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SUMMARY:

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Outside:

To The Reverend Dr Griffith at Eckington Derby By the Chesterfield bag

Letter from Mr Moor to Dr Griffith 1750

Mr Moores Letter with an unfaithfull account

Inside:

Exon 8m [October] 20th 1750

Rev[eren]d S[i]r

According to your Order I have desired Mr Tucker to take an
e[xa]ct account of the Outgoings that you may see the free Income. The Manor
produceth which I have placed under and I doubt not but that upon examin[ation]n
it will be found a true Survey and account. I should have forwarded it sooner
by the Rev[eren]d Mr Cuel but he told me the beginning of August last (the only time I
ever
spoke to him) that he was not inclined to do anything in those affairs. but since
he went for London I am informed by Mr Stoodly that he did not forward Mr Tuckers
survey because Mr Cuel to him you w[oul]d accept of no accounts relating to the Manor
but such only as ware{sic} conveyed by him. Mr Maunder hath very much over valued
the estates on the Manor. I know he hath charged the Estates I have in hand in severall
Pounds more then I can make of them one in particular that he chargeth is £25 p[e]r anum
which I have sett for a Term for £20 and upon examining you will find the same by others.
Mr Whitefield both Father & Son who for many years past have been Steward of the
M{torn off} [?Manor]
as also all the Tenants who viewed this survey at a Court held there the 11 ?July {torn off}
much overvalued. Mr Maunder himself as well as all those who know the nature {torn off}
Tenure think the accustom[e]d Fine is the full value. But if the Rev[eren]d & Worthy
Gentlemen
thought fitt to advance their Fine by giving publick notice they might have prevented {torn
off}[?Persons]

being cheated & imposed upon by the Farmer of the Manor. This Manor was mortgaged{sic} to me by Thom[a]s Waldron & Nic[hola]s his Son and sold to me by the Assignees of Nic[hola]s with the Incumbrance of £55 to be paid once in 7 years for the Fine and I can not find there was ever more paid for it.

I see by a former conveyance that it was sold for £450 and the then farmer obliged to renew for 21 years is at his own cost for the Purchaser Thom[a]s Waldren paid Mr Hall £600 for it when there was 21 years to come and hath put his sons in Possession of more then £100 per annum on the Manor. as the case stood with him he could afford to of them. to give somewhat more for the Fine then I can who have some Hundreds of Pounds more upon his Estates then I can make of them. I will give any Person £300 to free me from Waldrens burthensome Estates. I know not well how to divide the Manor from the Fee Simple Estates as to value for Waldren paid near the same purchase Money for the Land as for the Manor 2 parts of 3 of the Land was Leased when he purchased but is since fallen into hand.

Your journey to Moreton and in such a publick manner calling in question my right of Leaseing very much alarmed the Parish of Moreton and however advantageous it may prove to you, I think it is much to my detrement, and how far justifiable in the eyes of Impartial Judges I will not determine. Since by your Lease you grant to the Farmer the accustomed rights and priviledges which Customes of Leaseing for 3 Lives & widowhoods

depending hath been practised by the Farmers for Ages past and they never were{sic} molested or forbid that I can find by any writings, or Persons concerned in the Manor for many years past. the Farmers on severall Estates in this County do the same therefore it is not an unpresidented thing, pray excuse freedom.

when the Reverend and Worthy Gentlemen have perused these Lines I perswade{sic} myself

they will sympathise{sic} with me who have suffered so much by being concerned{sic} with this

Estate and will renew according to the former Fines I paying in proportion for the since elapsed since the 7 years were{sic} expired in which I have been treating with you for a Renewall

I sent last year to the place appointed in <your> Lease for paying the high Rent but was

inform[e]d your Office was removed, and it was paid to a Person who was very Indifferent whether he rec[eive]d it or not. Therefore please to inform me whare{sic} to pay it, as also the

£3 penalty for not surrendering my Lease within a year after Wadren became a Bankrupt, which I thought my self not obleidged to do since his assignees had seized the Manor, and if they could have sold it for more money then I lent upon it I should not have been troubled with it. It was a long time in Chancery and soon after I had properly the possession of it I desired Mr Webber to apply to you to know the Fine for a Re[ne]wall. Mr Stoodley who as attorney managed the affairs under Waldrens Statute of Bankrupcy, and who also is well acquainted with all my transactions relating to your Manor, will attest the truth of what I have advanced in this letter. You told me when at Moreton that you should not be at this Audit your self. I being lame can not attend as you advised me, and fearing this Letter should not come to you hands I have sent a Coppy of it to Mr Norris which I hope you will not take amiss but will act as my Friend as you was pleased to tell me when with me. And that in Conjunction with your Rev[eren]d & Worthy Brethren (whose Breasts I am perswaded are

inspired with principalls of Generosity & Compassion) this affair will be so managed as to give me & my Family cause to wish & Pray for the Prosperity & happyness of so Worthy a

Body of Gentlemen. I pray that your Goodness will excuse me of any thing herein contain[ing]

should appear any way disagreeable to you, and accept of the hum[bl]e & sincere respects of me whom of

Rev[eren]d S[i]r ar Most Obed[ien]t &?? Obl[i]gjed serv[an]t

Philip Moor

Rack Rent £266 2.0

Outgoings £100.16.0

Real Value £165 4.0 in Tuckers Survey