

Joan Dupsiche, 1459

Notes taken from:

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At a court held at Colwall on 30 July 1459 the will of Joan wife of Thomas Dupsiche of Eastnor was proved.

Executors: Thomas Dupsiche her husband

Note: There was a tenement or farm in Eastnor, part of the manor of Bronsil, known as 'Dupsyche', which was leased to a John Parsons for £3 p.a. in or before 1555.¹ In 1578 Gabriel Reed held land called Fowyate or Old Homme, formerly in the tenure of Thomas Duspshedd and then of John Talbot.² In 1774 there is reference to a farm called 'Dupsetts', whose house and buildings had fallen down, and the land was commonly known as Half Timbered House Grounds.³ This field is identifiable from the Enclosure Map (1816) as plot 88, to the south and east of upper House Farm (NGR SO 754 367). It was occupied by the Rector of Eastnor⁴ and continued as glebe land until purchased by the Eastnor Castle estate in 1904.⁵

¹ Eastnor Castle Muniments, Bronsil box.

² Herefs. RO, AA59/A2, f. 95v.

³ Eastnor Castle Muniments, Case 1, bundle 5.

⁴ Herefs. RO, Q/R1/17

⁵ Eastnor Castle Muniments, Case 3, box 2