

## TWYFORD MILL.

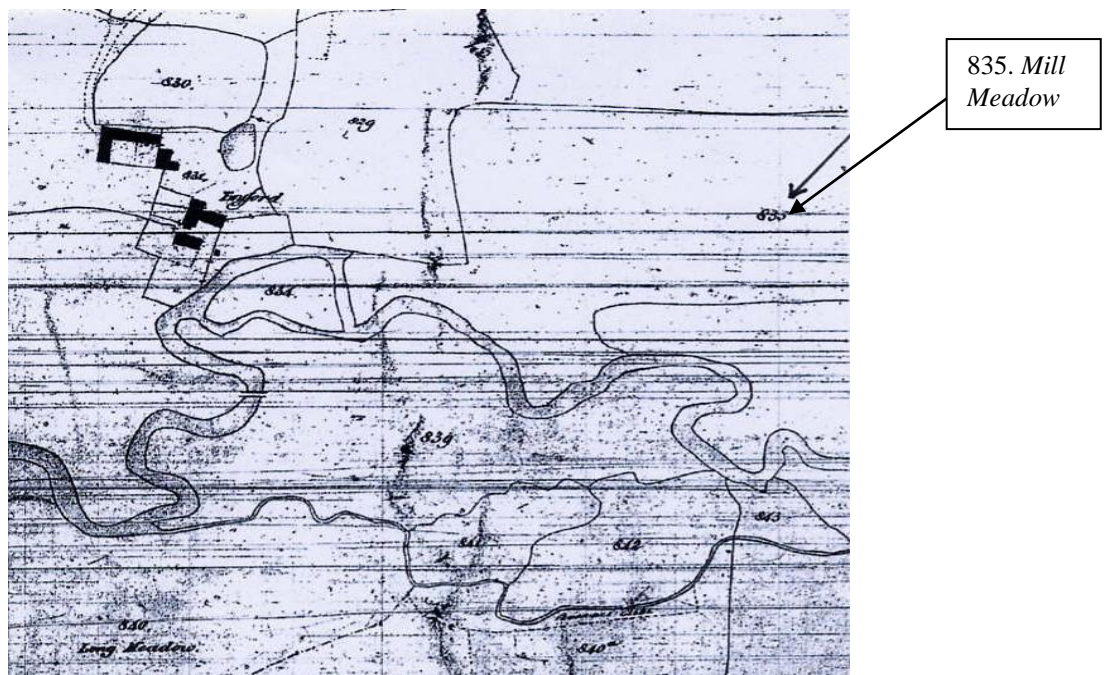
There is no doubt that Twyford was a Manor in the parish of Eardisland from at least as early as 1091. It therefore comes as no surprise to find reference to a watermill at Twyford, albeit considerably more recently than 1091.

In a Glebe Terrier dated 1<sup>st</sup> June 1607<sup>1</sup> four mills are listed in the parish, of which Twyford Mill is one:

*“Item money which of ancient time is due for the water mills of the said parish.....of the mill of Twiford 3s4d.....”*

Detailed analysis of the watercourses at Twyford will be necessary to establish the exact whereabouts of Twyford mill. It is clear that considerable work has been done to alter the course of the river there: indeed it is not clear where the main stream of the river ran before the work was done. When it was done, and by whom is not known but the presence nearby of *Mill Meadow* makes the purpose of the work almost certain.

*Mill Meadow* is Tithe Map field number 835 as detailed on the Apportionment Schedule which accompanies the map. Two versions of the Tithe Map are extant, one at the National Archives,<sup>2</sup> the other at Herefordshire Record Office.<sup>3</sup> There is a microfilm copy of the former at HRO. This is dated 1844. The HRO copy of the Map is undated, but the Schedule which relates to it is dated 1842.



*Tithe Map, microfilm copy.*

On the next page is an extract from the HRO copy, which makes an interesting comparison. This was originally held by the Diocesan authorities before transfer to the Record Office.

<sup>1</sup> HRO HD2/3/14.

<sup>2</sup> TNA hereinafter.

<sup>3</sup> HRO herein.



*Tithe Map, HRO copy.*

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