

13th century, it being a personal or hereditary device affixed to the shield.

Wymondham is about sixty miles from West Mill, and about ten miles from West Mill are the manors of Great and Little Wymondley. The signification of *ley*, the termination of Wymondley, is a pasture or field, and probably these manors were, before the conquest, owned by Wimond of Wymondham, or of a descendant, and took the name of Wymondley, that is, their lands or pastures. If the derivation of the name was from the source above named, it can readily be surmised that the nearness of these places to West Mill and Great and Little Hormead would account for the presence of the Wimonds or Wymans in these places in later years.