Manor History File

Manor Name	BRANXTON
Alias	
Honour/Lordship	Barony of Muschamp
Ownership	In 1254 rent was paid to Muriel of Mar from whom it passed to Nicholas Graham and his wife Mary and ultimately to the Darcy family. In 1419 the rent is paid to the Conyers family. In 1490 Sir John Conyers dies possessed of estates in Branxton and Bowsdon.
	In the Testa de Nevill the heirs of William of Bowsden held Bowsdon and Branxton in socage.
	In the fourteenth century no lord of the manor is listed, and rent seems to have been paid by the hospital of St. Thomas, Bolton.
	Branxton suffered heavily from Scottish raids because of its proximity to the Tweed, the settlement had a tower owned by the Selby family which was used to protect the inhabitants. The Selby's were associated with the area from 1522.
	After the Dissolution Thomas Manners, Earl of Rutland owned part of Branxton and William Selby another and larger part. In 1581 his son John Selby makes elaborate provision for the decent of the manor which was entailed to his son William and his heirs' male and then defaulted out to other Selby family members.
	In 1584 the main owners in the manor of Branxton are William Selby, James Carr. By the early eighteenth century, Edward Haggerston, Henry Collingwood and Ralph Davison are the principal landowners. Ralph Davison's portion continued with the family until William Davison of Chatton Park sold it to Thomas Howey in 1805, he resold it in 1813 to George Adam Askew and it became part of the Pallinsburn estate. The Haggerston portion remained with the family until 1720 when it was identified in a Selby inheritance, it was probably ultimately sold to the Collingwoods.

Courts	In 1921 Major Charles Mitchell D.S.O, O.B.E, J.P and John C. Collingwood J.P are chief landowners.
Sources	Northumberland County History (1922) Vol. XI, pp. 96 -116. Kelly, E.R, (1921), Kelly's Directory of Northumberland, p.92. BRO 129/3/6 deed of partition and conveyance of the manors of Lowick and Branxton.
Records Held By Northumberland Archives	No records known.
Time period covered by records	No records known.
Records Held Elsewhere	No records known.



