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**OF THE**  
**JOHN BEVAN (LLANGAMMARCH) ESTATE PAPERS**  
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## ESTATE RECORDS

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### Records of the Bevan estate, Llangammarch, Breconshire

*These papers relate to the estates purchased over the course of the 18th and 19th centuries by John Bevan and his descendants of the same name. Most of the properties are in the parish of Llangammarch, in north Breconshire. The deeds were bound together in bundles relating to different properties, with one bundle entitled "promiscuous deeds", mainly containing wills and mortgage deeds.*

### Wills

- 1 Probate of the Will of John Bevan of Gwaryfelin, Llangammarch, Breconshire, yeoman, including bequests to his wife Mary, son John Bevan, daughter Elinor Winston, grandchildren John and Mary Winston; properties include farm called Gwaryfelin and farms called Tafarnypridd Uchaf and Tafarnypridd Isaf  
made 31 May 1823, proved 17 Sept. 1825  
[1 parchment file]
- 2, 3 Probate and copy probate of Will of John Bevan esq. of Glan yr Afon, Llangammarch, Breconshire, including bequests to his wife Mary, daughter Mary (wife of Griffith Morgan of Glynhir, Llandeilo Talybont), son John Bevan, granddaughter Mary Hutchinson Bevan, and grandson Daniel John Morgan  
made 22 Mar. 1868, died 19 Sept. 1969, proved 3 Dec. 1869  
[1 file, 1 parchment]

### Conveyances and Mortgages

- 4 Conveyance for £190 dated 19 Jan. 1878
- (i) The Rev. John Price of Llanfigan Rectory, Breconshire, clerk  
(ii) John Bevan of Glanrafon, Llangammarch, esq.
- Land (1a 3r) called Caebach, Llangammarch, with all buildings thereon (not specified)
- [1 parchment]

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Conveyances and Mortgages, continued

5 Mortgage for £1000 dated 31 Jan. 1880

- (i) John Bevan of Glanyrafon, esq.
- (ii) David Jones of Llandingad, farmer

Farms called Tir Aberannell Fach and Erw Gwilym, in the parish of Llangammarch, known collectively as Aberannell

[1 parchment]

6 Mortgage for £1400 dated 23 Nov. 1880

- (i) John Bevan of Glanyrafon, gent., with
- (ii) Daniel John Morgan of Glynhir, Llandeilo Talybont, gent., to
- (iii) John Williams of Swansea, esq.

Tynewydd Mill, Farms called Tynewydd, Caedu, Tavarnypridd Uchaf, Tavarnypridd Ishaf, Glanyrafon Mansion and water mill, and three cottages, all in Llangammarch parish, and farms called Vedw, and Erwood, in Gwenddwr parish, with three cottages on Erwood Farm

Includes schedule giving names of tenants

[1 parchment]

7 Transfer of Mortgage for £1055 dated 12 June 1886

- (i) David Jones of Llandingad, farmer, with
- (ii) John Bevan of Glanyrafon, gent., to
- (iii) John Davies of Llanwrda, merchant

Farms called Tir Aberannell Fach and Erw Gwilym, in the parish of Llangammarch, known collectively as Aberannell

[1 parchment]

Conveyances and Mortgages, continued

8 Transfer of Mortgage for £1573 dated 27 Aug. 1886

(i) William Henry Jenkins of Argetty, near Swansea, esq., Alexander Dow of Kidderminster, esq. and Edward Starbuck Williams of Ty ar y Graig, Swansea, esq.

(ii) John Aeron Thomas of 18 York Place, Swansea, gent.

Tynewydd Mill, Farms called Tynewydd, Caedu, Tavarnypridd Uchaf, Tavarnypridd Ishaf, Glanyrafon Mansion and water mill, and three cottages, all in Llangammarch parish, and farm called Vedw, in Gwenddwr parish

[1 parchment]

9 Mortgage for £2200 dated 28 Aug. 1886

(i) John Aeron Thomas of 18 York Place, Swansea, solicitor

(ii) Daniel John Morgan of Glynhir, Pontarddulais, gent.,

(iii) John Bevan of Glanyrafon, esq. to

(iv) John Davies of Llanwrda, merchant

Tynewydd Woollen Factory and three fields adjoining, and Aberannell Fach Mill

Includes plan

Endorsed: reconveyance in satisfaction of mortgage dated 30 May 1893

[1 parchment file]

10 Statutory Mortgage for £720 dated 30 Oct. 1886

(i) John Bevan of Glanyrafon, gent.

(ii) Mary Morgan of Glynhir, Pontarddulais, wife of Griffith Morgan

(iii) Daniel John Morgan of Glynhir, gent.

(iv) John Aeron Thomas of Swansea, solicitor

Farm called Caedu, and a farm called Glanyrafon, in Llangammarch parish

[1 parchment]

Conveyances and Mortgages, continued

11 Mortgage for £600 dated 22 Apr. 1887

(i) Mary Morgan of Glynhir, Llandeilo Talybont, wife of Griffith Morgan, gent., Daniel John Morgan of the same place, gent., and Mary Bevan Morgan of the same place, spinster

(ii) John Aeron Thomas of 18 York Place, Swansea, solicitor

All share and interest of (i) in the estates inherited under the Will of John Bevan

Endorsed: reconveyance in satisfaction of the above mortgage, dated 3 June 1893

[1 parchment]

Bundle of deeds relating to Fedw Fach Farm, Llangammarch parish

12, 13 Conveyance by Lease and Release for £397 10s dated 17 and 18 Aug. 1768

(i) John Jones of Aberyscir parish, gent.

(ii) Thomas Lewis of Cwmclydach, Llangadog parish, clerk, and Elizabeth his wife

(iii) Rees Edward of Llangammarch parish, gent.

Farms called Cwmllasson alias Cwmllassan alias Cwmglassan and Vedwvach alias Fedw Fach, in the parish of Llangammarch

[2 parchments]

14-17 Mortgage by Lease and Release for £320 dated 22 and 23 Aug. 1768

(i) Rees Edward and Magdalen his wife of Llangammarch

(ii) Timothy Meredith of Wooton Basset, clerk

Farms called Cwmllasson alias Cwmllassan alias Cwmglassan and Vedwvach alias Fedw Fach, in the parish of Llangammarch

Enclosed: Final Concorde dated 2 Aug. 1768, Rees Edward (plaintiff) and Thomas Lewis (deforciant) relating to the sale of the above property; also Final Concorde dated 17 Aug. 1768, Timothy Meredith (plaintiff) and Rees Edward and Magdalen his wife (deforciants) relating to the above mortgage

[6 parchments]

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Bundle of deeds relating to Fedw Fach Farm, Llangammarch parish, continued

- 18, 19            Conveyance by Lease and Release for £120 dated 4 and 5 Sept. 1775
- (i) Rees Edward of Llangammarch, gent.
  - (ii) Timothy Meredith of Wootton Bassett, clerk
  - (iii) The Governors of the Bounty of Queen Anne for the augmentation of the maintenance of poor clergy
  - (iv) The Rev. Thomas Lewis, curate of Llanfihangel Fechan

Farm called Fedw Fach, in the parish of Llangammarch

[2 parchments]

- 20                Bargain and Sale for £120 dated 5 Sept. 1775
- (i) Rees Edward of Llangammarch, gent.
  - (ii) Timothy Meredith of Wootton Bassett, clerk
  - (iii) The Governors of the Bounty of Queen Anne for the augmentation of the maintenance of poor clergy
  - (iv) The Rev. Thomas Lewis, curate of Llanfihangel Fechan

Farm called Fedw Fach, in the parish of Llangammarch

[1 parchment]

- 21                Conveyance for £ dated 24 Dec. 1868
- (i) The Rev. William Howell of Lower Chapel, Breconshire, clerk, perpetual curate of Llanfihangel Fechan
  - (ii) The Governors of the Bounty of Queen Anne
  - (iii) Rt. Rev. Connop, Bishop of St Davids
  - (iv) The Rev. Thomas Butterfield Hosken, rector of Llandefaillog Fach
  - (v) John Bevan of Aberannell, esq.

Farm called Fedw Fach, in the parish of Llangammarch

Includes plan and schedule of fields

[1 parchment]

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Bundle of deeds relating to Tynewydd Farm, Llangammarch Parish

22 Conveyance by Lease and Release for £750 dated 31 May and 1 June 1821

- (i) Penry Price of Maesyronn, gent.
- (ii) Rees Davies of Newchurch, gent.
- (iii) David Jones of Blaenos, esq.

Farm called Tynewydd alias Bwlch y Ddwyallt, with a meeting house called Cefenllwynddewy Meeting House

[1 parchment file]

23 Mortgage by Lease and Release for £800 dated 18 and 19 Sept. 1833

- (i) Rees Davies of Newchurch, gent
- (ii) Jeffrey Davies of Newchurch (son of (i)), Minister of the Gospel and Jenetta his wife
- (iii) Edward Jones of Velindre, Carmarthenshire, esq.
- (iv) The Rev. Thomas Vaughan of Brecon, clerk

Farms called Brinfoe and Brinbach in the parish of Llanfair-ar-y-Bryn, and Tynewydd alias Bwlch y Ddwyallt, with a woollen factory, and a house called Tyr Gwaith, in the parish of Llangammarch

[1 parchment file]

24, 25 Transfer of Mortgage by Lease and Release for £700 dated 18 and 19 Nov. 1835

- (i) Edward Jones of Velindre, Carmarthenshire, esq.
- (ii) The Rev. Thomas Vaughan of Brecon, clerk
- (iii) Jeffrey Davies of Newchurch, Minister of the Gospel and Jenetta his wife
- (iv) Rees Davies of Newchurch, gent.
- (v) Thomas Prothero Price of Brecon, gent.

Farm called Tynewydd alias Bwlch y Ddwyallt, with a woollen factory, and a house called Tyr Gwaith, in the parish of Llangammarch

[2 parchment files]

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Bundle of deeds relating to Tynewydd Farm, Llangammarch Parish, continued

- 26, 27      Conveyance by Lease and Release for £700 dated 26 and 27 Apr. 1837
- (i) Thomas Prothero Price of Brecon, gent.
  - (ii) Jeffrey Davies of Penrhiw, Minister of the Gospel, and Jenetta his wife
  - (iii) Rees Davies of Newchurch, gent.
  - (iv) John Davies of Llwynteg, Llandeilo'r Fan, farmer
  - (v) Thomas Davies of Glandulais, farmer
- Farm called Tynewydd alias Bwlch y Ddwyallt, with a woollen factory, and a house called Tyr Gwaith, in the parish of Llangammarch, in trust to bar a dower
- [2 parchment files]
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- 28      Conveyance for £950 dated 6 Jan. 1844
- (i) John Davies of Tynewydd, farmer
  - (ii) John Melville of London, esq., William Henry Sharp of London, esq., and James Ruddell Fodd of London, esq.
- Farm called Tynewydd alias Bwlch y Ddwyallt, with a woollen factory, and a house called Tyr Gwaith, in the parish of Llangammarch
- [1 parchment file]
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- 29      Attested copy transfer of the estates, funds and property of the National Provincial Bank of England, 12 June 1849, declaration of the manager of the bank, 9 June 1853, and extracts from the Deed of Settlement of the National Provincial Bank of England, dated 23 Sept. 1833
- 1833-1853
- [1 envelope]



Bundle of deeds relating to Tynewydd Farm, Llangammarch Parish,  
continued

30 Conveyance for £630 dated 10 June 1853

- (i) The Trustees of the National Provincial Bank of England
- (ii) Ebenezer Fuller Maitland of Park Place, Berkshire, esq.
- (iii) Evan Vaughan of Builth, gent.

Farm called Tynewydd alias Bwlch y Ddwyallt, with a woollen factory, and a house called Tyr Gwaith, in the parish of Llangammarch

[1 parchment file]

31 Conveyance to uses dated 11 June 1853

- (i) Evan Vaughan of Builth, gent.
- (ii) Ebenezer Fuller Maitland of Park Place, Berkshire, esq.

Farm called Tynewydd alias Bwlch y Ddwyallt, with a woollen factory, and a house called Tyr Gwaith, in the parish of Llangammarch

[1 parchment]

32 Extract of the Will of Ebenezer Fuller Maitland relating to the transfer of his landed estates to John Sperling

1857

[1 paper]

33 Conveyance for £780 dated 10 Feb. 1865

- (i) John Sperling of London, esq., the Rev. Peter Latrobe of London, and Thomas Randall Wheatley of London, esq.
- (ii) William Fuller Maitland of Stanstead House, Essex
- (iii) John Bevan the younger of Aberannell Fach, farmer

Farm called Tynewydd alias Bwlch y Ddwyallt, with a woollen factory, and a house called Tyr Gwaith, in the parish of Llangammarch

[1 parchment file]

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Bundle of deeds relating to Tynewydd Farm, Llangammarch Parish, continued

- 34 Plan of Ty Newydd Farm, with reference table giving acreages, field names and land use  
1844  
[1 plan]
- 35 Certified copies from parish registers:  
1. Burial of Sir David Scott, bart., of London, 26 June 1851, at Hove, Sussex  
2. Burial of William Henry Sharpe of Marylebone, 19 Oct. 1844, at All Souls' Cemetery  
3. Burial of James Ruddell Todd of Marylebone, 11 Dec. 1852, at All Souls' Cemetery  
4. Marriage of Jeffrey Davies of Glandulas, Breconshire, and Eliza Jenetta Morgan of Glanfreed, Cardiganshire, at Llanfihangel Geneu'r Glyn church, 4 Aug. 1825  
[4 papers]

Bundle of deeds relating to Aberannell and Tafarn y Pridd farms in Llangammarch Parish

- 36 Deed to lead the uses of a Common Recovery, dated 28 Oct. 1768  
(i) Thomas Lewis of Gwynfe, Llangadog, clerk, and Elizabeth his wife  
(ii) John Bevan of Llanlleonfel, Breconshire, yeoman  
Farms called Tafarn y Pridd Uchaf and Tafarn y Pridd Isaf, and Aberannell Fach, in the parish of Llangammarch  
[1 parchment]
- 37 Agreement to suffer a common recovery, parties and properties as above  
11 May 1768  
[1 paper]

Bundle of deeds relating to Aberannell and Tafarn y Pridd farms in Llangammarch Parish, continued

38, 39 Deed to make a tenant to the Precipe by Lease and Release, dated 13 July 1773

- (i) Thomas Lewis of Cwm Clydach, clerk, and Elizabeth his wife
- (ii) John Bevan of Llangammarch, yeoman
- (iii) David James of Llangammarch, yeoman
- (iv) Timothy Meredith of Wooton Bassett, clerk
- (v) Rees Edward of Llangammarch, yeoman
- (vi) Henry Williams of Crickhowell, gent.
- (vii) Robert Williams of Brecon, gent.

Five ninth shares in farms called Glancamddwr, Cefngast, Penrhiw, Poytin, Tir Bach, Cwm Mwn, Yskir, Poytin Mill, Tafarn y Pridd Uchaf and Isaf, Aberannell, Nant Melin and Abernant Melin, in the parish of Llangammarch

[2 parchments]

40 Exemplification of Common Recovery relating to the above properties (copy)

27 Aug. 1773

[1 paper]

*[A common recovery was a collusive action at law which was seen as necessary to "bar an entail" where inherited land was subject to complicated settlements and trusts. The plaintiff is usually the person wanting to buy the land and the defendant is the one who owns it. The defendant deliberately loses the case and the court recognises the plaintiff's right to the land]*

41, 42 Conveyance by Lease and Release for £49 9s 6d dated 1 and 2 Aug. 1775

- (i) The Rev. Thomas Lewis of Cwmclydach, Llangadog parish, clerk
- (ii) John Bevan of Llangammarch, gent.

Water mill called Glancamddwr, with two gardens belonging to it, and a piece of land with a cottage built on it called Tyr Rees y Creeth, in the parish of Llangammarch

[2 parchments]

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Bundle of deeds relating to Aberannell and Tafarn y Pridd farms in Llangammarch Parish, continued

43-45 Conveyance by Lease and Release for £160 dated 13 and 14 Oct. 1786

- (i) Richard Steadman of Tenby, gent.
- (ii) John Bevan of Gwarvelin, Llangammarch, gent.

Farm called Tafarn y Pryth Issa, in the parish of Llangammarch

Includes Bond for the repayment of a mortgage debt, 14 Oct. 1786

[2 parchments, 1 paper]

46, 47 Marriage Settlement previous to the marriage of John Bevan the younger and Miss Mary Winston, by Lease and Release dated 17 and 18 Mar. 1823

- (i) John Bevan of Aberannell Fach, gent.
- (ii) Richard Winston of Yscirmole Ganol, gent.
- (iii) John Bevan the younger of Aberannell Fach, gent., son and heir of (i)
- (iv) Mary Winston, spinster, daughter of (ii)
- (v) Watkin Bevan of Pontrhydfera, innkeeper and Jeffrey Davies of Glandulas, gent
- (vi) Evan Evans of Foes, gent.

Farms called Aberannell Fach and Erw Gwilym, in the parish of Llangammarch

[2 parchment files]

48, 49 Deed for barring an entail dated 30 Jan. 1880

- (i) John Bevan of Glanyrafon, gent.
- (ii) Thomas Jones of Llandovery, gent.

Farms called Aberannell Fach, Erw Gwilym, Caedu, Tir y Cady, Tir Croft Howell and Tir Ffynon Dewi

Includes declaration of John Bevan as to the ownership of Aberannell Fach and Erw Gwilym farms, dated 31 Jan. 1880

[1 parchment]

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Bundle of deeds relating to Aberannell and Tafarn y Pridd farms in Llangammarch Parish, continued

50 Conveyance in trust for sale dated 9 July 1883

- (i) John Bevan of Glanyrafon, gent.
- (ii) Daniel John Morgan of Glynhir, Pontarddulais, gent.

All the estates of John Bevan, including Aberannell Mansion, Troedyrhiw, Tynewydd farm, mill and factory, Caedu, Fedw, Erwood, Glanyrafon, Aberannell Mill, and cottages

[1 parchment]

51 Deed of trust relative to surplus sale money arising from the sale of an estate in Breconshire belonging to John Bevan, John Bevan to Daniel John Morgan

9 July 1883

[1 parchment]

52 Mortgage for £400 dated 10 Jan. 1884

- (i) John Bevan of Glanyrafon, esq.
- (ii) Daniel John Morgan of Glynhir, Pontarddulais, gent

Farms called Ty Aberannell Fach and Erw Gwilym

[1 paper]

Correspondence and notices of Mortgages

53 Notices of the execution of a mortgage between the following parties:  
(i) Daniel John Morgan of Glynhir, Pontarddulais, (ii) John Bevan of Glanyrafon, Llangammarch, gent., (iii) Mary Morgan of Glynhir, mother of (i), (iv) Mary Bevan Morgan and Margretta Bridget Morgan of Glynhir, spinsters (sisters of (i)), and (v) David Mansel Glasbrook, sent to the following tenants:

I. Price, Troedyrhiw Farm  
David Williams, Aberanell Farm  
John Jones, Aberanell Farm (sent back unopened)  
David Thomas, Aberanell Woollen Factory  
Charles Jones, Glanyrafon Corn Mill  
James Champion, Glanyrafon Cottages

1896

[1 bundle]

Estate Duty forms

- 54 Inland Revenue Estate Duty forms certifying the succession of John Bevan to his father's estate 1873 and 1886  
[1 bundle]

Unidentified deeds

- 55 Final Concord dated 9 Apr. 1822  
Roger Price, farmer, plaintiff, and Hugh Jones, gent., and Ann his wife, deforciant

Property described as "Two messuages, two dwelling houses, two outhouses, two barns, two stables, two beasthouses, two gardens, two orchards, one hundred and fifty acres of land, one hundred and fifty acres of meadow, one hundred and fifty acres of pasture land, fifty acres of arable land, thirty acres of wood and underwood and three hundred acres of furze and heath and common of pasture for all manner of cattle and common of turbary, with the appurtenances, in the parish of Llangammarch"

[2 parchments]

*A final concord was the result of a fictitious and collusive action at law, in which the person buying land took the vendor to court, claiming that the land was his all along, whereupon the vendor agrees to lose the case. The result was an official entry in the court registers, and the document listed above is a copy of this entry. The whole exercise was an attempt to have a conveyance officially registered or recognised at a time when there was no land registry for the confirmation of title. Unfortunately the property is only ever described in this very stylised way and never named.*