

How the Villages got their Names

(from Concise Oxford Dictionary of English Place Names)

T~ Crawford [? Crawn ford 956 BCS 958, Craveford DB, Craweford 1242 Fees].

Crawford 'crow ford' was the old name of the place

T~ Keynston [Tarente Kahaines ' 1225 Sarum, Tarrent Kahaynes 1237 Ch].

The manor was held by William de Cahaignes in 1199

T~ Rushton [Tarente Petri de Russell 1242 Fees, Tarente Russeaux, Russeaston 1314 Ipm] Russeaux from ROUSSEAUX (several in France).

The manor seems to have been granted to Peter de Rusceaus in 1216 (CI).

T~ Rawston [Tarente Willelmi de Antioche 1242 Fees, Tarrant Rawston 1535 VE]

Rawston refers to an owner, apparently one Ralph.

T~ Monkton [Tarente Monachorum 1291 Tax]. **The manor was held by the church of Tewkesbury in 1107** (1300 Ch), by that church and the Abbess of Caen in 1291 (Tax).

T~ Launceston [Tarente de Lowyneston 1285 FA, T~ Lowyneston 1288 FF].

Lowyneston may be 'Leofwine's TUN'

T~ Hinton [Tarente Hyneton 1285 FA].

Hinton is 'the manor of the hiwan or inmates of Shaftesbury Abbey'.

T~ Gunville [Taterte Gundevill 1233 Ch, T~ Gundevil 1242 Fees]. The manor was held by **Robert de Gundeuill** in 1181 (P). The family name is from **GONNEVILLE** in Normandy.

Abbreviations:

BCS Cartularium saxonicum
Ch Charter Rolls
CI Close Roll's
DB Domesday Book
FA Feudal Aids

Fees The Book of Fees
FF Feet of Fines
Ipm Inquisitiones post mortem
P Pipe Rolls
VE Valor Ecclesiasticus

(above extracted from 'The Tarrant Down The Ages' by Ian Cheesman & others c2000)