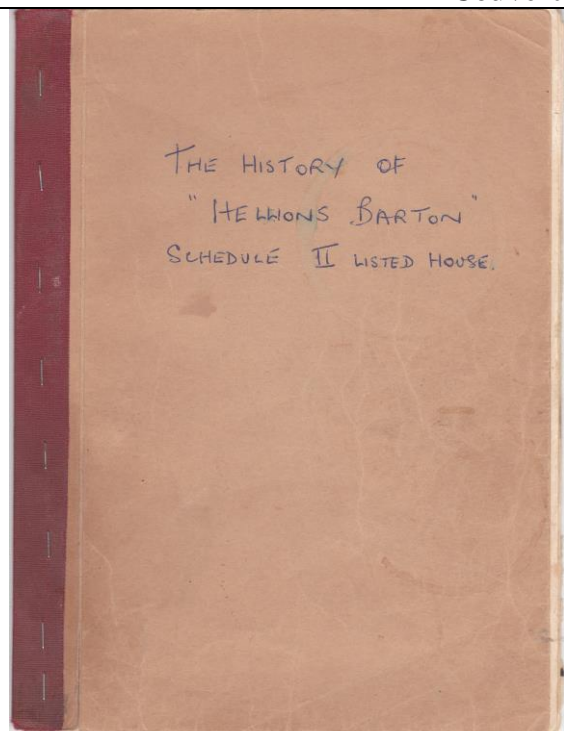


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Couverture et descriptif



Petit cahier de 14 pages retraçant l'histoire de la demeure de Hellions Barton située à Upton Hillion dans le Devon (GB)

Ce sont les chevaliers de Hillion, à qui ont été données ces terres après la bataille d'Hastings (1066), qui ont fondé ce lieu.

Le livre évoque les propriétaires successifs depuis le XIIème siècle

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HELLIONS BARTON

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Hellions Barton lies in the parish of Upton Hellions, near the east bank of the river Creedy, in fertile New Red Sandstone country. Though only about two miles due north of the little town of Crediton, it has the air of complete remoteness, lying as it does at the end of a series of diminishing roads.

In Devon, the name Barton is reserved - unless it has been usurped in modern times - for a large and important farm, and more particularly for the farm which has served, since mediaeval times at least, as the demesne farm or home-farm of the Lord of the Manor. This is its meaning in the case of Hellions Barton.

Hellions is derived from the name of the mediaeval owners of the manor - the Heliun family, as it is usually spelt in mediaeval records - who were here from about the 12th century onwards, possibly a little earlier. They came over with William the Conqueror from their ancestral place of Hellean in Brittany, from which they took their name.

Hellions Barton today is a large farmhouse of Elizabethan date, a long block of building under one roof with a wing at the back containing the old kitchen and other domestic offices. The long wing on the other side of the courtyard, containing the cider-house and other farm buildings, was added at a later date, probably in the 17th century.