

nauera my le garde del terre ne de corps, pur ceo que feme d' tiel age poit aver baron able de faire service de Chivaler. Mes si tiel heire female soit deins lage de 14 ans, & nient marie al temps de la mort son auncester, doncque le Seignior avera le garde de la terre, tenuis de luy, tanque al age de tiel heire female de 16. ans, pur ceo que il est done per le Statute de Westm i. cap. 22. Que per 2 ans procheine ensuant les dits 14 ans, le Seignior poit tender convenable mariage sans disparagement a tiel heire female. Et si le Seignior deins les dits 2 ans ne luy tender tiel mariage, &c. doncque el al fine des dits 2 ans, poit enter & ouste son Seignior. Mes si tiel heire female soyt marie deins lage de 14 ans en la vie son ancester, & son ancester devy el esteant deins lage de 14 ans, le Seignior nauera forsque la garde de la terre, jesques a fine de 14 ans dage de tiel heire female, & doncq;

shall not have the Wardship of the Land, nor of the Body, because that a Woman of such Age may have a Husband able to do Knight's Service; but if such Heir Female be within the Age of 14 Years, and unmarried at the Time of the Death of her Ancestor, the Lord shall have the Wardship of the Land holden of him until the Age of such Heir Female of 16 Years. For it is given by the Statute of W. I. c. 22. that by the Space of two Years next ensuing the said fourteen Years, the Lord may tender convenient Marriage without Disparagement to such Heir Female. And if the Lord within the said two Years do not tender such Marriage, &c. then she at the End of the said two Years may enter, and put out her Lord; but if such Heir Female be married within the Age of 14 Years in the Life of her Ancestor, and her Ancestor dieth, she being within the Age of 14 Years, the Lord shall have only the Wardship of the Land until the End of the fourteen Years of Age of such

Domino capitali. And it is called Scutagium, as it appear- eth by Littleton and many Authorities before recited.

Sometimes Droit de espee.

[a] Post 108.  
9 Co. 130.

Also it is called [a] Regale servitium, quia specialiter pertinet ad Dominum Regem. Ut si dicatur in Charta faciendo inde forinsecum servitium, vel Regale servitium, vel servitium Domini Regis, quod idem est, &c. And another saith:

Et sunt quædam servitia forinseca quæ dici poterunt Regalia quæ ad scutum præstantur, & inde habemus scutagium, & ratione scuti pro feodo militari reputantur, &c. So as in Respecc of him that doth it, it is called servitium militis, but in Respecc of him for and to whom it is done, viz. to the King and for the Realm, it is called servitium Regale, or servitium Domini Regis, &c.

[b] In ancient Time they which held by Knight's Service were called Milites, qui per loricas, &c. defendant, & deserviunt, &c. and sometimes this Service is called servitium hauberticum. And in ancient Time such as held by Knight's Service for the Defence of the Realm had many Privileges granted to them by Law: As for Example, They might have a Writ De ellend' quiet' de tallagio, the Effect whereof was [c] Si Th. filius Ranulphi terram suam teneat per servitium militare sicut Domino Regi monstravit, tunc nullum ab eodem Tho. capient tallagium nec pro eo dando ipsum distingant, vel homines suos qui per consimile servitium teneant.

And this agrees with the ancient Charter of King Henry the First before mentioned, which he made on the Day of his Coronation for the Restitution of the ancient Laws.

[d] Militibus qui per loricas terras suas defendant & deserviunt, terras Dominicarum carucat' suarum quietas ab omnibus gildis, & omni opere, &c. concedo: And the Reason thereof is there yielded, Sicut tam magno gravamine allevati sint

[c] Rot. claus. 19 H. 3.  
m. 22.

[d] Charta H. 1. in lib.  
bro. rub. fo. 41. in decan.  
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