Reeves and Greaves. In his interesting paper on this subject, Dr. Cane touches on, but does not make clear, the relationship between the two terms. Reeve is the modern descendant in the Midlands and the South of Old English (ge)rēfa, which is not to be confused with greave. In (ge)rēfa the g was pronounced like a y; the prefix disappeared and the word became reve in Middle English. The corresponding modern form in Scotland and Northern England is grieve which derives from Old Northumbrian *grēfa, the northern equivalent of the West Saxon (ge)rēfa. The initial g was hard and gave Middle English greve.

A third form, with approximately the same meaning, is found in the Scandinavian counties, Middle English gryve, from Old Norse greifa. In South Yorkshire in the sixteenth century, the English greve and the Scandinavian gryve were pronounced very much alike and their spellings became confused. Both terms had given rise to surnames, the English greve now surviving as Greeses, Greaves or Grieves, the Scandinavian gryve usually as Graves. The Rotherham greave is a survival of Old Northumbrian *grēfa.

In Suffolk, the normal English form was (ge)rēfa which is found as reve side by side with the Scandinavian gryve. In a Suffolk document of the reign of Henry III in the Colchester Cartulary we find Hubert le Greve and in 1317 in the Suffolk Fines William le Greive, whilst in the 1327 Subsidy Roll we have both Guy le Reve and Adam le Reuesson. Both forms still survived in the 1524 Subsidy Roll: John Grove and John Gryve the elder. The Bungay reve derives from Old English (ge)rēfa.

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A Seventeenth Century Token. Mr. Alex. E. Rollings, of Debenham, reports that a halfpenny token, issued by John Blumfield of Worlingworth, was found in the parish of Debenham in the spring of 1954. This is No. 358 on page 76 of Golding's Coinage of Suffolk, and bears on the obverse the arms of the Grocers' Company, a chevron between nine cloves.

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Ancient Monuments in Suffolk. The following is a list of Ancient Monuments in Suffolk which have been scheduled by the Ministry of Works under the Acts of 1913 and 1931; it is taken from pages 90-91 of the List of Ancient Monuments in England and Wales (H.M.S.O., 1953). Members are urged to report promptly to the Secretaries of the Institute any damage or threat of damage to these monuments which may come to their notice.