The Templars’ estates in Northamptonshire: annual accounts 1311–14

[The enrolled accounts for the Templars’ property in Northamptonshire cover only the years 1311–14 during the administration of John of Bloxham, who received the estates from Piers Gaveston’s attorney on 30 October 1311. The enrolled accounts simply give the total received from Northamptonshire, which is the same each year: £11 16 s 8½ d.]

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40. John of Bloxham (Berks & Oxon) continues year five from TNA: E 358/20 rot. 43:
Bradwell (Broadwell, Oxon), Templeton (west Berks, nr Kintbury), Meriton (Merton); dorse:
Rockley, Sparsholt, Westcot, Wilton in Wilts.; Northants: Welford, Bukkeby (Long Buckby),
Holy (Furtho), Couesgrae (Cosgrove), Aldrington (Alderton), Schettehanger (Shutlanger),
Stoke Bruer (Stoke Bruerne), Magna Dyclengton (Great Doddington), Flore (Floore), Horpel
(Harpole), Bradden, Walmeford (Walmesford), Trapston, Barton Hannerade (Barton
Seagrave), Wynne Wire (Winwick), Aldewynche (Aldwinckle), Wermington (Warmington),
Pappelye (Papley), Lodington (Loddington) and Magna Hoghton (Great Houghton),
Northants. (no Slavin photos)

48. John of Bloxham (Oxon, Berks, Wilts, Northants) year six– Wargrave with Essington,
Sandford (with Littlemore on 49 dorse), Cowley and its members – Horspath, Brigesetse
(Bridge Street, alias St Clements, in Oxford) and Gresyndon (Garsington, Oxon). Dorse:
Sibford Gower (Oxfordshire), Broadwell with its church (Oxon), Templeton (Berks).
(Speen, near Kintbury). Wilts.: Wilton tenants. Northants: Welford, Bukkeby, Furtho,
Couesgrave, Altrington, Shutlanger, Stoke Bruere, Magna Dodington, Flore, Harpool,
Bradden, Walmeford, Trapston [Thrapston], Barton Hannerade, Wynerwyk, Aldewynche,
Warmynpton, Papele, Lodyngton, Magna Hogton. Part of Year seven: same locations as
previously.
50 John of Bloxham (Oxon, Berks, Wilts, Northants) Cowley with Horspath, Brigeset and
Gersyngton. Sibbeford Gower, Bradwell with its church. Dorse: Templeton, Merton,
revenues from towns of Oxfordshire, Berks, Wilts and Northamptonshire. (No Slavin photos)

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34. John of Bloxham (Oxon, Berks, Wilts & Northants.): year 6 and part of year 7:
Werpesgrave cum Eysyndon, Sandford cum Littlemore, Cowley with its members (Horspath,
Brigesek, Gresyndon), Sibbesford, Gower, Bradewell with its church, Templeton, Merton,
hamlet of Blechesdon [Bletchingdon, Oxon], Fencote [nr Bracknell, Berks] and Hamptonsay
[Hampton Gay, Oxon?]; Hensington [Oxon], Wodestoke, Spersholt, Spene, Westcote (Oxon
and Berks.); Lacok, Witton, Corsselei in Wilts.; Northampton and other diverse vills in
Northants. Slavin IMG_2210.jpg
35. John of Bloxham (Oxon, Berks, Wilts & Northants.): continues accounts form rot. 34.
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43. John of Bloxham (Oxon, Berks, Wilts and Northants): year five: Werpesgrave, Eysyngdon,
Sandford with Littlemore, Cowley with Horspath, Brigeset and Gersyndon (continues on
dorse), Sibbeford and Bradewell, Templeton, Merton, Blachesden, Frence[?], Hampton Gay
(members of Merton). Missing: Oxford, Kensing, Wodestok, Sperholte, Spene & Westcote,
Lacock, Wilton, Gorseley (Wilts), Northants, and Chiriton and Rockley (Wilts.). The missing part is at TNA E 358/18 rot. 40.

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TNA: E 358/20 rot. 43

Year five (1311–12)

Account of John of Bloxham to whom the king through his letters patent dated 9 October 1311 entrusted the custody of the all the lands and tenancies of the Templars in Oxfordshire, Berkshire, Wiltshire and Northamptonshire which are in the king’s hands for certain causes, except for the manor of Bisham in Berkshire, to hold for as long as the king pleases, viz for the receipts from the manors of Warpsgrove with Easyeing, Sandford with Littlemore, Cowley with Horspath, Bridgestreet and Garsington which formerly belonged to the said Templars in Oxfordshire from 30 October 1311 (on which day the same John received the aforesaid manors with goods and chattels which were in them from Edward Bacon, attorney of Piers Gaveston former earl of Cornwall to whom the king had previously entrusted the same manors, through indenture made between the same Edward and John), until Michaelmas next following, 1312. And for the receipts from the manors of Sibford Gower & Broadwell with the church of the same town, Templeton & Merton with Bletchington, Fencot & Hampton’ Gay which are branches of the same manor of Merton, and of certain tenancies and revenues in the towns of Oxford, Hensington, Woodstock, Sparsholt, Speen & Westcot in Oxfordshire and Berkshire. And of certain tenancies in Lacock, Wilton & Corsley in Wiltshire and certain revenues in Northampton and various other towns in the same County of Northampton which formerly belonged to the said Templars, viz from Michaelmas 1311 until the same day next following(1312). For the reasons set out at the end of the account he does not answer for the receipts for the manors of Chiriton and Rockley in Wiltshire which belonged to the same Templars.

For the periods above the same John answers in his account. And he answers below.

1 De tempor’ sup[r]v/ ide[m] … Et r[espond’] inf[r]v/.

Rotulus 43 covers, in order: Warpsgrove etc., Sandford etc., Cowley etc. (continued on
dorse), Sibford Gower, Broadwell with church, Templeton, Merton etc., and ends at the total
of Merton’s expenses. There is no grange entry for Merton and no entries for the tenancies
and revenues in the towns of Oxford, Hensington, Woodstock, Sparsholt, Speen & Westcot in
Oxfordshire and Berkshire, Lacock, Wilton & Corsley in Wiltshire, and Northampton and
Northamptonshire towns, or an explanation of the missing receipts Chiriton and Rockley in
Wiltshire, 1311–12.
At the end of rotulus 43 dorse: }

Que[re] residuu[m] comp[otus] post compotu[m] Alex[andr]i Chev[er]el el de ex[itibus]
Man[er]ior[um] Templar’
{‘Look for the rest of the account after Alexander Cheverel’s account of the revenues from
the Templars’ manors.’
This is on the dorse of rotulus 45: Alexander Cheverel, deceased, accounts for Roukeleye and
Chiriton in Wilts.
Dorse: John of Bloxham accounts for the rest of Oxon, Berkshire, Wiltshire and
Northamptonshire: Meriton.}

TNA: E 358/20 rot. 45 dorse

Year 5 (1311–12)
{continues the account from rot. 43 dorse}

Norht’
Idem redd[it] comp[otum] de xj lj xvj s viij d o[bol’] de redd’ assis’ in villa de Welleford, +
vill’ de Bukkeby, + Northt, Fortho, Conesg[r]u/ve, Aldryngton, Schettehanger, Stokebruer’,
Magna
Dodyngton’, Flore, Harpol, Bradden, Walmesford, Thrapeston, Barton Hannerade,
Wynnewik, Aldewincle, Wermynighton’, Pappeleye, Lodynton’, + Magna Hughton’ in Com’
S[u]m rec[epte]: xj lj xvj s viij d ob[ol’]. ... 

{The same renders account for £11 16 s 8½ d for rents of assise from the town of Welford,
Long Buckby, Northampton, Furtho, Cosgrave, Alderton, Shutlanger, Stoke Bruerne, Great
Doddington, Flore, Harpole, Bradden, Walmesford, Thrapston, Barton Seagrave, Winwick,
Aldwinckle, Warmington, Papley, Lodddington and Great Houghton in Northamptonshire paid
each year on the annunciation of the Blessed Mary and Michaelmas, as is contained in the
particulars of account which he sent to the Treasury and in a certain rental containing
particulars of the same rents, which he similiarly sent to the Treasury. Total receipts: £11 16
s 8½ d .}

TNA: E 358/18 rot. 40 dorse

(repeats TNA E 358/20 rot. 45 dorse)

{John of Bloxham accounts for Oxfordshire, Berks., Wilts., and Northants: year five (1311–
12). This starts with Broadwell with its church, then Templeton, Merton, including the grange
entries and continuing on the dorse; then the towns of Oxfordshire and Berkshire, Wiltshire and finally Northamptonshire, followed by Chiriton and Rockley.)

Year 5 (1311–12)

Norht’


S[u]m a/ rec[epete]: xj lj xvj s viij d ob[ol’]. ...

TNA: E 358/19 mem 34 dorse

Year 6: 1312–13

[The entry for Northamptonshire comes at the end of the account for Oxfordshire, Berkshire and Wiltshire, immediately following (Lacock (Wilts) and accounts from Hensington and Woodstock in Oxfordshire, Spene, Sparstholt and Westcote in Berkshire, and Wilton in Wilts.)

Norht’

Idem r[eddit] [com]p[otum] de xj lj xvj s viij d ob[ol’] de redd’ assiso in vill[iis] de Welleford Bukkeby, Norht’ Fortho, Conesgrave, Aldryngton’ Shetelanger Stoke Bruere Magna Dodington’ Floore


S[u]m a/ Recepte: xj lj xvj s viij d ob[ol’]. Et xxix lj iij s x d ob[ol’] q[u]a/’ de rem’ comp’ sui de exitib[us]


Et lvij xj xvij s q[u]a/’ de rem’ comp’ sui de exitib[us] Manerij de ’Couele cu[m] membr[is]/


3 The account for 6 Edw II has not survived, but the account for 1 Edw. II – which gives the same total sum – is at TNA SC 12/13/47.

4 Sibbeford Gower has been underlined, indicating that it should be deleted and replaced by ‘Couele cum membris’.

5
... There follows a detailed breakdown of the sums that he still owes.

**Year 7 (1313–14)**


**Total receipts: £11 16 s 8½ d**

... There follows a detailed breakdown of the sums that he still owes.
A festo s[anc]ti Mich[ae]lis anno vij usq[ue] iiiij\tu[m]/ diem Januar’

{Account of the same John of Bloxham for the revenues from the Manors of Warpsgrove with Eastington, Sandford with Littlemore, Cowley with Horspath, Bridgestreet and Garsington, Sibford Gower, Broadwell with the church of the same town, Templeton, Merton with its hamlets and of certain tenancies and rents in the towns of Oxford, Hensington, Woodstock, Sparsholt, Speen, Westcot, Lacock, Wilton, Corsley, Northampton, Welford and other towns which formerly belonged to the Templars in Oxfordshire, Berkshire, Wiltshire and Northamptonshire, which are in the king’s hands for certain causes: from Michaelmas 6 Edw. II (1313) until 4 January next following (1314) before the king instructed the same John through his writ with the great seal dated Westminster 18 November 1313 that he should hand over without delay to Albert von Schwarzburg, grand commander of the house of the Hospital of St John of Jerusalem, lieutenant on this side of the Mediterranean Sea of the grand master of the same Hospital, and Leonard de Tybertis prior of Venice, general procurator of the aforesaid Hospital in the name of the same hospital, either to the person or to those whom (singular or plural) they deputed through their letters patent in their place; the houses, churches, towns, manors and lands, rents, places and other possessions whatever with all their rights and appurtenances that belonged to the said Templars in the aforesaid counties and which were in the custody of that John de Bloxham through royal commission, together with grain sown in the ground and church ornaments, saving the right of the king and his subjects.

From Michaelmas 1313 until 4 January 1314
... the accounts then proceed following the list above. At the very end of the account, at the bottom of rotulus 35 dorse:

TNA: E 358/19 mem 35 dorse

Year 7

Villa Oxon’ + alie ville in Com’ Oxon’ Berk’ Wiltes’ + Norht


{The town of Oxford and other towns in Oxon, Berks, Wilts and Northants: the same renders account for 3 s 6 d in rents of assise in the town and suburb of Oxford paid on St Thomas the Apostle’s day (21 December) as is contained in the particulars of account which he sent to the Treasury. He does not answer for rents of assise in the town of Hensington Woodstock, Sparsholt and Westcote or for the farm of a certain tenement in Sparsholt and Westcote, a certain annual pension in Spene in Oxfordshire, or rents and farms in Lacock, Wilton and
Corsley in Wiltshire, Welford, Buckby, Northampton and other town in Northamptonshire, from Michaelmas in 7 Edw. II (1313) until the said 4 January 1314 next following (1314), because he says that the payment dates of the same rents, farm and pensions did not fall within that same time.

Total receipts: 3 s 6 d.

{in short, nothing was paid in Northamptonshire in 1313–14 because the period did not include any date on which rent, etc., was due.}

**TNA: E 358/18 rot. 48**

(repeats TNA E 358/19 rot. 34)

**Year 6 (1312–13)**


[Account of John of Bloxham of the receipts from the lands and tenants which formerly belonged to the Templars in Oxfordshire, Berkshire, Wiltshire and Northamptonshire, which are in the king’s hands for certain reasons, viz. the manors of Warpesgrove with Easington, Sandford with Littlemore, Cowley with the hamlets of Horspath, Bridgestreet, Garsington, Sibford Gower, Broadwell with the church of the same town, Templeton, Merton with Bletchington, Fencott & Hampton’ Gay, and of certain tenancies and revenues in the towns of Oxford, Hensington, Woodstock, Sparsholt, Speen, Westcot in Oxfordshire and Berkshire, Lacock, Wilton & Corseley in Wiltshire, Northampton and various towns in Northamptonshire, from Michaelmas in the sixth year of King Edward son of King Edward (1312–13) until the Michaelmas next following, through the king’s writ patent remaining in the possession of the said John for the whole of year six.

The contents of the enrolled account proceed:

Warpsgrove etc., Sandford etc., Cowley etc., continued on the dorse; Sibford Gower, Broadwell with the church, Templeton. Continued on the next roll:

TNA E 358/19 mem 49: John of Bloxham completes the account for Templeton and accounts for the manor of Merton, the town of Oxford, Lacock (Wilts), income from towns in Oxfordshire and Berkshire and Wiltion in Wilts; and finally Northamptonshire.}
TNA E 358/18 mem 49:

Year six (1312–13)
(repeats TNA E 358/19 rot. 34 dorse)

Norht’

Ide[m] r[eddit] [com][p[otum] de xj lj xvj s viij d ob[ol’] de redd’ ass[iso] in villa de Welleford Bukkeby Northt’, Fortho, Couesgrave, Aldrington’ Shetelanger Stok Bruere Magna Dodington’ Flore Horpool

Year 7 (1313–14)
(repeats TNA E 358/19 rot. 34 dorse)


{The account proceeds: Warpsgrove etc. (on to dorse), Sandford etc.
Rotulus 50: Cowley with Horspath, Bridgestreet and Garsingt; Sibford Gower, Broadwell with the church (on to dorse), Templeton, Merton etc.}

Villa Oxon’ + alie ville in Com’ Oxon’ Berk’, Wiltes’ + Norht’

Th[esau]r. De redd’ ass’ in vill’ de Hensingdon’
Corseleye in Com’ Wiltes’, Welleford, Bukkeby, Norh’a/mptone + aliis villis in Com’

{The town of Oxford and other towns in Oxon, Berks, Wilts and Northants: the same renders account for 3 s 6 d in rents of assise in the town and suburb of Oxford paid on St Thomas the Apostle’s day (21 December) as is contained in the particulars of account which he sent to the Treasury. He does not answer for rents of assise in the town of Hensingdon Woodstock, Sparsholt and Westcote, or for the farm of a certain tenement in Sparsholt and Westcote, a certain annual pension in Spene in Oxfordshire, or rents and farms in Lacok, Wilton and Corseley in Wiltshire, Welford, Buckby, Northampton and other town in Northamptonshire, from Michaelmas in 7 Edw. II (1313) until the said 4 January 1314 next following (1314), because he says that the payment dates of the same rents, farm and pensions did not fall within that same time.
Total receipts: 3 s 6 d.

Account ends with a tallying up of what the custodian finally owes from the manors in Oxon and Berks}.