ABSTRACTS

OF

STAR CHAMBER PROCEEDINGS

RELATING TO THE

COUNTY OF SUSSEX.

HENRY VII. TO PHILIP AND MARY.

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KING & QUEEN'S ALMONER v. COOKE.

Ph. & M., Bundle 10, No. 4. Dated 15 Feb., 4 and 5 Philip and Mary (1557-8).

No bill or other pleading.

Interrogatories to be ministered to John Cooke of [Edburton], co. Sussex, yeoman of the Queen's Guard, and Thomas Cooke, his brother, concerning the unlawful taking and detaining of twenty oxen which were late of the goods of Edward Lawes, late of Pearching, "ffealon of hymselff."

The interrogatories inquire (1) how many, and the names of those who took the cattle out of the pasture at Pearching, after the death of Edward Lawes; whither the oxen were driven, and in whose keeping they are; (2) Whether Edward Lawe did in his life-time sell the said oxen to John Cooke and William Davys, and for what sum of money, and upon what conditions.

John Cooke of Edburton deposes that the oxen were taken by his brother, Thomas Cooke, at his commandment, in the high way at Edburton, and driven to Waltham in Essex, and that eighteen were sold to Mistress Stacye, and two to a servant of Mr. Wrothe.

Thomas Cooke of St. Martin le Grand, in the City of London, haberdasher, deposes to the taking of the oxen to Waltham.