; one baye horse 2/ ; 50 sheep, 8/ 6s. ^ **

10 lambs, 12/ ; 10 weathers, 5/ 6s. 8d. ; 10 oldo swyne, and 5 young pigges, 3/ 6s. ; oats, 18/ 8b. ; 3 acres of barley, 10/ ; hay, 3/ 6s. 8d. ; meale and malte, 61 ; brass pottos, 3/ 6s. 8d. ; f ether beds, 12 bouldsters, 8 pillows and 6 mattresses, 15/ ; 13 pair of blankets and an olde blanket, 3/ ; 28 coverlets, 8/ ; 13 pair of linnen sheets and an odd sheet, 4/ ; 3 linnen table cloths, leather tanned and untanned, 4/ ; lent money, Alexander Parker of Eadham, 2?/ ; Mr. Eoger Sher- burne, 65s. Total, 264/ 7s. 8d.

Smith: Debts owing by deceased are to Mr. Gilbert Murton, Mr. Robert Parkinson, Alice, daughter of late Chr. Parker, Mr. Nicholas Tem- pest, George Knowles, and the viccar of Chippin. The funeral expenses are put at 3/ 2s. 7d. ; Leonard Walker, for writing will, 10s. ; and a note is made that Mr. John Moreton claimed an angel of gold, a golde ringo, and a felt hatte, value 26s. 6d. ; and William lldgkinson of Preston, younger, for a frise gowne, 16s. From the will 1 of Jane, daughter of Robert Swinglehurst, and widow of Nicholas Tempest of Catlowe, dated Aug. 1, 1626 (proved at York, Oct. 2, 1628), some information is obtained which has been utilized in the accompanying pedigree.

[From accounts of Robert Stanley \(Kings receiver in the 4th year of Edward VI – 1551.](#)

John Swynelhurst pays for the vaccary of Fairdakhouse 64s 6d
John Swynelhurst for ½ Bireholme 62s 10d. Nicholas Bounde for the other half.

Nicholas Swynelhurst for the legh 27s.

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1552: JOHN SWINDLEHURST (of Fair Oak & Harenden) & ANNE SHUTTLEWORTH

[John of Fair Oak son of John Swindlehurst & Elizabeth married about 1520]

[Anne daughter of William Shuttleworth of Asterley and Anne Nowell, daughter of Roger Nowell of Read Hall]

John & Anne's marriage record yet to be found

Children:

1. William Swindlehurst. Birth about 1552
[Married Margaret Parkinson of Fairsnape 1578]

Roy records that they had a son Richard who married Elizabeth Parkinson

Ar: The Swinglehursts of Fair Oak had become the Lessees of Harenden in the early 16th century and in about 1550 John of Harenden married Anne, daughter of William Shuttleworth of Asterley, near Whalley - a branch of the Shuttleworths of Gawthorpe Hall. This marriage is mentioned in Dugdale's "Visitation of the County Palatine of Lancaster 1664/5" in which it reviews prominent Lancashire families. From this publication we also learn that Anne's mother was Anne Nowell, daughter of Roger Nowell of Read Hall, a family which were to become connected with the convictions of the Lancashire Witches early in the next century.

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Above likely to be connected with the following c1557 family

Smith: 22 Aug 1554: ... Christopher Swinglehurst, about 46 years old [born about 1508], says he is one of the keepers in the forest, and hath been keeper for 16 years, and is now officer to Sir Thomas Talbot, Master Forester. He gives similar evidence to Christopher Parker, adding that Thomas Catterall, Esq., Deputy Forester, licensed one Thomas Sherborn to keep a cow upon the green, and himself (Christopher Swinglehurst) to have 6 beasts in summer time in Cliveholme.

Christopher Swinglehurst, aged 57 [born about 1497], refers to a presentment made in the Court of Bolland about 4 years ago against Ralph Greenacres and Richard Asheton for taking the profits of the land in question.

William Smythks of the Cowhill, co. York, yeoman, iiged about 60, states the lands have always been used by the Master Foresters for the time being and their tenants **as a thing belonging to the said office.** He further deposes that Robert S.vin^jlehurst now occupies one parcel of ground of about 3 acres lying in the Newhind whicli is parcel of ** the several ground " and was taken and enclosed about 12 years ago by the said Robert Swinglehurst of Fardocke House [Fair Oak] by the sufferance of Henry Banyster, deputy forester, his father-in law, resulting in great decay of the King*s game. He thinks there are about 500 deer, red and fallo^v, in the forest which cannot be kept there without all the said lands being kept several. He says if the lands are taken from the Master Forester it will be to the. destruction of the deer, and that without the snid several ground the deer would feed either on the mountains or else in the several grounds thereabouts to the undoing of the inhabitants. There are, ho states, 5 keepers in the forest who are yearly paid by the Master Forester or his deputy, viz., to each of them 26s. 8d. ; 6 drivers of the deer for their wages receive yearly IOs. each; and that he himself is paid yearly for

Robert Bound, aged 70; John Robinson, aged 71 ; Nicholas Turner, aged 63 ; Thomas Robinson, aged 66 ; Christopher Swinglehurst, aged 67 [born about 1487] ; Robert Turner, aged 48 ; Thomas Parker, of Harden, aged 54 ; James Cotleys, aged 72; Peter Hall, aged 70; Henry Colthurst, aged 70; Henry Goodday, aged 66 ; Reginald Parker, aged 52 ; James Bleysdall, aged 56 : Henry Wyddelldale [Whitendale] of Slaidburn Parish, aged 50; Christopher Browne, of Whitteldale, aged 40 ; Henry Bleysdall, aged 70; and George Wrangell, aged 60 years, gave similar evidence.

1556;:28 Nov 1556: Deer:-There are of red deer within Bolland forest not more than six score and fourteen; and of fallow deer seven score and six, thus located :-

"Upon Borne Slack, Giles Harrison and Robert Marton, keepers 52 Red deer, 0 Fallow
upon Whynefell, Thomas Proctor, keeper 30 Red deer, 0 Fallow
upon Totrygge, Reginald Parker, keeper 28 Red deer 40 Fallow
upon Totrygge, Robert Swinlehurst, keeper 13 Red deer, 78 Fallow
upon Totrygge, Alan Bradley, keeper 2 Red deer, 13 Fallow
within the dryftes and outesydes of the forest 7 Red deer, 5 Fallow
within Radam Park 2 Red deer, 10 Fallow
Total: 134 Red deer, 146 Fallow

Timber ... Within the office of Robert Swinlehurst are 20 sapplings, worth 20d. each, and 20 sound ashes, worth 10d. each

Keepers, — The names of the keepers are given as Alan Bradley, gent. ; Robert Swinlehurst ; Reginald Parker ; Robert Marton ; John Robinson ; Giles Harrison ; Thomas Proctor ; and Henry Bleasdale.

Tenants.— The names of the tenants are Robert Sherburne, gent ; William Marton; Christopher Swinglehurst ; John Bleasdale; Robert Turner; John Dobson; John Crumbleholme ; John Swinlehurst ; Arthur Parker; George Bend; Henry Frankland ; Henry Whitendale; Christopher Cooti? (? Coore) ; Thomas Parker of Harden; George Harrison; Thomas Parker of Graystonley; and Alexander Bleasdale

16-18 Jun 1556: Smith: Henry Clarke of Chipping, husbandman, aged 77 ; Richard Mersden of Chipping, husbandman, aged 72, who dwells upon a parcel of the said manor called Blacke Hall ; Richard Clerke, vicar of Leighe, aged about 80, and Lawrence Cottom of Dil worth, yeoman, aged 80, corroborate. The latter adds that Robt. Swyndilhurst, John his father, and Robert brother to the said John Swyndilhurst, have had their sheep pasturing upon a certain parcel of the waste called ** Chepyn Coomes," and they were all amersed in the court of Sir Richard for the same, and paid their fines.

Richard Mersden the elder of Chipping, aged 80 ; John Swyndil- hurst of Chipping, yeoman, aged 68 ; Thomas Lawrence of Goosenargh, gent., aged 34 ; Grace, wife of Richard Sherburne, aged 28 ; Henry Sherburne of Chipping, gent., aged 32 ; and Henry Richmond of Chipping, husbandman, aged 48, depose in like manner ; as also do Thomas Cutler of Alston, and others who have taken turves from the moss called Blackmoss ; and Ed. Thorneley, gent., aged 36.

[GenLinks](#): In 1557 the clergy were instructed to record the name of Godfather and Godmother. This was an attempt to stem the soaring divorce rate. At that time it was only necessary to state you had in error married your Godparent's son / daughter. In the eyes of the church this was your spiritual brother / sister and the marriage was spiritual incest and therefore invalid. Godparents were sometimes referred to as 'surities', 'witnesses' or the old English 'gossib' or 'gossip'

c1557: ISABELLA SWINGLEHURST & ANTHONY KNOLLES

[Isabella daughter of John Swinglehurst & Elizabeth married about 1520??]

Isabella & Anthony married before 22nd Sep 1557

Children:

1. William Knolles

At least one other child

Ar: There is an interesting note in the Accounts of the Nowells of Read Hall under the heading of "Spending money of R.Nowell 1586" recording donations to local people and kinsmen. One such is to "Willm. Swinlehurst - a poor fchollar - vj d [4 pence] ". The following year a payment of xii d. [12 pence] is made to him. This time he is described as a "fchollar of Cletherall Grammer School". The Royal GrammerSchool at Clitheroe had been founded in 1554. It is possible that this William Swinlehurst was William of Harden, the grandson of Roger Nowell.

From: North Craven Historical Research. co. uk

Will of Anthony Knolles 1557
Borthwick Vol. 15(2) Folio 200

In the name of god amen the 22nd day of September 1557 I Anthony Knolles sick in body & of good & perfect remembrance loved by god make this my last will & testament in maner & form

following. First I give & bequeath my soul to almighty god & my body to be buried in the parish church of Giggleswick. Item I bequeath for my mortuary & other church dues all that right will
Item I give & bequeath to the buying of a church bell 16s. 8d. Item I will that my wife shall have her widow right. Item I will that my children shall have their child's portion of goods according to the law. Item I will bequeath my title & tenent right of my tenement with the licence of the lord unto William Knolles my son. Item I make John Swinglehurst my father in law supervisor of this my will & testament. Item I make & (constitute?) Isabell my wife & Willim my son my whole executors the rest of my parts of goods my debts & funeral expenses paid I give & bequeath to Willim my son. These witness William Watkinson John Wildman Willim lund **Peter Swinglehurst** & Thomas Turner Sir James Foster (counsell) with others

3 lines in Latin

Were Peter & John among the families who moved to London, perhaps leading to our possible Gunpowder Plots involvement?? See Nycholas 1564

Ar: 1558 Elizabeth I came to the throne and it was the turn of the Catholics to be persecuted again. Presumably because the Swinglehursts clung to the Catholic faith their fortune began to suffer.

1559: JOAN SWINGLEHURST & JAMES LOCKWOOD

[Joan daughter of ?]

Joan & James married 21 Jan 1559 Saint Mary, Stafford, Stafford.

JOAN SWINGLEHURST F Marriage: 21 JAN 1559 Saint Mary, Stafford, Stafford.
Spouse: JAMES LOCKWOOD [Lockwood]>[? Riland 1550]

1560: WILLIAM SWINGLEHURST & MARGARET _? [Parkinson?]

[William son of ?]

William & Margaret's marriage record yet to be found

Children:

1. Ann Swinglehurst. Christening 30 Apr 1560 Chipping
2. Robert Swinglehurst. Christening 14 Dec 1562 Chipping
3. Thomas Swinglehurst. Christening 25 Apr 1565 Chipping
[May have married Ellin or Elizabeth Marsden and possible as in:
'Thomas Swinglehurst of Chipping aged 100 years and 4 months. Burial 26 Mar 1677
Thomas & Ellin/Elizabeth, married or not, may be the parents of Margaret Marsden christened 27 Sep 1599 and buried 28 or 29 Sep 1599]
4. James Swinglehurst(Swingleurst). Christening 21 Jun 1565/7 Chipping
5. Christopher Swinglehurst. Christening 24 or 29 Mar 1572/3 Chipping
[Death 8 Oct 1577]
6. William Swinglehurst. Birth & Christening 8 Oct 1577 Chipping
7. Christopher Swinglehurst. Christening 18 Oct 1577 Chipping
8. Grace Swinglehurst(Swingleurst). Christening 20 Nov 1579 Chipping
9. Margaret Swinglehurst(Swingleurst). Christening 17 Dec 1583 Chipping

Mother Margaret may have died giving birth to Margaret having died 17 Dec 1583

The William & Margaret marriage(s) records are very uncertain 1560 - 1600
so more research required.

Ar: 1562 Queen Elizabeth had bestowed Leagrim upon her favourite Dudley, Earl of Leicester, who promptly sold it to the lessee, Sir Richard Shireburne of Stonyhurst, a prominent Catholic family. This purchase meant that in the next century Leagrim would become a centre for Catholic Recusants and that later Stonyhurst would become one of the leading Catholic Public Schools. Sir Richard had the title of Head Keeper and Robert Swinglehurst II of Fair Oak had been Deputy Keeper of the Forest.

1562: Smith: In the Duchy Pleadings, 4 Eliz [1562?]. vol 172, is a long account of a dispute between Robert and Ellis Parker as to the division of the property of their father, Richard Parker of Lickhurst who died about 1560. As usual the story told by the two disputants is contradictory. Robert Parker, the eldest son, alleges that his father being seized of a tenement and lands called Lickhurst in Bowland by lease from the Crown at a yearly rent of 22s. 6d., and loving best his younger son, Ellis, " by threatening speeches and hard words" obliged him (Robert) to submit to such a division as would result in the advancement of Ellis Parker, "contrary to all laws and customs." By this agreement Robert Parker was to have the dwelling-house and bam adjoining that of Arthur Parker the elder, with pasture lands and beast gates, paying therefor 11s. 3d. a year, while the younger son took " the ancient firehouse, the corn field, etc. John Swinglehurst of Farrocke House, gent., Alex. Bleasdale, Reynold Parker and Robert Gregson of Bowland, were directed to see that the lands were equally divided ; the custody of the lease of the whole to be with the younger son, who thereupon surrendered the old indenture to the Queen, and took out in his own name a fresh lease for both moieties.

Wills in the York Registry - From The Yorkshire Archaeological & Topographical Association. Jan 12 1562 Vol 17 Folio 228. John Swynlerust senior Grindleton par. Mytton (Buried Widdington). Probate: Apl 28 1563

Wills in the York Registry - From The Yorkshire Archaeological & Topographical Association. Jan 8 1562 Vol 17 Folio 281. John Swynelhurst Hellifield par. Long Preston, Yeoman. Probate: Sept 29 1563

GenLinks: In 1563 parliament passed an act which carried more weight. Records were to be kept in 'great decent books of parchment' and copies or 'Bishop's Transcripts' of new entries were to be sent each month to the diocesan centre. Previous entries in paper registers were to be copied into the new books. Paper was at the time much cheaper than parchment (which is made from animal skins) and in many cases loose sheets of paper had been used (which got lost). Over time some paper registers had deteriorated to the point where the registers were unreadable, a fact not helped by the home made ink of the time. Unfortunately the act stated that the costs involved were to be met by imposing charges for entries. This was strongly opposed by many clergy and the act was not enforced.

From 1563 to 1762 the Lawnd, as it was commonly called, was used as a d' wer house for the Sherburne family. In 1641 Hugh Sherburne, gent., died there. A few extracts from his lengthy will, dated Jan. 4, 1690-1 (proved at Chester in April, 1641), are of interest : — His body he desired to be buried in Mitten Church " in the ould quier there with the leave of my worshipping Master Mr. Richarde Sherburne of Stonihurst Esq. being Patron of the said church." To his loving master Richard Sherburne he left ** one ringe of gould with death's head enameled thereupon;" to his younge Mr., his son, **one ringe of goulde with a snphier stone thereupon ; " to his " Mistriss of the Lande one ringe of golde with rubie stones enamelled thereupon, and the clock that was my ould mnister's." Other legacies were : to Mistress Ann Lacon, wife of Francis Lacon, Esq., "one crosse of gould ;" to Mr. Rd. Sherburne of Dunning 40s. which he oweth mee of lent monies ; to Mr. Rd. Sherburne of Twistleton IOs. " that hee oweth mee ; " to Mr. Robt. Swinglehurst of Fniroake House 36s. " which hee oweth mee ; " to Mr. Rausthorne, vicar of Mitton Churcli, 40s , ** which he and his wife did borrowe of mee at two several times;" to his nephew, Richard Sherburne of Baley Hall sundry apparel, and £3 6s. 8d. " in silver." He also mentions his nephew, Adam Houghton, Robt. Oregson of Paradyse, his cousin Thomas Bradley of Withenslake, his god-daughter, Mistress Margaret Huddleston, his nephew, John Talbot of the Carr, his godson, Robt. Ashe, his cousins Richard Sherburne of Higham, and Prudence Sherburne, al. Greenough. He bequeaths " to the poor in Baley, 408. a year ; to the poor in Leagram and Chipping 208. a year * (so long as his interest in certain lands in Hambleton continues) ;

c1564: JANE SWINGLEHURST & NICHOLAS TEMPEST

[Jane daughter of Robert Swinleyhurst & Alice Parker married c1550]

Jane Swinglehurst. Born 1544. Died 1626

[Married Nicholas Tempest of Catlow c1564

Ar: Nicholas [Tempest] married Jane the daughter of Robert and Alice Swindlehurst of Farrick House (Fair Oak). Alice was the daughter of Alexander Parker of Radholm and also related to Thomasine, Nicholas' mother. After the death of her husband Robert in 1563, Alice Swindlehurst appointed her son-in-law Nicholas Tempest as executor to her will.

Having lost his lands at Gradale and the fulling mill at Catlow, Nicholas and Jane settled in the family home at Catlow, Slaidburn.

On 20th September 1608, Nicholas died without issue. His widow Jane died in 1626. They are both buried in the Chancel of St. Andrews Church at Slaidburn. In her will, proved at York in 1628, Jane left all her goods to the Swindlehursts, having no children of her own.

Source - Mrs. Arthur C. Tempest, Yorkshire Archaeological and Topographical Journal XI pages 246 - 271

Jane SWINLEHURST F Birth: About 1548 Of Farrick House, Lancs.

Death: About 1626 Slaidburn, Yorks. Burial: Slaidburn, Yorks. Mother: Alice PARKER

Father: Robert SWINLEHURST. Birth: About 1515 Of Farrick House, Bolland, , Yorks.

Death: Before 1576 Burial: Chipping, Lancs.
Spouse: Alice PARKER. Marriage: About 1540 , Lancs.

Ar: The rivers Hodder and Ribble mark the old north east boundary between the counties of Yorkshire and Lancashire. Fair Oak, the home of the Swindlehursts being situated about a mile inside the Lancashire border.

Some close neighbours of the Swindlehursts were deeply involved in the 'Pilgrimage of Grace' of 1536 and 1537. Sir Stephen Hamerton of Hamerton Hall at Slaidburn, just over the border in Yorkshire, led the Bowland contingent. He was executed at Tyburn 25th May, 1537. In the same year his son and heir died leaving two young daughters.

Four or five miles from Fair Oak, across the Yorkshire border, was the home of Nicholas Tempest at Bashall. He was born in 1483, the third son of Nicholas Tempest (third son of Sir John Tempest of Bracewell and Waddington) and Margaret Pilkington.

In 1510, Richard Banaster of Altham died, leaving his widow Isabel (sometimes known as Elizabeth and a young son Nicholas. Nicholas Tempest married the widowed Isabel and in due course five known children were born - Richard b.1516, John and three daughters.

In a sworn statement at his trial on 23rd April, 1537, Nicholas Tempest tells how he came to take part in the 'Pilgrimage of Grace'. How on the 21st October 1536, a large number of men had arrived at his home whilst he was absent. They (the commoners) had done a great deal of damage to his property and taken his young son John away with them. A message was sent to Nicholas, that if he did not join them within two hours, they would "strike off the said John's hedde". To save his son, Nicholas joined the commoners and took the oath that same night.

For his albeit unwilling part in the 'Pilgrimage of Grace' Nicholas Tempest was tied to a hurdle and dragged on his back through the filthy streets of London to Tyburn, where he was hung, drawn and quartered on Friday 25th May 1537.

It is known that King Henry VIII came to Westminster on Thursday 24th May and returned to Hampton Court on Saturday the 26th. It is possible that he was there to witness the execution.

Richard, the eldest son of Nicholas Tempest, probably practised at the bar, a Richard Tempest was admitted to Gray's Inn in 1544. He married Thomasine, daughter of Nicholas Parker of Horrockforth in Clitheroe, her brother Bryan Parker was also a member of Gray's Inn. Five children are known to have been born of the marriage Nicholas b.1544, John and three daughters. Richard did not live long after the birth of his children. In his will, dated 15th Dec. 1552 and proved a month later, he describes himself as "of Catlowe in the parishe of Sladburne within the county of Yorke Gentyلمان". When Richard died at Mitton his son and heir Nicholas was only eight years old.

Nicholas was placed under the guardianship of two of his uncles Thomas Catterall and Giles Parker. Upon reaching the age of twenty -one, Nicholas found that one Ralph Greenacres, a great speculator in Church lands had procured his lands at Gradale during his infancy. Also a fulling mill leased by the Tempests at Catlow had been appropriated by one Christopher Escam and, as Nicholas complained in 1567, had kept the profits ever since.

Like his father he became a member of Gray's Inn, being admitted in 1572. He is mentioned in various deeds of the period as being "of Graddell-in-Bowland".

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c1564: NYCHOLAS SWYNLES & _?

[Nycholas son of ?] May have had siblings James, Anna, Christopher, Richard & Peter who all went to London from Lancashire??

Nycholas's marriage record yet to be found

Note from National Archives:

1568: Nicholas Swynles: purchase of messuage called The Christopher in Eton and Brampton Manor, Huntingdonshire
Details for following from the online book: 'Memorials of St Margaret's Church, Westminster'

Children:

1. Jhon Swynles (Male). Christening: 11 Nov 1564 Saint Margaret, Westminster, London
[May have married. See 1601 John family]
2. Elyzabethe Swynlas. 22 Feb 1567 Saint Margaret, Westminster, London
[Died 1568]
3. Dorythe Swynles. Christening: Jan 1569 Saint Margaret, Westminster, London
[Died of the Plague 1582]
4. Myles Swynles. Christening: Dec 1571 Saint Margaret, Westminster, London
[Died 1573]
5. Robert Swynles. Christening: Feb 1573 Saint Margaret, Westminster, London
{Died of the Plague 1581}
6. William Swynlesse. Christening: 3 Dec 1574 Saint Margaret, Westminster, London
7. Henrie Swinles. Christening: 15 Nov 1576 **Saint Margaret, Westminster**, London
[Died of the Plague 1582]

Likely connection with: Annis Swinles. Husband: Willim Evans.
Marriage: 2 Mar 1579 **Saint Margaret, Westminster**, London

1565: HELEN SWINGLEHURST & __?

[Helen daughter of ?]

Child:

MARGARET SWINGLEHURST OR SYNGLEHURST F
Christening: 11 NOV 1565 Saint Mary, Stafford, Stafford.
Mother: HELEN SWINGLEHURST

1565: HENRICUS/HENRY SWINGLEHURST & __?

[Henry son of ?]

Henry's marriage record yet to be found.

Children:

1. Henricus Swinglehurst (Male). Christening 20 Oct 1565 Tatham, Lancs.
[Burial. Henricus Swinglehurst 24-4-1572. Tatham]
2. Isabell Swinglehurst. Christening: 17 MAY 1569 Tatham, Lancs.
3. Ellen Swinglehurst. Christening: 01 JUL 1572 Tatham, Lancs.
[Married Edmond/Edward Wildman 15 Oct 1598 St James the Less, Tatham, Lancs.
Son Richard died Ingleton, Yorks., 1667
Edward married again and to Elizabeth Walker 3 Feb 1587]
4. Henrici Swinglehurst. Born in Tatham about 1580

Burial. Old Widdow Swinglehurst 22-12-1619. Tatham

[Wills in the York Registry - From The Yorkshire Archaeological & Topographical Association.](#)

[Mar 2 1565 17/572. Agnes Swyngilhurst Hallifield in Heyfield \(Burial Preston in Craven\) Widow. Probate: Oct 2 1566](#)

Thomas Swinlehurst [of Burholme?] figures constantly in the records from 1570 onwards when one so named is presented to the Woodmote at Whitewell accused of "hubbleshowe" (assault) and fined 12 pence.

1570 at a Woodmote Court held at Whitewell the tenants of Hareden were required "between Hareden Fence and Lower Fence to make their heges between New Parke and Buckesalle and between Lawes Greves and Redd Sike Heye".

1570: JAMES SWINGLEHURST & __?

[James marriage & parents ?] See Nycholas 1564

Children:

1. Ursly Swynghurst. Christening 17 Feb 1570 Saint Clement Danes, Westminster, London

2. Jeffry Swinglehurst. Christening 26 Mar 1572 Saint Clement Danes, Westminster, London

In 1571 Thomas Swinlehurst [of Burholme?] is accused of keeping geese on common ground - "Item - we laye a payne that Thomas Swinlehurst shall not keep his geese in the mean grounde under penalty after one fortnight every time so taken".

In 1571 James Swinlehurst [of Burholme?] was fined 6 pence at the Woodmote for cutting "ten ollers" and a further 6 pence for felling " 6 fother of a yardinge" in the Cleyholme and 6 pence for felling "one fother of yardinge" in Lamy Clough. ("fother of a yardinge" - fother (Old English) - load, i.e. cart load --- Yardinge (Old English) - straight branches, i.e. poles used for fencing). Among the jury at this Court was Anthony Swinlehurst but the records do not state whether he was from Burholme or not.

1571: ROBERT SWINGLEHURST & MARGERIT SMALEY

[Robert son of ?]

Robert & Margerit married 14 Oct 1571 St Botoph, Aldgate, London

1571: AGNES SWINGLEHURST & LAURENCE WODNETT

[Agnes daughter of ?]

Agnes & Laurence married 1 Dec 1571 Saint Mary, Stafford, Stafford

1572: WILLIAM SWINLEHURST & AGNES PARKER

[William son of ?]

Child:

1. John Swinlehurst. Birth about 1572 Of, Chipping, Lancs.
[May have married about 1599 Chipping]

1574: JAMES SWINGLEHURST OR SHERMERINGE & MARGARET _?

[James's marriage & parents ?]

Children:

1. Mary Swinglehurst or Shemerlinge. Christening 10 Jan 1574 Saint Mary, Stafford, Staffs.

1574: THOMAS SWINGLEHURST & ANN HARRISON

[Thomas's parents ?]

Thomas & Ann married 25 Oct 1574 St Peters, Northampton

Children: ?

[Lancashire Wills Proved in Archdeaconry of Richmond & now preserved in Somerset House. 1576. Swinglehurst John of Chepin \(Will\)](#)

1577 From Bowland Forest website: An inquest determined that the pasture of Radholme Park lay within the chase of Bowland and was subject to the woodmote courts held at the keeper's lodge at Whitewell, along with Edisforth, Easington, Hamerton, Rishtonmere, Harden, Stableoak, Thornholme, Batrax, Harrop, Nethercar, Overbrowsholme, Birholme, Trogh and Sykes, Lee and Leehouses, Whitendale, Brennand, the Lees, Swinghurst, Graysdale, and the pasture of Newhey (Shaw 1956)

Ron Catterall: Swinehurst is listed as a placename in the Townley MSS G.16 An inquisition taken at Skipton in 1577

Juratores dicunt, &c. quod Newton in Bowland, Knolmere, ... Swinehurst ... sunt infra forestam B'nae Reginae de Bowland et infr. cur. woodmote infr.for. p'dict. tent. apud Whytewell. (a long list of oplace names in Bowland Forest). (The records of the Forester of Bowland give a good general picture of the way the Swyndehurst family lived in the time of Henry VI. They spent much of their time and gained much of their income from the upkeep of the forest, its bounds, and the manors adjoining the forest. Much of the work appears to be in fencing the bounds and repairs. All 'good social history'.)

Ron Catterall: The Forest of Bowland was sub-divided into 4 wards: Sclatbournwarde (Slaidburn), Harropwarde (Harrop), Baxsholfswarde (Bashall), and Chepynwarde (Chipping), eqach with its own under-Forester. The "Compotus Henrici de Worsley Instauratoris de Bowlande, from Michaelmas 1 Hen. VI to Michaelmas 2 Hen. VI" has the following references to Swindlehurst (etc.).

Ron Catterall: In Baxsholfswarde: Et de xviii s. de firma de Spersmore sic dimissa Nicholao de Swynehirste hoc anno. Et de xxxiiij s. iiij d. de firma de Swynhulhurst sic dimissa hoc anno.

Ron Catterall: In Chepynwarde under Lactagium: Will'o Swynehulhurst pro dicta vaccaria de Fayrakhous et Graystonelegh, ij s. iiij d.n sibi dimissa ad eundem terminum Nicholao Swynhulhurst pro medietate vaccarie de Essheknottes et Denglegrene, iij s. iiij d., ad eundem terminum Johanne Swynhulhurst pro Birgholme, v s. iiij d., ad eundem terminum, ut patet per extractam Capitalis Senescalli predicti hoc anno iiij Under Leagrim ParkEt solvit Ade del Swynhilhirst et Thome de Crumbilholme pro sutenttacione palicii per circuitum parci de Latthegryme tam de veteribus quam de novis palis, shoris, et raylis de meremio Regis per convencionem in grosso sic factam per senescallum xlvj s. viij d. Custus palici parci ibidem (i.e. parci de Latthegryme Et in stipendio Nicholai Swynhilhirst operantis ibidem in prostracione et fissura quercuum pro palis et rayles inde fiendis pro factura c dimidii palorum, inde dando pro Cna xij d. xviiij d. Custus fossate ibidemEt salutis Ricardi Swynhilhirst pro factura lxvj rodarum palici positi super dictam fossatam tam de veteribus palis quam de novis, roda ad ij d. xjs. Et in stpendio Ricardi Swynhilhirst carpentarii operantis circa emendacionem palicii predicti per x dies, capientis per diem iiij d. iij s. iiij d.

(Compotus of the Master Forester of Bouland, 13 & 14 Hen VI. Duchy of Lanc., Class xxix, Bundle 220.)

Ron Catterall: Under Radholme ParkEt in spendio Nicholai Swynhilhirst carpentarii pro emendacione defectuum logii ibidem per annum diem vj d. Custus palicii parci de RadomeEt in stipendio Nicholai Swynhilhirst paliciatori pro prostracione bosci pro palis inde fiendis pro emendacione palicii parci de Radom cum factura ccclx palorum inde, dando pro qualiter cna xij d. iij s. vj d. Et salutis Nicholao Swynhilhirst pro palis veteribus cadentibus reponendis et interim firmandis per totum circuitum dicti palicii ut pro uno quarterio ejusdem parci in grosso vij s. vij d. Et in stipendio Nicholai Swynhilhirst et Nicholai Turnnour operantum super emendacionem et facturum del rayles dicte laundee per xxv dies, utroque capienti per diem iiij d. xvj s. viij d.

(Compotus of the Master Forester of Bouland, 13 14 Hen. VI. Duchy of Lanc. Class xxxix. Bundle 220)

Ron Catterall: Et in denariis solutis Nicholao Swynlehurst paliciatori pro prostracione bosci pro palis inde fiendis ad unam medietatem parci de Radom pro emendacione ejusdem palicii ac factura ccc palesbord inde, dando pro Cna xij d. iij s. Et solutis Nicholao Swynhilhirst pro palis veteribus cadentibus reponendis et interim firmandis per totum dicti palicii ut pro ono quaterio ejusdem parci in grosso vij s. vij d.

(Compotus of the Master Forester of Bouland, 13 14 Hen. VI. Duchy of Lanc. Class xxij. Bundle 220) Under Manor House of Whitewell

Ron Catterall: Solutis Nicholao Swynelhirst pro successione maremii in bosco postyngs ejusdem cum carpentria Coquine et aliarum domorum ibidem per xxxiiij dies, capiente per diem iiij d. xj s. iiij d.

(Duchy of Lanc. Class xxix Bundle 220, Clitheroe. Receivers' Account, 1 and 2 Hen, VI.)

Ron Catterall: The full title of this record is "A survey of all his Majesties woodes: bothe of Forests, Parkes, and Chases, and also other woods either held be lease, Coppie, or lives, Court-role or customary Tenaunte right within the Counties of Lancaster and Chester, belonginge unto the Duchy of Lancaster, taken the last daie of Maie, Anno 1610; bu us, Robert Treswell and Abraham Allen, Commissioners appointed for the same, together with the perticular names of the Tennaunts nowe in possession thereof; and the number, quality, and Value of Trees, Coppis, and Underwoods to them belonginge, as hereafter ensueth."

(Duchy of Lancaster, Class xix, No. 11, f.11.)

1577: SIBBILL SWINGLEHURST & LAWRENCE FOLEY

[Sibbill daughter of ?]

Sibbill & Lawrence married 14 Jul 1577 Halesowen, Worcester.

1577: JOHN SWINGLEHURST & JOHANE COOKES

[John son of ?] John may have had a brother William who married Elizabeth Musgreve and/or a sister Sibbil who married Lawrence Fowley 14 Jul 1577 Halesowen, Worcester

John & Johane married 27 Sep 1577 Halesowen, Worcester

Children:

1. John Swinglehurst. Christening 12 Apr 1579 Halesowen, Worcester.
[John fits as possible husband and father of the first Derby family]
2. Rauffe Swynglehurst. Christening 16 Aug 1580 Halesowen, Worcester.
[Married c1625]
3. Richard Swinglehurst. Christening 3 Apr 1581 Halesowen, Worcester
4. Richard Swinglehurst. Christening 20 Dec 1581 Halesowen, Worcester
5. Henry Swinglehurst. Christening 3 Feb 1583 Halesowen, Worcester
6. Elizabeth Swinglehurst. Christening 31 Aug 1584 Halesowen, Worcester
7. Robert Swynglehurst. Christening 25 Mar 1586 Halesowen, Worcester

[Wills in the York Registry - From The Yorkshire Archaeological & Topographical Association. Probate: Feb 24 1578. Administration Wm Swindlehurst Hirste Craven](#)

1578: WILLIAM SWINGLEHURST (of Hareden) & MARGARET (MARGERY) PARKINSON

[William son of John Swindlehurst (of Harenden) & Anne Shuttleworth married 1552]

William & Margery married 1578 Fairsnap, Lancs.

1. William Swinglehurst. Birth 8 Oct 1577 Chipping. Christening 8 Oct 1577 Chipping, Lancs.
2. Grace Swinglehurst. Christening 20 Nov 1579 Chipping, Lancs.
3. Margaret Swinglehurst. Christening 17 Dec 1583 Of Chipping, Parisher, Lancs.

Roy records that they had a son Richard who married Elizabeth Parkinson

May be a connection with:

[Burial: 4 Dec 1641 St Mary and All Saints, Whalley, Lancashire, England](#)
[Jeneta Swinglehurst, vid \(Widow\): nuper \(recently\) de \(of\) Wiswall, sepult \(buried\): in Eccla \(within the Church\). Thus probably of high status in the community. See Marsden 1599](#)

Ar: About 1578 Margery Parkinson married William Swinlehurst, and after agreeing to assign their interest in the lands to Robert Parkinson of Heysham, gent, (her cousin) " at the importunate suit of Thomas Richardson, brother of Alexander, granted it to the said Thomas.* This led to a long dispute in the Duchy Court, in the course of which it was stated that Robert Parkinson^ great grand- father of Robert Parkinson of Heysham was ** lawfully seised in his demesne as of fee according to the ancient custom of tenant-right then allowed " of Fairsnape, ** whereof all other his ancestors had been time out of mind seised without any lease to him or them made." From Bobert the lands descended to his son and heir, Ralph Parkin- son, plaintiff's grandfather. An agreement was come to between Ralph and one of his brothers, whereby the said vaccary was equally divided between them. After the death of Ralph and after the death of Richard Parkinson his son and heir, Elizabeth late wife of the said Richard married Anthony Richardson a man of great wealth and greatly "frended" by means of Sir Thomas Talbot, Knt., whom he then served. By colour of the said marriage Anthony Richardson procured a lease from the Queen for sundry years of the moiety of the said vaccary pretending that the same were lands usually let to farm and not customary lands, which lease was the first ever made of the same or any lands in Bleasdale. Anthony died possessed thereof, and was succeeded by his eldest sou Alexander who enjoyed the same. His widow Elizabeth formerly wife of Richard Parkinson enjoyed the same. On 3 Oct. 1573, the demise came to her daughter Margery Parkinson and the latter having married William Swinlehurst assigned her interest 2 Feb. 1680-1 to her step-brother Thomas Richardson and Margaret his wife. So seised on 1 Aug., 23 Eliz., Thomas Richardson demised same to John Whitsyde of Arnett in Poulton, yeoman. Here Robert Parkinson of Hysame [Heysham] gent., stepped in stating, that intending to reduce the said moiety into the right line and name of the Parkinsons although not in the s ane degree, he had compounded with Swinlehurst for his interest. Swinlehurst, however overcome by the importuning of Thomas Richardson, brother of Alex- ander, granted his interest to the said Thomas, on condition that ho (Richardson) should not alienate the 8ai<l moiety save to Parkinson. He also says that Richardson did not assign the moiety to Whytsyde but to Arthur Wyver, the lather of whom also assigned his interest to Parkinson.

1578: ANNA SWINLEHURST & ??

[Anna daughter of ?]See Nycholas 1564

Anna Swinlehurst F Marriage: 17 FEB 1578 Of, , London

1579: ANNIS SWINLES & WILLIAM EVANS

[Annis daughter of ?]See Nycholas 1564

Annis & William married 2 Mar 1579 Saint Margaret, Westminster, London

Wills in the York Registry - From The Yorkshire Archaeological & Topographical Association. Jun 7 1581 Vol 22 Folio 90. Richard Swynlhurste Grindleton (Burial Waddington) Husbandman. Probate: July 25 1581

List of Wills in the Probate Court Chester 1545 - 1620 Ref 929 - 321 C.1 Vol 2. (Fair Oak) 1580. Swinglehurst Alice of Bolland, widow (Adm)

1582: JOHN SWINGLEHURST & ELIZABETH MARSDEN

[John son of Robert Swinglehurst & Alice Parker married about 1550]

John & Elizabeth married c1582

Children:

1. Robert Swinglehurst. Born c1582. Died 1645
[Married Elizabeth Thompson c1618]
2. Thomas Swinglehurst. Born 1587. Died before 1647
[Married?][Had 2 daughters - Anne & Elizabeth]
3. Anne Swinglehurst.
4. Elizabeth Swinglehurst. ? Christening 15 Nov 1607 St Leonard, Padiham, Lancs.
[Father Johnis Swinglehurst **de Burrham** in Bolland]

1582: WILLIAM SWINGLEHURST & ELIZABETH MUSGREVE

[William son of ?]

If William & Elizabeth married, record yet to be found

Child:

1. John Swinglehurst (or Musgreve). Christening 10 Oct 1582 Halesowen, Worcester

Ar: In 1583 William Swyndelhurst of Hareden encroached on to Common land and paid fines at the Slaidburn Manor Court in respect of cottages and small parcels of land in the Slaidburn and Newton area. In 1585 and 1587 he transferred the ownership of some of these to his tenants but 1592 records him as still being in possession of the remainder.

The Hareden family steered clear of the Civil War and did not openly involve themselves in Catholicism. Apart from appearances at Woodmote Courts as witnesses, the Hareden Swinglehursts seem to have behaved themselves rather better than their cousins at Fair Oak although like many others they were concerned in 1583 with the encroachment onto common land in the Slaidburn and Newton area.

British-History.ac.uk: WISWELL

From: 'Townships: Wiswell', A History of the County of Lancaster: Volume 6 (1911), pp. 396-399.

After the suppression of the abbey its third part was sold by the Crown in 1584 to various persons (as below), and their right was in 1610 transferred to Richard Shireburne, who held the remainder by inheritance.

The third part of the manor seem sto have been included in the grant of Wiswell Eaves, &c. (Pat. 27 Eliz. pt. vi), for Walter Spendlow and other granteeson 24 Nov. 1584 gave it to Thomas Fleetwood of Penwortham, William Swinglehurst of Harden and John Parker of Stonyhurst; Shireburne Abstract Bk.

VCH 6 397 After the suppression of Whalley abbey, part of the grounds were sold by the Crown in 1584. The Shireburne Abstract Book says the grantees of part were Thomas Fleetwood of Penwortham, William Swinglehurst of Harden and John Parker of Stonyhurst. In 1610 their right was transferred to Richard Shireburne who already held the remainder of the third part by inheritance.

1584: ROBERT SWINGLEHURST & ALICE FRANKLAND

[Robert son of ?] May have had a brother Richard who married 1598

Robert & Alice married 5 Jul 1584 Bolton By Bowland, Yorks.

Bolton by Bowland 1584: Robert Swinglehurst and Alic' Franckland, qui'to die Julij Anno p'd'

Robert Swinglehurst M Birth: About 1559 Of, Bolton By Bowland, Yorks.
Spouse: Alice Frankland. Birth: About 1563 Of, Bolton By Bowland, Yorks
Marriage: JUL 1584 Bolton By Bowland, Yorks. [Frankland 1584]

Robert Swinglehurst and Alice Frankland Marriage. Bolton by Bowland 5 July ----?

Children: ?

1584: HENRYE SWINLERST & __?

[Henrye son of ?]

Henrye's marriage record yet to be found

Children:

1. Margaret Swinlerst. Christening 18 Mar 1584 Burnsall, Yorks.

[Wills in the York Registry - From The Yorkshire Archaeological & Topographical Association.](#) Aug 29 1585 Vol 23 Folio 164. Thomas Swinherst Grindleton par. Mitton (Burial Waddington). Probate: Feb 25 1585

Ar: There is an interesting note in the Accounts of the Nowells of Read Hall under the heading of "Spending money of R.Nowell 1586" recording donations to local people and kinsmen. One such is to "Willm. Swinlehurst - a poor fchollar - vj d [4 pence] ". The following year a payment of xii d. [12 pence] is made to him. This time he is described as a "fchollar of Cletherall Grammer School". The Royal GrammerSchool at Clitheroe had been founded in 1554. It is possible that this William Swinlehurst was William of Harden, the grandson of Roger Nowell.

1586: CHRISTOPHER SWYNGLEHURST & __?

[Christopher's marriage & parents ?] See Nycholas 1564

Children:

1. John Swynglehurst. Christening 4 Jun 1586 St Giles Cripplegate, London.
[Death 6 Jul 1586. Father: Xpo. Swynglehurst]

Ar: 1587 Mary Queen of Scots was executed and the same year Drake sailed into Cadiz and destroyed 10,000 tons of shipping and stores. In 1588 the Armada sailed towards England and the beacons in Bowland and on Pendle Hill were lighted. The country was solidly behind Elizabeth and the Chipping Parish Church Records suggest that Fair Oak was in the Protestant fold.

1587: JOHAN SWINGLEHERST & ROGER JONES

[Johan daughter of ?] ? [Nycholas c1564]

Johan & Roger 4 Sep 1587 Saint Margaret, Westminster, London

1587: PETER SWINGLEHURST & __?

[Peter's marriage & parents ? Not in Aldermayr Parish Registers] See Nycholas 1564

Peter a Merchant Tailor. Links with the origins of the Merchant Taylors Company School

Children:

1. Joane Swinglehurst. Christening 26 Jul 1579 St Mary Aldermary, London.
[1579: Joane, d. of Peter Swinglehurst, m'chanttayler]
2. George Swinglehurst. Christening 15 Oct 1581 St Mary Aldermary, London
[1581: George, s. of Peter Swinglehurst, m'chanttayler]
[Buried 10 Sep 1586 St. Mary, Aldermary, London]
3. Charles Swinglehurst. Christening 1 Jan 1583 St Mary Aldermary, London
[Charles, s. of Peter Swinglehurst, m'chanttayler]
[Buried 24 Jul 1584 St Mary Aldermary, London]
4. Marie Swinglehurst. Christening 25 Feb 1584 St Mary Aldermary, London.
[1584: Marie, d. of Peter Swinglehurst, m'chanttayler]
[May have died of the Plague 1603] Note Plague death same year: Isabell Swingle
5. Dorothee Swinglehurst. Christening 12 Nov 1587 St Mary Aldermary, London
[1587: Dorothee, d. of Peter Swinglehurst, m'chanttayler]
[1600: June 18 Dorothee, d. of Peter Swinglehurst, lying in widdowe Hopkins' house in Bow lane
Dorothy buried 18 Jun 1600 Bow Lane, London]
6. John Swinglehurst. Buried 1852 St Mary Aldermary, London

1608: Mrs Ann Swinglehurst, widdowe (wife of Peter?)

Note: 1578: Leonarde Swingle, s r vnt to Henrie Moore

Details extracted from the online book 'The Parish Registers of St Mary Aldermary' and
the LDS site 'FamilySearch' > Community Trees.

[Wills in the York Registry - From The Yorkshire Archaeological & Topographical Association.](#) Probate Oct 4 1588.
[John Swinglehurst The Hill \(Burial Waddington\) Husbandman](#)

From Bowland Forest website:

1589-1590 Banister v Sherbourne. Plaintiffs: Banister. Defendants: Sherburne and Swynglehurst.
Documents: depositions concerning the Forest of Bowland, Yorkshire.

1589: RICHARD SWINGLEHURST & ELIZABETH COX

[Richard son of ?] See Nycholas 1564

Richard & Elizabeth married 1 Feb 1589 Saint Gregory By Saint Paul, London

Child:

1. Richard Swinglehurst. Christening 18 May 1589 St Peter's, Sandwich, Kent.

1590?: THOMAS SWINGLEHURST & __?

[Thomas son of Robert Swinlehurst & Alice Parker married about 1550]

Child:

1. Christopher Swinglehurst. Born 1590
[? Married c1614]

1590?: RICHARD SWINGLEHURST & ANNE _?

[Richard son of Robert Swinglehurst & Alice Parker married about 1550]

Note. May be two Richard families mixed up here - one living in Manchester and the other from Chipping only visiting Manchester with his wife and 3 children. If correct, one Richard may be the son or father of the other.

Children:

1. Richard Swinglehurst. Born c1590. Christening 17 Apr 1590 Manchester Cathedral
[David: 24 April 1604. Richard Swindlehurst Son of Richard Swindlehurst of Manchester died Fen Craven (see Manchester Registry)]
2. Alice Swinglehurst. Christening 26 Mar 1591 Manchester Cathedral
[Burial 27 Mar 1591 Cathedral, Manchester]

? 3. ? Swinglehurst.

Burial: 30 Mar 1591 Cathedral, Manchester, Lancashire, England
Anne wife of the same Ric: Swinglehurst

David: Will 16 Jul 1601: Richard Swinglehurst, Manchester, Gentleman
1601 Richard Swinglehurst. Manchester Gent. Buried (Administration to Margaret Swinglehurst, Grindleton).
Manchester Cathedral

From the Family History Book:

The Manchester Evening News in the early 1900's stated that in **1605** a Mr Swinglehurst **of Chipping** visiting Manchester lost his wife and 3 children in The Plague. The record of this happening is in the Old Collegiate Church, Manchester. The Great Plague was not until 1665 but a similar outbreak in 1604/5 is said to have cost 30,000 lives.

Ar: A Thomas Swinglehurst figures constantly in records from 1590 onwards. In 1596 he was accused of taking timber from the forest and extending his house. In 1599 Margaret Marsden was born the illegitimate daughter of Thomas Swinglehurst. In 1609, he had a son, Richard, and later a son John. A baby Ellena was born in 1631, and it was claimed that Thomas Swinglehurst was the father. (It may have been another Thomas). Later, Thomas Swinglehurst of Burholme was excommunicated for refusing to pay tithes to the Church (Whalley Abbey Records). In 1677 the Parish Clerk of Chipping saw fit to record the age of Thomas Swinglehurst on his death as 100 years and four months.

They were an early offshoot of the Fair Oak family. They prospered without involving themselves in religion and politics, and by the 17th and 18th centuries, descendants were farming in the Waddington and Grindleton areas, and engaged in trade around Slaidburn, Dunsop Bridge and Newton.

Inevitably, a branch found their way through the Trough of Bowland to Lancaster, which in the 1700's was becoming a thriving port engaged in the West Indies trade.

1590/1591: AGNES SWINGLEHURST & JOHN WILSON

[Agnes daughter of ?]

AGNES SWINGLEHURST F Marriage: 17 JUL 1591 Linton In Craven, Yorks. Spouse: JOHN WILSON

Agnes Swinglehurst F Marriage: 26 SEP 1591 Of, Linton In Craven, Yorks.

c1592: GEORGE SWINGLEHURST & ?

[George son of ?]

Marriage yet to be found. May be connected with Slaidburn, Yorkshire

Children ?

[Wills in the York Registry - From The Yorkshire Archaeological & Topographical Association.](#) Probate: Jun 29 1592.
[Administration John Swinglehurst Slaidburn](#)

[Wills in the York Registry - From The Yorkshire Archaeological & Topographical Association.](#)
April 16 1593 Vol 2 Folio 369. John Swynlehurst (Burial Hil Waddington) Probate: May 6 1593

1593: _? SWINGLEHURST (male) & __?</p></div>
<div>

Marriage 20 Dec 1593 Gisburn, Yorks.
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<div>

Reginald Parker, brother of Thomas, by will, Jan. 22, 1594-5, made provision for his wife, Alice, sons John, Thomas, Robert, and Nicholas, and added ** if my son Richard Parker, vicar of Chippin, do discharge one bill which I have of hym for money lent him, I am content the same shall be his child's part ; " to his good friend Mr. Anthony Parker, 15s. in gold ; with his wife and son, Nicholas, exors., and Anthony Parker and John Swinglehurst of Fairdockholme, overseers.</p></div>
<div>

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<div>

1594: EDWARD SWINGLEHURST & SUSAN BREEDEN</p></div>
<div>

[Edward's parents ?] See Nycholas 1564</p></div>
<div>

Edward & Susan married 2 Mar 1594 Saint Bride Fleet St, London</p></div>
<div>

Children:</p></div>
<div>

1. Henry Swinglehurst. Christening 21 Dec 1595 Saint **Gregory By Saint Paul**, London.
2. Arthure Swinglehurst. Christening 6 Jan 1596 Saint Gregory By Saint Paul, London.
3. Thomas Swinglehurst. Christening 25 Feb 1598 Saint Gregory By Saint Paul, London.
[Married Anna Digby 1618 of Leicester and Digby Gunpowder Plot Family]
4. Richard Swinglehurst. Christening 28 Mar 1598 Saint Gregory By Saint Paul, London.
[Married Elizabeth 1629, parents of Anna, who married a Thomas Winter.
Branch of Gunpowder Plot Family]
5. Hellen Swinglehurst. Christening 19 Oct 1600 Saint Gregory By Saint Paul, London.
[Married John Ballard 1616 London] There was a John Ballard in the Gunpowder Plots
6. Susanna Swinglehurst. Christening 21 Feb 1602 Saint Gregory By Saint Paul, London.</div>
<div>

For another possible Plots connection see: JOANES 1643</p></div>
<div>

Note. Guy Fawkes grew up in Yorkshire in an area where we had at least one family.
Very likely we knew the Fawkes.</p></div>
<div>

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<div>

Ar: In 1596 Sir Richard Shireburn died and a document was drawn up by the Queen's Commissioners who met "at the Whytewell" (now an inn) to survey the state of the forest. The Commissioners were Rauffe Assheton, High Sheriff of Lancashire, Richard Hoghton of Hoghton Towers, Thomas Talbot and James Anderton. Evidence was taken on oath, and the chief witsesse was William Swinglehurst of Hareden near Dunsop Bridge, aged 44 the Deputy Keeper of the Forest, having succeeded his uncle Robert of Fair Oak.</p></div>
<div>

William stated that "he had heard of divers timber trees and others cut down within the last five years". He then named severall of the culprits and "for further certainty refereth himself to his books" and "he deposeth and saith that three years ago there was a view and certificate made of Her Majesty's game of deer within the Forest of Boulland and Raddum Park to the Chancellor of the Duchy of over 1000 red and fallow deer and there now remaineth 800 or thereabouts and that there died in the last winter past 13 score or thereabouts". He then stated that "divers of Her Majesty's game of deer as well red as fallow have been killed without warrant" and that the "keepers have proceeded against divers offenders". Most of the culprits were bound over by Richard Sherburne to be of good behaviour. Some of these were not men of Bowland but had apparently come from Wyresdale.</p></div>
<div>

Other offenders were named on charges of having cut timber or for poaching, one Robert Dobson accused the Deputy Keeper William Swinglehurst of chasing and killing a deer, and Arthur Parker accused him of having felled one tree</p></div>

near Whitewell, a common practice by four of the Queen's tenants during the past five years, he said. George Harrison of Batterax admitted killing a deer but said he had already been dealt with by William Swinglehurst.

Altogether about 30 men were charged. William Swinglehurst was found guilty of felling one ash tree worth six pence, but on the charge of chasing and killing the deer he was able to explain that the fence and ditch around Leagram Park, built by his ancestors some 270 years previously, was now in a poor state and deer had escaped into the forest. He and Mr. Hugh Sherburn had chased and caught the deer which had escaped.

Ar: In 1596 a Reynold Sawyer (aged 33), a likely descendant of one of the Sawers of Burholme referred to previously, accused Thomas Swinglehurst of Burholme of "taking two pair of crookes with some other timber and hath builded the same upon the upper inheritance of the said Swinglehurst". Thomas admitted his guilt but claimed "delindie" (exemption) as he had charge and custody of the Park of Radholme during the illness of Sir Richard Sherborne. He was exonerated but it is an interesting story nevertheless. It is puzzling why another member of such a small community as Burholme should take the trouble to present a neighbour to the Woodmote Court. It is possible that the Sawers were victims of the "hubbleshowe" some years earlier, and possibly the Sawers too who objected to the geese being kept on common ground.

GenLinks: It was not until the ecclesiastical mandates of 1597 and 1603 that the act was enforced throughout the country. The parish was now to finance the registers and the books were to be kept in a chest with three locks. To ensure that records were kept properly the entries were to be read out each Sunday after evensong. Few of the early paper registers survive but those that do indicate the enormous task which faced those transcribing early paper registers. Often only the bare essentials were copied.

In 1597 a mariner by the name of William Swinglehurst died at Hull and left a Will. In 1588 the British had been engaged in the defeat of the Spanish Armada and there were continuing sea battles against the Spaniards and French. As we have yet to find anyone with this name who was not connected with Bowland this deserves further investigation. (Ref. Will in York Registry Vol 26, folio 571). Will obtained 1989. It gives no reference to Bowland. He bequeathed to the poor people of Trinity Ward in Kingstone upon Hull 12 pence and to Hellin Shiplai, a poor wench his late wife's petticoats and hose. The rest of his money and chattels he bequeathed to Dionesse Crabbe, a single woman of Kingstone upon Hull.

Wills in the York Registry - From The Yorkshire Archaeological & Topographical Association. Apr 4 1597 Vol 26 Folio 571. William Swinglehurst Hull Mariner. Probate: Jan 25 1597

1598: RICHARD SWINGLEHURST & KATHERINE WAENN

[Richard son of ?] May have had a brother Robert who married Alice Frankland 5 Jul 1584 Bolton By Bowland, Yorks.

John Swinglehurst, Gent. became Master of the then new Queen Elizabeth Grammar School at Blackburn and held the post until his death in November 1655. He is believed to have come from Grindleton and may have been the brother of Richard.

This may have been the Grindleton family

Richard (a 'Smythe') & Katherine married 17 Sep 1598 Bolton By Bowland, Yorks

Children:

1. James Swinglehurst. Christening 26 Jul 1598 Bolton By Bowland, Yorks.

1598 Bolton By Bowland. James, the sonne of Richard Swinglehurst, Smythe, 26 die Julij

2. Thomas Swinglehurst. Christening 16 Nov 1600 Bolton By Bowland, Yorks.

[Married 1626 Bolton By Bowland] (Thomas (of Mawces Clow) marriage record c1626 yet to be found)

Thomas Swinglehurst of Gisborne, Mason, for keeping in his house at Boulton on 1st Dec., 1638, as an Inmate, Robert Carr, without assigning to the Sd house 4 acres of land to be occupied therewith. Witn., Fr. Foster. (Puts himself, not guilty)

3. Anne Swinglehurst. Christening 26 Mar 1603 Bolton By Bowland, Yorks.

[Married Richard Carr 2 Aug 1632 Bolton By Bowland]

4. Elizabeth Swinglehurst. Christening 27 Sep 1605 Bolton By Bowland, Yorks.

[As in: Jaine daughter of Elizabeth Swinlerst and William Walton sposed father.
Christening, Bolton by Bowland. 13 Sep 1630]

5. Christopher (Xpopher) Swinglehurst. Christening 22 Mar 1607 Bolton By Bowland, Yorks

6. Margret Swinglehurst. Christening 10 Nov 1609 Bolton By Bowland, Yorks.

[Young infant of Richard Swinglehurst. Burial at Bolton by Bowland. 23rd June 1615]

Katheran wife of Richard Swinglehurst. Burial at Bolton by Bowland 21 September 1620

Richard Swinlerst. Burial at Bolton by Bowland. 24 October 1636

1598: ELLEN SWINGLEHURST & EDMOND WILDMAN

[Ellen daughter of Henry & ? married c1865]

ELLEN SWINGLEHURST F Marriage: 15 OCT 1598 Tatham, Lancs. Spouse: EDMOND WILDMAN

Marriage: 15 Oct 1598 St James the Less, Tatham, Lancashire, England
Edmond Wildman & Ellen Swinglehurst

Note. Also recorded for 1594

BMI: 1598 Marriage. Eln. Swinglehurst & Edm. Wildman, Tatham [Henry 1865]

Ar: 1598 the family had apparently returned to favour with the Church for the lease to Ed Gibson referred to earlier had expired. The lands were now leased by the new Bishop of Chester (Richard Vaughan) to Robert Swinglehurst for his own life, the life of his brother Thomas and Richard his younger cousin. The full memorandum is attached to a copy of the lease in the Bishops Registry at Chester - "that Chipping Rectory for quantity of ground it covers is greater than Ribchester. it measures 3600 acres and it yields a store of limestone. That part which lies beyond the River Loud doth yield the farmer clearly in tythe over one hundred pounds".

This lease was still applicable in 1647

Ron Catterall: Chipping Rectory. The Rectory of Chipping, an impropriation belonging to the Bishop of Chester since 1542, was valued in 1535 in the King's books at 24pounds 16 shillings and 5pence halfpenny (Bacon, Liber Regis, p. 1221). By 1647 the Rectory was occupied by a Swindlehurst. The following extract seems to have come from the Survey of Church Lands, vol. xi p. 190-192, Lambeth Library. (The wording seems to imply that Robert Swindlehurst was the brother of Robert Bishop of Chester, but this would need checking.)

Chipping Rectory cum membris in com. Lanc. -- The same Rectory or parsonage with all mess. Cottages, Gleade and Demesne lands 20 Sep 40 Eliz. (1598), was leased by Robert Bishopp of Chester to Robert Swindlehurst his brother and Richard Swindlehurst the saide Robert's younger Cozen and the longest liver of them. Richard is only living, aged Fifty seven, and in health. Mrs Mary Harris a Papist, now wife of Christopher Harris a papist in armes, is sole daughter and heire of the said Robert Swindlehurst the Lessee and is yet living, but the Rectory stands sequestred. Mr. Edward Parker, a lawyer, libeing at Browsholme in Com. Yorke, hath the lease, intending to drawe the said Robert Swindlehurst has will by it, but did it not before he dyed. The Parish consists of townes (vizt.) Chippin, Thornley, Wheateley, %c. There is a faire Parsonage house and about 5 acres of Gleabe greate mesure, wth liberty to gitt turbarry, all which is valued to be worth seven pounds per annum. The aforesaid Richard Swindlehurst dwells in that house and claimes all the Gleabe and Rectory by occupancy. **And he hath assigned it to his sonne Ralph Harber of Hayning, in the County of Yorke, for money had.** And the said Ralph he hath assigned it to Mr. Hugh Currall (Currer) of Bradford, Clothier.

Paul: Surveys of the land of the Bishop of Chester:

28-9-1647. Chipping Rectory

Leased 1598 with all messuages, cottages, Gleabe and Demeasne lands by the Bishop of Chester ro Robert Swindlehurst for his owne life, Thomas Swindlehurst, his brother, and Richard Swindlehurst, the said Robert's younger cozen, and the longest liver of them. Richard is the only living, age 57, and in health. Mrs. Mary Harris, a Papist, now wife of Christopher Harris, a Papist in armes, is sole daughter and heire of the saide Robert Swindlehurst, the lessee, and is yet liveing, but the Rectory stands sequestred.

The aforesaid Richard dwells in the house, and claims all the Gleabe and Rectory by occupancy, and he hath assigned it to his sonne Ralph Ffarber of Hayning, in the County of Yorke, for money due.

(It goes on at length, but it doesn't appear relevant)

I originally thought the 3 were brothers, but Richard was a nephew, possibly Thomas's son, though the text doesn't say so, but born 1609, I think. Mary (Marie in PR) was born 1620. There was another Richard born 1624, son of a

Christopher.

1599: JOHN SWINGLEHURST & ?

[John son of ?] ? 1572: WILLIAM SWINLEHURST & AGNES PARKER

John's marriage c1599 yet to be found

Children:

1. Edward Swinglehurst. Christening 9 Nov 1599 Chipping, Lancs.
[Married c1625 Waddington]
2. Alis Swinglehurst. Christening 10 Apr 1600 Chipping, Lancs.
[Married as Leticia to Edwardus Hanson 19 Jan 1629 Waddington, Yorks.]
3. John Swinglehurst. Christening 19 Jan 1601/2/3 Chipping, Lancs.
[Burial 30 May 1603]
4. John Swinglehurst. Christening 2 Apr 1609 Chipping, Lancs
[Married c1628 with children born in Waddington]
- ? 5. William Swinglehurst. Christening 21 Sep 1610 St Mary and All Saints, Whalley, Lancs
[Burial: 25 Sep 1610 St Mary and All Saints, Whalley]
6. Elizabeth Swinglehurst. Christening 30 Mar 1611 Chipping, Lancs.
- ? 7. John Swinlehurst. Christening 19 Jan 1612 Whalley, Lancs.
8. Roberta Swinglehurst. Christening, Chipping 1 Jan 1619
9. Thomas Swinlehurst. Christening 8 Jun 1621 Chipping, Lancs.
[Burial: 28 Jun 1624 St Mary and All Saints, Whalley, Lancashire]

Note. The two Whalley registered children may be from another John family
