

Langham in Rutland Hills

1512 to 1783

Langham Village History Group

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| Andrew | William | 1638 | East | Laurence | 1663 | Newton | Adam | 1609 |
| Bagley | Thomas | 1607 | Edgson | Francis | 1702 | Nickolson | John | 1670 |
| Bailiffe | Robert | 1609 | Edgson | Nicholas | 1569 | Palmer | Thomas | 1614 |
| Baliffe | Emma | 1617 | Edgson | John | 1586 | Palmer | Andrew | 1695 |
| Ball | Cutbert | 1639 | Edgson | William | 1615 | Palmer | Thomas | 1700 |
| Ball | Richard | 1657 | Edgson | William | 1633 | Pepper | John | 1607 |
| Ball | Elizabeth | 1712 | Edgson | William | 1698 | Pepper | William | 1639 |
| Barkby | Thomas | 1561 | Fowler | Thomas | 1697 | Phillipott | Henry | 1600 |
| Barkbye | Joan | 1571 | Frcy | Thomas | 1677 | Phillipott | Alice | 1612 |
| Barton | Richard | 1606 | Frcy | Richard | 1710 | Phillpott | Richard | 1600 |
| Baxter | John | 1654 | Francis | John | 1690 | Pitts | Nicholas | 1601 |
| Bayley | Robert | 1685 | Freman | Edmund | 1559 | Pitts | Jasper | 1639 |
| Bayly | Henry | 1618 | Freman | John | 1559 | Pitts | Anthony | 1654 |
| Beagley | Elizabeth | 1633 | Gash | William | 1641 | Pitts | Mary | 1675 |
| Beaver | Bartholomew | 1681 | Gheast | William | 1678 | Pocklinton | Thomas | 1715 |
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| Berrye | Thomas | 1587 | Goode | Roger | 1675 | Rest | Thomas | 1687 |
| Berye | Richard | 1599 | Goode | Elizabeth | 1680 | Robinson | Nicholas | 1670 |
| Birkett | Margaret | 1624 | Gylbourne | John | 1577 | Rose | Richard | 1571 |
| Blaby | Thomas | 1717 | Hack | Grace | 1686 | Rose | Joane | 1614 |
| Bloomfield | William | 1693 | Hack | John | 1711 | Ruddel | John | 1688 |
| Brisco | Edward | 1666 | Heys | Elizabeth | 1660 | Ruddell | Bartholomew | 1715 |
| Briscoe | Edward | 1632 | Holmes | John | 1709 | Ruddill | John | 1684 |
| Browne | Richard | 1557 | Hornbie | Thomas | 1622 | Ruddle | William | 1674 |
| Browne | John | 1570 | Hornby | Catherine | 1633 | Russell | Francis | 1639 |
| Bull | William | 1685 | Hornby | John | 1672 | Sculthorpe | Thomas | 1599 |
| Bullemore | Agnes | 1582 | Hornby | Ann | 1674 | Sculthorpe | Robert | 1603 |
| Bullimer | Richard | 1639 | Hornby | Henry | 1695 | Sculthorpe | Alice | 1616 |
| Bullimor | John | 1681 | Hornby | Henry | 1698 | Sewell | Cornelius | 1684 |
| Bullymer | John | 1571 | Hubbard | Richard | 1544 | Sewell | Thomas | 1713 |
| Bush | William | 1620 | Hubbard | Henry | 1630 | Sharpe | William | 1529 |
| Butler | Francis Sir | 1532 | Hubbard | Elizabeth | 1638 | Sharpe | Luke | 1663 |
| Butler | Alice | 1683 | Hubbard | Richard | 1669 | Sharpe | Luke | 1704 |
| Casterton | John | 1697 | Hubbard | Thomas | 1684 | Sharrad | William | 1655 |
| Cheseldyn | Richard | 1689 | Hubbard | Thomas | 1691 | Sharrad | William | 1783 |
| Chesselden | Anthonie | 1652 | Hubberd | James | 1589 | Smith | John | 1705 |
| Clarke | Roger | 1607 | Hubberd | Robert | 1639 | Smyth | William | 1512 |
| Clarke | Johane | 1609 | Hubbert | Richard | 1626 | Smyth | Thomas | 1681 |
| Clarke | Roger | 1610 | Ives | Robert | 1566 | Smyth | Richard | 1705 |
| Clarke | Gavin | 1611 | Ives | Alice | 1570 | Spell | Richard | 1615 |
| Clarke | Frances | 1617 | Ives | Thomas | 1628 | Stevens | Andrew | 1595 |
| Clarke | William | 1562 | Jackson | James | 1621 | Stevens | George | 1613 |
| Cole | John | 1681 | Jackson | Elizabeth | 1630 | Sylvestre | Richard | 1563 |
| Cole | Mary | 1683 | Mabley | William | 1598 | Tomlinson | Roger | 1638 |
| Cole | Adam | 1688 | Mabley | Elizabeth | 1619 | Walmsley | John | 1611 |
| Dalby | Thomas | 1639 | Milner | John | 1625 | Walton | Katherine | 1681 |
| Dalby | Elizabeth | 1706 | Moberie | Samuel | 1637 | Waters | Jane | 1640 |
| Duesbery | Umfrey | 1638 | Molson | Thomas | 1673 | Watson | Nicholas | 1572 |
| Dyckeman | Richard | 1556 | Neal | John | 1544 | Weaver | William | 1624 |
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| Sharpe | William | 1529 |
| Butler | Francis Sir | 1532 |
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| Neal | John | 1544 |
| Dyckeman | Richard | 1556 |
| Browne | Richard | 1557 |
| Freman | Edmund | 1559 |
| Freman | John | 1559 |
| Barkby | Thomas | 1561 |
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| Pitts | Anthony | 1654 |
| Sharrad | William | 1655 |
| Ball | Richard | 1657 |
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| Ruddle | William | 1674 |
| Goode | Roger | 1675 |
| Pitts | Mary | 1675 |
| Fracry | Thomas | 1677 |
| Gheast | William | 1678 |
| Goode | Elizabeth | 1680 |
| Beaver | Bartholomew | 1681 |
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William Andrew of Langham - 1638

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T^a Guiliolam Andrewes [mg] de Langham

In the name of God Amen I William Andrew of Langham in the County of Rutland gentleman: being sicke in body, but in good and perfect memory thanks be to god, doo make this my last will and testament in manner and forme following;

- ffirst I bequeath my soule to almighty God my Creator and to Jesus Christ my onely Redeem[too faint] and my body to be buryed within y^e Church of Langham aforesayd;
- Item I give to every godchild which I have in Langham five shillings apiece to be payd by my Executor within two monethes after my Decease;
- Item I give Willia^m Collins my godchild the sonne of Robert Collins of B[?]amston five pounds to be payd to him within six monothes after my Decease
- Item I give to Mary Collins the Daughter of the sayd Collins fourty shillings to be payd to her within six monothes after my Decease
- Item I give to Richard Spencer his three children of Whissondine to each of them three pounds six shillings and eight pence apiece to be payd to them at their severall ages of one and twenty yeares
- Item I give to Mary Collin my maydservant threescore pounds to be payd at the Day of her marriage or at the age of thirty yeares which shall first happen.
- Item I give to Isabell Christian of Cottesmore twenty pounds to be payd to her within one yeare after my Decease
- Item I give to Nicholas Christian my godchild y^e sonne of the sayd Isabell Christian twenty pounds to be payd to him within one yeare after my Decease
- Item I give to Anne Christian fiftene pounds to Alice Christian fifteen pounds
- Item I give to Mary Christian fiftene pounds; And to Margery Christain fiftene pounds y^e Daughters of y^e said Isabell Christian of Cottesmore to be payd to each of them at their severall ages of one and twenty yeares;
- Item I give to William Ireland of Sutton twenty pounds to be payd to him within two yeares after my Decease;
- Item I give to John White of Greetham my sisters sonne ten pounds to be payd within six monothes after my Decease
- Item I give to Richard Collins of Greetham twenty pounds to be payd to him within one yeare and A half yeares after my decease;
- Item I give to Dorothy Atton of Belton twenty pounds to be payd within one yeare after my Decease;
- Item I give to Roger Atton of Belton ten pounds to be payd to him within two yeares after my Decease.
- Item I give to B. Beeby of Whitwell five pounds to be payd to him within one yeare and a half after my Decease;
- Item I give to William Andrew of Exton five pounds to be payd to him within one yeare and A half after my Decease.
- Item I give to [no name inserted] Andrew of Brigcasterton five pounds to be payd to him within one yeare after my decease;
- Item I give to Elizabeth Hedge of Stonetratford three pounds, and to her brother Johnson fourty shillings (if he be living) but if he be dead I doo give that fourty shillings to the sayd Elizabeth Hedge to be payd within after my Decease,
- Item I give to Thomas Liptret of Norton ten pounds to be payd to him within one yeare and A half after my Decease
- Item I give to Thomas Broughton of Roulston five pounds to be payd to him within two yeares after my Decease;
- Item I give to Edward Broughton of Seaton five pounds to be payd within two yeares after my Decease
- Item I give to William Collin, Valentine Collin, and John Collin the sonnes of of Valentine Collin of Belton fourty shillings apiece to be payd to them at their severall ages of one and twenty yeares;
- Item I give to Anne Collin, ffrancis Collin and Elizabeth Collin Daughters of the said Valentine Collin fourty shillings to be payd to each of them at the age of one and twenty yeares.
- Item I give to [word crossed out] [word crossed out] Thomas Hornby y^e sonne of John Hornby three pounds; six shillings and eight pence apiece to be payd to him within three yeares after my Decease;
- Item I give to Elizabeth Hornby and Ellen Hornby Daughters of John Hornby three pounds six shillings and eight pence apiece to be payd to within five yeares after my Decease
- Item I give to the poore of Langham seaven pounds & ten shillings to be payd on St James Day next after my Decease, And the stocke to be yearly put forth by the Churchwardens of the towne of Langham. And the Intrest thereof to be given yearly in bread to y^e poore on St James Day,
- Item I give to y^e poore of Langham aforesaid at the Day of my buryall fourty shillings

- Item I give to y^e poore of Tilton five pounds to be payd on S^t James Day next after my Decease and y^e stocke to remanie in y^e Churchwardens hands, and the interest to be given to y^e poore on S^t James Day yearly;
- Item I give to Elizabeth and Anne the sisters of y^e above named William Ireland to each of them three pounds six shillings and eight pence apiece to be payd unto them within one yeare after my Decease;
- Item I give to Alexander Bea?ds and to his brothers they living about Pottersbury or Paulesperry to each of them five pounds apiece to be payd with one yeare after my Decease
- Item I make my beloved wife Alice my Executrix of this my last will and testament And my kinsman William Ireland of Sutton ovrseer of y^e same

in y^e presence of us

William Ireland
George Cooke

Probatum fuit testamtm in curia
prorogation a duodecimo die mons Martij Anno
Dm 1638
[12th March 1638]

Thomas Bagley of Langham - 1607

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T. Thome Bagley De Langham Decembris 26th Ano Dm 1607

In Dei uo^mie Amen: The xxxth Daie of December and in the vth yere of the Raigne of o^r Sovereigne Lord James by the gracie of god of England ffrance and Ireland Kinge defendor of the faithe and of Scotland the xljth yr 1607. I Thomas Bagley of Langham in the countie of Rutland Weaver beinge in body sicke but sound and perfect both in minde and memorie thanks be given to the eternall god. Doe make this my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge ffirst I commend my soule into the hands of the allmightie god my Creator and to his Sonne Jesus Christe my only and alone saviour and redeemer And my body to the earth from whence yt came and to be buried in the church of Langham at thend of my seat where I usually did sit in the said Church of Langham.

- Item I give to the Cathedrall church of Peterborough foure pence
- Item I give to the repair of the Church of Langham ten shillings in monie
- Item I give to repaire of the bridge which is betwixt my house and the church three shillings foure pence
- Item I give to everie godchild I have, foure pence apiece
- Item I give to my daughter Johane Bagley in money the some of thirtie pounds and to be delivered into the hands of Cutbert ball my sonne in Lawe and to Marie my daughter his wife in full paiement and satisfaccon of this my porcon and legacy by my wife Elizabeth Bagley who I make my sole Executrix of this my last will and testamt that my sonne Cutbert and his wife shall have the rule guide And governemt of my daughter Johane and her Legacie duringe there naturall lives, giving and maintainninge her with meat drinke lodgeinge beddinge washingie apparel linen and woollen both for the hollidaie and workedaie fitting for a maiden to weare being decente comely with all other things necessarie and needful for her as though she were there owne and I chardge them upon my blessinge that they will performe this my faithfull trust committed unto them and if yt so happen that my daughter Joane departe this life before them then my will is that the said thirtie pound shalbe to either of there uses and to there children But if she be the suyvivour of them both then they and there Executors and Administrators shalbe bound with good securities to provide and maintaine her, in the same estate as well as they or become bound to repaie the said some of thirtie pounds unto those that shall keepe and maintaine her.
- Item I give unto my daughter Seynts Baglie the some of twentie pounds in money over and besides her life in the house which she is to have after the decease of her mother if she live the said twentie pound to be paid and delivered her to be put forth for her use within one yeare after my decease By the councill of Executrix hir mother and my Supervisors.
- Item I give and bequeathe to my daughter Marie Ball two sonnes fortie shillings a peece which some of fortie pounds is in there fathers hande to be paid when they shalbe xxj^{the} yeres of age And three pound in monie to my sonne Cuthbert and Marie his wife.
- Item I give unto my daughter Dorotheie Adcocke two sonnes fortie shillings a peece within one quarter of a yere after my decease and to be put forth for there uses by ther grandmother and my supervisors
- Item I give to my Sonne Adcocke and his wife three pounds in monie in consideracon that they shall paie Richard Wrighte for the Cow they have which I gave my wood for further I give unto my daughter Adcocke and to her children beinge at home with her the foure pounds in monie which Robert Dracote standeth bound to paie by twentie shillings [unreadable word] a yere as yt more appeareth in the obligacon
- Item I give to my kinsman Robt Dalbie twentie shillings in monie.
- Item I give to my brother John Baglies children ten shillings in monie.
- Item I give to Thomas Adcocke my daughters sonne five pounds in monie to be put forth for his use by his grandmother and my Supervisors, and five shillings towards the bells.
- Item The residue of all my goods and cattle moveable and unmoveable unbequeathed and not given I give unto Elizabeth Baglie my wife who I make my full and sole Executrix of this my last will and testament and to paie my legacies with my funeral expenses and all other charges Whatsoever shalbe concerninge this my last will and testament and for the better performance hereof I have injoined for the ease of my wife two supervisors givinge them authoritie to see that this my last Will and testament be performed in all & everie respect accordinge to my true meaninge And what doubt ambiguitie or question shall arise in & about this my last will and testament shall be decided by my supervisors in truste viz Richard Birkett clerke and Cutbert Ball my sonne in law And they to have three shillings iiijd a peece besides all there other charges borne if they shalbe at paine concerning this my will.

In Witness whereof I have put my hand the daie and yere first above written

By me Thomas Baglie

Witnesses: Richard Birkett Cl¹ ~ [William]² Sculthorpe ~ Robert Dalbie his marke

Die ... viz xxvi die monse Marty Ano Dm 1608
In ... de Okeham ... Christopher Bever
... Hen: Hickman...
... Elizab: Baglie soli Executor
obligents Elizabeth Baglie widow et
Cutbert Ball de Langham
husbandman per ...

¹ FS [the CI is probably clerk, referring to Richard Birkett (the curate)]

² FS [Name of witness abbreviated but possibly William]

FS [On the 3rd Oct 1594 Dorothy Bagley married Symon Adcock at North Luffenham]

Emma Baliffe of Langham - 1617

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T. Emme Bailiffe de Langham widow

In the name of god amen the one & twentieth day of April and in the fifteenth yeare of the raigne of our Sovereigne lord James by the grace of god of England ffrance & Ireland kinge defender of the faith etc And of Scotland the fiftith witnesseth That I Emme Bailiffe of Langham in the Countie of Rutland widow being in body sicke but both of minde & memory sound & perfect thanks be given to the almighty god do make this my last will & testament in manner & forme following:

- Ffirst I commend my soule into the handes of the almighty god my creator & maker and to his sonne Jesus Christ my onely savior and redeemer and my body to the earth from whence it came and to be buried in the churchyard of Langham
- Item I give to my sonne Cuthbert Bailiffe twelve pence in money
- Item I give to my sonne John Bailiffe twelve pence in money
- Item I give to my sonne Willim Bailiffe forty shillings in money and a brasse pot
- Item I give to my sonne Thomas Baliffe three pounds in money and to his sonne John Bailiffe six shillings eight pence and a little brass pot & to his daughter Elizabeth a platter
- Item I give to my daughter Alice East my best hat & a gowne
- Item I give to her children six shillings eight pence
- Item I give to Margaret Hubbard the daughter of Henry Hubbard of Langham one great wooden bole and a pewter platter
- Item all the residue of my goods unbequeathed & not given I give to my daughter Ellen Bailiffe who I make my sole executrix of this my last will & testamt & she to pay my legacies wth my funeral expences bringing my body honestly to the ground & for the better performance of this my will according to my true meaninge

I desire my kinsman Henry Hubbard to be my supervisor & he to have for his paines xijd

In witness whereof I have put to my name & marke the day & yeare first above written by me Emma Baliffe

witness Thomas Beaver writer of Emme Bailiffe her marke

Witnesses

Henry Hubbard his marke
Thomas Beaver

Probatum fuit hoc testamtur apud Barrodon 9 die menses Julii Ano Dm 1617 et ... est administrato Executrici in ...
... Richm Johnson Surrogate
cancellarii

Robert Bailiffe of Langham - 1609

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T Robti Baliffe De Langham in Com: Rutland Ano Dm 1609

In the name of God Amen The xxvijth daie of January And in the sixt yeare of the Raigne of our Sovereigne Lord James by the grace of god of England ffrance and Ireland Kinge Defender of the faith etc And of Scotland the two and fortith Witnesseth that I Robert Baliffe of Langham in the County of Rutland, Carpenter, beinge in body sicke but both of minde and memory sound and perfect thanks be given to the allmighty god Doo make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme followinge

ffirst I commend my soule into the handsof the allmighty God my Creator and Maker And to his sonne Jesus Christ my only Savior and Redeemer and my body to thearth from whence it came and to be buried in the churchyard of Langham.

Item I give to the Church of Langham sixe pence

Item I give to my sonne Cutbert Baliffe xs in mony

Item I give to my sonne John Baliffe xxs in mony

Item I give to my sonne William Baliffe xxs in mony and A paire of teare¹ of hemp sheets

Item I give to my sonne Thomas Baliffe forty shillings in mony with a great arcke [chest] and my working tools to be devided to Henry William and Thomas

Item I give to Henry Baliffe twelve pence

Item I give to Helen Baliffe my daughter a brasse pot a pan of the great sort a presse a red cussen

Item I give to my daughter Easteals Wyer twelve pence

Item I give to her three children twelve pence a piece

Item all the Residue of my goods unbequeathed and not given I give to my wife whoe I make my sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament And she to paie my Legacy with my funerall expences bringinge my body honestly to the ground fforther my will is that non of my legaces shall be paid until three yeres after my decease And for the better performance of this my will accordinge to my true meaninge I Desire my kinsman Henry Hupbard to be my Supervisor And he to have for his paines twelve pence

In Witnes whereof I have put to my name and marke the daie and yeare first above written By me Robert Baliffe

Witnes

Richard Burket Clerke²

Probatum fuitTestem.....Okeham xxijnd April 1609

¹ Fine or delicate, dressed hemp

² Richard Burket was the curate and often described himself as Minister

Cutbert Ball of Langham - 1639

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T^m Cutbert Ball of Langham

In the name of God Amen the six and twentieth Day of December in y^e yeare of our Lord God 1639 I Cutbert Ball of Langham in y^e county of Rutland Blacke smith being sicke in body but of mind and memory sound and perfect thanks be given to almighty God Doo make this my last will and testament in manner and forme following:

- ffirst I bequeath my Soule into the hands of almighty God my creator and to Jesus Christ my redeemer and Saviour And my body to y^e earth from whence it came;
- Item I give to Henry Ball my sonne ten pounds in money to be payd within six monthes next after my Decease
- Item I give to John Ball my sonne twenty pounds in money to be payd within six months next after my Decease;
- Item I give to Anne Smith my kinswoman one table napkin;
- Item I give to Precilla Smith my kinswoman one table napkin;
- Item I give all my linnen and woollen to be equally Devided to my three sonnes Henry Ball, Thomas Ball and John Ball
- Item The residue of all my goods Cattell and Chattell unbequeathed and not given I give to Thomas Ball my sonne who I make my full and sole executor of this my last will and testament he paying my funerall expenses and bringing my body honestly and Decently to y^e ground.

And last of all I Doo make Thomas Beaver and Henry Hubbard supervisors of this my last will and testament to see all things performed according to my will and for their paines I give them xij^d apiece

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand y^e day and yeare first above written

Cutbert Ball his marke

Witnesses:

Thomas Beaver
Henry Hubbard

Probatum fuit ... testamtm coram meo

Johanne Groome

27 Die Jan 1639

Barrow

[two more lines]

Elizabeth Ball of Langham - 1712

NRO Peterborough ~ Film W260

In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Ball of Langham in the County of Rutland Widdow being sick and weak in body but of sound and perfect mind and memory I praise god for it doe ordaine and make this my last will and Testament in mannor and forme following; first I give and bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God: who gave it hoping through ye meritorious death and passion of Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer to receive full and free pardon of all my Sins and to inherit everlasting Life in the world to Come: Comitting my body to the Earth from whence it was taken to be buried at the discretion of my Executor hereafter Named and as touching such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased god to bless me in this life: I give and dispose of as followeth:

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my kinsman Thomas Hoxton one ~~shilling~~ pound and to his sister Mary one shilling

Item I give to my only Daughter Elizabeth the Summ of sixteen pounds to be wholly and altogether at her own disposal.

Item I give unto my grandchild Mary Cooke the sum; of fforty pounds to be paid her when she is arriv'd to the age of one and Twenty years and also four pair of sheets and the bed in the best Chamber with all the furniture thereunto belonging and halfe a dozen of napkins & a Table Cloath to have them at the decease of her mother; it is also my will; that my Executor (hereafter named) shall produce and give such a double bond; as shall be approved off by Anthony Cheseldine and to be by him kept for the trew and faithfull payment of the several summes and Legacies above mentioned;

Item The Rest of my goods etc. I give unto William Cooke my son in law whom I also make and ordain my only and sole Executor of this my last will and Testament hereby Revokeing and totally Disclaiming all others Ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my last Will and Testament.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & Seale this five and Twentith day of June Anno Dom: 1712

Elizabeth Ball her Mark

Sign'd Seal'd and declar'd by the said Elizabeth Ball as her last Will & Testament in the presence of us: viz:-

Antone Cheseldin
Samp Ellicott
Sarah Stimson

mem^d: the word that's interlin'd, was done before the Signing & Sealing hereof

Witness: Samp: Ellicott

1712 Aug^t 6^{to} Juratus fuit Gulielmus Cook de Langham in com: Rutld Grner
et unicus Executor Elizabetha Ball de eodem Vida Defunc: in hujodi Tes^{to} noiat:
Coram me S. Saunders Surrog:

Richard Ball of Langham 1657

In the name of God Amen

The Thirteenth day of December Anno Dei One Thousand Six hundred fiftie one I Richard Ball of Langham in ye Countie of Rutland Baker being sicke in Body but of mind & memory sound and perfect Thanks by given to Almighty God doe make this my Last will & Testament in manner and forme as followeth:

- ffirst I bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creator and to Jesus Christ my Redeemer and Saviour & my Bodie to ye earth from whence it came & to be buried in the Churchyard of Langham:
- Item first I give to my sonne Bartholomew Ball All my messuage or Tenement wherein I now dwell except one Barn & the overend of the yard from the Barn to the neathowse And also I give to my said Sonne Bartholomew my home close and Two Closes of land & pasture in the land Close that is to saie the East close next Litle Catford and the Over close the Cowe pasture on the South & Woodwong on the West during the Tearme of my leases and Three Cown pastures during ye Tearme of my lease And also one close called Heacraft last five yeares of the Tearme of my lease And also the middle heape of wood in my yard and Fowre Caules or Neat Beasts out of eight to be equally divided And also part of my household goods to be equally divided betwixt my said sonne Bartholomew and my sonne Henery Ball. And also I give my said sonne Bartholomew Ball the hedge of the Southside the middle Close next unto the Cowe pasture
- Item I give my daughter Isabell Ball Thirtie shillings a year To be payd out of the Rent of my Close butting on Whissendine meare for the Tearme of my lease if she so long live & all my wood in the neathouse and one Bedstead one ffether bed one matteris, one Blanket, Two Coverleds One Boulster Three pillows Two paire of Sheets Two pillowboards One Tablecloth ffoure pewter platters Three pannes One Brasse pott Two Tubbs Two peales[pails?] Two bowles One linning wheele One Reelee One Barrell One Canne one Basket all the new cloth in the Howse & All the Lynen yarne the Rackiron ffire panne Tongues and all the hooks Two Candlesticks Two Coffers and One Box, One straw Chair Two Cushions Two little stooles One Table and fframer in Henries House One pott of Butter halfe theSheepe that is left after my burial and also one warming panne & One Cubbard during her life and afterwards to my sonne Bartholomew And if my said daughter Isabell will dwell with my sonne Henry then he shall maintain her with all things necessary for her maintenance or if she will dwell with my said sonne Bartholomew then he shall maintain her in like manner. But if she will not dwell with either of them Then she shall have my kitchen and the Chamber over it to dwell in. And my said sonnes Henry and Bartholomew shall give her Twelve pence a week That is to say Six pence a peece weeklie during her life. But if she give herself to be married Then she shall have none of the porcon of monie or goods which I have here given unto her.
- Item I give to my sonne Thomas Ball Twenty pounds in money To be payd as followeth That is to say Five pounds on the ffeast Day of St Michael Archangell which Shall be in the yeare of our Lord God One Thousand Six hundred Ffiftie and six And ffive pound at Michealmas One Thousand Six Hundred ffiftie and seaven And ffive pounds at Michealmas one Thousand Six Hundred & fiftie and eight And ffive pounds at Michaelmas One thousand Six Hundred ffiftie and Nine
- Item all the Residue of my goods cattle and Chattle unbequeathed & not given I give to my Sonne Henry Ball who I make my full sole Executor of this my last will and Testament He paying my funerall Expenses & bringing my Bodie honestlie and decently to the ground: further my will is that Alse [Alice] Hey my grandchild shall have Tenn shillings, and Richard Ball, R[ichd?] Phillipott, Henry ffrancis my godchildren Twelve pence apiece And lastlie I make William Rud[k?]in and Thomas Brabie supervisors of this my last will and Testament to see all things performed according to my Will, And for their paines I give them Six pence a peece

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set my hand The day and yeare first above written

Richard Ball his mark

Witnesses

William Rudkin his mark

Thos Beaver

This Will was proved at London - The ffirst day of December in the yeare One thousand Six Hundred ffiftie seaven. Before the Judges for probat of wills and granting Administratons Lawfully authorized By the oath of Henry Ball ye sonne and sole Executor named therein To whom was granted Administration

deceased

He being by commission first sworn well and trulie to Administer the same.

Thomas Barkby of Langham - 1561

NRO ~ Film MW87 Vol 111 F43

In the name of Gode Amen the yeare of o' lorde god mcccc lxi the xxix daye of June I Thomas barkbe of Langham In the countie of Rutland husbandman beinge in good mynde and p^{er}fyt Remembrance make my laste Will & Testament In manner and forme folowinge/ffirste I bequeathe my Soule to almyghtie god and to all y^e holye companye in heaven and my bodye to be buried In the churche of peter & paule in Langham aforesaide:

- Item I bequeathe to the mother churche of peterboroughe ij^d
- Item I bequeathe to the churche of Langham v^s
- Item I bequeathe to P[curate] William Gan xij^d
- Item I bequeathe to Thomas watres halfe acre of barlye & A cowe
- Item I bequeathe to William Watres half acre of barley
- Item I bequeathe to Thomas Athrope one yron bonnde carte and the Lease of my mylne
- Item I bequeathe to Alice Athrope my daughter y^e counter table the beste brasse pott & a cowe
- Item I bequeathe to Anne Athrope one silver spone
- Item I bequeathe to every god childe iij^d
- Item I bequeathe to Harry Tayler one lame
- Item I bequeathe to Margytt Tayler one lame
- Item I bequeathe to the poore people v^s
- Item I bequeathe to the hye wayes iij^s iij^d

The residewe of all my goodes not bequeathed I gyve and bequeathe to Johann Barkbe my wyfe whome I make myne executrix to disporre for my soule and all christen

Also I will y^t my wyffe have my house and yard land hir lyffe And after hir to Remyne unto Thomas Athrope and his wife

Witnes

William Gan curat
Richard Robe
Barthlemew Clarke
Harri Pylyppott
Umphrey Sotton

wth other moo

Probat fuit huis Testa^m in visitorium
Ordinarin pdca apud Owkam ix^{mo} Sept
A^o predict

FS [yron bonnde carte = cart (two wheels), the wheels bound with iron]

FS [lame = lamb]

FS [mylne = mill]

FS [burial not noted in Langham register]

Joan Barkebye of Langham - 1571

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW14 F120

Test^{tn} Johne Barkebye de Langham des A^o dm 1571

In the name of god Amen I Joane Barkebye of Langham in the countie of Rutland beenge sycke in bodie but whole in mynde and memorye god be thanked Doe ordeyne this my Last will and testament in manner and forme followynge viz

First I bequethe my soule to almightie god and my bodie to the yearthe to be buried in the paryshe Churchyard of Langham aforesaid

Item I geve to the mother church of Peterbrughe ij^d and to Langham church vj^d

I geve to Sybbell Waters a Bazen and one pece of pewtar

Jone Waters a Chafyngdyshe & a pece of pewtar

Ales Waters a Candlestycke,

Henry Waters a Towell

Margaret Beale a bourdclothe

Willm Beale a Towell

Also I geve to Willm Waters children the one of my kye

to my daughter Alce A thorpes children thither

to E[mi]e Thorpe one auombrye

to John waters a tere of hempe sheete,

The Rest of all my goodes unbequethed my legacies p^{er}formed, and my funerall expenses discharged I geve and bequethe to Willm waters my sonne, and to Ales Thorpe my Daughter & of this my Last will and testam^t I make and ordeyne my said sonne and Daughter my Executo^{rs} & they to devyde my said goodes & Catteltes by even portions betwixt them, & that they now eyther of them doe stryve or quarrel any mann^{er} of waye but Lovingly to content them selves wth ye parte w^{ch} shall fall to ere ryther of y^{em} & of this I geve them great warnynge y^e day & yeare first above written

Reg^{con}ro 28^o Die

[April?] 1574 coram

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..... Sm v^b 16^s

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Total estate £5 16s

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Parish register for Langham has Jone Burkley, widow, buried 28/1/1574-5, could this be the same person?

Alce Waters d/o William baptised 2/3/1560-1

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Richard Barton of Langham - 1606

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW 88 Book VI F137

T. Richi Barton de Langham Anno Dei 1606 die Junni 28th

In the name of God I Richard Barton of Langham in the County of Rutland husbandman beinge sicke of body but whole in minde and of perfect memorie god be thanked for it, doe make and ordaine this my last will & testament in manner and forme followeing ffirst I bequeath my soule to Allmightie god the maker thereof trusting through my Savior Jesus Christ his death & merits to be one of gods elect, and my body to thearth in full assurance of a joyfull resurrecon Imprimis I give to my sonne Richard Barton twentie markes of current money of England to be paid to him at the age of nineteen yeares or to my cousin Robert Smith for his use he giveinge securitie to my executors and my sonne Richard to be kept at schoole at the chardges of my executors one whole yeare after my departure my executors findeinge him meat drinke apparel & all other necessaries:

- Item I give to my daughter Ainis twentie nobles of current money of England to be paid unto her within one yeare after my decease
- Item I give to my daughter Alice Barton twentie nobles of current money of England to be paid for her best [word not read]
- Item I give to my daughter Ellen Barton twentie nobles of current money of England to be paid at the age of one & twentie yeares if she so longe live if not her porcton to be devided amonngest the rest then livinge
- Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth Barton twentie nobles of current money of England to be paid to her at thage of one & twentie yeares, and if it please god to call her to his mercie before it be due then my will is that hir porcon shalbe equally devided ammongest my other children and further my will is that if my sonne Richard Barton doe die before his parte be dew; then that parte or porcon to be equally devided ammongest my other children that be then liveinge

The rest of my goods unbequeathed my debts beinge pd & my legacies discharged I give to my wife Elizabeth Barton whom I make my sole and whole Executor of this my last will & testamt & I make & ordaine my Cousen Robt Smith and Humphrie ffracie my supervisors to see this my will performed and I give to each of them two shillings a piece. In witness hereof I have put to my hand & seale the daie & yeare first above written in the [abbreviated word] of these whose names are here under written

Robt Smith

Umfrey ffracie

Richard Barton his hand & seale

Probatum fuit Northon tertio July 1607

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12th May 1614 Ellen Barton married John Daulbie at Langham

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John Baxter of Langham - 1654

PROB 11/238 Canterbury

Bee itt remembered that John Baxter late of Langham in the County of Rutland yeoman Deceased beinge Sicke of body but of good memory and understanding And havinge an Intent & purpose to make his Will and to Dispose of his Estate did on or about the nineteenth day of December In the yeare of our Lord One thousand Six hundred ffifty and Three by word of Mouth say and Declare as followeth:

That is to say hee gave to the poore people of Langham aforesaid Twenty shillings

- Item hee gave to Anne his wife Two Bedsteads with beddinge and furniture thereunto belonginge And also all other household Goods whatsoever which shee brought with her upon her Marriage with the said John Baxter And also hee further Gave to her Three of his best kyne and also Three Cow pastures in the Common Pasture of Langham aforesaid to bee by her held and enjoyed from May Day until Michaelmas yearly Duringe all the then remainder of the terme of yeares then to come in the Lease of the ffarme hee holds of the Lord Viscount Campden in Langham aforesaid And also he further Gave unto the said Anne his wife four Cart Loads of good Hay Three Cart Loads of Oat Straw Two Quarters of Barley One Cart Load of Coales and one Cart Load of Wood yearly during all the then Remynder of the said Terme of yeares then to come of and in the said Lease to bee freely payd and Delivered yearly unto her att her habitation in Langham aforesaid Duringe all the said Terme by his Executor here named for the Maintenance of his said wife and bringing upp of the four Children which hee then had by his said wife
- Item his will further was that his said wife should have and enjoy the house and Homestead wherin hee then dwelt in Langham aforesaid Soo longe as the said Viscount Campdens Lease should continue if the Owner or Landlords of the said house and Homestead permit her to Continue soo longe therein And that his said Executor During all that tyme shee should continue therein should pay yearly for the Rent of the said house and homestead the Sum of ffourty shillings And in Case his sayde wife could not hold the said house and homestead During all the said Tyme That then his said Executor should pay unto his said wife yearly after his Departure from thence the Sum of Thirty shillings for the providing of her habitacoun elsewhere in lieu thereof During all the then remainder of the said Leasehold of the said Viscount
- Item hee gave unto his four children by his said wife To witt Henry Amie[or Anne?] Dorothy and Elizabeth to every one of them Thirty pounds of lawfull Money to be paid unto them when they shall severally accomplish their severall age of One and Twenty yeares And that if any of the said ffour Children should happen to Depart before his or her said porcoun hee dying should ycome due to bee payde that then the porcoun of him or her soo dying should bee equally payde and divided amongst the rest of his said four Children survivinge
- Item Hee gave and bequeathed unto his eldest Daughter Mary who hee had by his first wife ffourscore pounds of lawfull money of England to bee payd to her when shee should accomplish her full age of Twenty and one yeares or daye of Marriage which of them should first happen And also hee further gave unto his said Daughter Mary All his household goods which her owne Mother brought with her upon her Marriage with him the said John Baxter
- Item hee gave unto the Children of his brother James Baxter ffourty shillings Item hee have unto every one of his other brothers and Sisters Children Twelve pence apeece All the rest of his goods Chattells and Leases whatsoever unbequeathed his Debts Legacyes and ffunerall Charges beinge payd and Discharged hee gave and bequeathed unto his oldest Sonne Thomas Baxter whom hee made his full and Sole Executor of this his last Will and Testament Revoking all former Wills by him formerly made And this hee Declared in the presence of Credible witnesses

Thomas Baxter

William Baxter - The mark of

This nuncupative will was proved att Westminster the Twelfth Day of June In the yeare of our Lord One thousand Six hundred fifty and foure Before the Judges for Probate of Wills and grantings of Administrations lawfully Authorized By the Oath of Thomas Baxter the naturall and lawfull Sonne and Sole Executor Named in the said will To whom was Committed Administracon of all and Singular the goods Chattells and Debts of the said Deceased Hee being first sworne by virtue of a Commission truly to Administer the same.

Robert Bayly of Langham - 1685

NRO will S333

In the Name of God Amen the nine and Twentieth Day of October in the yeare of our Lord God 1685 I Robert Bayly of Langham in the County of Rutd shepperd being sicke and Weake of body but of sound and perfect memory thanks be given to god for the same do ordayne and make this my Last Will and Testament In manner and forme following:

Ffirst I give and bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creater fully trusting and assuredly beliving in and through the merrits and mediation of Jesus Christ my onely Saviour and Redeemer to have full pardon and Remission of all my sins and my body to be buried in the Churchyarde of Langham.

Item I give and bequeath unto my Brother William Bayly my best Coat and britches and a paire of sheaws

Item I give and bequeath unto my kinsman Thomas Burbidg a Coate my blood fleames my blood stick a paire of sheares and a shirt

Item all the Rest of my goods Cattles and Chattles moveable and unmoveable What Soever unbequeathed and not given I give and bequeath unto my Wife Jane Bayly Whome I make full and sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament in Witness whereof I have here unto sett my hand and Seale the day and yeare ffirst above written

Robert Bayly Sealed and Deliv^{er}ed his marke

in the presence of

Tobias Francis

Richard Fracy his marke

Joanna Bayly jurata fuit decimo octavo die Novembris Anno D^m
1685 Coram me Johⁿ Savage Surgat

Henry Bayly of Langham - 1618

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW91 Book IX F320

T. Henrici Bayly de Langham

In the Name of god Amen, the seaventh day of Aprill & in the yeare of our lord god 1618 and in the sixteenth yeare of our soveraigne lord James by the grace of god kinge of England ffraunce & Ireland defender of the faith etc and of Scotland the one & fiftith I Henry Bayly of Langham in the county of Rutland weaver being sicke in bodie but of minde & memory sounde & perfect thanks be given to god almighty do make this to be my last will & testament in manner & forme following first I commend my soule into the handes of all mighty god my Creator & to his sonne Jesus Christ my redeemer & saviour & my bodie to the earth from whence it came & to be buried in the churchyard of Langham

- Item I give to the church of Langham vj^d
- Item I give to my brother William Bayly my best dublet breeches & jerkin that I have and thirty shillings in money
- Item I give to my brother Thomas Bayly my best cloke and my best hatt & all in my shopp that belongeth to my trade except one half stone one two pound stone one pound stone one half pound stone & one woollen shittle the which shittle I give to my prentice
- Item I give to John Bayly the sonne of Thomas Bayly ten shillings in money & to Elizabeth Bayly Thomas Bayly his daughter a matteris a paire of sheetes & two platters one of the greater sort the other of the lesser sort
- Item I give unto my brother Richard East his daughter Ellen one coffer which standeth behinde the parlor dore & one sheete & one pewter platter
- Item I give to Lettice Woodes my goddaughter one porringer & to Mary Sharpe my goddaughter one porringer & to William Ellis my godsonne one dublet one jerkin & one paire of breeches and I give to Jone Bullimer & Sarah Bullymor the daughters of Willm Bullimer either of them one saucer & one porringer
- Item I give to Margaret Hubbard the daughter of Henry Hubbard one pewter candle sticke & to Henry Hubbard & James Hubbard six pence a peece & I give to Anne Beaver one little stoole
- Item the residue of all my goodes chattel & cattell not given & unbequeathed I give to Dorothy my wife who I make my full & sole executrix of this my last will & testament except the rack irons one barre & two hooches one pan one bench bordes over the entry all dore lockes all glasse of the windowes all which things excepted shall remaine to my wife for her life Afterwards they shall remaine to them that have my house & last of all I do make Henry Hubbord & William Bullimer Supravisers of this my last will & testament to see all things performed according to my will and for their paines I give to either of them xij^d

In witness wherof I have put my hand the day & yeare first above written By me Henry Baylie further I give to my brother Thomas Bayly all my land that I have by lease in the land close & to enter of it at Michaelmas next & my wife to pay the rent at michaelmas

- Item I give to my sister Ellen Bayly X^s in money ffurther my will is that all the money that I here have given shall be paid within one yeares space after my decease

Witnesses

Henry Hubbard his marke
Thomas Beaver
W^m Bullimer.

Probatum fuit hoc testamn^{lum} apud Uppingham 17
die Junij Anno Dm 1618 et com^{miss}o est administrato
Executrici in ...
... per me Richardus Johnson surr Cane:

Elizabeth Beagly of Langham - 1633

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW94 Book XII F11

Tm Eliz Beagly mg de Langham

The last will and testament nuncupative of Elizabeth Beagly of Langham in y^e county of Rutland widdow y^e teneth day of December Anno Dm 1633 In primis She comends her soule to god and her body to Christian buryall

Item she gave to Samuel Beagly a bedstead in y^e chamber withal furniture of beding thereunto belonging and to her three Daughters Anne Susan and Joane she gave all y^e rest of her goods equally to be Devided amongst them And of this her last will and testament she made Anne Beagly for her sole executrix y^e Day and yeare above written

Witnesses hereof

Thomas Lloyd clerke
William Bullimore signum
Samuelis Mobray

Probatum fuit ... testamentum nuncupatia
per furamontum Samuel Mowbray
... dicto testamento nominate in ... Juris forma
incat amuli Baccordon decimo nono die Decembris[19th December]
Anno Dm millime sexconmo ... tertio...
... ..
y me Ric Johnson surrogat Cauollarii

FS [
end of line 2 'Christian' is written as the signs chi rho plus 'ian'
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Bartholomew Beaver of Langham - 1681

NRO Peterborough P159

In the name of God Amen The ffive and twentieth day of August in the yeare of or Lord God One thousand Six hundred seaventy & nine I Bartholomew Beaver of Langham in the County of Rut yeoman being Weake of body butt of a sound and perfect memory prayed be God for the same doe mak & ordaine this my last will & Testament in manner & forme ffollowing Committing my Soule into the hands of Almighty God that gave it me hoping through the meritts of my dear Saviour Jesus Christ to Receive life everlasting And my body to be buried in the Church or Churchyard of Langham aforesaid at the Discretion of my Executors hereafter named And as for & Concerning that Worldly Estate that it hath pleased God to bless me Withall I give & bequeath as ffolloweth

- ffirst I give & bequeath unto Joane Coleman wife of George Coleman of the City of London Twenty shillings to be paid with in one yeare after my decease
- Item I give & bequeath unto Ann Preistman of Thurlby in th County of Lincolne fforty shillings to be payd within one yeare after my decease
- Item I give & bequeath unto my Grandson William Wimberly Ten pounds to be paid within one yeare after my decease
- Item I give & bequeath unto my Grandchild Elizabeth Wimberley ffive & Twenty pounds to be paid Within one yeare after my decease
- Item I give & bequeath unto my other Grandchildren Thomas Wimberley Bartholomew Wimberley Ann Wimberley & Rose Wimberley Twenty pound a peice to be paid Within one yeare after my decease And my will & pliasure is that the afore sd Six severall Legacies given by me to my said six Grandchildren as aforesaid shall be putt forward Improved & imployed from the time of payment theirof as aforesaid by Son in Law William Wimberley to the best advantage of my said Six Grandchildren and the survivours and survivor of them until their Respective Ages of one and Twenty yeares or Dayes of marriage which shall first happen And my further Will is that in case any of my said Grandchildren shall happen to dye before his or her Legacy shall become due as aforesaid that then and in such Case the Legacy or Legacyes of such of them that shall so dye shall goe to and be paid and equally devided Amongest the survivors and survivor of them And in Case that none of my said Grandchildren shall live until the aforesaid Legacies shall become due as aforesaid then my Will & pleasar is that the said six severall Legacies shall be and Remaine in the hands of my said son in Law William Wimberley his Executors and Adminstrators to whome I give and Dispose the same to his and their proper use benefit;
- Item I give and bequeath unto my son in Law John Hack all my leasehold lands and tenemts in Langham aforesaid in the said County of Rutl Except the house which John Holmes lives in to hold to the said John Hack his Executors Administrators & assignes in as Large a manner as I might hold and Enjoy the same
- Item I give and bequeath all my household goods Lynings pewter & brass and utincells of household Whatever in and about my Dwelling house in Langham aforesaid unto my Daughter Mary Hack hir Executors and Administrators
- Item I give unto my foure Grandchildren Elizabeth Hack Mary Hack Grace Hack and An Hack Twenty pounds a piece to be paid within one yeare after my Decease And to be from the tyme of paymt as aforesaid putt forward Improved and Imployed by my said Son in Law John Hack to the best Advantage of my said ffoure Grandchildren Elizabeth Hack Mary Hack Grace Hack & An Hack untill they shall attayne to their severall Ages of one And Twenty yeares or Dayes of Marriage Which shall first happen, And my further Will and pleasar is that in Case either of my said ffour Last named Grandchildren shall happen to Dye before hir or theire Legacyes shall become due or aforesaid that then and in such case the Legacy or Legacyes of them that shall so Dye shall go to and be paid to the survivors or survivor of them my said Grandchildren Elizabeth Hack Mary Hack Grace Hack An Hack And in case all ffour of my Last named Grandchildren shall happen to dye before their Respective Legacy or Legacyes shall become due as aforesaid that then & in such Case I give & bequeath the said ffour Legacyes Last menconed unto my Son in Law John Hack and Mary his wife their Executors and Administrators

And all the Rest of my goods and Chattells hereby unbequeathed my Debts and funeral Charges being first payd I give and bequeath unto my said two sonns in Lawe William Wimberley and John Hack Whome I make the Joynt Executors of this my Last will and Testament hereby Revokeing all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made

In Wittness whereof I the said Bartholomew Beaver have to this my Last Will and Testament sett to my hand and Seale the Day and yeare first above written

- Item my will and pleasure is before the sealing and Delivery of the presence that What ever Charges may be sustained or Lose in the monies belonging to Each of my Executors Childrens porsons That my son William Wimberley shall beare share proporsionable to the number of his Children

Signed sealed published - Bartholomew Beaver and Declared in the presence of

Tobias ffrancis

Jane Francis

her marke

Tobias ffrancis Junior

Elizabeth [?????ington] her marke

12 April 1681
Probatum fuit ... testamtm ... juramti
Willi Wimberly & John Hack Executorii
.....
. urat coram me
Tho: Pinfold

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Bartholomew Beaver s/o Thomas bapt. Langham 29/11/1606. Thomas buried 1659, his tomb is still in Langham churchyard
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William Beiston of Langham - 1602

NRO Peterborough ~ MW89 BookVII F 225

Testamentum William Beiston De Langham in County Rutlande Ano Dom 1602

In the name of god Amen The eleventh daye of Maye And in the foure & forteth yeare of the Raigne of our Soverigne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace of god of Englande ffraunce & Irelande Queene Defender of the faith etc I William Beiston of Langham in the County of Rutlande yeoman beinge in Bodie sicke & in extreme payne but of minde & memory sounde & perfecte thanks be given to god do make this my last will & Testamente in manner & forme followinge

- firste I Comende my Soule into the handes of Almightye god who gave it And to his sonne Jesus Christe my only saviour & Redeemer & my bodie to the earthe from whence it came & to be buried in the Churche of Langham
- Item I give to the pore in Langham ten shillings in money
- Item I give unto my Sonne William one hundred pounds in money: And that my Wives father shall have the gardianshippe of him & the hundred poundes to be put forthe to his use & to keepe him at Scoole until such tyme as yt shalbe able to use it himselfe:
- Item I give to my mother Ales Beeston one of my beste hives with bees which she will chose herselfe
- Item I give to everye of my servants iij^s iij^d a peece
- Item all the Residue of goods cattle & chattelles moveable & unmoveable whatsoever I have not given & bequeathed I give unto Ales my wife whome I make my full & sole Executrix of this my last will & Testamente: And she to discharge all things in and aboute conerninge this my Will And for the better performance of this my Will I desire my father in law Edwarde Forman yeoman and my Cosen John Beeson yeoman to be supervisors intruste to se that althinges be done accordinge to my true meaninge & they to have for their paynes ether of them one Angell

In witness wheirof I have subscribed my name the daye & yeare above Written By me

W^m Beeston

Witnesses

Richard Berket Minister [Curate]
Robert Watkin
Edwarde fforman

Probatum fuitPeterborough ?ricesimo die Septembrio Ano Dui 1602

Thomas Berrye of Langham - 1587

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW88

T. Thome Berry de Langham

In nomine dei amen the xxvjth daye of februarye in the yeare of oure Lorde god 1587 I Thomas Berrye of Langham in the Countye of Rutlande husbandman beinge sicke in bodye and in good memorye doe make this my laste will and Testamente in manner and forme followinge

ffirste I comitt my soule into the handes of god my maker and redemer who died for me desiringe god to receave my soule into the his everlastinge kingdome and my body to be buried in the Churche yarde of Langham

I will that all my goods and Cattelles moveable and unmoveable be equally devided amongste my Children and my wife after my debtes payde and my funeral expences discharged

I also make and ordayne Anne my wife and William my sonne my full executors of this my laste will and Testamente

Witnesses

John Oliver

John Bullimer

William fe[c?]^ye [Fracye]

Richarde Berrie

William Meaplye and their marks.

Richard Berye of Langham - 1599

NRO ~ MW89 Vol VII F92

T. Richard Berye de Langham

In dei nom^mine Amen the xxxth of September and in the xljth ^[sic] yeare of the raigne of our soveraigne Lady Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffrance & Ireland Queene Defendrer[sic] of the faith etc witnesseth that Richard Bery of Langham in the County of Rutl Husbandman beinge in body sicke, but in minde & memory sounde & perfect thanks be given to thalmighty god Doe make this my laste will and testam^t in this order, first I comend my soule into the hands of the almighty god my Creato^r, & to Jhesue Christe my onely & alone Saviour & Redemer & my body to thearth from whence it came & to be buried in the churchyarde of Langham.

- Item I give to the Cathedrall Church of Peterboroughe two pence
- Item I give to the repaire of the Church of Langham three shillings foure pence
- Item I give to Nicholas Bery my godsonne & nephewe twelve pence
- Item I give to Johane Swan my godchild vj^d
- Item I give to Richard Bery my sonne eight poundes in money
- Item I give to Margaret Bery my Daughter six poundes thirteen shillings foure pence.
- Item I give to John Berye my sonne the whole estate & interest in Langham, w^h is the house & that ~~that~~ ^[?] in halfe yard land, wth halfe a meyne & land that I have in possession. Item further I give to my sonne John twelve striks of pease, & six strik of barley
- Item all the residue of my goodes moveable & immoveable I give to Margaret my wife beinge not given & bequeathed who I make my full & sole Executrix of my last will & testam^t And she to pay my Debtes & legaces & bringe my body honestly to the grounde. And that my will shalbe performed I Doe make John Gray & my nephewe William Bery to be my faithfull Superviso^{rs} in truste, and to see that all thinges be Done acordinge to my true meaninge, and they to have three shillings betwixt them

In witness whereof I have putto my hand the day & yeare above written.

- Item further I give to Margaret my wife and sole Executrix of this my laste will & testam^t from my sonne John Bery one halfe coves pasture for this yeare to come, and two roodes of arrable land in two feildes for two yeares to come; and one roode of meadow in Westmore for two yeares to come, And her dwellinge in the kitchen for two yeares, wthoute payeinge any rent but kepinge of it in repaire etc

Witnesses:

John Gray
Willm Bery
Richard Birket - writer, Minister [Curate]

Probatum fuit hoc pu[?]s testamtm apud Peterborough xxvij Die menses ffebruarij Ano
Dm 1599 [five more lines]

Margaret Birkett of Langham - 1624

Northants Film copy Book X F 224

In the Name of god Amen The one & Thirtieth day of July in the two & Twentieth yeare of the Raygne of our Soverange Lord James by the grace of god of England ffrance & Irelande King Defender of the faith etc and of Scotland the eight & ffiftieth [-oct-sseth?] that I Margaret Berkett [Birkett] of Langham in the County of Rutland widowwe being in body sicke but both of mind and memory sound & perfect thanks be given to the Allmightie God Doo make this my last will & Testament in manor and forme following

- Ffirst I commend my Soule into the hands of the Allmightie god my Creator & maker, and to his sonne Jesus Christ my only Creator & Redeemer, And my body to the earth from whence yt camb And to be buried in the Churchyard of Langham
- Item I give to Sarah Stotton [Stretton] one madonblush petticoat one charger and one candolsticte
- Item I give to Willm Strotton [Stretton] Twenty shillings in money
- Item I give to Mary Pepper five shillings in money and one Bason
- Item I give to the poore of Langham ten shillings of money
- Item I give to the church of Langhame two shillings
- Item I give to Susan [?]imson one [covered] one little Chubbard and five shillings in money
- Item I give to all my godchildren Twelve pence apiece
- Item I give to Richard Burgges my Cuzen Twenty shillings in money
- Item I give to Issabell Hawkinos of ffrebey my cozen Twenty shillings in money
- Item I give to Jesper Pitt all the grass that growth of[?] my Head[----?] the last yeares of my Lease
- Item I give to Willm [N]unicke of Barlythorpe my Cozen all the residue of my goods not given who I make my sole Executor of this my Last Will & Testament and he to pay my [-----] with my funeral expenses bringing my body honestly to the ground and for the better performance of this my Will according to my true meaning

I Desire Thomas Baxter & Willm Strotton [Stretton] to be my Supervisors they to have for there paynes Twelve pence apeece

In witness whereof I have putte my name & mark the day & yeare first above written Per me Margarit Birkitt her marke

Witnesses

Thomas Beaver [Script]

Willm Strotton [William Stretton]

Jesper Pites

Probatum fuit ----- quarto die August 1624

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Rutland Marriage Index. Oakham 15/8/1593. Richard Birkett Curate of Langham married Margarett Webstar at Oakham

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See Archdeacon Irons notes for Langham

1593 ND Cur Richard Birkett creates a scandal with a certain Mary Weete [Margarett Webstar] & promises to marry her before St Bartholomew Day [24th August]

1593 Aug 13 Richard Birkett & Mary Weete Marriage

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Thomas Blaby of Langham - 1717

NRO Peterborough ~ Y 295

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Blaby of Langham in the County of Rutland yeoman being weak of body but of Sound and perfect memory praised be God for the Same doo make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say:

- Ffirst** I commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping through his mercy and the merits of my onely Saviour Jesus Christ to have full pardon of all my Sins and my body I committ to the earth to be decently interred att the discretion of my Executrix hereinafter named and as touching my temporall Estate I give and dispose thereof as followeth
- Imprimis** I give and bequeath unto William Adcocke Sarah Adcocke and Mary the Wife of William Smith Son and Daughters of my Sister Mary Adcocke the Sum of Two shillings and Sixpence apiece
unto Samuel Blaby Son of my Brother William Blaby the like Summ of Two Shillings and Sixpence apiece
unto Mary Nickalls Daughter of my Sister Sarah Nickalls the like Sum of two shillings and Sixpence
and unto Thomas porter Elizabeth the wife of Adam Walker and Hannah the wife of William Edgeson the like Summ of two shillings and Sixpence apiece
- Item** I give and bequeath unto Samuel Adcocke of Okeham in the said County of Rutland yeoman and to Samuel Adcocke of Barlythorp in the County aforesaid Grazier and to their Executors and Administrators and the Executors and Administrators of the Survivor of them the Summ of fifty pounds of lawfull money of Great Britain which I have out att interest upon bond together with all the increase and proceed thereof that now is or hereafter shall be due upon Speciall trust and confidence and to the intent and purpose that the same shall be disposed off and paid by my said Trustees their Executors and Administrators to and for the use of Ann my loveing Wife for her life as she shall have occasion for the same and as my said Trustees their Executors and Administrators shall see convenient And after her decease the Remainder there of to be paid, if any Such remainder shall be, by my Said Trustees their Executors and Administrators to and for the use of my said Kinsman Samuel Blaby, at his age of One and twenty years But if the Said Samuel Blaby shall attaine to the said age and my Said Wife be then living then my will and desire is and I doo hereby order and appoint that my Said Trustees their Executors and Administrators shall pay unto my said Kinsman Samuel Blaby soe much of the said ffifty pounds as they shall think convenient but in case my said Kinsman Samuel shall dye before the age aforesaid then my will and desire further is that such remainder thereof if any shall be, after my said wifes decease and the charges of the said trust deducted, shall be paid and divided to and amongst my relations herein before mentioned at the discrecion of my said Trustees their Executors and Administrators
- Item** I give unto my said Wife Ann all my household goods and implements of household and personall Estate whatsoever unbequeathed and undisposed off she paying all my debts legacys and funerall Expences and the charges touching the executeing of this my last will & testament:

And I doe hereby make and ordain Ann my Said Wife Sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament hereby revokeing all former wills by me made In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this Three and Twentyeth day of May in the Third year of the Reigne of our Sovraigne Lord George by the grace of God King of Great Britain etc Annog

FS [

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... 1717

...ed published and declared to be the last will and
... of the said Testator in the presence of us and the marke of
... in the presence of the said Testator

...lby
Rich^d Heath
Samuel Hearth

William Bloomfield - 1693

Northants RO Peterborough ~ Y 128

In the name of God Amen the fourth day of January in the yeare of our Lord God 1693 I William Bloomfield of Langham in the County of Rutl. Being weak of body butt of sound and perfect Memory thanks be to God And being desirus to settle things in order do ordaine and make this my Last Will and testament in Manner and forme following

- First I bequeath my Soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creator fully trusting and assuredly believing in and through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ my only Saviour and Redeemer to have full pardon and Remission of all my sins And my body to be buried at the discretion of my Executrix
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving wife Ann Bloomfield all my freehold Estate and Land at Tharpe Sedvill Alis Tharpe Sedchfield in the County of Leicester during the term of her naturall Life And after her decease my will and pleasure is that I give and bequeath my freehold Estate and Land aforesaid in Tharpe Sedgvill Alis Tharpe Sedgfield afore said unto my foure daughters viz to Ann Bloomfield Elizabeth Bloomfield Mary Bloomfield and Ellinor Bloomfield to be equally divided amongst them co heirs of the said Estate in Tharpe Sedgvill alis Tharpe Sedfield aforesaid
- Item my will and pleasure is that if my Wife Ann Bloomfield keepe herself a widow and Marry not that then I shall Leave my foure Childrens portions to be given at her desposn and Discretion what shee shall give to each of them Butt if my Wife Ann Bloomfield marry again And take another Husband that then I give and bequeath unto my foure daughters that is to say Ann Bloomfield Elizabeth Mary and Elinor Bloomfield ten pounds a peece to be paid to them when they come to their severall ages of one and twenty years
- Item all the Rest of my goods Cattles and Chattles Whatsoever Moveable and Unmoveable unbequeathed and not given I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Ann Bloomfield whom I make full and sole Exectrix of this my Last Will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seal this day and yeare first above written.

William Bloomfield his mark

Witnesses

Tobias ffrancis
William Pepper
Mary Dalby her mark
Bridgitt Pepper

Memorandum before the Sealing hereof

- Item my Will and pleasure is that the Child which my Wife is now big withall if when it is borne it be a daughter that then my Will And pleasure is that shee shall coheire with the Rest of my Daughters above named in my Land and freehold Estate in Tharpe Sedgfeild alis Tharpe Setchfeild above specified And my Wife Ann Bloomfield shall give unto her the said daughter now unborne if shee the said Ann Bloomfield my Wife Marry againe and after my decease take another husband Ten pounds to be paid to her my said daughter now unborne when shee shall come to the Age of one and twenty years Butt if the Child my wife is now withall when it is borne be a son That then my will And pleasure is That after the decease of My wife Ann Bloomfeild And the bringing up of all my Children in their Minorrity, That I give unto my said son now unbourne And to his heires for ever all that my Land and freehold Estate in Tharpe Sedgfeild alis Tharpe Setchfeild in the County of Leicester aforesaid And my Will and pleasure is that my said son now unbourne When he shall come to the full possession and enjoyment of my said Land in Tharpe Sedgvill alis Tharpe Sedgfeild after the decease of my Wife his Mother and the bringing up of all my Children in their Minorrity That then Within one yeare after my Will and pleasure is And I doe give and bequeath unto my foure daughters above specified Ten pounds ^{apeece} to be paid by my Son out of the Land and freehold Estate which I have given him in Tharpe Sedgvill alis Tharpe Setchfeild aforesaid That is to pay to Ann Bloomfeild ten pound to Elizabeth Bloomfeild ten pounds to Mary Bloomfeild Ten pounds And to Ellinor Bloomfeild ten pounds And I do hereby publish Rattifie Seale And Confirme this to be parte of my Last Will and Testament in as full and Ample Manner to all intents and purposes as any parte thereof above written In the presence of

Tobias ffrancis
William Pepper
Bridget pepper
Mary Dalby her marke

Octob' 20^o 1694 Jurata fuit Anna Bloomfeild de verit Hujusmⁱ Testam^{ti} et bonii Defuncti fideliter administrandii coram me Sam: Saunders Surrog:

Edward Brisco of Langham - 1666

NRO Peterborough ~ N27

In the name of God Amen December the Sixteenth in the Seaventeenth yeare of the Raigne of our Sovereigne Lord Charles the second by the grace of god of England Scotland France & Ireland, King Defender of the faith etc.

I Edward Briscoe of Langham in the County of Rutland gent being weake in body but of perfect memory doe make constitute & ordyne this my last will & Testament in manner & forme following:

- First I give my soul to god who gave it me & my body to be buryed in the Chappell of Langham.
- Item I give to my loving wife Priscilla Briscoe all that messuage or Tenement that I now live in with all the closes arrable lands meadow & pastures & cottages with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging during the terme of her naturall life.
- Item I give unto my Uncle M^r William Briscoe two shillings & six pence; & to every one of his children twelve pence apeece.
- Item I give to my sister Mary Sanders five shillings
- Item I give & Devise to my cosen William Clarke clerke (*immediately after the Decease of my said wife Priscilla*) all that messuage or tenement that I now live in with all the closes, arable lands meadow & pasture & cottages with all the appurtances thereunto belonging to have & to hold to him the said William Clarke his heyres & assignes for ever & my will is that hee pay five pounds to my sister Elizabeth Beaver
- Item I give to my Cosen Roger Clarke ten shillings to my Godson Phillip Beaver ten shillings.
- Item I give to my God Daughter Mary Russell five pounds to bee payd within ten years after my Decease or at the decease of my wife
- Item my will is that my Cosens Mr William Willcocks of Ashwell the younger, James Hubbard, Thomas Russell, Roger Clarke doe carry mee to my place of buryall
- Lastly I give and bequeath to my said wife Priscilla all my goods & chattels, bills, & bonds whatsoever whom I doe appoynt & make the sole executrix of this my last will & testament & I doe hereby make voyd & null all former wills by mee made.

Witness my hand & seale this 16th of Dec 1665

Edward Briscoe Sealed signed read published & declared

in the presence of us

W^m Clarke
Thomas Russell
Roger Clarke

Probatum fuit hoc Testamentum apud Whitwell nono dia Septembris
Anno dominj 1666 & commisa fuit

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... .. coram me Tho [Frara?] [Fracye or Frarye] surrogat

Edward Briscoe of Langham - 1632

NRO Peterborough ~ MW94 Book XII F81

Tm Edwardi Briscoe de Langham

In the name of God Amen I Edward Briscoe of Langham in y^e county of Rutland gent being sicke in body but of good and perfect remembrance I thanke my god doe make this my last will and testament, And first I bequeath my Soule into y^e hands of Jesus Christ my only lord and Saviour hoping onely by Fayth in him to receive remission of all my Sinnes and resurreccion of my body on y^e last Day, and that my body at y^e last Day and that my body should be buryed in y^e Church of Langham aforesaid

And as for my worldly goods and Chattells whatsoever which y^e lord hath made me steward of upon earth I give and bequeath as followeth

Imprimis I give to ye Church of Langham ten shillings

Item I give unto ye poore of Langham twenty shillings

Item I give unto Mr Looyd twenty shillings

Item I give unto Edward Briscoe my oldest sonne all my houses and land and tenements in Langham aforesayd with all and singular the moveables within ye house to seaze and enter upon them soo soone Bee as he shall accomplish the age of one And twenty years and not before and my will is y^t he shall pay unto or give beloved wife Luce Briscoe ten pounds yearly during her natural life out of y^e sayd lands or three score pounds in hand whatever he shall think best for himselfe and estate

Item I give unto my sonne Daniel Briscoe one hundred and fifty pounds to be payd him when he shall accomplish y^e age of one & twenty;

Item my will y^s that if the Child my wife y^s now with live and bee A sonne that he shall have an hundred pound payd him when he shall accomplish ye age of [looks like ~~eighteen yeares~~] one and twenty yeares and If y^t be A Daughter then to have A hundred markes pay^d her when she shall accomplish y^e age of eighteen yeares or upon y^e Day of her marriage which shall first happen

All y^e rest of my goods and Chattells not given and bequeathed I give unto my beloved wife Luce Briscoe shee paying all my Debts legacies and funeral Charges whatsoever and bringing up my Children before named until they accomplish their severalll ages aforesayd whom I make my sole Executrix

And for y^e trust I repose in M^r William Gibson of Barleythorpe Esq^r

John Briscoe my brother

John Heard of Ashwell yeoman

Toby Wilcockes of Ashwell ye same chandler

I Doo intreat them and every of them to be supervisors of this my last will and testament desureing their care in seeing executed and performed all this my last will [think following words are crossed out] and to ayd and help my Executrix in y^e in y^e manageing of my estate and in y^e imploying of y^t to y^e good of my children and for their paines I give unto them twenty shillings apiece In witness whereof I have here unto set my hand ye first Day of May in y^e eight yeare of the raigne of our Sovereigne Lord Charles by y^e grace of god of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland king defender of y^e faith

Anno Dm 1632 Edw Briscoe

Witness hereunto

Tho^s Looyd [Minister]

William Ives

Probatum fuit testamtm cora

Thoma Looyd

[four more lines but there is no date]

John Browne of Langham - 1570

NRO Peterborough ~ MW87 Vol III F29

Testamentum Johis Browne de Langham

In the name of god amen the xxvij daie of Januarii in the twelfte yeare of the raigne of our Sovereigne Ladie Elizabeth Quene of England ffrance and Ireland defender of the ffaith etc wittneseth that I John Browne of Langham in the countie of Ruttd husbandman am in the parishe of Okhame sicke in bodie but wholl in mynde and memorie doo make this my last will & testament in manner and forme ffollowing

first I geve and bequeath my soule into the handes of almightie god and my bodie to be buried in the churchyard of Langham in the parishe of Okhame,

Item I geve and bequeth to my Cosin John Browne and my wiffe Sysley all the wholl lease of my howse they twoo to paie my dettes betwixt them, also geve to my wiffe twoo neate with the pastures to them as long as she doth kepe her widow, yff she marie the all to go to the above named John Browne

Also I will that my wiffe yff she marie and doo not keep howse wth John Browne my Cosin then she to depart frome him wth halfe the crope of the wholl farme

Item I geve and bequeth to John Browne my Cosin and my wiffe betwixt them my six horses and maires to occupie wth together and yff my wiffe marrie then she to take ij of them wch she will and my Cosin John Browne the rest of them

also I geve to my Cosin John Browne and my wiff betwixt them the ij cartes the new cart wth the new tree to my Cosin John Browne and the old carte wth the olde Tree to my wiffe but yff my wiffe kepe her widowe then she to have as good parte in all as he as long as they occupie together

Also I will that the above named sowe there lands wth this wholl crope that is in the yard and that wch is left to parte it equally betwixt them both in even and equall portions,

Item I geve and bequeth Cosin Marjorie Browne ij ewes and ij lambes,

Item I geve and bequeath to my wife three theves and one lambe of the best wch she will chuse,

I geve to Richard fraye one lambe,

I geve to Thomas Phillpott and John Phillpott one lambe betwixt them

Also I geve and bequeath my Cosin Marjorie Browne one halfe acre of wheat for vij years yearly, John Browne and my wife to sowe it for her also I geve to my cosin Marjorie xxis for that money I owe her, John Browne and my wife to paie her yt betwixt them both,

Item I geve & bequeath to my Cosin Marjorie Browne one Rode of Barley yearly as long as my lease serveth,

Item I geve to James Hutchinson my godson iiijd

I geve to Thomas Sharpe my godson iiijd

I geve to my goddaughter at littleborowes iiijd

I geve to my wife my best coffer and my Cosin Margerie the next

I geve to my wife my best covered and my Cosin margerie the best next,

I geve to my wife bothe my mattresses

I geve to my Cosin Marjorie my best kettle

I geve to my Cosin John Browne one table and one chaire when my wiffe his aunt partith from him

I geve to my Cosin John Browne my neathowse hovel and my wife the other hovel to laie their Corne upon

Item I will that my v neat pastures be equally parted betwixt my Cosin John and my wiffe, Also I will that all my closes be equally parted and devided betwixt them twoo, also I geve to my wyffe yff She departe frome my Cosin John ij halfe acres yearly whylest my lease servith and halfe an ~~am~~ acre in the high medowe,

Allso I geve to my wife Cecillie and my Cosin margorie one cowe Betwixt them both

Allso I will that my wife geve my Cosin margerie one paire of shetes of terrihempe

Item I geve and bequeath to my cosin John Browne one paire of harden shetes, Allso I will that and my wiffe be calld out of this world that then my wiffe geve and returne iij half acres unto my Cosin John Browne one the next of the other acre whether my wyffe will geve it

Allso I geve unto Als Lambe one Roode of Barley yerly contynuing the tearme of my Lease my Cosin John Browne and my wife to sowe it plowe it for her

Also I geve to the church of Langham xxd

I geve to my Cosin John Browne my best coote and my best hoose

All the Rest of my goodes unbequethed I geve to my wiffe Cecillie whom I make executrix wth my executor John Brown they to paie my dettes to see my legacies Discharged my bodie honestly Brought to the ground In wittnesse hereof I the forsaid John Browne have setto my hand to this my last will and testament in the presente of these

Gregorie Phillipott
John howle
James Hubberd cum alijs

Propbatum fuit hoc
coram eodem in ora
..... Ano Dm 1570

FS [

theve female sheep of a particular age; a ewe of one or two years that has not had a lamb

Al Alice? also MF [Alce]

terrihempe I would expect this to say towe hemp but the letters are terri as far as we can tell

Littleborowes There is a place named Littleborough south of Gainsborough which is a possibility

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Richard Browne of Langham - 1557

NRO Peterborough ~ MW13 F143 W270

Testatm Rici Browne de Langham

In ye name of god amen/ the yere of or lord god 1557o the xvijth day of Aprill/ I Richarde Browne of langham in the countie of Rutlande husbandman beint in good mynde & perfect remembrance mak my last will & testament in maner and forme following. Ffirst I bequethe my soule to almightie god & to all the holy companye in heaven/& my bodie to be buried in the churche yard of peter & paule of langham above said

Item bequethe to the mother churche of peterborowe ijd

Item bequethe to the reparaconn of Langham churche ijd

Item bequethe to John Browne the elder my sone a horse fole j half acre of barley half an acre of pease a cart bodie & xs in money

Item bequethe to Amye Browne my Daughter a yong heifer a ewe & a lambe

Item bequethe to Elizabeth Browne my Daughter j yonge heifer j ewe & one lambe

Item bequeath to John Browne the yonger my sone a Dun colt and an ewe & a lambe

Item beqethe to Willm Browne my sone a blacke fillie j ewe & a lambe

The Residue of all my goodes not bequethed I gyve & bequethe to Margarett my wife whom I mak my executrix to dispose for my sowle & all FS[I think the next word is abbreviation for "Christian"] soules

Witnes

William gan curate

humfrey Cotton

Willm Bery

Ric. Roc[?] wt other mooe

probatn fuit xijo de Decembris Ao dm
1557o ... administration comissage fuit
executrix Galbo Jure crimsr... etc

William Bull of Langham - 1685

NRO ~ S 321

In the name of god amen I William Bull of Langham in the County of Rutland yeoman being sick in body but sound and parfect of Mind and memory I prayes god for it, doo make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme ffollowing, first I give and bequeathe my Soule into the hand of almighty god my Creator and Redeemer hoping through the Merritts of Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer to be saved and my Body to be buried in Christian burial att the discesion of my Executrix and for that little estate it hath pleased god to bestow upon mee I dispose of a ffolloweth

Imp^r I give and bequeathe to my Daughter Elizabeth Bull Twenty pounds to be paid to her when shee shall accomplish the age of One and Twenty years

Item I give to my Sonne Thomas Bull Twenty pounds ^{to be paid} when hee shall accomplish the age of One and Twenty yeares and if it shall happen that if any of my Two Children depart this life before they doo accomplish the age of One and Twenty years then it is my Will that that Child which is living then shall have both the Twenty pounds

All the Rest of my goods Cattle and Chattles Ready money Moveable and unmoveables whatsoever unbequeathed my debts and legacies being paid and funeral expences discharged I give to Ellinor my loveing Wife whom I make full and soule executrix of this my last will and Testament revokeing all former wills by mee made In wittnes where of I have here unto sett my hand and seale the Two and Twentieth day of October in the yeare of our Lord god One Thousand Six hundred eighty and five

Sealed & delivered - Will Bull [it doesn't say that he made a mark, but there is a mark next to his name]

in the p^{re}sents of

ffrancis Edgson

Robert ffinn his Marke

frances Hile[s]

Supra nominate Eleanera Bull Relicta Gulielmi Bull & Executrix
huius Testmenti jurata est Feb. 10 die Anno D^m 1685 p me
Johan Savage Surgat

Agnes Bullemore of Langham - 1582

NRO Peterborough ~ MW88 Book V F26

T Agneris Bullymere 1582

In the name of the Eternall god Amen the xvijth day of April I Agnes Bullymore of Langhame within the Countye of Rutlande wydowe beinge in bodye sycke But in mynde sounde and of memorye perfecte thanks be given to Almightye God Doe mak this my laste Will and Testamente in manner and forme following. Ffirst I comende my soule into the handes of god whoe gave ytt And to his sonne Christe whoe hathe redeemed ytt, And my bodye to the earthe from whence ytt came.

Item I gyve the beste Lambe hogge that I have to the repaire of the Church of Langhame soe that a yearlye proffytte maye Redounde to the use of the said Church accordinge to The discretion of the inhabytants;

Item I gyve to my Daughter Joane Walingtone the beste bedd coveringe one pyed heyfer one olde cubbard A Roode of Barley And a Roode of pease presentlie to be delyvered after my death

Item I give to John Bullymor the younger the beste halfe Acre of Barley that I have

Item I gyve to Katheryne Leadbeater one calderne

Item I gyve to John Leadbeater An ewe

Item I gyve to Williame Leadbeater an Ewe

Item I gyve to Agnes Leadbeater one Lambe hogge

Item I gyve to Joane Leadbeater one lambe hogge

Item I gyve to my sonne John Bullymores wife the beste kerchuffe I have

Item I gyve to my Daughter Joyce Leadbeater one Roode of Barley And another of pease

Item I gyge to my Sister Leiffe of Uppinghame a kerchiffe, A Bayle, And to [abbreviated, think it is Katherine] Leiffe her Daughter I gyve a calderne of a gallone to be Delyv^{er}d presentlie after my deathe

Item I gyge to Williame Leverett And his Daughter one strik of Barley And Another of pease presentlie after my Deathe

Item I gyve a strik of Barley to be devyded amongste Thomas Berries children

The Resydewe of all my goodes movable and unmovable nott gyven and bequeathed I gyve and bequeathe to Laureunte Leadbeater my Daughters Daughter who I mak my full and sole Executrix of this my laste will and testament and shee to cause my bodye honestlie to be brought to the grounde payeinge all manner of chardges and funerall expense whatsoever ys or shalbe done about this my Will.

And for the better performance thereof I constitute and appoynte my sonne John Bullymore to be my ffaithfull supervisor of this my laste will and testament to see that all things be performed accordinge to my true meaninge In Wittnes whereof I have sett my marks the Daye and yere first above wryton

ffurther I gyve to the poore in Langham xij^d

and to the mendinge of the high waye viij^d

By me Agnes Bullymor

wytnes

Robt R Burkett warden MF [Curate]

Thomas berry

James Jackesone

Probatin fuit Testm.....

Laurencie Leadbeater exec in ordinary

FS [

I am told that the name in the probate grant is the feminine of Laurence so accords with there being a girl called Laurence in the will

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Richard Bullimer of Langham - 1639

In dei nomine Amen I Richard Bullimer of Langham in the County of Rutland husbandman being sick in body but sound and whole in mind and memory (thanks be given to God for yt) do ordain and make this my last and testament the eleventh day of April Anno Dm 1639 in manner and forme as followeth; Imprimie I give and bequeath my soule to Almighty God my maker and Creator and my body to be buried in the Church of Langham.

- Item I give to my daughter **Anne** thirty pounds to be payd her either on ye day of her marriage or when she shall accomplish ye age of five and twenty which shall come first;
- Item I give to my two daughters **Elizabeth** and **Mary** twenty pounds apiece to be payd them when ythey shall accomplish ye age of three and twenty;
- Item I give to my daughter **Frances** ten pounds to be payd her at ye age of twenty yeares and one little cottage or tenamt now in occupation of **Susane Boagley and Joane Boagly** which she shall enter upon when she shall accomplish ye age of twenty;
- Item I give to **John Bullimer my sonne** ye lease of that house or messuage wherein I now dwell with all things therein expressly to enter upon it when he shall accomplish ye yeares of foure and twenty;
- Item I give him another house or messuage now in the occupation of **Bartholomew Riddle** and all the land there unto belonging which was given to me by my **brother John Bullimer** Deceased to enter when he shall accomplish ye age of foure and twenty if my wife be then deceased; but if she then be living there he shall not enter till she depart this natural life And if ye sayd John my sonne shall depart shall depart this life before he accomplish the age of foure and twenty then I will that the living wherein I now live be equally divided amongst my daughters then living as alsoe that house and land which was given me by my brother John Bullimer at such time as he ye sayd John Bullimer my sonne should have accomplished ye yeares of foure and twenty; If my wife be then dead but if she be living then they shall not enter upon that messuage and land till my wife departe this natural life;
- Item I give to my **brother William Bullimer** one lamb hogg;
- Item I give to **Mr Flood** ten shillings whom I intreat to preach for me at my buryall

The rest of all my goods and chattels moveables and immoveables not given and bequeathed I give to **Alice my wife** whom I make sole executrix of this my last will and testament she paying all my debts legacies and funeral expenses bringing my body decently to ye ground And for the love and trust I repose in

Mr Flood **MF [Curate]**

Thomas Beaver

William Bullimer

I intreat them to be supervisors of my will to see that all things be don according to ye true meaning and purport of me the testator And for there paynes I give them twelve pence apiece

In Witness thereof I have hereunto sette my hand ye day and yeare first above written

Richard Bullimer his mark

witness

Thomas Gooyd

William Bullimer his mark

William Guillam his mark

John Bullimor of Langham - 1681

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In nomine Dei Amen I John Bullimor of Langham in the county or Rutland Husband Man being sicke in body but sound and whole in minde and memory thanks be given to god for it Doe ordaine and Make this my last Will and testament ye fifte day of Aprill Anno Dom 1681 in Manner and forme as followeth.

Imprimis I give and bequeth my soule to allmighty god my Maker and Creator and my body to be buried in ye Church yarde of Langham.

Item I give to Mary my wife the [blot] leases all that belongeth to the field and towne. Soe longe as shee keepe her Selfe widow, If Shee should change or Marrie againe. Then I give to my sonne John Bullimer halfe that shee hath,

Item I give to John thorpe five shillings

I have given to Mary My Wife whom I make sole executer and of this my last will and testament She paying all my Debts and legacies

In Witnes whereof I have hereunto set My hand & seale ye day and yeare above written

John Bullimer

John thorpe
ffran Dalbye
William Meale

Quinto die Maij 1681

Probatum fuit hoc Testamentum vigore juramenti Marie Bullimer Testatoris relicta, & commissa fuit Admistratis bonorum illius, eidem prim debile jurata coram me Joanne Workman Surrogat Ep Petr

John Bullymer of Langham - 1571

Testamentn John Bullymer de Langham dest Anno Dom1571

In the name of God amen the 10th day of December Anno Dom 1571 I **John Bullymer** of Langham in the county of Rutland husbandman being sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance god be praised doe make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following viz

first I bequeath my Soule to almighty god throughe Jesus Christ by whom I hope steadfastly to be saved and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Langham aforesaid

Also I give to the mother church of Peterborough 4s and to the church of Langham to maintain the same 3s 4d and to the poor 2s

Also I give and bequeath to **Anne Bullymer** my wife 11 roods of land in evry field during her life and after her decease three roods of the same in evry field I give to **Cutbert** my son during my lease **William** my son to plough it dress it and sow it as he doth his own saving that they and either of them find seed for the same rent free

Also I give to Anne my wife one neates pasture one half aker in the hye meddow of the lanye 2 neate at her choice and a lytle bag of barley and a pig to be put to the rycke

Also I give to my son William Bullymer my lease of my farm with all such implements here named a penne[pan] in the kitchen another in the hall a table a forme a chair an ark [chest or coffer] in the parlor a bedstead a mattress a pair of towe hemp sheets a covered an old brass pot one platter two treaves [trivets] in the kitchen and when my wife hath her two neyte and my daughter **Jane** her brindle cow and a red heafer[heifer] then then all the rest without doors to remain to my son William

I give to **Joane** my daughter 20s in money the two neyte aforesaid one bushel of malt one stryke of wheat

I give to Cutbert one of my best horses and if he tarry with his brother at 12 years end 53s 4d or else when he is disposed to go from him a red calfe which was last calved two ewes and lambs at his choice one quarter of malt another of pease

I give to **Lawrence** a bullock of three years old at 12 years of age and to her [the word written is either her or ther, their would give a better sense] brother William an ewe and a lamb to **Joyce** my daughter half a quarter of malt and a black heifer to **John Wamesley** a lamb to my wife's sister at may day come 12 months an ewe and a lamb

Also I make and ordain William and **John Bullymer** my sons William my Executor and John Bullymer and **Thomas Berye** my Supervisors and for their pains to have 12d a year in witness whereof I the said John Bullymer set my hand the day and year first above written.

William Bush of Langham - 1620

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T^r William Bush de Langham

In the [word not read] of Gode Amen The fifth day of June in the year of our Lord Gode 1620 I William Bush of Langham in the county of Rutland husbaneman beinge in body sicke, but in minde sound & perfect thanks be given to god Do make this my last will & Testam^t in manner & forme following

ffirst I commit my soule into the hands of the Almighty God my Creator, ande to his Sonne Jesus Christ my Reedomer, and onely Savio^{ur}, and my body to the Earth from whence yt came; And to be buried in the Churchyarde of Langham

Item I give to my Sonne ffrancis ^{Bush} Twenty shillings yf my Wife, and my Sonne John Bush be in good case and able to pay yt otherwise it shalbe xii^d

Item I give to my Sonne Henry Bush If my Wife & my Sonne John be able Twenty shillings yf not yt shall be twelve pence

Item I give to my Sonne William Bush Three pounds of good English money at Christmas day next after the date hereof, And Twenty shillings seaven yeares after, If ^{his} mother and John be able, otherwise yt shall be twelve pence

Item the residue of all my goods moveable & unmovable not given & unbequeathed I give unto Ellen my Wife & to John Bush my Sonne Whom I joyne full Execcto^{ers} together of this my last will & Testam^t, And they to pay all my debts & legacies and my funeral expenses wth bringing my body honestly to the ground & for the better performance of this my Will, William Palmer hath yeildth to pay to Willm Bush or his Assignes ix^s iiiii^d of debts Thomas ffracy doth owe unto William Bush or to his Assignes xxii^s iiiii^d So I do intrete Rob^t Pepper my Brother & Thomas ffrisby to bee Supervisors In trust that this my will may be performed according to my True meaninge

The Testators marke

Two witnesses

Daniell Pits his marke

Francis Pepper his marke

Probatum fuit ...Uppingham 28th July 1620

Alice Butler of Langham - 1683

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Alce Butler of Langham in y^e County of Rutland widdow did by word of mouth being sick & weake in body but of sounde & p^erfect memory declare this as her last will & testament

Ffirst shee did give & bequeath unto Thomas & William Stevens her grandchildren to each of them twenty shillings to be paide within too yeares after her decease:

Item shee did give and bequeath unto Stephen Algate y^e young^er another of her grandchildren twenty shillings to be paid uppon y^e first day of may which shal be in y^e yeare of our Lord 1688

And all y^e rest of her goods & Chattells moveable & unmoveable both quick & dead shee did give & Bequeath uno[sic] Mary Hanks another of her grandchildren whom shee did make sole Executrix of this her last will & testament her debts & Legacies being paid & her funeral expenses being discharged & did revoke all other wills formerly by her made ye fourth day of march Annog domm 1683

Wittness

Thomas Hubbard senior his mark

Thomas Hubbard

Mary Hubbard her mark

Sir Francis Butler - 1532

Not from Langham ~ see actions he required

Inventory surveyed to a sum clear of all deductions and allowances £6 10s 8d

In the name of God Amen, this 24th day of June the yer off our lord Gode, 1532 I Sir Fraunces Butler prest off Haloughton hale off mynd ande in perfynt memory maike my testament ande Last Wyll in manner and forme following

- Fyrst I bequeth my soll unto Almighty God & to his blessed mother Sent Mary and to all ye holly compeny In heven and my body to be berryd in the chryche yerde off Sent Michaell off Halaton Aforeseyd
- Item to ye Hy Halter off Halaton - 4 pence
- Item to a Preste to synge A trenteall - 10 pence
- Item to my brother dwelling with Mester Harryngton 6 shilling & 8 pence or my syde gowne
- Item to William Hubbard In ye bedhowsse off Hocam 12 pence
- Item to sir Jhon Holland channoces in Laund Habbey 12 pence
- Item to Wilham Wattson all my bedyng & my fresse gowne
- Item to Wilham Homeis my gowne that reymeneth in his handes
- Item I will that sir Edmond Oliver shall go on Pylgramage to ouer blessyd lady of Wailssyngham and to ouer lady off Oldwell to Saunt Elyn off Langham to Saunt Augusten off Bestow & to Sant Mawrell off Hallaton
- Item to sir Edmond Oliver my best gowne and the resydew off my godes nott bequetyd I orden and make trew and lawfull exsecutors that he mey orden and disporre them for the welthe off my soll as he I thynke is most nedful to Answer to God att ye dey o doome.

thesse wittnes

Sir Edmond Olyver
Wylham Wattson
Wylham Homeis with others

John Casterton of Langham - 1697

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In the Name of God Amen the fift day of November Anno Dom 1697 I John Casterton of Langham gardiner being sick and weake of body butt of Sound and perfect Memory thanks be to god Do ordaine and make this my Last will and Testament in Manner and form following

First I bequeath my Soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creatour fully trusting And assuredly believing in and through the merritts and Mediation of Jesus Christ my onely Saviour and Redeemer to have full pardon and Remission of all my Sins And my body to be buried in the Church yarde of Langham

Item I give and bequeath unt[sic] my ffather Daniell Casterton one shilling,

Item I give unto my Brother William Casterton one shilling,

Item I give unto my Brother Richard Casterton one shilling

Item I give unto my Sister Ann Casterton one shilling

Item I give unto my Sister Mary Casterton one shilling

Item I give unto my Sister Catheren Casterton one shilling,

Item all the Rest of goods Cattles and Chattles Whatsoever Moveable and unmoveable unbequeathed and not given I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Mary Casterton Whome I make full and Sole Executrix of this my Last will and Testament In Wittness where of I have here unto sett my hand and Seale the Day and yeare ffirst above written

John Casterton his marke

Published Sealed and Delivered in the p^resence of

Tobias ffrancis

Wilia Pitte his marke

William Edgson

Nov 26° 1697 Jurata fuit maria Casterton

Vid: et Executrix Johannis Casterton defunct:

Supra noiat

Coram me

Sam: Saunders Surrog

Richard Cheseldyn of Langham - 1689

NRO Peterborough ~ Y 064

In the name of god amen the Eightene day of April one Thousand Six hundred Eighte Nine I Richard Cheseldon of Langham in the County of Rutland yom being in health and parfect memory doe make this my Last Will and Testiment in Maner and forme folling that is to say

First I commend my Soule into the hand of god my maker hoping through the merrites of Jesus Christ my redeemer to receve full pardon and for givenes of all my sines and to herit Life in the kingdom of heaven and my body to be bured in the Chanshill of Langham by my Soonn Willam and my Dafter Mary and touch my all such good as god hath in Dud me With I give and be queath as followeth

Imprimes I give and be queath to my Ealdist soonn Francis Cheseldyn five pound to be pay him three yeares after my death

Itam I give and be queath unto my Soonn John Cheseldyn one hundred pounds to be payed him when hee shall com to the Age of [crossed out] ffive and Twenty yeares of Age and then he shall have Tharp meare nouck Wood Wong

Itam I give and be queath to me Soonn Anthony Cheseldyn my Lease of 8⁰ Acer when he com to the Age of ~~Three~~ Six and Twenty yeares ~~of Age and Three Month~~ his Mother in Joying hir Joynter that I have given hir Dureing hir Life provided all Way that if any of my Soonns shall die before thay com to receive theare porsons my Will is that it shall be devided to them that are alive and forther my will is that if my Soonn Anthony shoud die with out Eashue that then my Will is that his Leas of 80 Acer shall fall in to his breethren or there soonns and them to leas for it a gaine and for my Will is that my Cosen Richard Bornby and my Brother ^{Francis} Ward shall End all Difarancis that may aris between my children whom I make them fefeeye in trust for my children

Itam I give and be queath all my good and chattell unbe queath to Mary Cheseldyn my loving Wife whom I doe make hir my full and soule Execut~~or~~rix of this my Last Will and Testement my Dets pay my Ledgises parformed in Wittnes my hand and sealed the Day and yeare a bove written

Sealed in the Presence of Richard Cheseldyn

John Ward
Abigail Ward
ffrancis Edgson
Francis Ward

Anthony Chesselden of Langham - 1652

In the name of God Amen I Anthony Chesselden the elder of Langham in the countie of Rutland yeoman Doe make and declare this my last will and testam^t the Nineteenth day of June in the year of our Lord God one thousand sixe hundered fiftietwo in manner and forme as ffolloweth

Ffirst I give and bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God my Saviour who gave itt and my bodie to bee buried in the church of Langham

Item I give to my sonne William Chesselden one shillinge for his porcion

Item I give to my sonne Anthony Chesselden one shillinge for his porcion

Item I give to my sonne John Chesselden one shilling more for his porcion which I have formerly given a greater by my lifetime

Item I give further my copyhold house in Langham to my one John chesselden

Item I give to my sonne Amos Chesselden Two hundred pounds for his childs porcon to be paid by my sonne Richard Chesselden whome I make my sole Executor namely to be paid one hundred pounds upon the twentie fifth day of march next after the date hereof and the other hundred pounds upon the first day of August which shall bee in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred fiftee foure That which two hundred pounds is formerly expressed in Articles

Item I give to my sons Richard Chesselden, John Chesselden and Amos Chesselden my three sonnns all my household goods to bee equally divided betwixt them three which shall be delivered by my Nephew Thomas Barneby And all the boards of oake and ash to bee equally divided betwixt Richard and John Chesselden by lott

Item I give to my sonne Richard Chesselden my lease of my house and farme of eight acres bee it more or lesse which I have given hee formerly by my own articles and Assignement upon Condition That hee shall pay all my debts and legacies herein bequeath And I doe herein mad my sonne Richard Chesselden my sole Executor of this my last will and Testament And all the rest of my goods and Chattells unbequeath I give to my said Executor

Item I give to my cosin ffrancis Pits any twentie shillings

Item I give to the poor of Langham ffortie shillings

Given under my hand and seale the day and yeare above written By mee Anthony chesselden sealed and delivered in the presence of us

Thomas Barneby
William Baxter his marke
Humphry Hubbard

Johane Clarcke of Langham - 1609

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Probatum fuit ...Testamentum
Apud Stamford St Martin
Nono Octobris 1609
Willm Prithorghe

T Johane Clarcke De Langham 1609

In the name of God Amen The Second daie of November in the one and fortieth yeare of the raigne of our Sovereigne Lady Elizabeth [2nd November 1598] by the grace of God Queene of England ffrance and Ireland Defender of the faith etc.

I Johane Clarcke of Langham in the County of Rutland widow beinge of perfect minde and memory and health of body yet well considering the uncertainty of this life to the intent I be not found unready when it pleaseth god to call me Doe therefore make and declare this my present last will and Testament in manner and fforme following.

That is to saie ffirst and principally I commend my Soule into the hands of Allmighty god my maker hopeinge and assuredly beleevinge that for the merits of my Saviour Christe Jesus his sonne I shall have free remission of my sinnes and after this life ended I shall rest with him in the Kingdome of heaven and my body to be buried in Christian burial in such place as ye shall please god to appointe for me. And as for the disposinge of all and singler my goods chattels catells Debts redy money plate utensils household stuffe and other moveables what soever I give and bequeath the same in manner and forme folloewinge That is to saie

Ffirst I will that all such Debts duties [word not read] and Somes of money as of right and conscience I shall owe at the time of my Decease shalbe truly paid by my Executor hereunder named.

Item whereas I the said Johane Clarcke was indebted and did owe to M^r Roger Clarcke Cittizen and Alderman of London the Some of Two Hundred thirty and three Pounds of lawfull money of England all which Some he the said Roger Clarcke of his mere good will and love was contented to remit to me and to release me of so that I would at my decease demise and give the sum of thirty three pounds parcell of the same Two hundred Thirty and three pounds to Bartholmew Clarcke, Sence Sherman and Anne Clarcke children of my late husband Bartholomew Clarcke deceased wherefore if the said Johane Clarcke doe give and bequeath unto the said Bartholomew Clarcke the sonne Sence Sherman and Anne Clarcke the Some of Thirty three pounds of lawfull money of England equally amongst them to be parted and devided part and parte like The rest and residue of all and singular my Chattells Cattells goods debts and moveables whatsoever after my debts paid and funeral expenses discharged and the said Legacy of Thirty three pounds paid as aforesaid the some of forty marks of lawfull money of England onely paid reserved and excepted unto my selfe to be disposed of as hereafter in this my^{last} will is expressed I will that the same rest and residue of my said Goods Chattells etc be equally parted and divided into foure severall parts

one forth part whereof I give and bequeath unto my sonne John B[u?]ston of Wocombe in the county of Rutland yeoman

one other fourth part thereof I give and bequeath unto the sd Bartholomew Clarcke the Sonne

one other fourth part whereof I give and bequeath unto the saide Sence Sherman

And the other fourth part therof I give and bequeath unto the said Anne Clarcke

And if it shall happen anie of my said Children John Bartholomew Sence and Anne or any of them to die or depart this mortall life before they shall have received there said Legacy before by me bequeathd Then I will that the porcon and Legacie of him her and them soe deceased shalbe so parted and devided to and amongst the Children of him her or them soe deceased part and part like And if he she or they soe deceased have no childe or children at there deceased liveinge Then that the same part of him her of them soe deceased be parted and devided to and amongst the foresaid John Bartholomew sone and Anne or the Supervisor or Supervisors of them part and part like

Item I will and my minde is that the said Some of forty marks soe by me resrved and excepted as aforesaid shalbe given bequeathed and distributed by my Executors here under named in such manner and forme as hereafter by word of mouth or under my hand in writinge I shall limit or appointe

And I doo hereby renounce evoke and adnihilate and make voide all former wills and Testamts heretofore by me made devised And I will that this shall stand for my very last will and Testament, Also I doe nominate make and ordaine the said Roger Clarcke my full and sole Executor of this my last will and Testament praieinge him faithfully to perform the same as my trust is in him And I give to him for his paines takeinge herein forty shillings sterlinge And if it shall happen the sd Roger Clarcke to die or depart this life before he have taken upon him thexocucon of this my will then I doe nominate make and appointe Bartin Burton of Graies Inne in the County of Midd to be Executor of this my Last will and to have the sd forty shillings for his paines takeinge therein

In witness whereof hereunto I the said Johane Clarcke have sett my hand and seale hearon the daie and yeare first above written Signner deme Johane Clarcke

Sealed published and declared by the said Johane Clarcke as her last will and Testament in presence of me

John[ffrnd] Scrivoner & me Randall Greenhill

Roger Clarke - 1610

Roger, a son of Roger and Frances Clarke lived in Friday Street, London

In the name of God Amen: The eleaventh daie of Julie Anno Domini one thousand six hundredth and tenn and in the yeare of the raigne of our Sovereigne Lord James by the grace of god Kinge of England Franncce and Ireland Defendor of the faith etc the eighte and of Scotland the three and fortieth I Roger Clarke Citizen and Salter of London beinge weake in bodye but yet of good [f183] and perfecte mynde and memory laude and prayse be therefore given to Almightye god doe make and declare this my presente laste will and testamente in manner and forme Followinge, that is to say, First and principally I commende my soule to Almightye god my Creator and to Jesus Christe my onelie Saviour and redeemer by the merittes of whose most precious death and passion onely, without any merrite or worthines in my selfe or in any other creator I assuredlie trulie and doe steadfastly beleeve to receive full and free pardon and remission of all my synnes and to be made partaker of the Kingdome of Heaven with the electe Children of god; my body I commend to the Earth from whence it came, to be buried in the parrishe Church of Saincte Margaret Moyses in Frydaie Streete in London where I was borne.

- Item I will that all such debtes and sommes of money as I shall iustly owe to any parson or persons in right or conscience at the time of my decease be trulie paide by my Executrix hereafter named in as conveniente tyme as may be after my decease. And after my debtes paid and my funerall expences discharged I will that all and singuler the residue of my goodes Chattells rightes credittes and debtes be devided into two equall partes accordinge to the Annciente and laudable Custome of the Cittye of London, one equall half whereof I give and devise to Suzan my welbeloved wife for the reasonable parte and portion of and in my goodes Chattells and debtes accordinge to the Custome of the saide Cittie and the other halfe I reserve to myselfe therewith to pay and performe such legacies and bequestes as shalbe given and bequeathed by me hereafter in this my last will and testamente.
- Item I give to my deare and most lovinge Mother mistress Frannces Clarke Widdowe my Ringe of goulde sett with five diamones for a remembrance of my goodwill.
- Item I give to my brother William Clarke a Ringe of goulde to the value of twentie shillinges.
- Item I give to fortye eight poore men to mourne on the daie of my buriall every of them a mourninge gowne of the value of twenty sixe shillinges and eighte pence a peece.
- Item I give to and amongste the poore people of the parish of Saincte Margaret Moyses aforesaide five poundes to be distributed where most neede shallbe by the discrecion of my saide mother. The residue of all and singuler my goodes Chattells and debtes after my debtes paide my Funerall expences Discharged and the legacies in this my presente last will contayned fully satisfied I wholly give Devise and bequeath to the saide Suzan my wife whome I make the sole and only executrix of this my will and I make and ordaine my lovinge Father in Lawe Edward Cooke of Newbery in the County of Berkshire yeoman and my trusty and lovinge Freinde John Greene Citizen and Salter of London the Overseers of this my presente will Desiringe them as my truste is in them to be aydinge and assistinge to my said Executrix in the Due execution of this my said will and I give to the saide Edward Cooke twenty poundes And to the saide John Greene twenty poundes for there paynes to be taken in the execution of this my side will
- Item I give to my maide Servaunte Anne White fower poundes to make her a gowne In witnes whereof to this my presente last will and testament I have sett my hande and Seale the daie and yeare First above written Roger Clarke.

Sealed subscribed pronounced and delivered by the saide Roger Clarke the day of the date hereof as his laste will in the presence of us John Greene Scrivener Roberte Saundes and of me Arth. Juron servaunte to the saide scrivener

[In Latin] This above written will was proved at London in the presence of master Edmund Pope doctor of law, surrogate of the venerable gentleman master John Bennet esquire also doctor of law, our guardian of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury or commisary legally appointed on the fourth day of the month of August in the year of our lord 1610 by the oath of Suzan Clarke widow of the said deceased and executrix named in the same will to whom administration was granted of all and each the goods rights and credits of the same deceased, sworn according to the holy gospel about administering the same well and loyally etc

[Marginal note in Latin] On the eighth day of November in the year of our lord 1620 commission issued to James Ayscough husband of Elizabeth Ayscough alias Clerke natural and legitimate sister of the said Roger Clarke deceased who held etc to administer the goods and credits of the said deceased according to the tenor and effect of the above written will which had not been fully administered by Susan Clerke relict and executrix etc now also deceased sworn well etc
On the tenth day of the month of October in the year of our lord 1623 commission issued to Elizabeth Ayscough alias Clerke natural and legitimate sister of the said Roger Clarke deceased who held etc and also to James Ayscough husband of the said Elizabeth to administer the goods, rights and debts of the said deceased according to the tenor and effect of the same will which had not been administered fully and well by Susanna Clerke relict and executrix of the aforesaid testator, now also dead etc sworn etc Administration of the goods rights and debts of the said deceased after the death of the said Susanna by authority of this court was entrusted and granted to the aforesaid James Ayscough ...

William Clarke of Langham - 1562

Transcription of notes from Alan Bernard Clarke, In the Possession of Ashley Roger Tindale Clarke

Transcribed by Alan Clarke 4th November 2005

- I desire to be buried in the Church of St Peter & St Paul, Langham
I give to the repairs of the same 20s.
- To the mother church of Peterborough 12d.
- To the repair of the bridge in Okehamborne, Langham, 20s.,
- To the poor in Langham, 20s.
- To the poor of Wissonden [Whissendine] 20s.,
of Ashwell 3s. 4d.,
of Orton 3s. 4d.,
of Okeham 10s.,
of Borth by Okeham 3s. 4d..
- To my daughter, Dorothy Clark, £100.
- To my wife, Elizabeth, all my goods & chattels in Langham, my beasts, plate, &c, & £20.
- To my son, Bartholemew, my raiments.
- To my brother, John Clarke, £4.
- To Richard Jackson of Burley, 20s. & to my godson, John Jackson, 3s. 4d.
- Small money legacies to
- Henry Scot
 - John Ison
 - Robert Finkill
 - Elizabeth Palmer
 - Alice Baxter
 - Joseph Sullson
 - Cicely Busshley
 - John Nortor
 - Joan Parr.
- To Roger & William, sons of my son Bartholemew Clarke, £5 each.
- To the unborn child of Frances, wife of my son Roger Clarke, £5.

Residuary legatees & executors :- my sons, Roger & Bartholemew Clarke.

Signed :- (mark)

Witnesses :-

- Mathew Gulson
- Cutbert Facett
- Nowell Lloyd
- Richard Jackson
- Henry Baxter
- Barthelemew Clarke

Proved :- 23 July 1562, by Roger Clark; power reserved to the other executors.

Adam Cole of Langham - 1688

NRO ~ S086

In the name of god amen I Adam Cole of Langham in the County of Rutland Shepard being sick in body but sound and perfect of mind & memory I prayes god for it doo make this my last will & Testament in mannor & fforme following

ffirst I give & bequeath my Soule into the hands of all mighty god my Creator & Redeemer hoping through the Merritts of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to receive full and free pardon of all my Sinns & to have a Joy full Resurrection in the life to come & my body to be buried in the Churchyard of Langham And for that little estate which it hath pleased god to bestow upon mee I dispose of as ffolloweth

Imprs I give & bequeath to my Sonne John Cole ffive pound & to his Two sonnes John & Daniel Ten shillings a peece to be paid by my sonne Thomas Cole when hee shall com to have full possion of my house

Item I give to my Daughter Alce Molson Twenty shillings to be paid to her with in one yeare after my decease

Item I give to my Two grandchildren Elizabeth Molson & Mary Molson Tenne shillings a peece to be payed to them by my sonne Thomas Cole when hee shall come to have full possession of my house

Item I give to my Daughter Elizabeth Cole the neather house & halfe the profitt of the neather Orchard and the Tops of the Trees of the west fence next Mr Sewell while shee keeps her selfe single & five pounds to be payd to her by my sonne Thomas Cole when hee shall come to have full possession of my house but if my Daughter Elizabeth can provide for her selfe better than what I have given her in this my will then shee shall have Tenn pounds paid her by my Sonne Thomas Cole

Item I give to my Daughter Ann Cole Tenn pounds to be paid to her by my Sonne Thomas Cole when hee shall come to be in full possession of my house

Item I give to my Brother William Cole Twenty shillings to be payd to him within one yeare after my decees

Item it is my will that if my wife doo Marry againe then my sonne Thomas Cole shall have halfe with my wife

Item I give my sonne in law peter Molson Ten shillings

Also the rest of my goods Cattle & Chattles moveables & unmoveable what soever unbequeathed that I give to Elizabeth my loving wife whom I make full & sole executrix of this my last will & Testament In wittnes where of I have sett my hand and seale the Thirteenth day of July Annog: Dom: 1688

Adam Cole Sealed & delivered

in the presencs of:

ffrancis Edgson

John Dalby

Fran Edgson

John Cole of Langham - 1681

NRO Peterborough ~ P 184

In the name of God Amen I John Cole of Langham in the County of Rutland being sicke in bodye but well and perfect in memory prayed bee god, Doe make and constitute this my last will and testament in maner and forme following ffirst I commit my Soule unto the hands of Almighty God my Creatour hopeing by the merrits of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to bee Raised up at the last Day to life everlasting and my bodye to bee buried in the churchyard of Langham According to to the Discretion of my executrix **[word not read]**

Item I give and bequeath unto Tho Cole my nephew and Sonne to Edward Cole Late Deceased the sum of tenn pounds to be payed him when he shall Attaine to the yeares of one and twenty yeare old

Item I give unto John Cole the sum of tenn pound to bee payed to him when hee shall attaine to the Age of one and twenty yeares: and likewise the Leases of that house wherein Tho Orbutt now dweleth he paying the Lords Rent for the same;

Item I give unto Sarah Cole my neece the Sum of ten pounds to bee payed at the age of one and twenty years

Item I give and bequeath unto Mary Cole my Sister the sum of fforty pounds and It to Remaine in the handes of my Executrix until shee shall take ffurther care to provide for her:

Item I give unto Simon Cole my unckle the Sum of fforty shillings to bee payed him wthin one month after my Decease

Item It is my will what Legacyes I have given amongst my Brother Edwards Children that if in case any of them shall Depart this life before they shall attaine to the age of one and twenty yeares that then what I have given them shall bee parted equally a mongest them w^{ch} are Living

Item I give unto Dorothy Cole my Aunte the Sum of twenty Shilling to bee payed her withⁱⁿ one month After my Decease

Item all my goodes, Cattell, and Chattles, unbequeathed what is in my owne possession and in Whose hands soever they bee within the Dominion of England I give and bequeath unto my Dear beloved Mother whom I make Sole executrix of this my Last will and testament In wittnesse whereof I have set to my hand and sealle the thirteenth Day of May In the three and thirtith yeare of the Raigne of Sovereigne Lord Charles the second by the grace of god king of England, Scotland, ffrance and Ireland Deffender of the faith etc Amog Dom 1681

John Cole

Witnesse by us

ffran Dalbye

Simon Cole his marke

Luke Cole

31^o die May 1681

Probatum fuit ...

Maria matris & Executorix ...

...

... jurat coram me Joanne Workman Sur Ep Petris

Mary Cole of Langham - 1683

NRO Peterborough ~ R281

In the name of God amen I Mary Cole of Langham in the County of Rutland Widdow being in perfect health and memory I prayes god for itt doe make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following

ffirst I give and bequeath my Sole into the hands of almighty god my Creato^r and Redeemer hoping through the Merretts of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to be saved and my boddie to be buryed in the Church yard of Langham and for that little estate which it hath pleased god to bestowe upon mee I dispase of as followeth

Imp^s I give and bequeath to my to my [sic] Grandchild Thomas Cole the Two Cottages where M^r Jephson and Sarah Blunt now dwelleth when hee shall come to the age of One and Twenty yeares hee paying yearly to my Execut^or here after named Nineteene shillings and Six pence a yeare for the Terme of the Lease

Item The fforty pound which my sonne John Cole bequeathed to my Daughter Mary Cole to be at my disposing now I dispose of itt to my Grandchild Luke Cole for to mainteane and take care of her during her life

Item I give to my Brother Simon Cole Twenty shilling

Item I give to my sister Dorothy Cole Twenty shillings to be payd to them within one month after my decease

Item all the Rest and Resedue of my goods and Chattles redye money moveables and Unmoveables Whatsoever unbequeathed [obliterated] my debts and leagucies being payd and funerall expences discharged I give to my Grandchild Luke Cole whom I make full and sole Executo^r of this my last will and Testament Revoking all fformer Wills by mee made In Wittnes whereof I have here unto sett my hand and seale the Thirteenth day of January in the Three & Thirtieth yeare of the Raigne of our Sovereigne Lord Charles the second by the grace of god of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland King defender of the fayth etc Annog dom 1681

Sealed & delivered Mary Cole her Marke

in the p^resents of

ffrancis Edgson

Thomas Hubbard

John Ruddle senior his Marke

1^o Apiris 1683^o

Probatum fuit huio^s Testam^{tu} vigour juram^{ti}

Lucas Cole Executoris Marie Cole imp dum

vixit de Langham in Com Rotol def^m p^{re}fat

Lucas prius debita jurat Coram me

Johanne Workman surro^{to}

Elizabeth Dalby of Langham - 1706

NRO Peterborough ~ X 028

In ye Name of god Amen I Elizabeth Dalby of Langham in ye County of Rutland Widdow being sick and weake of body but in sound and perfect Mind and memory praised be god for ye same and knowing ye uncertenty of this Life heare on earth and being desirus to settle things in order Doe Make this my Last Will and testament in Maner and forme following yt is to say first and principlly I Comitt my Soule to Allmighty God My Creatour Assuredly beleving yt through ye greivous death and Merits of My blessed Saviour and redeemer Jesus Christ I shall receive full pardon And free remisson of all My Sinns and Inherit Everlasting Life And my body I commit to ye Earth from whence it was taken to be buried in such Decent and Christin manor as to my Executors hereafter named shall be thought meet and Covenant And as touching such Worldy estate as ye Lord in Mercy hath lent me

I doe dispose theirof as hearin after by this my will is expressed

Imprimis I give and bequeath to frances Dalby eldest son of John Dalby my husband late Deceased ye some of one shilling to be paid to him within six Monthes After My deceasse by my Executor hereafter named

Item I give unto John Dalby sonn of John Dalby ye some of one shilling to be paid at ye same time Afoursaid

Item I give unto Mary Hornsby widow daughter of John Dalby Afour saide ye some of one shilling

I give unto Saray Hearth daughter of John Dalby Afoursaide ye some of one shilling

Item I give unto Ann Dalby Daughter of John Dalby Afoursaide ye some of one shilling

Item I give unto grace Coouck Widdow Daughter of John Dalby Afoursaid ye some of one shilling

Item I give unto Humphery Dalby sonn of John Dalby Afoursaide ye some of five pounds to be paid to him at twelve Months After My Decease and one bedsted which is in ys Chamber with ye bedding their tew belonging and two paire of sheets and one paire of pillowbeares and one putor dish ye Largest I have and one Linning Wheele and Liberty in ye Chamber to come and to goo and Lodg in ye bed at Aney time soo longe as he shall keepe him selfe A single man

Item all ye rest of my goods and Estate with Chattell and what soever I shall Leave or[?]and at my decease my debts and Legaceys and funerall expences discharged I give and bequeath to my sonn Edward Dalby Whome I doo heare ordaine and Apoint solle Executor of this my Last Will and Testament and doo publish ye same and doo declare this present will to be my Last Will and testament in Wittnesse hear of I have hear unto set my hand and seall ye eighteen day of December in ye seventh yeare of ys Raigne of William by ye grace of God of England Scotland france and Ireland Kinge Defender of ye faith in ye year of our Lord God 1695

Elizabeth Dalby her Mark

Publish and declared by ye within named Testator Elizabeth Dalby to be her Last Will and Testament and by her signed and sealed in our presence and by us attested and inscribed in her presence

James Fracy his mark

.... ho[p?]kins
...ytt His Marke
Tho [K?]ine

21^o die mensu Augⁱ 1706 Juratus fuit Edwardus Dalby de Langham filius et Executor Eliz^a Dalby de eodem Vid^a defunct: in huiodi: Test^{to} noiat Coram me
S. Saunders Surrog:

FS [note that the will is dated 1695 but probate was granted 1706]

FS [Baptisms at Langham

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|-------------------------------|-------|-----------------|-----|--------------------------------|
| 1650 | 18/12 | Francis Dalbie | s/o | John/Marie |
| 1655/6 | 9/2 | Sarah Dalby | d/o | John/Mary |
| 1657/8 | 4/3 | John Dalby | s/o | John/Mary |
| 1660 | 23/7 | Dorothy Dalby | d/o | John/Mary |
| 1664 | ? | Grace Dalby | d/o | John |
| Burial at Langham | | | | |
| 1669 | 13/6 | Mary Dalby | w/o | John |
| Rutland Marriage Index | | | | |
| 1673 | 23/11 | John Dalby | m | Elizabeth Hopkins at Empingham |
| Baptism at Langham | | | | |
| 1675 | 18/4 | Humphry Dalby | s/o | John/Abby |
| 1676 | 14/5 | Edward Dalby | s/o | John |
| Burial at Langham | | | | |
| 1706 | 15/8 | Elizabeth Dalby | | widow |
| 1706/7 | 15/3 | Anne Dalby | w/o | Edward buried with son |
| 1706/7 | 15/3 | John Dalby | s/o | Edward buried with mother |
| 1707 | 15/5 | Mary Dalbye | w/o | Francis widow |
| 1711 | 1/11 | Humphrey Dalbye | s/o | Edward] |

Thomas Dalby of Langham - 1639

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW95 Book XIII F136

Tm Thome Dalby mg de Langham

In the name of God Amen ye 15 day of July in ye yeare of our Lord God 1639 I Thomas Dalby of Langham in ye county of Rutland yeoman being sicke in body but of mind and memory sound and perfect thanks be given to almighty god doe make this my last will and testament in manner and forme following;

ffirst I bequeath my soule into ye hands of almighty god my Creator and to Jesus Christ my redeemer and saviour; And my body to ye earth from it came; and to be buried in ye Churchyard of Langham

Item first I give to my brother William Thornton and his wife five pounds in money

Item I give to John Thornton my kinsman in money five pounds

Item I give to ye Residue of ye sayd William Thorntons children being six three pounds apiece

Also I give to William Cole my kinsman ten pounds in money

Item I give to Thomas Cole my kinsman twenty shillings in money

Item I give to Edward Cole my kinsman twenty shillings in money And alsoo I give to Edward Cole ye elder my kinsman ye lease of my house, And ye lease of my malt mill he paying three pounds six shillings and eight pence A yeare for ye three first yeares next ensueing ye date hereof

Item I give to William Wauker my uncle one doublet one jerkin one paire of breeches one paire of stockings one hat one paire of shooes

Item I give to my aunt William Waukers wife ye best gowne

Item I give to my sister Elizabeth Thornton ye best gowne ye best petticoat and ye best hat

Item I give to Edward Cole ye elder my kinsman one paire of bootes one Doublet one Jerkin and one paire of breeches

Item I give to Edward Coles wife Six yards of woollen cloth

Item ye residue of all my goods Cattle & Chattles unbequeathed and not given I give to Henry Hubbard whom I make my full and sole executor of this my last will and testamt; he paying my funeral expences and bringing my body honestly and Decently to ye ground

And last of all I doe make John Hea[?]d and Henry Hornby supervisors of this my last will and testamt to see all things performed according to my will and for their paines I give them six pence apiece In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand ye day and yeare first above written

Thomas Dalby his mark.

Witnesses

Gregory Stevens

Henry Hornby his mark

22do Augusti 1639

Probatum fuit ... testamt coram mge

Paule Panke

Humfrey Duesbery of Langham - 1638

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW95 Book XIII F98

T^m Humfridi Duesbery of Langham

In the name of God Amen y^e first Day of february in the yeare of our Lord God 1638 I Humfry Duesbery of Langham in the county of Rutland fuller being sicke in body but in good and perfect memory thanks by to god doo make this my last will and testament in manner and forme following

Ffirst I bequeath my soule to almighty god my Creator and to Jesus Christ my onely redeemer and my body to be buried in the Churchyard of Langham

Item I give to Joane my wife half my goods & chattels and estate whatsoever

Item I give to my sonne John the other half of my goods chattels and estate whom I Doo make executor of this my last will and testament

Item I will that my funerall charges and all other Dues which is now done shalbe equally payd at the Charges of my wife and my executor In witness whereof I have setto my hand y^e day and yeare above written

Humfry Duesbry his marke

Witnesses

Robert Hubbard

Anthony Chesledyne

Probatum fuitcora mio Johanne

Groom 26 Februarij

1630 [last figure unclear, could be 8]

[two more lines]

Richard Dyckeman of Langham - 1556

NRO ~ Film copy Book I folio 198

In the name of god amen In the Year of o^r Lord god one thousand five hundred & fiftie & five the xxvth Daye of June I Richard Dyckman of Langham in ye Countie of Rutland & in the Dyocese of Peterborough beinge of hole mynde and god Remembrance make my Laste Wyll & testament in manner & forme followinge

Fyrste I bequethe my soule to allmygtie god & to o^r Ladye saynte Mary and to all the wholly company of Haven & my bodye to be buried in the Churche yarde of peter & paul in Langham afforesaide

Item I bequeath to the highe aulter ye mother Churche of Peterborough iiiij^d

Item I bequeathe to y hyhe aulter for forgotten tythes & oblacent xij^d

Item I bequeath to the Church of Langham iiiij^s

Item I bequeathe to Elizabeth Dyckman my wyffe xx^{ti} marks

Item The Residue of all my goodes not bequeathed I give & bequeathe to Humefrey Dyckeman & Thomas Dyckeman my sonnes whom I make myne Executoures of this my last wyll & Testamente equally & indifferently to be Devydid between the said Homefrey & Thome and if it happen eyther of my said to sonnes to depart this world before the other that then I will yt the longer lyver to have the whole

Also I wyll that Willm pyttes & Henry Beason to be Supervisors of & Rulers of my goods to the behoofe of my ij children Humefrey & Thomas and they to have for there paynes takeings in the same vi^s viij^d apece

Wittenes [unclear on photocopy]

John Hukeling curat [Minister]

Nicholes & [Henry]

Ryc [Taylor] with other

Laurence East of Langham - 1663

NRO Peterborough ~ N 056

In the name of God amen I Laurence East of Langham in the Countye of Rutland yeoman being weake in body but of a good and perfect memory Doe make this my last Will and testament in maner following

I give unto Almighty god my Soule that gave it me trusting in my Savior Jesus Christ in and by his merrits to receive remission of all my Sinns and a Joyfull resurrection And my body to be buried in a dessant manner by my executor in the Churchyarde of Langham And for my wordly goods which the Lord hath lent me I thus Dispose

Item I give and Devise unto Thomas Barker of Lindon in the Countye of Rutland gent and John Musson of Hambleton in the Same County gent to them and their heires for ever all and Singuler my lands tennements and herreditaments in Wymondham and all where in the County of Leicestershire And my Will and desire is that by Sale thereof or otherwise they rase and pay to the Severall persons hereafter named the Severall Summes of money following Vide to Laurence East my eldest Sonne one hundred poundes if he shall ioyn with them in the Sale and assurance of my said lands otherwise but one hundred shillings

And to my youngest Daughter Goodiff East fifty poundes to be payd her when Shee shall attaine to the age of two and twenty yeares

And to my Daughter Ellen Orme twentye poundes and to her Sonne John Orme twelve poundes

And to my Daughter Anne Holmes ten poundes and to her Daughter Thomasin Holmes ten poundes to be payd her when shee shall attaine to the age of two and twenty yeares

And to my Wife Elizabeth East the remainder of the money that shall be left when the two hundred and two poundes is paid abovesaid

Item I give to Elizabeth East my land at Langham and one shilling more

Item I give to my youngest Sonne John East my land at Whissondine after my Wifes desease and one shilling in money

Item I give to Laurence East my eldest Sonne fourscore poundes which is put forth there being thirtye poundes of it in the hands of Thomas Campin of Branston and ten poundes of it in the hands of Richard Glen of Okeham and ten poundes in the hands of Arthur Beho of Morcott and thirtye poundes in the hands of my brother Musson

And if it shall soe happen that any of my sayd Children or grandchildren Shall Depart this life before their portions shall come due then my Will is that legacy or bequest shall be equally devided amongst the rest then living

Item I give to the poore of Langham twentye shillings

All the rest of my goods and Chattles undisposed of I give to my beloved Wife Elizabeth East whom I doe make sole executrix of this my last will and testament my debts being paid and funeral Charges discharged

In witness whereof I have hereto sett my hand and Seale the 27th of October 1663

Laurence East

Signed Sealed and published be my last will and testament in presence of

John Bullimer

Mathew Redmile

John Bunning

8° May 1667 Apud Uppingham In ... enali Dm Epi Peterburg ... Georgio Wake ... A [six more lines]

G. Wake

May the 8th 1667

Recd then the original will of the within written Laurence East of Langham by mee

Witnes signum

Geo Sauile Elize+ East

Clem Caveney

6° Jnny 1718

Gnt Alexander Tayler & Elizam Ux dyis Quer et Henr Hubbard Def

This paper writeing marked with the (A) was then xmed and showed unto John Bullimer at the time of his Exa[acord] to the 4th Julerry beforeus

J. Champans

Tho. Ridlington

Tho Roberts

John Reeve

Francis Edgson of Langham - 1702

NRO ~ X 103

In the Name of God Amen I ffrancis Edgson of Langham in the County of Rutl yeoman being sick and weake of body but of sound and perfect Memory thanks be to God do ordaine and make this my Last Will And Testament in Manner And forme following: ffirst I give and bequeath my Soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creator fully trusting and assuredly believing in and through the merrits and mediation of Jesus Christ my onely Saviour and Redeemer to have full pardon and Remission of all my Sins, And my body to be buried in the Churchyarde of Langham

- Item I give and bequeath unto my grandson ffrancis Edgson son of William Edgson Six pounds to be paid to him when hee Comes to the Age of one and Twenty yeares,
- Item I give and bequeath unto my other foure grand Children the Children of William Edgson deceased That is to say to William Edgson John Edgson Jonathan Edgson and Sarah Edgson fforty shillings a peece to be paid to them when they Come to their Seaverall Ages of one and Twenty yeares
- Item I give and bequeath unto my grandchild Sarah Bullivant five pounds to be paid to her when shee Comes to the Age of one and Twenty yeares
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Son in Law John Dale one shilling
- Item I give and bequeath unto my grandchild ffrancis Dale five pounds to be paid to him when he Comes to the Age of one and Twenty yeares
- Item I give and bequeath unto my grandchild John Dale forty shillings to be paid to him when he Comes to the Age of one and Twenty yeares
- Item I give and bequeath unto my grandchild Elizabeth Dale My bedsted in the Chamber,
- Item all the Rest of my goods Cattles and Chattles the Lease of my house and ground Whatsoever moveable and unmoveable unbequeathed and not given I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mary Dale whome I make full and sole Executrix of this my Last will and Testament, she paying all my debts Legacies and funerall Expences in bringing my body decently to the ground, And I do hereby Revoake and make voyde all wills by me formerly made And this to be onely taken for my Last will and Testament, In witness whereof I have here unto sett my hand and Seale the Two and Twentith day of December Anno Dom 1702

ffrancis Edgson

Published Sealed and deliv^{er}ed in the p^resence of

Tobias ffrancis
An Hubbard her marke
Elizabeth ffrancis

3^o Martij 1702/3 Jurata fuit maria Dale Executrix Fr: Edgson defunct: in hujodim Test^o noiat coram me S: Saunders. Surrog

John Edgson of Langham - 1586-7

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW88 F156

T John Edgson de Langham

In the Name of the eternalle God Amen the xvth daye of October in the xxixth yeare of the Raigne of our Sovereigne ladye Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffrance and Ireelaynde Queene defendouer of the faythe etc Wittneseth that I John Egson of Langham in the Countye of Rutland husbandman Beinge in Bodye sicke and weake but in mynde whole and sounde and of perfect Remembrance Thankes be given to the almightye doe make this to be my last will and Testament in this forme and Order

First I comende my soule into the handes of almighty god who gave it and to my savioure his sonne Christ whoe hath redeemed yt and my bodye to the earthe from whence it came and to be buried in the Churche yarde of Langham

Item I gyve and bequeathe to the cathedral churche of Peterborouge ijd

Item I gyve and bequeathe to the repayre of the Churche of Langham vjd

Item I gyve and bequeathe to Marye Edgson my Daughter one heffer of iij yeares oulde and xx^s in money to be delivered hir at the age of xxi yeares and also to alyce Agnes and Elizabeth my Daughters I gyve the like porcyones and to be delivered at there severall ages of xxi yeares old

Item I gyve to Thomas Edgson and to William Edgson my sonnes xl^s apiece to be delivered at there Ages of xxi yeares and yf yt shall anye of them to depart this world before the Come to there Ages of xxi yeares then I will and my will ys that he or shee that dyeth there partes shall remayne to the supervisors

Item the residue of all my goodes not given and bequeathed I gyve to Elizabeth my wyfe and to Nicholas my sonne whome I make my full and sole executrix of this my last will and Testamente and the to pay all my debtes and legacyes whatsoe I owe or hathe given in this my last will and Testamente And for the better performinge of this my last will I committee my whole trust unto William Edgson and to my brother in law Nicholas Daye whome I make ordayne and apoyntt to be Supervisoures of this my last will and Testamente and they to have for there paynes xij^{ds} apiece and further I will that the two shall end all matters and controversye Betwyxte my wife and my sonne yf any shall hereafter Ryse or growe in and about this my last will and Testament and that there be not wronge offered or [injury] thereof them but the Residue of the goodes and ferme shalbe equally devided Betwyxte my wife and my sonne withoute sute in Law In Wittnesse whereof I have set to my hande and marke the daye and yeare firste above written

Witnesses

John Bullymer

Thomas Berrye

Henry Huberde

William Edgson above sayde with others

By me John Edgson

Probatum fuit hummoi suprascriptum

..... Oundell

meo Henrico Hickman II D: au.... Anno

Nicholas Edgson of Langham - 1569

NRO ~ MW14 F85 W238

Testm Nicholii Edgeson de Langham des[?] A° Dm 1569

In the name of god Amen the xiiijth daie of marche A° Dm 1569 I Nicholas Edgson of Langham in the countie of Rutland husbandman beinge sicke in body but hoole in mynd and memory god be thancked doo make and ordeyne this my last will and testament in manner and forme followyng vis

First I give and bequeth my soule to almightie god and to all the heaveanly company and my body to the earthe to be buried in the churche yard of Langham aforesaid

I give to the mother churche of peturboroughe iiij^d

I give to the churche of Langham ij^s

I give to every godchild iiij^d a pece

I give and bequeth to my sonne Willm Edgeston vj ewes and xx^s of money

I give to Agnes his wife ij lambe hogges

I give to nicholas Willm Edgeston sonne one lambe hogge

I give and bequeth to Willm Waters and to his wife iiij ewes and to ij of there children eyther of them an ewe that is vj in the hoole

Item I give and bequeth to Isabell Edgeston my Daughter half of all the house holde stuffe There[?]oghe owte in every place three kye and vj shepe

I give and bequeth to Ales Edgeston my wiffe the uther halfe of my household wth Isabell my Daughter and xiiij^s iiij^d a debte done at michaelmas to me by Richard redmyle and yf yt chance that she doo remayne in house wth John Edgeston my sonne and agree well together then the said John to fynd her all thinges necessary and to lett her have one halffe akar of barly and one halffe akar of pease yearly and yf yt chance that they due not agree and remayne to gether then the said John shall give to my said wife one akar of pease and one akar of barlie yearly duringe her lyffe also a cowe wth a cowes grasse

The rest of all my goods unbequethed my debts paid my legacies performed and my funerall expenses dyscharged I geve & bequeth to John Edgeston my sonne whome I make and ordain of this my last will & testament my full and hoole executo^r And futher moore I make and ordain ^{supvisas} of this my last will and testament my neegbo^{rs} Willm pytte and henrie beston and for there paynes bequethe and geve to eythar of them xij^d In wytnesse whereof I the abovesayd

Nicholas Edgeston dyd setto my hand or marke the Daie and yeare first above written

Juron^{er} extendit)

) xliij^s vj^s viij^d

ad su^{er}man)

Probat fuit hac ... testamentum coram meo Jacobe Ellys

... archini maigi^m officiali xx^e die

monse Octobris A° Dm 1569

[two more lines]

William Edgson of Langham - 1633

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T^m William Edgson mg de Langham [desunbli]

At Whissondine upon Tuesday being ye twenty viijth day of May Anno Dm 1633 William Edgeson of Langham being very weake of body yet of true understanding sayed I will that my Betties my wife be my sole executor to Dispose of my land and all my good for y^e best godd of her selfe and her children which words he said twice againe after in y^e hearing of three others and my selfe being unto Robert Patelin minister vill

Witnesses

Jasper Edgeson
Luke Te[rner]
William Wilkin

Probatum fuit ... testam^{tu} nuncupatum decimo
nono die Junij Anno Dm 1633 ... est adⁿ
Executrix in ... testam^{to} nom... ...
... .. per me Ric Johnson
surr...

William Edgson of Langham - 1615

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T William Edgson senior de Langham 2th April 1615

In dei noie Amen I W^m Edgson the elder of Langham in the countye of Rutland husbandman being in body sicke & greived but sound in minde & memory do make this my last will & testam^t in manner and forme as followeth

Inprimis I do commit & bequeath my Soule into the hands of almighty god my creator & to his sonne Jesus Christ my Savior & redeem^{er} & my body to be buried in the churchyard of Langham aforesd

Item I give to the cathedrall church of Peter iij^d

Item I give to the church of Langham xij^d

Item I give to the poorest widdowes or to the use of the poorest sort xij^d

Item I give unto Jese Edgson my naturall Sone one halfe acre of that is sowen wth pease for this yeare butting up on Ashwell gate & one Rood of barly of blackle Clay & one ewe & one lambe hog & one cubberd & one pot & a pan one paire of harden sheets & one paire of flaxen sheets 3 table napkins one harden bord cloth one towell two pillowes one boulder & 3 peces of pewter & the bed ~~the bed~~ that I & my wife ly in after the decease of me & my wife wth the furniture there unto belonginge

Item I give unto Adam Edgson my sonne one rood of pease that is sowen this yere buttinge upon Thomas Sharpe

Item I give unto W^m Edgson the sonne of the S^d Adam Edgson one ewe & one lambe

Item I give unto Margaret Lenton the wife of John Lenton my daughter X^s wthin one yere after my decease

Item I give unto Margaret North the wife of Leonard North my daughter one flaxen sheete after the decease of me her father & my wife her mother

Item I give unto Cuthbet Edgson my Sonne one flaxen towel

Lastly of all my goods and Chatells moveable & immoveables not given & unbequeathed I do give & bequeath unto Agnes Edgson my wife whom I ^{do} make the full Executrix of this my last will & testam^t & she to pay to all my legacies debts & funerall expences bringing my body honestly to the ground & in regard of my love & trust

I beare unto Henry Hubberd my cosen & to Robt Browne my brother in law I do make them supervisors of this my last will & testam^t in hope they will see all things performed according to the true intent of this my last will & testam^t & they to have iij^d a pece for their paines

In witness wher of I have herunto set my hand on the day & yeare above written

Signum Willm Edgson

Witnesses:

Nathaniell Goche

Signum Henrie Hubbard

Signum Robti Browne

Decimo die Junij 1615^o

Probatum fuit hoc testamtm die annog predicts apud

Okeham Et commiss est admin ... Executrix in

testm^{nt} noiat indebita ... forma

per me Richa^d Johnson Surr ...

William Edgson of Langham - 1698

NRO Peterborough ~ T225

In the name of god amen I William Edgson of Langham in the County of Rutland Butcher being sick in body but sound and perfect of mind and memory I prayes god for it doo make and ordaine this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following

Ffirst and principall I give and bequeath my Soule into the hands of al mighty god who gave it hoping through the Merritts death and passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ my Redeemer to Receave full and free pardon of all my Sinnes and to Inherit everlasting life in the Kingdome of heaven Committing my body to the earth from whence it was taken and my body to be buried att the discession of my executrix here after named and for^{that} little estate which it hath pleased god to be stow upon me I dispose of as ffolloweth

- Item I give and bequeath to my Son ffrancis Edgson ffive pound to be paid to him when he shall come to the age of one and twenty yeares
- Item I give to my Son William Edgson ffive pound to be paid to him when hee shall come to the age of one and twenty years
- Item I give to my Son John Edgson ffive pound to be paid to him when hee shall come to the age of one and Twenty years
- Item I give to my Son Jonathan Edgson ffive pound to be paid to him when hee shall come to the age of one and twenty years
- Item I give to my Daughter Sarah Edgson ffive pound to be paid to her when shee shall come to the age of one and Twenty yeares And if it shall happen that any of my Children shall depart this life before they come to the age of one and Twenty yeares Then it is my will that that porson of the deceased shalbe equally devided amongst somany of my Children as shall then be liveing

And further I desire my Two loveing friends My Cousen William Edgson of Ridlinton and Jeffery porter to be ffeoffees in Trust for my Children to Act in there behalfe according to that great trust which I repose in them and what charge they are at conserning my Children shalbe Allowed out of the Childrens porcons

- Item all the Rest and Residue of my ^{goods} and Chattles moveables and unmoved moveables what soever unbequeathed my debts and legacies being faithfully paid and funerall expence discharged I give and bequeth to Sarah Edgson my loveing Wife whom I make full and soule Executrix of this my last Will and Testament shee bringing my body decently to the ground,

In wittnes where of I have here unto sett my hand and Seale the Tenth day of ffebruary in the yeare of our lord god One Thousand Six hundred Ninty and Seaven

I signed & sealed William Edgson

The p^resencs of

ffrancis Edgson
James Fracy
ffrancis Bland his Marke

14^o die July 1698 Jurata fuit Sara Edgson vid et Executrix
Gulⁱ Edgson de Langham Sept^m noc?at
Coram me
... Saunders ...

Thomas Fowler of Langham - 1697

NRO ~ T132

In the name of god amen I Thomas ffowler of Langham in the County of Rutland yeoman being Sick in body but sound and perfect of Mind and memory I prayes god for itt doe ordaine and make this my last will and Testament in manno' and forme ffollowing,

Ffirst I give and bequeath my Soule into the hands of almighty god who gave itt hoping Through the Merricorious death and passon of my Saviour Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer to Receive full and free pardon of all my Sinns and to inherit everlasting ^{life} in the world to come Committing my Body to the earth from whence itt was taken to be buried att the discession of my Executrix here after named and for that Little estate which god hath pleased to bestow upon mee I dispose of as ffolloweth

Item I give and bequeath to my Brother Samull ffowler one Shilling

Item I give to my Brother John ffowler one Shilling

Item I give to my Brother William ffowler one shilling

Item I give to my Sister Elizabeth Ward one shilling

Item I give to my Sister Jone Catto one Shilling

Item That if my Wife shall Marrie againe Then it is my Will that my Couson Sampson Ellicoate shall have Ten pound paid him by my Executrix hereafter named

Item all the Rest & Residue of my goods and Chattles moveables and unmoveables whatsoever my debts and legacies being faithfully paid and funeral expences discharged I give to Isabell my loving Wife whom I make full and Soule Executrix of this my last Will and Testament for & during her naturall Life and after her decease to my Couson Sampson Ellicote In wittnes whereof I have here unto sett my hand and seale the Seaventeenth day of Aprill Annogr Dom 1697

Thomas ffowler his marke

Sealed and delivered in the p'esents of

ffrancis Edgson

Mathew Hubbard his marke

Richard Barker

May 20^o 1697 Jurat fait Isabella Fowler
vid: et executrix Thoma Fowler defunct
in Test^o
Coram me
S.Saunders

Richard Fracy of Langham - 1710

NRO Peterborough ~ V 264

In the name of God amen the Ninth day of August September and according to the computation of the Church of England 1710: I Richard Fracy of Langham in the County of Rutland Husbandman being sicke and weake in Body but of Sound minde and perfect Remembrance Praise therefore bee given to God for the Same doo make and ordaine this my Last Will and Testamt: in manner and forme following (That is to say) First and Principally I commend my Soul into the hands of God my maker hoping through the precious Merits of my Saviour and Redemer to receive Pardon of all my Sinnes and to inherit Everlasting Life after death and my Body I commit to the Earth to bee decently Interred at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named and as touching All Such Temporall Estate as it hath pleased God to bestow uppon mee I give and Bequeath as followeth:

Imprs: I give to my Nephew James Fracy Twenty Pound and also my Lease of the Living which I hold of the Right Hon:ble the Earle of Gainsbourough after my Wife's Decease

Item I give to Elizabeth Seachell tenne Pound and to her Daughter Mary tenne Pound,

Item I give to Thomas Arnoll five Pound and to his Son John Arnoll five Pound and the House and homestead which now I live in after my Wife's Decease

Item I give Anne Glenne Widdow five Pound

Item I give to Alice Flaxman Twenty shillings, to Ellen Smyth Twenty shillings, to Mary Dalby Twenty shillings, to Alice Gandy Tenne shillings, to her Sister Anne Gandy tenne shillings

Item I give to John Sharpe ten shillings and to William Sharpe ten shillings

Item I give to Thomas Fracy five pounds and to his Son Edward Fracy five pounds

Item I give to Five poore Widdows in Langham five Pound five shillings whereof to bee paid to Each of them every Yeare att the ffeast of the Nativity of our Blessed Saviour Vulgarly called His day and this to bee done att the Discretion of the Minister of the Parish and Church Wardens

All the Rest of my Reall and Temporall Estate whatsoever I give and Bequeath to my Loving Wife Grace Fracy full and Sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament In Witnesse whereof I have hereunto Set my hand and Seale the day and yeare first above written

Sealed, Signed, and Published - the marke of Richard Fracy

in presence of

Francis Jephson
William Bayly his marke

memorandum that these words which are interlined were interlind before the Sealing of the Will

Ffrancis Jephson 1710

[beginning of words lost in the binding of the book]

... die Januarij

...cimo octave die Octobris Jurata fuit Gratia

...acy Vidua Relicta et Executrix unica bo=

...ru Richdi Fracy de Langham Defunctim

...ujodi Testto noiat: coram me S. Saunders Surrog:

Thomas Fracy of Langham - 1677

NRO Peterborough ~ O 98

In the name of god amen I Thomas ffracy of Langham in the County of Rutland yeoman being sick of body but sound and perfect of mind and memory I prayes god for it Doe make this my last will and Testament in Righting in manner and forme following first I give and bequeathe my Sole [blot] to the hands of almighty god my Creato^r and Redeemer hoping through the Merritts of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to be saved and my body to be buried in Christian buriall and for that Estate which it hath pleased god to bestow Uppon mee I Dispose ^{of} as followeth

Imprimis I give and bequeathe to my Daughter Katherine Twenty pounds to be payd to her when shee shall accomplish the age of One and Twenty years

Item I give to my Sonne James Twenty pounds to be payd to him when hee shall accomplish the age of One and Twenty years and if it shall happen that ^{any} one of my Children shall Depart this life before they accomplish the age of One and Twenty yeares then it is my will that the other shall have all the forty pounds which I have given and bequeathed in this my will and further if it shall happen that my Wife shall Marry againe then it is my will that the porcons which I have given and bequeathed to my Two Children in this my ^{will} shall on the day of her Marriage be put forth for the best Use of my Children and I do give my Brother Richard ffracy and my Brother James Tyler to be their Gardiners and my Wife to bring upp my Children without the use of there porcons

All the Rest of my good and Chattles moveables and unmoveable unbequeathed my debts and legucies being payd and funerall expences discharged I give to Elinor my loveing Wife whom I make full and Soule Executrix of this my last will and Testament In Wittnes where of I have here unto sett my hand and Seale the eighteenth Day of October in the yeare of our lord god one Thousand Six Hundred Seaventy and Seaven

Thomas ffracy his marke

Signed sealed published and Declared for the last will and Testament of Thomas ffracy in the p^{re}sents of us

ffran Edgson
Richard Beebe

Probatum fuit hoc testamentum apud Uppingham 31st die
Jan^{ry} Anno Dm 1677 Et ...fuit Adⁿ
bo... .. testam^{to} noiat Jn dobita jurii
forma jurat Salvo ...
Coram me Joame Workman Surrogat

Francis Clarke widow of Roger Clarke 15th November 1617

In the name of God Amen. The fifteenth daye of November Anno Domini 1617 And in the yeares of the raigne of our Sovereigne Lorde James by the grace of God Kinge of Englande Franncce and Irelande Defender of the Fayth etc. That is to saie of England Franncce and Ireland the Fifteenth and of Scotland the One and Fiftieth I Francis Clarke of London widdowe late wife of Roger Clarke late Citizen & Salter of London deceased beinge of good and perfect health thankes be to God doe make and ordeyne this my last will and Testament in manner and forme followinge First and principally I bequeathe and recommend my soule unto Almighty god, my Creator and to his only sonne Jesus Christ my only Lord Saviour and Redeemer by and throughe whose onlie death merrittes and passion I doe assuredly trust to have salvation and forgivenessse of all my sinnes and offences and to be an Inheritor with him in ye kingdome of heaven.

- Item I will my Bodye to be buried in the Quire of the parishe Church of St Margaret Moyses in Frydaye streete where I now dwell where my late husband was buried.
- Item I will & ordeine that my Executors hereafter named doe well and truely paye all such debts and duties as I of righte doe or shall owe to anie person or persons whatsoever and all such Legacies which of righte I ought to pay by lawe by reason or authoritye of my Executrixshippe of the said last will and testament of my said husband Roger Clarke. And as concerninge all and singuler my Goods, Chattells, Plate, Jewells, residue money, houshold stuffe, Credittes and debts whatsoever I dispose of the same in manner and forme followinge (that is to saye) First I bequeath unto all the sonnes and daughters of my sister Clement Goodwyne which shalbe livinge Three pounds a peece of lawfull money of Englande.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Cozen Buy Fower pounds of lawfull money of England to make him a Ringe.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Askewe One thousande pounds of lawfull money of England.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my said daughter Elizabeth Askewe a mourninge gowne.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto my Cozen Bugbury Forty pounds of lawfull money of England.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto Mr Cleaver and Mr Bushe Butchers to each of them a mourninge Cloake of fower pounds price a peece.
- Item I give and bequeath unto James Askewe my sonne in lawe a mourninge gowne.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my sonne William Clarke a mourninge Cloake and Ringe of goulde of the value of Three poundes.
- Item I give unto the Ladie Smyth my daughter in lawe my standinge Cuppe all guilt, saving the leaves which holde it uppe which cuppe was given me by my sonne Gawen Clarke.
- Item I give and bequeath unto the two Children of my Cosen Bartholomewe Clarke (that is to saie) Roger and Franncis Twenty poundes a peece to be paid unto them when they shall accomlishe their severall ages of One and twenty yeares or daye of marriage.
- Item I give unto and amongst all my men servants which shalbe dwelling with me at my house in London or at my house at Hackney and Plomsteede at the tyme of my death Five pounds of lawfull money of Englande a peece. And alsoe to every one of them a mourninge Cloke of the severall values of three poundes apeece.
- Item I give and bequeath unto all my mayd servants which shalbe dwellinge with mee at my house at London or at my house at Hackney at the tyme of my death a mourninge Gowne a peece of the severall values of Three pounds. And also Three pounds a peece in moneye.
- Item I doe give and bequeath unto William Chapman a mourninge Cloke.
- Item I bequeath unto the daughter of the saide William Chapman being Franncis Chapman my goddaughter Eight pounds of lawfull money of England.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto Three score poore women a mourninge gowne a peece of severall values of Twenty sixe shillinges eight pence a peece and they to weare the same at my funerall, the same to be distributed at the discretion of my Executors & Overseers.
- Item I give will and bequeath towards the releife of the poore Inhabitants of the parish of St Margaret Moyses in Fryday Streete Fiftye pounds of lawfull money to be put to the stocke called the poores money And they to give yearly for ever one loade of Coales to the poore people of the said parishe every Christmasse.
- Item I have given and already have delivered unto the Church wardens of the parish of Sainte Margaret Moyses aforesaid to the use of the said parish forever one standinge Cuppe of silver and guilt which cuppe I will and desire to have used in the ministracion of the Sacrament in the said parishe of sainte Margaret Moyses.
- Item I give and bequeath unto the releife of the poore people in the hospitall of Bridgwell Five pounds.

- Item I give and bequeath unto Christospitall of London towards the releife and bringinge uppe of the poore fatherles children there the some of Threescore pounds of lawful money so as the governers and Children of the said hospitall doe accompanie my bodye to the Church.
- Item I give unto the Companie of Salters whereof my late husband was a brother Fiftye poundes of lawfull money of England to make them a dynner for their paynes in bringinge my Corps to earth.
- Item I give and bequeath the some of Tenne pounds of lawfull money to make twentye Sermons in manner and forme followinge, that is to saye, every weeke one to be made in the parishe church of St Margarret Moyses in Frydaye streete London whereof I am a parishioner to bee made by mr Shute if he shalbe then Parson of the sayde parishe of St Margaret Moyses in Frydayestreete and for every Sermon which he shall soe make to have for his paines Tenne shillings to be paide unto him by my Executors.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Thomas Clarke sonne of John Clarke deceased one hundred poundes of lawfull money of Englande and alsoe a mourninge Cloake.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Henrye Suter one hundred poundes And unto his wife Fiftie poundes.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Sir John Benet knighte Twentie poundes of lawfull money.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Hughe House a mourninge gowne of the value of Three poundes.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Francis Suter daughter of Henry Suter the some of Tenne pounds of lawfull money.
- Item I give and bequeath unto mr Harper, mr Benet, Mr Amery and mr Parsons my neighbours to each of them a mourninge gowne a peece of the severall values of Five poundes a peece. And to everie of their wiefes a mourninge gowne a peece of Fower pounds price a peece.
- Item I give to the wife of Beniamine Monger a mourninge gowne of the price of Fower poundes.
- Item I give unto mr Shute now parson of St Margaret Moises a mourninge gowne of Five poundes price. And to his wife a mourninge gowne of fower poundes price (yf he shall be parson of the said parishe at the tyme of my decease).
- Item I give unto goodman Alison Clarke of the saide parishe of St Margaret Moises a mourninge gowne of Fower poundes price.
- Item I give and bequeath unto the poore people which shalbe at my buryall in the streete Sixe pounds to be devidid amongst them eyther in money or bread.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto the two prisons of Ludgate and Newgate Five poundes a peece, to be paide unto them towards their releife within Fowerteene daie after my decease.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto goodwife Burgesse a mourninge gowne of the value of Three pounds. And as concerninge the disposinge of all and singuler my principall messuage or Farme commonlie called or known by the name of Lamberts Farme, scituate and beinge in Plumsteede in the County of Kent And all howses, edifices, Dovehouses, Orchardes and Gardens to the same messuage or Farme belonginge and all those Fortye and sixe acres arable and woodelandes to the same messuage or farme belonginge in the parishe of Plumsteede aforesaide in the Countye of Kent And alsoe all that three other peeces or parcells arable lands and pastures knowne by the name or names of shorte Furrowe Thistle feilde and Thornehills and one parcell of woodlande conteyninge one acre in a wood commonly called Shouterhill wood to the said messuage or farme alsoe belonginge, conteyning in them all by estimacion Forty and Seaven acres lyinge in the parishe of Plumsteede aforesaide and in the parishes of east Wickham and Wellinge or in some of them in the aforesaid County of Kent. And alsoe threescore and tenne acres of Freshmarshe lands lyinge in the parishe of Plumsteede aforesayde and in the parrishe of Woolwich or in one of them in the saide Countye of Kent to the sayde messuage or Farme alsoe belonginge or apperteyninge which I bought of Hughe Bullocke Citizen and haberdasher of London and Isacke Woder of Lovenham in the county of Suffolk Esquier As alsoe concerninge all that Tenement with a Barne, a garden and one acre of Lande thereunto belonginge scituate and beinge in Plumsteede aforesaide in the saide Countye of Kent nowe in the occupation of William Withers Laborer or of his Assignes.
- And alsoe one other Tenement late divided into two tenementes with three acres of land thereunto belonginge scituate in Plumsteed aforesaide in the said Countye of Kent, now or late in the tenure or occupacion of one William Harper Husbandman or of his assignes. And alsoe concerninge that parte purport and portion of which I ought to have in Common with any other person or persons, of & in a certaine peece or parcell of Mudd or Marsh grownde called or knowne by the name of the Maggett containinge in all by estimacion Twenty acres more or lesse lyinge in the foresaide parishe of Plumsteede in the sayde Countie of Kent which parte, purporte and porcion due to me conteyneth Two acres and a halfe more or lesse which I alsoe bought of the saide Isaacke Woder and of the saide Hughe Bullocke. I doe by this my last will and testament give, graunte, will and bequeath all & singuler my foresaide severall Landes, Meadows, Pastures, Feedinges, woods and Underwoodes principall Messuage or Farme called Lamberts farme Tenementes and all and singuler other the premisses whatsoever which I have in the foresaide severall parishes of Plumsteede & Woolwiche in the foresaide Countye of Kent, from and after the decease of mee the saide Franncis Clarke unto my Nephewe Thomas sonne of John Clarke late one of my sonnes deceased and to his heires forever To have and to houlde all and singuler the saide premisses together with all Evidences Deedes Escripts Conveyances, Leases, writings and Munimentes whatsoever touchinge and concerninge the same unto the saide Thomas Clarke my Nephewe and to his heires forever from and after my decease.

Item I give and bequeath unto the saide Thomas Clarke my best Chaîne of goulde And whereas I have payde and delivered unto the hands of the Companie of Merchanttaylors of London the some of Two hundred poundes of lawfull money of Englande as of my free guifte to charitable uses In consideration whereof the saide Master and Wardens have by one paire of Indentures of Covenantts made betweene the saide Companie of Marchantaylors & me the saide Frannces Clarke under their Common seale covenanted promised and grannted to and with mee the saide Frannces Clarke my Executors and Administrators that they the saide Master and Wardens and their successors or Assignes shall and will from after the death of me the saide Frannces Clarke yearely forever well and truelie satisfie and paie at two severall feastes in the yeare therein mencioned the some of Tenne poundes towards the releife and maintenance of the poore people which shalbe of the Towne and parishe of Odiham in the Countye of Southampton in such manner and forme as in and by the saide Indenture is covenanted. The firste payment to begynne and be paide at suche of the said feastes as shall firste happen nexte after the death of mee the saide Franncis Clarke and during the lyfe tyme of me the saide Franncis Clarke shall content and paie the saide some of Tenne poundes yearlie, at the daie & tymes aforesaide, and by such even porcions as is aforesaid to mee the saide Franncis Clarke or to my assignes to be by me distributed and disposed eyther to the Charitable use abovementioned or to any other such good use or purpose as to me shall seeme beste. The first payment thereof duringe my lyfe to begyn at the feaste daye of the Nativitie of St John Baptiste nexte coming after the date of the sayde Indenture. Now I doe heareby desire and charge the saide Master and wardens and their successors to paye the saide some of Tenne poundes yearely according to the true intent and meaninge of the saide Indenture. And whereas I have paide and delivered unto the handes of the Company of Mercers of London the some of Two hundred poundes of lawfull money of England as of my free guifte to Charitable uses In consideration whereof the sayd Master and Wardens have by one payre of Indentures of Covenantes made between the saide Companie of Mercers and me the saide Franncis Clarke under their Common seale covenanted, promised and grannted to and with me the saide Franncis Clarke my Executors and Administrators That they the saide Master and Wardens and their successors or assignes shall and will from and after the death of me the saide Franncis Clarke yearely for ever well and truely satisfie and paie at two usuall feasts of the yeare therein mencioned the some of Tenne poundes towards the discharginge releevinge and succouring of the poore people which shall at any tyme lye in the hole of the Compter in the Poultry London in such manner and forme as in and by the saide Indenture is covenanted. The first of the saide payments to begyn and to be made at such of the saide Feasts as shall first happen next after the death of me the sayde Franncis Clarke and duringe the lyfetime of me the saide Franncis Clarke shall content and paye the saide some of Tenne poundes yearely at the daies and tymes aforesaid and by such even porcions as is aforesaid to me the saide Franncis Clarke or to my assignes to be by me distributed and disposed either to the charitable use abovementioned or to anie other such good use or purpose as to me shall seeme best. The first payment thereof duringe my life to beginne at the feast daie of the Nativity of St John Baptist nexte cominge after the date of their saide Indenture. Now I desire and charge the saide Master and Wardens & their Successors to see the same duellie performed and where moste neede shall be accordinge to my trust put in them. And where alsoe I have paide and delivered unto the handes of the Company of Haberdashers of London the some of Two hundred poundes of lawfull money of England as of my free guifte to charitable uses In consideration whereof the sayd Master and Wardens have by one payre of indentures of Covenantes made between the saide Companie of Haberdashers and mee the saide Franncis Clarke under their Common seale covenanted, promised and graunted to and with me the saide Franncis Clarke my Executors and Administrators That they the saide Master and Wardens and their successors or assignes shall and will from and after the death of me the saide Franncis Clarke yearely for ever well and truely satisfie and paie at the two usuall feasts of the yeare therein mencioned the some of Tenne poundes to two poore scholars one of Oxforde and thother of Cambridge namely to each of them Five pounds towards their better maintenance in such manner and forme and for such tyme as in and by the saide Indenture is covenanted. The first of the saide payments to begyn and be made at such of the saide Feasts as shall first happen nexte after the death of me the sayde Franncis Clarke And duringe the lifetime of mee the saide Franncis Clarke shall content and paye the saide some of Tenne poundes yearely at the daies and tymes aforesaid and by such even porcions as is aforesaid to mee the saide Franncis Clarke or to my assignes to be by mee distributed and disposed eyther to the charitable use abovementioned or to anie other such good use or purpose as to me shall seeme best. The first payment thereof duringe my lyfe to beginne at the feast daie of the Nativity of St John Baptist nexte cominge after the date of their saide Indenture. Now I doe hereby desire and charge the saide Master and Wardens & their Successors to see the same duellie performed and where moste neede shall be accordinge to my trust put in them. And whereas I have paide and delivered unto the handes of the Company of Drapers of London the some of Two hundred poundes of lawfull money of England as of my free guifte to Charitable uses In consideration whereof the saide Master and Wardens have by one paire of Indentures of Covenantes made between the saide Companie of Drapers and me the saide Franncis Clarke covenanted that they the saide Master and Wardens and their Successors shall and will from and after the death of me the saide Franncis Clarke yearely for ever well and truely satisfie and paie at two usuall feasts of the yeare herein mencioned the some of Tenne poundes towards the discharginge releevinge and succouring of the poore people which shall att any tyme lye in the hole of the Compter of Woodstreete London in such manner and forme as in and by the saide Indenture is covenanted. The first of the saide payments to begyn and be made at such of the saide Feasts as shall first happen nexte after the death of mee the sayde Franncis Clarke And duringe the life of me the saide Franncis Clarke shall content and paie the some of Tenne poundes yearely at the daies and tymes aforesaide and by such even porcions as is aforesaide to me the saide Franncis Clarke or to my assignes to be by mee distributed or disposed eyther to the charitable use abovementioned or to anie other such good use or purpose as to mee shall seeme best. The first payment thereof duringe my life to beginne at the feast daie of the nativity of St John Baptist nexte cominge after the date of their saide Indenture. Nowe I do heareby

desire and charge the saide Master and Wardens & their Successors to see the same duelye performed and where moste neede shall be accordinge to my trust put in them. And where alsoe I have paide and delivered unto the handes of the Company of Skynners of London the some of Two hundred poundes of lawfull money of England as of my free guifte to Charitable uses In consideration whereof the saide master and wardens have by one payre of Indentures of Covenantes made betweene the saide Companie of Skynners and me the saide Franncis Clarke under their Common seale covenanted, promised and graunted to and with me the saide Franncis my Executors and Administrators That they the saide master and wardens and their successors or assignes shall and will from and after the death of me the saide Franncis Clarke yearelie for ever well and truely satisfie and paie at two usuall feasts of the yeare therein mencioned the some of Tenne poundes towards the releife and maintenance of the poore and lame people within the Hospital of Sainte Thomas in Southwarke in the Countye of Surrey in suche manner and forme as in and by the saide Indenture is covenanted. The first of the saide payments to begyn and to be made at such of the saide feasts as shall first happen nexte after the death of me the sayde Franncis Clarke and duringe the lifetime of me the saide Franncis Clarke shall content and payie the saide some of tenne poundes yearely at the daies and tymes aforesaide and by suche even porcions as is aforesaide to me the saide Franncis Clarke or to my assignes to be by me distributed and disposed eyther to the charitable use abovementioned or to any other suche good use or purpose as to me shall seeme best. The first payment thereof duringe my lyfe to begynne and be made at the feaste daie of the Nativity of St John Baptist nexte cominge after the date of their saide Indenture. Now I doe heareby desire the saide Master and Wardens & their Successors to see the same duelie performed and where moste neede shall be accordinge to my trust put in them. And whereas I have paide and delivered unto the handes of the Companie of Tallowchandlers of London the some of Two hundred poundes of lawfull money of Englande as of my free guifte to Charitable uses In consideration whereof the saide Master and Wardens have by one paire of Indentures of Covenantes made betweene the saide Companie of Tallowchandlers and me the saide Franncis Clarke under their Common seale covenanted, promised and grannted to and with mee the saide Franncis, my Executors and Administrators that they the saide master and Wardens and their Successors or assignes shall and will from and after the death of me the saide Franncis Clarke yearelie for ever well and truely satisfie and paye at two usuall feastes of the yeare therein mencioned the some of Tenne poundes towards the releife and maintenance of the poore people which shalbe of the Towne and parish of Langham in the County of Rutlande in such manner and forme as in and by the saide Indenture is covenanted. The first of the saide payments to begynne and to be made at such of the saide feasts as shall first happen nexte after the death of me the saide Franncis Clarke And duringe the lyfetime of me the saide Franncis Clarke shall content and paye the saide some of Tenne poundes yearely at the dayes and tymes aforesaide and by such even portions as is aforesaide to me the saide Franncis or to my Assignes to be by me distributed and disposed eyther to the charitable use abovementioned or to any other such good use or purpose as to me shall seeme best. The first payment thereof duringe my lyfe to begynne at the feast daie of the Nativity of St John Baptist nexte cominge after the date of their saide Indenture. Now I doe hereby desire and charge the Master and Wardens & their Successors to see the same duelie performed and where moste neede shall be accordinge to my trust put in them. And where alsoe I have paide and delivered unto the handes of the foresaide Companie of Merchanttaylors of London the some of Two hundred poundes of lawfull money of Englande as of my free guifte to charitable uses In consideration whereof the saide Master and Wardens have by one paire of Indentures of Covenantes made betweene the saide Companie of Marchanttaylors & me the saide Franncis Clarke under their Common seale covenanted promised and grannted to and with mee the saide Franncis Clarke my Executors and Administrators that they the saide Master and Wardens and their Successors or Assignes shall and will from and after the death of me the saide Franncis Clarke yearely forever well and truelie satisfie and paie at two usuall feastes of the yeare therein mencioned the some of Tenne poundes towards the releife and maintenance of the poore & lame people within the Hospital of St Bartholomewe in Smythffelde London in such manner and forme as in and by the saide Indenture is covenanted. The firste of the saide payments to begyn and be made at suche of the said feastes as shall firste happen nexte after the death of me the saide Franncis Clarke And during the lyfe tyme of mee the saide Franncis shall content and paie the saide some of Tenne poundes yearlie, at the daies & tymes aforesaide, and by such porcions as is aforesaide to me the saide Franncis Clarke or to my assignes to be by me distributed and disposed eyther to the Charitable use above mentioned or to anie other such good use as to mee shall seem best. The first payment thereof duringe my life to beginne at the feast daye of the Nativity of St John Baptist nexte cominge after the date of their saide Indenture. Now I doe hereby desire and charge the Master and Wardens & their Successors to see the same duelie performed and where moste neede shalbe accordinge to my trust put in them.

- Item I give will and bequeath to all the saide severall Companies of London that is to saie Mercers, Haberdashers, Drapers, Merchanttailors, Skynners & Tallowchandlers and to every of them Tenne poundes apeece of lawful money of England to make them a Cuppe to thintent that they shalbe the more willing to accept of my severall guiftes of Two hundred poundes apeece for the payinge and performinge of the severall Annuites for ever which I have ordained them to paie in suche manner and forme as is before sett downe in this my last will and Testament.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my sister Shorewoods two daughters Three poundes apeece.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my sister Watermans two daughters three poundes apeece.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my brother Suturs two daughters three poundes apeece.

- Item I give and bequeath unto Charitie my mayd servante which keepeth my howse at Hackney Eight poundes of lawfull money of Englande yearelie dueringe her naturall lyfe To be paide to her quarterly by my Executors heare undernamed. The first payment to be made the nexte quarter after my decease and soe successively every quarter duringe her lyfe tyme. And for payment thereof I have delivered unto Thomas Haines my man the some of one hundred poundes to paye the sayde Eight pounds duringe her lyfe. And my will and mynde is that after the deathe of the saide Charitie the saide Thomas Haynes shall pay unto my Executors Fiftie poundes parcell of the saide one hundred pounds accordingo to an Assurance which I have taken of him for the same. And whereas I the said Franncis Clarke a Customary tenante of the Mannor of Westham upon the Twelveth daye of January Anno Domini 1612 did surrender into the hands of our Sovereigne Lorde the Kinge, Lord of the Mannor aforesaide by the Rod accordinge to the Custome of the sayde Mannor by the hands of John Eaglefeilde in the steade of the Beadle & Richard Pragell and John Newman Customary tenantes, witnessinge the same, All that my howse with a Barne, Stable and Garden with all their appurtenances to the same belonginge or appurteyninge scituate at Hookend in the parish of Westham in the Countye of Essex to thintent that our saide Sovereigne Lorde the Kinge shall regrannte the saide howse, barne, stable & garden with all and singuler their appurtenances unto such person or persons purposes and intentes as I the sayde Franncis Clarke shall nominate and appointe in my laste will and testament. And whereas alsoe I the saide Franncis Clarke a Customary tenante of the Mannor of Bromeley Saint Leonards within the County of Essex upon the foresaide Twelveth daie of January did likewise surrender into the hands of our saide Sovereigne Lorde the Kinge, Lorde of the saide Mannor of Bromeley Sainte Leonardes by the Rod, accordinge to the Custome of the said Mannor, by the hands of William Thorowgood and George Pease Customarie tenantes of the said Mannor of Bromeley St Leonards witnessinge the same All that my Close of land called Ponters conteyninge by estimation Fower acres lyinge in Westham at Hookend in the Mannor last aforesaide To thintent that our saide Sovereigne Lorde the Kinge shall regrannte all the foresaide Fower acres with all & singuler their appurtenances to them belonginge unto such person of persons purposes uses and intents as I the saide Franncis Clarke shall nominate and appointe in my last will and testament For declaracion of which my intent upon the said severall surrenders in forme aforesaide made I doe by this my last will and testament give will and bequeath unto the foresaide Thomas Clarke sonne of John Clarke late one of my sonnes deceased All and singuler the saide howse, barne, stable and garden lyinge within the saide Mannor of Westham And alsoe all that my Close conteyninge Fower acres more or lesse called Ponters lyinge in Westham at Hookend in the Mannor of Bromeley St Leonardes aforesaid with all and singuler their appurtenances to and for the onlie use benefitt and behoofe of him the saide Thomas Clarke his heires and assignes according to the Custome of the said Mannor for ever. To have and to holde the saide howse, barne, stable and garden and the saide Close conteyninge fower acres with all and singuler their appurtnances from and after the death of mee the saide Franncis Clarke unto the saide Thomas Clarke my nephewe his heires and assignes for ever, accordinge to the Custome of the saide severall Mannors.
- Item I give and bequeath unto the wife of Franncis Wadlowe And to the wife of Thomas Haines a mourninge gowne apeece of the value of Fower pounde apeece.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Mr Beale tutor to my Nephewe Thomas Clarke at Cambridge a mourninge gowne of the value of Five poundes in money.
- Item I give and bequeath unto John Askewe Five poundes.
- Item I will and bequeath unto the said Thomas Clarke sonne of John Clarke late one of my sonnes deceased and to Henry Suter the Lease of my nowe dwellinge howse in Fryday Streete London and the terme of yeares thereof yet to come which I holde of the Maior and Communialtie and Cittizens of the Cittye of London. Alsoe I give will and bequeath unto the foresaide Thomas Clarke the Lease of my Garden with the howse thereunto belonginge and terme of yeares thereof yet to come lyinge and beinge in Morefeildes which I alsoe holde of the foresaide Maior and Communialtie and Cittizens of the Cittye of London. Alsoe my will intent and mynde is that my eldest sonne William Clarke and all such servants which he shall like of to dwell with him shall have their dwellinge in all my howse at Hackney in the Countye of Middlesex with the use of all my gardens, orchardes and grownds therunto belonginge together with the use & occupyng of all such my goods beddinge lynnens woollen pewter brasse and all other howsholdstuffe whatsoever, as are nowe remaininge, standinge and beinge in my saide howse at Hackney duringe the naturall life of him the saide Willyam Clarke freely without payinge anythinge whatsoever And alsoe I doe will give and bequeath all my saide goodes, beddinge, lynnens, woollen, pewter, brasse and all and singuler my howsholdstuffe and other thinges whatsoever which are nowe standinge and remaininge in my saide howse at Hackney aforesaide after the death of my saide sonne William Clarke unto Thomas Clarke my Nephewee. Alsoe I give to Mr Jonson parson of the parish Church of Hackney Three poundes to make him a Ringe. Alsoe I give to and amongst the poore people of Hackney the some of Three poundes of lawfull money to be devidid amongst them at the discretion of the said Mr Jonson and the Church wardens of the saide parishe of Hackney.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Cosen James Woolridge Tenne poundes of lawfull money.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my late sister Wilsons two Children Edwarde and Katherine Tenne poundes apeece.
- Item I give and bequeath unto William Rudd Five poundes of lawfull money.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Mr Greene Scrivener a mourninge gowne of Five poundes price.

- Item I will and ordeyne by this my last will and Testament that within one moneth nexte after the death of my said sonne William Clarke my Executors heareunder named shall paie or cause to be paide unto Sir Thomas Lowe Knighte and Beniamyne Monger the some of Two Hundred poundes namely to eyther of them the some of one hundred poundes apeece and that they shall detaine the saide one hundred poundes apeece to them and their Executors for ever To that intent and purpose that they the saide Sir Thomas Lowe & Beniamyne Monger shalbe aydinge and assistinge unto my saide sonne William Clarke in such businesse and necessities as shall befall unto him soe farr as by lawe they may.
- Item I give will and bequeath the some of Tenne pounds of lawfull money of Englande to and amongst the parishioners of the said parishe of St Margaret Moyses in Fryday Streete London to be spent by them on a Dynner after my buriall. And I do ordaine nominate and appointe the foresaid Thomas Clarke my nephew sonne of the aforesaide John Clarke late one of my sonnes deceased and Henry Suter my brothers sonne my executors of this my last will and testament. And I doe nominate and appointe the saide Sir Thomas Lowe Knight and Alderman of the Cittie of London & Beniamine Monger Franncis Wadlowe and Thomas Haines Cittizens of London my Overseers of this my last will and testament. And alsoe I give will and bequeath unto the saide Sir Thomas Lowe a Mourninge gowne of Thirtie shillinges a yarde. And to the saide Beniamine Monger, Franncis Wadlowe and Thomas Haines and to each of them a mourninge gowne of Five poundes price apeece, desiringe them to bee aydinge and assistinge to my Executors in the true performance of this my last will and Testament.
- Item my will and mynde is that my said Executors shall and will at all tymes from and after my decease of me the saide Franncis Clarke permitt and suffer the saide William Clarke my sonne and all his servantes peaceably and quietlie to have houlde, occupie, possesse, enioye and dwell in my foresaide messuage or Tenement or Orcharde, garden, outhouses, backsides, lande and their and every of thir appurtenances scituate, lyinge and beinge in Hackney in the County of Middlesex aforesaide duringe the naturall life of him the sayde William Clarke without anie molestacion or disturbannce of my sayde Executors or eyther of them or anie other person or persons clayminge to have any right or interest therein by from or under them, or by their or eyther of their meanes, right, interest or procurement Provided alwaies that if the saide Thomas Clarke & Henry Suter my saide Executors or either of them doe not at all tymes from & after the decease of me the sayde Franncis Clarke permitt and suffer the said William Clarke my sonne, and all his servantes peaceably & quietlie to have, holde, occupie, possesse, enioye and dwell in the foresaide messuage or tenement in Hackney aforesaid with all and singuler the premisses with thappurtenances duringe the naturall lyfe of him the said William Clarke without yeilding or payinge unto them or anie of them or to the Executors, Administrators or Assignes of them or eyther of them any Rent or some of money and without anie molestacion or disturbance of them or either of them or of anie other person, or persons clayminge to have any right or interest therein by from or under them or by their or either of their meanes, right, interest or procurement That then and from thenceforth the benefitt of this their Executorshippe shalbe voyde and that then they shalbe deprived of anie bequest or legacie hereby to them by mee given, grannted or bequeathed, anythinge aforementioned to the contrarye in anywise notwithstandinge. And further my will and mynde is That if the saide Thomas Clarke and Henry Suter or eyther of them doe not or shall not in all thinges performe this my last will and testament accordinge to the tenor and true meaninge thereof, Or if anie controversie or dissension shall happen to arise at any tyme heereafter betweene them touchinge or concerninge any of my goods Chattells, Plate, houshold stuffe, landes, tenementes or hereditaments or any other thinge whatsoever touchinge this my last will and testament or concerninge their Executorshipes of this my last will and testament If then they the sayde Thomas Clarke and Henry Suter doe not for the endinge of every or any suche controversie or dissension submitt themselves unto and abide the order and awarde of my sayde Overseers or the survivors of them to bee made in that behalfe and that soe often as any suche Controversie or dissension shall happen betweene them That then he of my saide Executors who shall deny to submitt himself to the order and awarde of my saide Overseers and to be ordered and censured by them, shall be deprived and loose the benefitt of every bequest and legacy heereby given and bequeathed unto him and his Executorshippe shall be alsoe voyde. And further my will and mynde is that yf the saide Henry Suter shall at any tyme after my decease by any Waies or meanes whatsoever directly or indirectly attempt assume or challenge to himself, anie further authoritye, power or interest of or in any of my Goods, housholdstuffe, moneys, plate, Jewelles, Credittes and debtes whatsoever then is to him and the sayde Thomas Clarke my Nephewe in and by this my last will and Testament ioyntly reserved and grannted whereby any molestacion, wronge, losse or hinderance maye arise or growe to the saide Thomas Clarke my Nephewe That then and from thenceforth the benefitt of this Executorshippe of him the saide Henry Suter shall be voyde and that then he shalbe deprived of any Bequeast or Legacie heereby to him by mee grannted, given or bequeathed any thinge afore mentioned to the contrarie in anywise notwithstandinge. The residue of all and singuler the Goodes, Chattelles, Plate, money, Jewelles, Implementes, housholdstuffe, Credittes and debts above unbequeathed of me the saide Franncis Clarke I wholly give and bequeath unto and amongst my saide Executors, parte and portion like equallie to be devidid amongst them. And I doe heereby revoke all former Wills whatsoever. This is the marke of Franncis Clarke. Memorandum that the daye and yeare above written the foresaide Franncis Clarke hath sett her hande and seale to this her last will and Testament and heereby doth revoake all former Wills. In the presence of John Smyth, Thomas Parry – the marke of Richard Tompson, Henry Plumpton

Whereas I Franncis Clarke of London widdowe late wife of Roger Clarke late Cittizen and Alderman of London deceased did by my last will and Testament bearinge date the Fifteenth day of November 1617 amongst other thinges give will and bequeath unto my Nephewe Thomas Clarke the lease of my Garden and the terme of yeares thereof yet to come scituate and beinge in Moorefeildes which I holde of the Maior and Comunialte and Cittizens of the Cittie of London as by my sayde last will and testament more at large maye appeare.

Now my Will and mynde is, notwithstandinge my Will and bequeastes, as is before recited, That the saide Lease of my garden and the terme of yeares thereof yet to come which I holde of the said Maior and Comunialte and Cittizens of the saide Cittye of London I give will & bequeath the same unto my foresaide Nephewe Thomas Clarke and unto Henry Showter and thatt my mynde and will is that the sayde Lease and terme of yeares shalbe indifferentlie praised and the valewe thereof equally to be devided betweene them yf they shabe willinge to parte with the same and not to keepe the said Lease betweene them. In witnesse whereof I the saide Franncis Clarke have heareunto sett my hande and seale. Dated the Twelveth daie of December One thousande, sixe hundred and seaventeene And in the Fifteenth yeare of the raigne of our Sovereigne Lorde James by the grace of God Kinge of Englande, Scotlande, Franncce and Irelande, Defendor of the fayth etc. The marke of Franncis Clarke Sealed and delivered by the saide Franncis Clarke in the presence of William Parsons.

Whereas I Franncis Clarke of London widdowe late wife of Roger Clarke late Cittizen and Alderman of London deceased did by my last will and Testament bearinge date the Fifteenth daie of November in the yeare of our Lorde One Thousande Syxe hundred & seaventeene amongst other thinges give, will and bequeath all and singuler my severall Landes, Meadowes, Pastures, Feedinges, woods and Underwoodes principall messuage or Farms called Lamberts farme, Tenementes and all and singuler other premises whatsoever I have in the severall parishes of Plumsted and Wooldwich in the County of Kent from and after the decease of me the saide Franncis Clarke unto my Nephew Thomas Clarke sonne of John Clarke late one of my sonnes deceased and to his heires forever To have and to hold all and singuler the sayde premisses together with all Evidences, Deeds, Escripts, Conveyances, Leases, writinges and munimentes whatsoever touchinge and concerninge the same unto the saide Thomas Clarke my Nephew and to his heires forever from and after my decease as by my said last will and testament more at large may appeare. Nowe my will and mynde is to alter and revoke the said estate of the Fee simple before bequeathed and that after the decease of mee the saide Franncis Clarke I give will and bequeath the foresaide premisses unto my saide Nephew Thomas Clarke and to the heires male of the bodye of him the saide Thomas Clarke lawfully to be begotten. And for defaulte of such heires male of the bodye of him the saide Thomas Clarke lawfully to be begotten, as aforesaid, my Will and mynde is that the remainder of the foresaide premisses shall goe to the wyfe of him the said Thomas Clarke my nephewe whome hee shall happen to marry with duringe so longe tyme as she shall continue and keepe herself the widdowe of the saide Thomas Clarke and noe longer. And that neither she nor any other for her, duringe the said widdowhood, shall not committ nor suffer to be committed any Waste in and uppon the said premisses or any parte or parcell thereof. And my will and mynde is that after the widdowe of the saide Thomas Clarke shall marry and take to her a seconde husband, then I give will and bequeath the Remainder of all and singuler the foresaid premisses to Thomas Shuter the eldest sonne of Henry Shuter Cittizen and Salter of London and to Roger Clarke theldest sonne of Bartholomewe Clarke of Langham in the County of Rutland gentleman equallie to be devided betweene them parte and portion like To have and to holde to them in severalty and to their severall heires male of their severall bodies lawfullie to be begotten. And if it shall happen that the saide Thomas Shuter and Roger Clarke or eyther of them shall dye without heires male of their bodies lawfullie begotten then my Will and mynde is that the one moitie of all the foresaide premisses shall goe to the eldest daughter of the said Henrye Shuter from and after the decease of the said Thomas Shuter, he dyinge without heires male, as aforesaid. And thother moitye thereof to the eldest daughter of the said Bartholomewe Clarke from and after the decease of the saide Roger Clarke he dyinge without heires male as aforesaid. In witnesse whereof I the saide Franncis Clarke have heareunto sett my hand and seale. Dated the Eleaventh daye of February Anno Domini 1617 And in the yeares of the raigne of Our Sovereigne Lorde James by the grace of God Kinge of England, Scotland, Franncce & Irelande Defendor of the Fayth etc That is to saie, of England, Franncce and Irelande ye Fifteenth and of Scotland the One and fiftieth. The marke of Franncis Clarke. Sealed and delivered by the said Franncis Clarke as her will and mynde. Henry Plumpton and of mee Edmond Roberts.

[In Latin]

The above written will was proved at London in the presence of Master Hugh Barker Doctor of Law, Surrogate of the venerable gentleman lord John Benet esquire also doctor of law, lawfully appointed master guardian or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, on the tenth day of the month of July in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred and eighteen on the oath of Thomas Clarke and Henry Suter who were nominated executors in the same will. To whom administration of all and singular the goods, rights and credits of the said deceased was granted, having given oath upon the holy gospel of god about administering the same well and faithfully etc. . .

John Francis of Langham - 1690

NRO Peterborough ~ S 028

In the name of god amen I John ffrancis of Langham in the County of Rutland glover being sick in body but sound and parfect of mind and memory I prayes god for it, doo ordaine and make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme ffollowing ffirst and princply I give and bequeath my Soule into the hands of almighty god my Creator and Redeemer hoping through the Merritts of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to be saved and to Receave full and free pardon of all my sins and to inheritt everlasting life in the kingdome of heaven committing my body in the earth from whensh it was taken and for that little estate which it hath pleased god to be stow uppon mee I dispose of as ffolloweth.

I give and bequeath to my Brother Tobias ffrancis all the gloves in my house except foure paire which they that carryes my Corpes to the Church shall have

Item I give to my Brother James ffrancis all my woolling Clothe ^{except} my best Suite and best great Coate

Item I give to my Cosen James ffrancis my best great Cote

All the Rest and Recidue of my goods and Chattles moveable & unmoveable what soever my debts & legacies being first paid and ffunerall expences discharged I give to Ellen my loveing wife whom I make full and sole executrix of this my last will and Testament Revokeing all former wills by mee made In witness where of I have here unto sett my hand and Seale the Three and Twentieth day of September in the yeare of our Lord god one Tousand Six hundred and Ninty

Sealed and delivered John ffrancis his Marke

in the p^{re}sents of

ffrancis Edgson

Thomas Hubbar Son his Marke

Peter Molson his Marke

Decembris 4^o 1690 Jurat fuit hoc Testamentum ab Elenora Francis supra-nominat Executrice Defuncti Johannis Francis supredict coram me
S.Saunders Surrog:

Edmund Freman of Langham - 1559

NRO ~ MW13 W263 F139

Testa^m Edmundi ffreman de Langh^am

In the name of god amen the yere of o^r lord god ... lix the xijth Daie of August I Edmund ffreman of Langh^am in the Contie of rutland being in good mynde & remembrance mak my last will & Tstameⁿt in maner and forme flowing

ffirst I bequethe my Soule to almightie god to all blessed companye in heaven and my bodie to be buried in the church yarde of peter and paule of Langh^am aforesaide

Item be^eqethe to the mother church of peterborowe iiijd

Item to the reparacon of Langh^am churche xiijs iiijd

Item beq^ethe to the reparacion of haroby churche iijs iiijd

Item beq^ethe to y^e reparacon of colson Bassett churche vjs viiiid

Item beq^ethe to every hopuse in Langham iiijd

Item beq^ethe to Robert Beckes of colson bassytt a coat & to every childe that he hath xijd

Item bequeath to every godchild iiijd

Item bequeath to Ric Huc[abbreviation mark] a coat & to every child that he hath xijd

Item bequethe to Alyce ffreman my wife half my household within the howse my croppe ij Kie ix shepee vj k~~yne~~ ij hyves iijs in money and my howse wth the half yarde land so long as she kepe her un married sothat she mak no wast of the gronde

Item bequethe to the briges that havemost need xs

Item beq^ethe to the making of y^e cawsye iijs iiijd

Item bequethe to Sibbell ffreman five marke & the howse at barre

Item bequethe to Agnes ffreman v marke

Item bequethe to John ffreman my brother a silver spone & xxs

Item bequethe to Gregorye Welles a silver spone

Item beq^eth to William Webster a silver spone

Item bequeath to Jone Warde an ewe & a lambe

The residue of all my goodes not bequeathed I gyve & bequethe to Edmunde ffreman & Margery ffreman whom I mak my executors to Dispoose for my soule & all christen sowles

Also if any of the children aforenamed die the part shall goo to the rest so long as the lyve also yee that shall have there parts inkeping shalbe bound to delyver y^t agayne when the shalbe able to occupie the same them selves also I will y^t theies men Thomas ball John freman James Smythe & gregorie Welles to be ov^{er}sears of my will performed and the to have for their paynes takynge vjs viiid a pece

Witnes hereof

William gan curat

Thomas Welles

Thomas Ball

James Smythe

John ffreman

gregorie welles with other moor

Also I will that the conter the amber & the forme be here longing to the howse

Probatum fuit xij die Dece^mbris A^o

Dm 1559 ...administratio ...

John Freman of Langham - 1559

NRO Peterborough ~ MW13 F155 W291

Testat^m Johns ffremaⁿ de Langh^am

In y^e name of God Amen In the yere of o^r lord god 1559 and the xvij daye of October I John ffremaⁿ of Langham in the couⁿtie of Rutland beinge in good mynd and p^erfect remembrance make my last will and testament in man^er and forme foloweinge ffirst I bequethe my sowle to almighty god and to all the holy co^mpanye in heaven and my bodie to be buried in the church of peter & paule in langh^am aforesaid

- Item bequeath to Katherin ffremaⁿ my wiffe foure of the beste shepe ij brasse pottes iij platters iij pewter Dyshes iij candlestickes j k^et^le j pan iij hyves j chafing dyshe ij cov^elyttes a fether bed a matres vij pare of sheets halfe the pillows ij of the best coffers ij tables ij pailles an Ambrey a heycr a forme a stole a bradiron pott hangills a fryeng pan all the woullen yarne bell heme [to...der] fyer shovell iij tubbes j tymnell ij bedsteads iij quyshines
- Item bequeth to Alyce ffremaⁿ my sister a silver spone and iij shepe
- Item bequeth to Robert Wilbard my best coat
- Item I bequethe to Robert Beckes of Colson bassitt a buckeskyne dublytt and to his iij daughters iij shepe iij pewter dyshes and iij candlesticks and to his ij sones ij shepe
- Item bequeth to Richard hus my fryse coat j shepe and to his sonne j shepe
- Item bequeath to William mydowes my best russitt coat a lether dublytt the best shirte save j a paire of hose a bonytt a pare of shows
- Item bequeth to M^r Clarke a silver spone a silver ring & a shepe
- Item bequeath to the bells ijd
- Item bequeath to ev^er^y godchild j shepe
- Item bequeath to sir Wm Gan my brydill my best bonytt
- Item bequeath to Brian Linn [or Lunn?] my best Dublytt and a grene jackytt
- Item bequethe to Agnes ffremaⁿ a brasse pott a pewter dyshe and a candlestick
- Item bequethe to Agnes Wygins a cov^elytt a pewter dyshe a candlestick
- Item beq^ethe to Willm Bagly a shirte

The residue of all my goodes not beq^ethed I Gyve to W^m Clarke & Robt Ivies whom I make my execuores to dispose for my sowle and all christen sowles

Witnes

William Gan curat
Willia^m Clarke
Robert Ivies
W^m medow
wth other mooe

- Item I bequeth to Gregory Welles the best arke
- Item I bequethe to Margarett Welles a crampe ringe of silver
- Item bequethe to W^m Clark my sadill
- Item bequethe to Robert Ivies ij hyves of the beste

Probatum fuit Martij A^o D^m 1559

... admnistracio commssage fuit executor ibz

... Galbo jure ...

FS [

- Ambrey Early type of large cupboard with doors, usually for food. But later used for books, linen, clothes, etc.
- heyrc Word not found, I wonder if he means an ark which has harkys or herks as alternative spellings – however he spells ark as arke further down so perhaps not. A heck is a rack for hay but is also used for a rack for cheese, is this another possibility?
- Chafing dish A chafer was a small, closed, transportable brazier containing burning charcoal. A chafing dish was placed on this to contain food and keep it warm.
- Bradiron A metal stand for a kettle or a trivet for supporting cooking pots over the embers of a fire.
- Hangills Iron hooks for hanging a cooking pot over the fire.
- to...der. This word could not be read. May have something to do with removing the towe (coarse fibres) from flax or hemp before spinning.
- tymnell Possibly turnell, which is a large oval tub. Especially one used for salting meat, kneading bread, or putting under a cheese press.
- quyshines Cushions?
- Dublytt A close-fitting body garment, with or without sleeves, worn by men and sometimes women, from the fourteenth to eighteenth centuries.
- fryse Frieze; a thick coarse woollen cloth with a nap on one side., used for outer garments.
- Arke Chest or coffer with a domed lid.
- crampe Word not found but obviously descriptive of the silver ring.

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William Gash of Langham - 1641

LCC ~ 1641/453

In the name of God Amen I William Gash of Langham in the Countie of Rutland being sick of body but of perfit remembrance thanks be unto god

First I bequeth my soule into the hands of the Almitie god my maker & Creator & my body to the earth from whence it came & do make this my last will & testament in mannor & forme following:

first I give to my Dowter Ann ten pound to be payd hir out of the Clouth & out of the bone lace box

Item I give for my burial XX^s & 2^s out of it for the ringers:

Item I give all the rest of my goods to my Wife for to bring up my Children in the fere of god and to put my Dowter Ann to the bone lace scule at Langham till she be very skilfull in that vocation

Witnesses at the same

Doritie Wilkinson hir marke

Alce Torie hir marke

Gavin Clarke of London, Salter - 1611

PCC ref: 104 Wood ~ FRC ref: PROB11/118 f 364verso and 365 recto

In the name of God Amen. the nynteenth day of Aprill Anno Domini one thousand six hunderte and elewen and in the yeare of the Raingne of our Sovereigne Lord James by the grace of god Kinge of England Scotland France and Ireland Defender of the Faith [and] that is to say of England France and Ireland the ninth and of Scotland the Foure and Fortieth, I Gavin Clarke citizen and Salter of London beinge sick in body but of perfect minde and memory (thankes be given therefore to Almightie God) And callinge to minde the frailty of [...] life in this transitory world, doe make and ordaine this my Testament declaring hearin my last will in manner and Forme Following (that is to say)

first I commit my soule into the handes of Almightie God my Creator [...] [...] and beleiving through the merits and passion of his sonne Jesus Christ my Redeemer to be saved and made partaker (amongst his elect) of his heavenly kingedome And my body I comitt to the earthe from whence it came to be buried in the Chancell of the parishe church of Saint Mary Magdalen neere old Fish Streete in London wheare I am now a parishioner as neere unto the body of my late wife there as conveniently may be in suche decent manner and Forme as shall seeme good in the discretion of the Executors hereafter named:

And as concerninge all such goods Chattells ready mony plate Jewells household Stuffe, ymplements of household and otherthinges whatsoever, wheart of or whoarein I am nowe possessed or [...] I give and dispose theareose in manner and forme Following (that is to say)

- Item I give and bequeathe to my lovinge mother Frances Clarke my greate deepe Cuppe and my Chain of gold
- Item I give and bequeathe to my Sister Elizabeth Askewe my greate rownd Saltie[?]
- Item I give and bequeathe to the Companye of Salters in London my Bason and [...] guilt.
- Item I give and bequeathe to John Harrison Cittizen and Clotheworker of London one hunderth poundes of lawfull Englishe mony.
- Item I give and bequeathe to Margaret Hansine [?] widower twoe hunderth poundes of like lawfull mony.
- Item I give to Mrs Robotham widowe twenty poundes of like lawfull mony.
- Item I give and bequeathe to my Aunte Goodwin twenty pounds of like lawful mony.
- Item I give and bequeathe to William Kinge Chicnrgeon [?] twenty pounds of like lawfull mony.
- Item I give and bequethe to John Warner my man servant Fyve pounds of like lawfull mony.

The rest and [...] of all and singuler my goods Chattells ready mony plate Jewells houshold Stuffe ymplements of houshold and other thinge not heereby bequeathed my debts and Severall charges beinge first paid and discharged: I give and equeathe to my Cozen Mary Griffiths And I doe heereby make and ordaine the said Mary Griffith and the said John Harrison Executors of this my Testament and last will uppon [...] and confidence that they will foulye execute and performe the same accordinge to my [...] heerein sett forthe and declared, And as concerninge all such Landes Tenements houses and hereditaments with their apputenancies wheareof or whearein I the said Gavin Clarke stand [...], [...] [...] estate in possession or [...] I give devise and bequeathe the same my landes Tenements houses and hereditaments with their appurtenances to my said Cozen Mary Griffithe and to her heires forever:

And I do heare by revoke and Countermand all formes and other wills by me hearetofore made, In wittnes whearfore I the said Gavin Clarke to this my present Testament and last will conteyned in three sheetes of paper have to entry sheets theareof subscribed my name and to the first and last sheetes thearof sett my seale [...] the daye and yeare first above written:

Gavin Clarke: Read published sealed acknowledged and delivered by the subscribed said Gavin Clarke for and as his Testament and last will in the [...] of us:

John Griffithes Snr:
John Warner Welthin
Lewes Hermacke [?]

Probatim [normal Latin follows] by Johanne[s] Benet ... anno millimo sexcentesimo undecimo inramento [?] [1611?] to Marie Griffithe and Johanne[s] Harrison.

William Gheast of Langham - 1678

NRO Peterborough ~ P 038

Memorandum That William Gheast late of Langham in the County of Roteland Gent [word not read] being of perfect minde & memory & having a minde to settle & dispose of of his personall Estate Did upon or about ye second Day of February Anno Dm 1678 make & declare his last will & Testam^t nuncupative in manner & forme or in effect as followeth viz^t

Hee the said William Gheast did give & bequeath all his goodes & Chattells unto Margurett Gheast his wife

during her naturall life and afterwards he did give & bequeath the sd goodes and Chattells to Edward Gheast his Sonne

And he the sd William Gheast did make & ordaine the said Margarett his wife Sole Executrix of his said will which words or y^e like in effect were spoken & declared by the said Testator for & as his last will & testam^t by word of mouth In ye presence & hearing of:

Thomas Cole
Mary Ruddill
Helen Fracy widow

6^o Martii 1678

Probatum fuit Testum nuncupative sapsascript William Gheast

Defuncte [crossed out] Margarte

ejus relict & Executrii Et ... fuit Ad ... bonor

... defunct eid^s de bono & ... jurat ... Salvo ...

23 die Jun 1679 Joannes Workman Sur

Probat fuit Eostum ... vigire juram^{ti} testin Suprascript

Joannes Workman surrogat

William Gheaste of Langham - 1698

NRO Peterborough ~ P 039

In ye name of god Amen I William Gheaste of Langham being sick of body but sounde & perfect in memory praised be god for y^e same doo make & ordaine this my last will & testament in manner & forme following y^t is to say

first I resigne my Soule into y^e mercifull hands of Almighty god my Creator assuredly hoping through y^e meritts of my Saviour to obtaine remission of my Sinns & my body I committ to y^e earth whence it was taken to be decently buried at the discretion of my executr herein after named & as for y^e wordly goods & estates y^e lord hath lent me I dispose thereof as followeth

All my goods & Chattells my debts & funerall expences being discharged I give unto Margett my ^{deare} wife & to my Sonn Edward after her decease & doo make her full executrix of this my last will & testament & doo revoke all other wills formerly by me made Ffebruary y^e Second 1698

Wittness

Thomas Cole his mark

Mary Ruddill her marke

Elizabeth Goode of Langham - 1680

NRO Peterborough ~ P123

In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Goode of Langham in the County of Rutland, being Sick in body, but well and perfect in memory praised be God, Doe make this my last will & testament in manner & forme following Imprimis

I Do commit my Soule to Almighty God my Creatour and my body to be buried in the Churchyard according to ye discretion of my Executours:

- Item I give to Thomas Parre, my grandchild, the Summe of twenty pounds to be payd to him when he shall attaine to the age of one & twenty years but if he Soo not live to that age, then it shall be divided betwixt Elizabeth Parre, & Mary Parre my grandchildren when they shall attain to the age of one & twenty years
- Item I give unto Thomas, Elizabeth & Mary above named all my moneys, goods, & Chattels, not hereby bequeathed to be delivered to them when they are one & twenty years of age, but if one of them dye before they come to that age then it shall equally be divided betwixt the other two, & if two of them dye befor they come to that age, then it shall be given to the other, but if they all three dye before they come to the age aforesaid then shall all the money & goods and Chattels, before given, be given to Jane Parre & John Parre my grandchildren, after all necessary Charges for my funerall are defrayed
- Item I make and ordaine Richard Browne of Knoston, and Richard Smith of Langham, Executors of this my last will, In witnesse whereof I have set to my hand [two words deleted] this eleventh Day of September in the yeare of our lord God one thousand Six hundred Seventy & Nine

Elizabeth Goode her mark

In the presence of

Richard Saunder
Bridget Smyth

11 Janurii 1680

Probatum fuit testum Suproscript Elizabeth Goode defunte

... Richarde Browne Executor & Richard Smith Executors in

de bone & jurat Et Commissa fuit

Tho Arnold sur

Roger Goode of Langham - 1675

NRO ~ R199

In the name of god Amen I Roger Goode of Langham in the County of Rutland carpenter beinge sicke in bodye but well and perfect in memory praised bee god Doe make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following

Inprimis I Doe commit my Soule unto allmighty god my creatour and my bodye to bee buryed in the Churchyard according to the Discretion of my executour

Item I give to my Daughter Mary ten pound to bee payed unto her with in twelve munthes after my Decease

Item I Doe give unto my grandchildren Elizabeth Mary and Jane the Daughters of John and Mary Pare of Langham aforesaid ten pown a peesce to goe forward for them within one yeare after my Decease

Item it is my will that John Pare shall have haffe my grownde which I rent of my Lord Campden he paying halfe of all Dues and Dutyes

Item All my goods Cattle and Chatles unbequeathed I give unto Elezebeth my wife whom I Doe make executrix of this my last will and testament in witsesse whereof I have set to my hand and seale the thirteenth Day of march in the seaven and twentieth yeare of the Raigne of our Sovereigne Lord Charles the Second by the grace of God kinge of England Scotland ffrence and Ireland Defender of the faith etc An^og Dom 1674/5

[no signature of testator]

Witsesse by us

ffrancis Dalbye

Elizabeth Be?er [could be Beaver]

Rebeaka Balle

Probat fuit hoc Testament^m T Elizabetham
Goode Defuncti Robeta Debita juris forma jusat
apud Langham in Comit Rutland 12^o Die
mensis July Ano Dom ... 1675^o Coram me
Guliel^o Halles Surrato

John Eylbourne of Langham - 1577

NRO Peterborough ~ MW14 F228 w497

In the name of god amen The xxijth Day of July ao Dm 1577 in the xjxth year of Our Sovereigne Lady Quene Elizabeth etc I John Gilbourne of Langham in ye countie of Ruttlande husbandman sick in body but whole in mynde & memory god be prayed do make & ordayne this my last will and testament in manner & forme followinge viz

- Ffirst I bequeathe my soule to allmigtie god & my bodye to ye yearthe etc
- Item I geve to ye mother churche of Peterborough ijd
- Item I geve to ye repayringe of ye church of Langham xijd
- Item I geve to Agnes Gilbourne my Daughter a browwhitebackte cow & certayne money that I owe hir ij strikes of barley j olde aumbrye one charger one payr of harden sheetes
- Item I geve to Jane gilbert my Daughter a blacke herfer of iij yeares olde one platter one payre of harden shetes
- Item I geve to Izabell Gilbourne my daughter a calf of a yeare old one payre of sheets one charger
- Item I geve to Alice Willborne my Daughter a blacke whitefaced calf
- Item I geve to Phillipe Willborne hir husbände one roode of pease
- Item I geve to Nicholas Gilbourne my sonne j [word & insertion not read] steare a yeare & half olde vs in money to be payd half a yeare after my decease & vs a yeare after yt, All ye rest of my goodes unbeque thed my Debtes payde legacies and funnerals discharged I geve to Thomas my sonne whom I make my full executor
- Item I geve to Brigget Jonysonne my Daughter j strike of Rye j strike of barley & one strike of malte
- Item I geve to Alice Gilborne Thomas his Daughter j flaxen towel

In wittnes herof

Christopher Johnson curate
Bartholomewe clark
Edwarde [.....]
Mathewe folden
Wm Shene
wth others

Probatum fuit hoc pus testamento Supra Script cora meo
Talentire officialii an... vij^o Octobris A^o 1577 comissay
fuit adminstracis executori in ... testo ... et Jurat
palno Jure Oc^t oxhi^t est imben summum xijj^[2] ij^s iv^d

Grace Hack of Langham - 1686

NRO Peterborough ~ S 081

In the Name of God Amen the fifteenth Day of May in the year of our Lord God 1686 I Grace Hack of Langham in the County of Rutland Widdow being sick and weake of body but of sound and perfect Memory thankes be given to god for the same do ordayne and make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and forme following

- Ffirst I bequeath my soule in to the hands of Almighty God my Creator fully trusting and assuredly beleiving in and through the Merrits and mediation of Jesus Christ my onely saviour and Redeemer to have full pardon and Remission of all my sins and my body to be buried in the Church yarde of Langham
- Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Hack five pounds to be paid with in one month after my decease
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Guntharpe five pounds to be paid within one month after my decease
- Item all the Rest of my goods Cattles and Chattles whatsoever moveable and immoveable unbequeathed and not given I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Hannah Hack whome I make full and sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seale the day And yeare first above written

Grace Hack her marke

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

Tobias Francis

Elizabeth Glass her marke

John ffrancis his marke

John Hack of Langham - 1711

NRO ~ X 153

In the Name of God Amen I John Hack of Langham in the County of Rutland Gent being weak of body but of sound and perfect memory praised be God for the same And calling to mind the uncertainty of this life doe make and ordaine this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following/that is to say

- ffirst I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping through his mercy And the merits of my onely Saviour Jesus Christ to have full pardon of All my Sins And my body I commit to the Earth to be decently interred att the discrecton of my Executrixes hereinafter named And as touching such worldly estate as God of his mercy hath bestowed upon me I give and dispose thereof as followeth
- Imprs I give bequeath and devise All that my Lease of One Messuage or Tenem^t: with all the Appurtenances Situate and being in Langham aforesaid wherein I now dwell And of severall closes of pasture ground lying and being in Langham aforesaid to the said Messuage or Tenem^t: belonging together with their and every of their profits rights members and Appurtenances to the Severall uses intents and purposes and under the trusts which are mentouned and expressed in a certaine Indenture of Assignem^t: bearing date on or about the Second day of March which was in the year of our Lord One thousand Seven hundred and One made between me the said John Hack of the first part Bartholomew Wimberley my Son in Law of the second part William Wimberley John Vincent and Thomas Smith Butcher my son in Law of the third part
- Item I give bequeath and devise All that my Lease of Wiggintons Closes in Langham aforesaid called or known by the Name or names of the Howe close and Ouldeybanks with their profits rights members and Appurtenances to the severall uses intents and purposes hereinafter mentioned expresses and declared/that is to say/ To the use and behoofe of my loveing Wife Jane and my Daughter Ann Hack to have share and share alike of and in the rents issues and profits of the same for and during the term of their naturall lives And to the use of the Survivor of them And from and after their two deaths then to the use and behoofe of my Son in Law Thomas Smith of Ashwell in the said County of Rutland Butcher his Ex^{rs} Adm^{rs} & Assignes for and during All the rest and residue of the term therein mentioned which shall be then to come and unexpired And in case either of both of my said Leases shall happen to be renewed during the naturall life or lives of my said Wife & Daughter or either of them then my will and desire is And I do hereby order and Appoint that my said Leases or either of them shall be renewed att the costs and charges of my said two Sons Bartholomew Wimberley and Thomas Smith their Executors Adm^{rs} and Assignes/namely/my said Lease of the said Messuage or tenem^t and Severall closes thereunto belonging shall be renewed at the costs and charges of my said Son in Law Bartholomew Wimberley his Execut^{rs} Adm^{rs} or Assignes And my said Lease of Wiggintons closes shall be renewed att the costs and charges of my said Son in Law Thomas Smith his Executors Adm^{rs} or Assignes
- And after such renewing of my said Leases or either of them as aforesaid then my will and desire further is that the same with the rents and profits thereof shall be for the use of my said Wife and Daughter and of the Survivor of them as aforesaid/in case they Or either of them shall be then living/And afterwards to the use and under the trusts =nz aforementioned and expressed
- Item I give bequeath and devise All my Lease of five Closes of pasture in Langham aforesaid called or known by the names of Mickloe and Cooperholme containeing by estimacion twenty five Acres/more or less/together with their rights profits members and Appurtences unto my loveing Wife Jane for and during the term of her naturall life and from and after her decease unto my Daughter Ann Hack and her Assignes for the term of two yeares for the intent that she the said Ann shall and may during the said term out of the rents issues and profits thereof raise the sum of Ten pounds for the use and benefit of my Grandson John Chisledine the same to be putt forth to interest for his use by my said Daughter Ann Hack And the same to be paid to him with the increase and proceeds thereof at his age of one and twenty years And from and immediately after the end of the said term of two years then I give bequeath and devise All that my said Lease of the said five Closes called Mickloe and Cooperholme with the profits and Appurts thereunto belonging unto my said son Thomas Smith his Exors Admrs and Assignes In case he or they shall and will at his or there own costs and charges renew the same within Six Moneths after my said wifes decease And also in case my said son Thomas Smith his Exo^{rs} Adm^{rs} or Assignes shall and will permit and suffer my Daughter Ann and her Assignes to hold and enjoy the same and take the rents issues and profits thereof for the term of two years as aforesaid for the raising of the said sum of ten pounds for my said Grandson John Chiseldine but in case my said Son Thomas Smith his Exec^{rs} Adm^{rs} and Assignes shall not and will not renew my said Lease of Mickloe and Cooperholme as aforesaid and shall not and will not permit and suffer my said Daughter Ann or her assignes to hold and enjoy the same and take the rents issues and profits thereof for the raising of the said sum of ten pounds for my said ^{Grand} son John Chesildine as aforesaid then I give and devise the said lease of the said five Closes called Mickloo and Cooper holme with all the profits and Appurt^{ns} thereunto belonging together with all benefit and advantage of renewing the same unto my said Daughter Ann Hack and her Assignes subject nevertheless for the raising and paying of the said sum of ten pounds unto my Grandson John Chiseldine as aforesaid And I make liable and charge my said Lease called Mickloo and Cooperholme to and with the raising and paying of the said sum of ten pounds as aforesaid
- Item I give and bequeath unto my said Grandson John Chesildine the sum of twenty pounds ^{over and above the said ten pounds} of lawfull money of Great Britaine to be paid to him by my Executrixes herinafter named at his age of One and twenty years

Item all the rest residue & remainder of my goods Chattlells Cattell and personall estate whatsoever unbequeathed I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Jane and loving Daughter Ann Hack equally to be divided between them they paying and discharging all my debts Legacy of twenty pounds and funerall expences whatsoever And Doo hereby make and ordaine my said wife and Daughter Ann Executrixes of this my last will and testament hereby revokeing all former wills by me made In witness whereof I have to this my last will and testament containing almost two sheetes of paper putting hand and Seal this Thirtyeth day of March in the Seventh year of the reign of our Soverigne Lady Anne by the grace of God Queen of Great Brittain etc Annog Dul 1708

John Hack his mark

...sealed published and declared to be the last ...ill and testamt of the within named John Hack ... presence of us And signed by us in the presence ... the Testator

Elizabeth Wigginton

Elianor White her marke

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[in margin] Vicerimo septimo die mensis Augusti A.D. 1711 Jurat fuere

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Notes on the people – all Langham unless otherwise indicated

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|------|---|------|------|----|--|--|
| 1637 | / | 1638 | Mar | 4 | John Hack s/o John bapt | |
| 1658 | | | Sep | 16 | Samuel Hack s/o John buried | |
| 1674 | / | 1675 | Mar | 23 | Elizabeth Hack d/o John bapt | |
| 1675 | | | Jul | 9 | Mary Hack d/o John bapt | |
| 1677 | | | Nov | 4 | Grace Hack d/o John bapt | |
| 1678 | | | Oct | 20 | Ann Hack d/o John baptised | |
| 1680 | | | Dec | 5 | Hephzibah Hack d/o John bapt | |
| 1680 | / | 1681 | Feb | 21 | Hephzibah Hack buried | |
| 1681 | | | Oct | 13 | Mary Hack w/o John buried | |
| 1683 | | | Apl | 11 | John Hack married Jane Palle[or Paule] of Edith Weston | [at Egleton?] |
| 1693 | | | Oct | 24 | Mary Hack married Anthony Chiseldine at Egleton | |
| 1696 | | | Dec | 29 | John Chiseldine s/o Anthony & Mary bapt | |
| 1699 | | | Jul | 13 | Elizabeth Hack married Bartholomew Wimberley at Burley | He was a Tallow Chandler of St. James, Westminster, London |
| 1700 | | | Oct | 29 | Elizabeth Wimberley w/o Bartholomew buried at Langham | |
| 1701 | | | Dec | 27 | Grace Hack married Thomas Smith of Ashwell | |
| 1711 | | | Aug | 23 | John Hack buried aged 74 | |
| 1713 | | | Mar | 16 | Joseph Hack buried, came from London | |
| 1716 | | | June | 15 | Jane Hack buried w/o John, widow | John must have had a previous wife. Mary Hack See 1681 |
| 1716 | | | Sep | 4 | Ann Hack married Richard Chiseldine | |

Elizabeth Heyes of Langham - 1660

NRO Peterborough ~ N276

January the 16th 1660

In the name of god amen I Elizabeth Heyes Wife of William Heyes of Langham in the County of Rutland being sicke in body but sound and perfect in minde and memory god be prayesed for it: Doo make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following:

ffirst I give my soule into the hands of almightie god my Creator and redeemer hoping in the Merritts of Jesus Christ my Redeemer and noo other Wise to be saved and my body to be buryed in the Church yard of Langham

Imprimis I give to my Sister Jane Gandy one matterriss one blancitt one paire of sheets two pillows and a boulster and the best covered ~~and~~ one bason pan two puter dishes and a Chavendish one Coffe and a little barrill and five pound Tenne shilling to be payd to her within one month after my decease

Item I give to Thomas Ball Sonne of my brother Richard Ball Twenty shillings

Item I give to Elizabeth ^{Isobell} Ball Twenty shillings

Item I give unto Bartholomew Ball Twenty shillings

Item I give to Henry Ball Twenty shillings and a cubbard provided that hee give Tenne dosen of bread att my burial

Item I give to Margaret Dunmore Twenty shillings

Item I give to William Gandy Twenty shillings that is to say Ten shillings for him selfe and Ten shilling for his Sonne William Gandy

Item I give to Elizabeth Okeham Tene shilling

Item I give to Thomas Ball sonne of my Brother William Ball Twenty shillings

Item I give to Jone Hornby Twenty shillings

Item I give to William Ball Sonne of my Cosen Richard Ball Twenty shillings

Item I give to my Daughter Ales Heyes ~~Twenty~~ ^{five} shillings pound and the great pan

Item I give to Betteris Ball wife of my Cosen Richard Ball Ten shillings

Item I give to my Cosen Alce Abbut ffive shillings

Item I give to John Hornby the Sonne of John Hornby Two shillings & six pence

Item I give to my Daughter Alce Heyes the least brasse pott one putor dish and a Candlestick the bedstead that Alce lieth in and the Cheese presse and one barrill

Item I give to Mary Ball daughter of my Coson Richard Ball one Brasse pott one putor dish one Candlestick one Saucor

Item I give to Em Hornby daughter of my Coson Robbard Hornby the Table and the forme that standethe in the house one putor dish one Candlestick provided that shee give to her Two Brothers John and Thomas ffive shillings betwixt them and I give her Likewise one Table Cloth one over whartsheete and one Napkin

Item I give to my Sister Gandy one of the best sheets which hath the haire and bone seams one Towell and a pillowbeare one greene aperne one Holland aperne one wascote one Savegard one red pettecote

Item I give to Alce Abbut one harden sheete one aperne

Item I give to my Coson Mary Ball daughter of Richard Ball one of the best sheets and a Napkin

Item I give to my daughter Alce Heyes one of the best sheets and a dibo[r or c?] [word crossed out] Towell a Scoth Cloth aperne and a Napkin: ~~All the rest of my goods and Chattles moveables and unmoveables~~ and the west end of the hous called the shope untill shee Mary :

All the rest of my goods and Chattles moveables and unmoveables whatsoever unbequeathed my debts and Leagacies being paid and funeral expences discharged I give to my Husband Willi^{am} Heyes and my Coson Richard Ba[?] whom I make sole executors of this my last Will and Testament Revokeing all former wills In Wittnesse where of I have here unto sett my hand and seale the sixteenth day of January in the Twelfth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord Charles the second by the grace of god king of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland defender of the faith etc: Anno: Dom. 1660

Sealed and delivered

in the presenc of

ffrancis Edgson

Elizabeth Heyes her Marke & seale

Thomas Pits his marke

This is further parte of the will of the Within named Elizabeth Heyes declared and expressed before the publishing and ensealing there of that is to say that William Heyes my husband shall have the Cottage house or Tenement with the Appertenances there to belonging wherein shee dwelleth in Langham during his naturall Life and the bedstead wherein shee lieth the ffeather bed one boulster two pillows one blankitt and one coverlit.

Elizabeth Heyes her Marke

Wittnesse here unto

ffrancis Edgson

Thomas Pits his Marke

[Con probated apud Whitwell coram Thoms ffreere in Artibus](#)

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John Holmes of Langham - 1709

NRO Peterborough ~ V209

In the Name of God Amen I John Holmes of Langham in the County of Rutland Tallow Chandler being very much indisposed of health and weak of body: but of Good and perfect Sence and memory praised be God: do make and ordaine this my Last Will and Testament Revoking all other Wills and Testaments Whatsoever this first day of March in the Sixth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lady Queen Ann by the Grace of God of England Scotland France and Ireland defender of the faith etc: as followeth
Impris I bequeath my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God hoping for his mercy and my body to the Earth from whence it was Created but to be Decently buried –

- Item I make my Wife Ann Holmes sole Executrix of all my Goods and Chattles to be at her disposing
- Item And My Now dwelling House Shop Workhouse barnes and stables and all Appurtances thereto belonging I give unto my Son Roger Holmes after my Decease and my said wife onely yielding and paying the Sum of Ten pounds of English money to be paid at his Entrance to the House to my Daughter ffaith Holmes: by him or his Assignes and the said ffaith Holmes to have her dwelling in the said house without any disturbance for Six Moneths after Our deceases (of me & my Said wife)
- Item I give unto my Daughter ffaith Holmes all the Goods in the best Chamber one Trunk of Linnen one Trundlebed one warming pan one Chest one Hanging poop two Litle Boxes one Land Iron and brases five pewter Dishes Six plates one Tankard one Cheeseplate one Candlestick one Great Table and little Table Six Chaires Two Brass potts two Brass pans one Tub one pale Two Barrells: att our pleasure
- Item I give unto my Son William Holmes one Shilling to be paid within twelve moneths after my decease
- Item I give unto my Daughter Tomasin the wife of Walter Baccus one Shilling to be paid within Twelve Moneths after my Decease

In witness and for performance herof I have interchangeably sett my Hand and Seale this first day of March in the year of Our Lord God 1706

John Holmes

In the presents of

Thomas Bankes
the marke of Francees [E]gdon
John Stokes

Oct^{ris} 24^o 1709 Jurate fuit Anna Holmsi
Vid^a Relicta et Executrix John Holmes de
Langham in Comit Rutlandis defunct: in
hajodi Test^{to} noiat
Coram me
Sam: Saunders Surrog:

[FS

Landiron a metal support in the hearth to stop burning logs rolling out.

Poop possibly Pooke, which is either a bag smaller than a sack, otherwise a long narrow bag usually of leather for carrying corn on pack saddles

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Thomas Hornbie of Langham - 1622

NRO ~ Film Copy Book X folio 136

Aprille ye Anno Dm 1622

I Thomas Hornbie de Langham In the Nomine deo Amen. I Thomas Hornbie of Langham in the County of Rutland Butcher being sicke in body but I prise god sound & perfect in memory Doo make this my Last will & Testament in manner & forme following ffirst I bequeath my Soule unto Almighty god my maker & Christ my Redeemer, and my body to be buryed in the Churchyard of Langhame aforesaid

Item I give to John Hornbie by eldest sonne Ten pounds to be paid at Michalmas come two years

Item I give to hime one [still or stable?] which I bought of Henry [Cosens?] of Ch[so far everyone's best guess is Cheste?] situate & being in Stamford forever, & to his Assignes

Item I give to Henry hornbie ten pounds to be paid att the yeares of one & twenty

Item I give to Elizabeth Hornbie ten pounds to be paid at the yeares of one & twenty

Item I give to Jease [Jessie] Hornbie ten pounds to be paid at the years of one & Twenty

Item I give to Robert hornbie ten pounds to be payd at the yeares of one & twenty.

Item I give to Ellin hornbie ten pounds to be paid at the yeares of one & Twenty

And if yt please god anie of the said children Decease before the legacie be paid my will is that the said legacy shall equally be Distributed & Divided amongst the rest

Item I give to my wife Kathrine hornbie my Copy house with all the Appertenances therewith belonging During her life & after her Decease to Thomas hornbie my yongest Sonne to his Assignes for ever

The rest of all my goods & chattels movables & inmovables not given & unbequeathed I give to my wife Katherine hornbie whome I make sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament shee paying all my Debts legacies funerall expenses & bringing my corpes Decently to the ground In witness whereof I have sett to my hand the Day & Yeare above written

Ann Hornby of Langham - 1674

NRO Peterborough ~ O 065

In the name of god amen I Ann Hornby of Langham in the County of Rutland Widdow being sick in body but sound and perfect of mynd and memory I prayes god for it Doo make this my last will and testament in manner and forme following

first I give and bequeath my sole into the hands of almighty god my Creator and Redeemer hopeing through the Merritts of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to be saved and no other wise and my body to be buried in Christian buryall

Imprimis I give to my sonne John Hornby the Seeled Bed that standeth in the parler one Mattris one wooll boulster one feather pillow one wooll pillow Two pairs of Sheets two pillow beares Three blankitts one Covered the gre[ane?] Curtins that belong to the bed one Table Cloth Two Napkins Two hand towels one Cubbard Table one buffet stoole one pe[...?] the great pann and one little Brasse pott one Three quart pann and Twenty shillings to be payd to him Three months after my Decease

Item I give to my Grandchild John Kesterton ffive shillings to be payd to him when hee shall accomplish the age of One and Twenty yeares

Item I give to my Grandchild Ann Kesterton ffive shillings when shee shall accomplish the age of One and Twenty yeares

Item I give to my Grand Child William Kesterton Tenn shillings to be payd to him when hee shall accomplish the age of One and Twenty yeares

Item I give to the poore people of Langham Tenn shillings to be given to them the Second day of May next after my Decease and I desire ffrancis Edgson to be att the giving of the ^{said} Tenn shilling to the poore and see my sonne John have his Things delivered to him which I have here before sett Downe in this my will and I Doe give to ffrancis Edgson one shilling

All the Rest of my goods and Chattles moveable and unmoveables ^{whatsoever} unbequeathed my debts and legacyes being paid and funerall expenses discharged I give to my Sonne Henry Hornby whom I make full and sole executor of this my last will and Testament In wittes whereof I have here unto sett my hand and seale the seaventeenth day of Aprill in the ffive and Twentieth year of the Raigne of our soveraigne Lord Charles the second by the grace of god of [deleted] England Scotland ffrance & Ireland King defender of the faith etc Annog: Dom. 1674

Memerandum this being further part of my will before the ensealing & delivering here of that it is my will that my Sonne John Hornby shall come & have his lodging in the house soo longe as hee keepeth him selfe sivilly and orderly to them of the house

Ann Hornby her marke

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

ffran: Edgson

William Bayley his Marke

Probat fuit hoc Testamentum y Henricum Horneby Defuncte
Executorem Debila juces forma juratum apud Glaston in Comitata
Rutlandia prime Die monsis Marty
Ano Dmi 1676 coram me
Gulalme Holles Surrato

[There is a worn place in this document where the word gre[ane?] occurs, I think it could be saying the curtains are green. The word below it eludes us and perhaps some of the ascenders have been worn off, it is possible it is pann but the second letter is e and the last letter cannot be reliably identified]

Catherine Hornby of Langham - 1633

NRO Peterborough ~ Film Mw94 Book XII F37

T^m Catherine Hornby de Langham

In the name of god Amen I Katherine Hornby of Langham in the County of Rutland widow beinge sicke in body but perfect in mind and memory thanks be given to god for it doo make this my last will and testam^t ye tenth day of March Anno... Dm 1632 in manner and forme as followeth

Inprimis I bequeath my soule into y^e hands of god my maker and Christ my Saviour and Redeemer and my body to be buried in y^e Churchyard of Langham

- Item I give unto Henry Hornby twelve pounds to be payd within one yeare after my Decease
- Item I give unto Robert Hornby twelve pounds to be payd within two yeares after my Decease
- Item I give unto Elizabeth Hornby twelve pounds to be payd within one yeare after my Decease
- Item I give untoHornby twelve pounds within two yeares after my Decease
- Item I give unto Ellin Hornby twelve pounds to be payd within three yeares after My Decease And if it happen y^t any of my Daughters shall depart this naturall life before her portion be due being unmarryed then my will is that their portion shalbe devided amongst y^e rest of my Children equally
- Item I give unto Robert Hornby one bed stead one mattress one paire of sheets one Coverlet one blancket one bolster and one pillowe to be set out at y^e discretion of y^e partes before mentioned
- Item I give unto John Hornbyes two Daughters one pewter charger apiece and one flaxen napkin apiece The rest of all my household stuffe not given and unbequeathed I give unto my three Daughters equally to be devided amongst them at the discretion of my brother Gray Mrs fflores and my sister Gray
- Item I give unto Thomas Hornby sonn of John Hornby one Lambe hogge Item I give unto ~~Thomas~~^{John} Hornby and Henry Hornby sonnes of Henry Hornby one lambe hogge apiece
- Item I give unto Thomas Hornby my youngest sonne all that thirty acres of land meadow and pasture which I hold by lease of my Lord Noell part in fulsicke bullacres and high meadow and part upon y^e common Cow pasture of Langham during ye terme and time that I am to hold it of my Lord Noell to enter upon it for soone as he shall accomplish the age of eight and twenty
- Item I give unto Ellen Hornby my youngest daughter twenty shillings more to by her a bedsteade

All the rest of my goods and Chattels moveable and unmouviabls not given and ^{un}bequeathed I give and bequeath unto John Hornby my Eldest whome I make my sole Executor of this my last will and Testament provided that my executor shall not make any waist nor and remove any hovels pales standards standing upon the copeehold and my will is that my Executor shall pay all my Debts legacyes funeral expences bringing my body decently to the ground

In witness whereof I have sett to my hand the Day and yeare first above written

Katherine Hornby her marke

Witnesses

Thos. Lloyd
Humphry Hubbard

Probatum fuit hoc testamentum apud Uppingham quarto die mentis Aprilis An Domini 1633 et
... Executori ...testemto
iurat salvo imone Per me Richardum Johnson Surrogatiam

Henry Hornby of Langham - 1695

NRO ~ X065

In the name of god amen I Henry Hornby of Langham in the County of Rutland Chandler being sick in body but sound and perfect of Mind and memory I prayes god for it doo ordaine and make this my last will and Testament in mannor and forme following, ffirst I give and bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty god who gave it hoping Through the Merritts of Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer to Receave full and ffree pardon of all Sinnes and to inheritt everlasting life in the world to come Comitting my Body to the earth from whence itt was taken and for that little estate which it hath pleased god to bestow uppon mee I dispose of as ffolloweth

Imprs I give and bequeath to my son John Hornby all my ffreehold house and Land in Langham and fforty pound in money to be laid out or put fforth for him for my sones use and I desire my loveing ffreind James Smith of Uppingham Chandler to bee his gardner and as for my house and land it is my Will that my Wife shall have it untill my son come to the age of one and Twenty yeares,

Item I give to my Brother John Hornby ffive shillings

Item all the Rest and Residue of my good and Chattles moveables and unmoveables whatsoever unbequeathed my debts and legacies being paid and ffunerall expences discharged I give to Sarah my loving Wife whom I make full and soule executrix of this my last will and Testament shee bringing my body decently to the ground, In wittnes where of I have here unto sett my hand and seale The Thirtieth day of November in the seaventh yeare of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord William the Third by the grace of god of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland King defender of the faith etc Annog: Dom: 1695

Henry Hornby

Sealed & delivered first stamp with a Sixpenny stampe in the presence of

ffran: Edgson

Danil Colle

William Bayley his Marke

Henry Hornby of Langham - 1698

NRO Peterborough ~ Y 207

In the name of God Amen the fve and Twentith Day of June Anno Dom 1698 I Henry Hornby of Langham in the County of Rutland Butcher being sick and weake but of sound and perfect memory thanks be to god, Do ordayne and make this my Last will and Testament in manner and forme following,

Ffirst I give & bequeath my Soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creatour & Redeemer fully trusting and assuriedly beleaving in and through the merritts & mediation of Jesus Christ my onely Saviour & Redeeme[sic] to have full pardon and Remission of all my sins And my body to be buried in the Churchyard of Langham

And for That Estate which god hath given me I give and bequeath unto my Brother John Hornby And to my sister Ann Nickolson whom I make Joynt Executors of this my Last will and Testament They bringing my body decently to the ground In Witness where of I have hereunto sett my hand and Seale the Day and yeare first above written

Published Sealed Henry Hornby his marke

and Delivered in the presence of

Bartholomew Ruddell

William holbor[d or t]

Tobias ffrancis

27^o die mensis July 1698 Jurat suerunt John Hornby et Anne Nicholson

Executores Henrice Hornby de Langham predict defunct de

coram me

Sam: Saunders Surrog

John Hornby of Langham - 1672

NRO Peterborough ~ N396

In the name of God Amen I John Hornby of Langham in the Countie of Rutl... yeoman beinge of Sound and perfect mynde and memory for which I praise my good and gracious Lord God yet consideringe with myself the frailtie of humane nature and knowinge all men must Dye but the uncertayne tyme when have made and ordeyned this my last will and testam^t in Manner and forme followinge And for that estate and worldly goods which God in mery hath given mee I give and bequeath as followeth

Imprimis I give unto my Dearely beloved wife Anne Horneby my house wherein I [crossed out] now Dwell and all outhouses barnes stables orchards gardens yards backsides with their and every of th^r appurtenances and two acres of meadowe grounds with thappurtenances which I formerly purchased of John Wright gente: to me and myne heires to hold to her and her assignes during her naturall life and imediately after her decease I give and bequeath my said house and two acres of meadow ground aforesaid with their and every of th^s appurtenances unto my sonne Henry Hornby and to the heires of his body lawfully so begotten and for want of such heirs of the body of my said Sonne Henry I give my said house and two acres of meadow ground with th^s appurtenances unto my sonne John Hornby and to the heires of his body lawfully begotten and ^{for} want of such heirs of my Sonne ^{John} then the said house and two acres of meadow ground with th^s appurtenances to come to the right heires of mee the said John Hornby forever

Item I give unto my said Sonne John Hornby twentie pounds to bee payd unto him by his Brother Henry Hornby within twelve monthes after the Decease of my said wife Anne Hornby and my will and mynde is that my said sonne John Hornby shall have dureinge his naturall life if hee shall require it convenient lodginge at all seasonable tymes soo longe as he is single and unmarried within my aforesaid house and hee carryinge of him selfe towards his said Brother Henry Hornby and all other persons concerned in the said house ^{civill and quietly}

Item I give unto my Sonne in Lawe Christopher Williamson twelve pence and to my Daughter Elizabeth Williamson twelve pence and to every one of their children twelve pence a peece to bee payd them by myne executrix within one month after my Decease

Item I give unto my Sonne ⁱⁿ Lawe Daniell Kesterton twelve pence a and to every one of his children twelve pence A peece to be payd them by myne executrix likewise within one month after my decease

All the rest of my goods cattell and chattels unbequeathed my Debts and funerall expencs beinge payd and discharged I give unto my said beloved wife Anne Horneby whom I make sole executrix of this my last will and testam^t

In witness whereof I the said John Horneby have hereunto sett my hand and seale the two and twentieth Day of October in the twentieth yeare of the raigne of o^r most gracious sov^raigne Lord Kinge Charles the Second of England etc Ann oge Dm 1668

Sealed signed and published John Hornby his mark

in the presence of

Jn [G?eng [or possibly Grene]]
Willm Baylye his mark

Probat fuit hoc Testament^m J Annem Horneby defunct Testatoris Roliatum
Debita juris forma jurat apud Glaston in ...septimus die mons Aprili Anno
Dm mgor 1672 Coram me
Guil Hallos Surro.

Elizabeth Hubbard of Langham - 1638

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW95 Book XII F101

Tm Elizabeth Hubbard [my] de Langham

In the name of God Amen y^e xij Day of february in y^e yeare of our lord God 1638 I Elizabeth Hubbard of Langham in the county of Rutland widdow being sicke in body, but in good and perfect memory thanks be to god Doo make this my last will and testament in manner and forme following; In primis I bequeath my soule to almighty god my Creator and to Jesus Christ my onely redeemer and my body to be buryed in y^e Church of Langham:

- Item I give to George Robinson of Thurlby in the count of Lincolne fourty shillings
- Item I give to William Pell of Surflitt fourty shillings
- Item I give to Anne Pell one cubbard one pewter Dish one pan one bed that I used to lye in with furniture belonging to it
- Item I give to Henry ffairechild one cow one table wth y^e frame one bed in y^e Chamber one bolster one matrice one paire of sheetes one Covering
- Item I give to John ffairechild and to Thomas ffairechild one coffer and one little table standing in y^e parlor
- Item I give to Anne Roe one bedsteed one sheete one pillow one platter one pan
- Item I give to y^e mother of y^e sayd Anne Roe my best gowne
- Item I give to y^e Daughter of ffrancis Talby Empingham one trundle bed one sheete, one matrise one covering
- Item I give Robt Talby y^e sonne of the sayd ffrancis Talby one pan one little pan
- Item I give to Elizabeth Styles y^e Daughter of ffrancis Styles one towel
- Item I give to ffrancis Styles y^e other Daughter of y^e sayd ffrancis one marke and a pestle
- Item I give to Elizabeth Weate y^e Daughter of [P?te] Wayte one pewter Dish
- Item I give to Elizabeth Hubbard my godchild one featherbed, one Bolster one flaxen sheete one pillow and one pillowbere
- Item I give to William Hubberd ye younger of Sprawson one ewe
- Item I give to James Hubbard ye younger one lambe hog
- Item I give to Robert Cumberley one lambe hog
- Item I give to Margaret Hubbard ye Daughter of John Hubbard of Stamford one pewter Dish one table napkin
- Item I give to Susan Cumberly one pewter Dish one pillowbere
- Item I give to Mary Carter one matris one bolster
- Item I give to Margaret Hubbard my sister my best hat my best Ruffe two kerchiefs one smocke
- Item I give to Bridget Hubbord ye wife of Henry Hubbertmy best smocke one Dripping pan one table clouth
- Item I give to Mary Hubbert the Daughter of Henry Hubberd one pewter dish one table napkin
- Item I give to Mary Hubbert wife of Robert Hubbert one flaxen apron
- Item I give to James Hubbert, Thomas Vellam, Bartholomew Ives, Bartholomew Beaver, William Hubbert, Richard Hubbert, Richard Hubbert, George Par, Thomas Palmer, Thomas King, George Sculthorpe, and Miles Skellit my godsonnes xijd apiece
- Item I give to Joyce Hornby one towel
- Item I give to Anne Hornby and to Ellen Hornby ye Daughters of Henry Hornby to each of them a table napkin
- Item I give to Mary Money my servant one red petticoat more over I give to Anne Hornby and to Ellen Hornby ye Daughters of Henry Hornby to each of them A table napkin
- Item I give to Mary Mony my servant one red petticoat, moreover I give to ye sayd Mary Mony one greene wascoate and one greene savegard to have in lew of her wages

The rest of my goods unbequeathed I give to Henry Hubbard whom I make my Executor of this my last will and testament he paying my Debts funerall expenses and legacies; In witness whereof I have sette my hand ye Day and yeare above written

Elizabeth Hubbard her marke

Witnesses

Robt Hubbard
Christopher Andrew his mark

Probatum fuit testamentum Decimo
quarto Die mons Marty Anno Dom 1638
[four more lines]

FS [Notes. I am told the “my” or “mg” in the title is a Latin abbreviation to indicate the person is from somewhere, if so it seems odd that it goes on to say of Langham.

“table with ye frame” tables used to be a loose board laid across tresles, those with the top fixed to a frame as we have today were a fairly new idea.

“Elizabeth Weate” is as shown. We could not get the missing letter in her father’s Christian name and his surname is Wayte, so either Elizabeth was married to someone named Weate or else either her or her father’s surname was misspelled.

Probate date 14th March 1638.]

Henry Hubbard of Langham - 1630

NRO ~ Film MW93 F284

In the name of god Amen I Henry Hubbard of Langham in ye Countie of Rutland yeoman being sick in bodie but sound and perfect in mind and memorie (thanks be given to god) doo ordaine and make this my last will and testament ye ninth day of June 1630 in manner and forme following

Imprimis I bequeath my soule unto ye hands of my saviour and redeemer Jesus Christ and my bodie to be buried in ye Church of Langham

- Item I give unto Margaret my wife four kine and the keeping of them winter and summer during her naturall life And then to return to Henry Hubbord my sonne whome I make full and sole executor of this my last will and testamt
- Item I give to ye said Margaret all my household stufe during her naturall life and then returne to my afore men'ed exector
- Item I give unto Margaret Cumbwell one bedstead one matrice one featherbed a payre of blanquetts one covered two pillows two paires of sheets one towel
- Item I give to Henry Hubbard my sonne one silver spoone to William Hubbard one silver spoone to Jo Hubbard my sonne one silver spoone And to Margaret Cumbwell one silver spoone
- Item I give to William Hubbards children Henry William and Marie ten shillings apeece to be paide when they shall accomplish ye years of one and twentie if they bee man and sixteene if they woman
- Item I give to Anne Hubbard daughter of William Hubbard ten shillings to be paid at ye time of sixteen years of age
- Item I give to John Hubbard his Children Mathew and John ten shillings apeece to be paid when they shall accomplish ye years of one and twenty
- Item I give to John Cumbwell his Children Robert Henrie and Susanes ten shillings apeece to be paid at ye ages of one and twentie years of age if they be so men at sixteene if they be women
- Item I give to my sonne Henry Hubbard his sonne ten shillings to be paid at ye age of one and twentie
- Item I give to all my godchildren within ye parish of Langham six pence apeece whatsoever shall be demanded

All the rest of my goods moveables and unmoveables not given and unbequeathed I give to Henry Hubbard whom I make sole executor as aforesaide hee paying all these legacies and my funeral expences bringing my body decently to ye ground In witness whereof I have sette my hand ye day and yeare first above written

Henry Hubbard his marke

Witnesses

Thomas Looyd

Henry Hornby his marke

Probatum fuit hoc testamtm apud Barradon 3o die mensis Augusti Anno Dm 163o Et Commissa est administration Executorini in Dco testamto nominate in iobita juris formas jurat ... jure ect et habet ad Exhibond junen
me Ri. Johnson Surrogatu Oancellary

Richard Hubbard of Langham - 1544

Northants RO

In the name of God amen In the year of our Lorde god MVCXLIII the 16th Daye of the month of September I Richard Hubbard of Langham in the countie of Rutland in the Diocese of Peterborough do make my Testament in this manner

First I bequeath my soule to allmyghtie god and to our Lady and to all the saints in hevyn my body to be buried in the churche yarde of saint peter and paule in Langham

Item I bequeath to the mother church of Peterborough VIId

Item I bequeath to the aulter as for coffin tythes XIId

Item I bequeath to my parish church half quarter of malt and to the bells XIId

Item I bequeath to oure Ladye gild a halffe a quarter of malt

Item I bequeath to Alice Hubbard my daughter a cowe a calfe a Bason a laver with a pan

The Residue of all my goods unbequeathed I gyve and bequeath to Margrett Hubbard my wyffe and John Hubbard and James Hubbard my sonnes and make thym my trew executors to dispose for my sowlle and all christen Sowles

and I will that Margett Hubbard my wyff to have one yard lande

and John Hubbard and James Hubbard to have other yardland

If Margrett Hubbard my wiff marry (away or again?) from them the said Margrett to leave carte and carte geres plough and plough geres then John Hubbard to have one yardland and the other yardland James Hubbard to have

Witness

Sir William Bronwynde [Minister]

John Ball

Edmunde Ffreman

John Royce

Thomas Weley

Thomas Bagley with other supervisour John Ball

Richard Hubbard of Langham - 1669

NRO Peterborough ~ N351

The last will and Testam^tnuncupative of Richard Hubbard late of Langham in the Countie of Rutland dec^d made & declared on or about the Sixteenth day of July in the yeare of our Lord one thousand six hundred sixtie & Nyne in the p^resence of James Hubbard, Thomas Hubbard & Anne Hubbard

The said Richard Hubbard being sick in body but of sound memory Did about two daies before his death make & declare his last will & testam^t by ^{word of mouth} to this effect following viz^t

Hee gave to his sonne Richard Hubbard one shilling,

And to his sonne James Hubbard two shillings six pence

Alsoe hee gave to his daughter Mary the best featherbed and the best bolster,

Alsoe hee gave all other his household goods whatsoever except one Chest to his said daughter Mary and his daughter Sarah to bee equally divided between them

All the rest of his goods ^{cattle and} chattlells, and the lease of his grounds hee gave & bequeathed to his said sonne Thomas Hubbard whom hee made & appointed his sole Executor

? Witnesses

? Thomas Hubbard [Probably]

28^o Septembris 1669^o Probatum fuit h... Testamentum nucupat... vigour juram^t Thoma Hubbard filii et Executorii ... dei defuncte Commissay... fuit Adud straco ommium at singlorum P...orum jurium & ... dest et omis Testamte Annoj quatrm qr centemoum prefut Exentori puis in debta Juris forma jurat salvo jura ...

Coram me G: Gascoigne Sur: Cam

? 2s 6d

[the beginning of the lines with ? have been covered when the will was bound into a book]

Thomas Hubbard of Langham - 1684

NRO Peterborough ~ Q152

In the name God Amen the second day of November in the yeare of our Lord God 1684 I Thomas Hubbard of Langham being sick and weak of body but of sound and perfect memory thanks be to God do ordayne and make this my Last Will and Testament in manner and forme ffollowing

Ffirst I give and bequeath my Soule into the hands of Allmighty God my Creator ffully trusting and assuredly believing in and through the merritts and mediation of Jesus Christ my onely Saviour and Redeemer to have full pardon and Remission of all my Sins and my body to be buried in the Churchyarde of Langham

Item I give and bequeath unto my Grandchild William Hubbard Twenty pounds to be put into the hands of my Cozen John Hack and William Bull of Langham to be put forwards for his use untill he come to the Age of Twenty one yeares

Item I give unto my GrandChild An Hubbard Twenty pounds to be put into the hands of my Cozen John Hack and William Bull of Langham to be put forwards for her use untill shee Come to the age of Twenty one yeares and if either the said William or An depart this naturall Life befoure they Come to the age of Twenty one yeares then the survivour of them to have the whole forty pounds and the Intrest their of And if the said William and An both Dye before they Come to the Ages of Twenty one yeares then my Will and pleasure is the said Two Childrens porcons shall be to the use of my Daughter in Law Mary my son Thomas Hubbards wife But if any Damage fall upon the said moneys the Losse their of my Will And pleasure is shall be deducted of out of the said porcions And the said John Hack and William Bull kept harmless

Item my Will and pleasure is That the said John Hack and William Bull shall be ffeofies in trust and I desire them to take Care that the Lease of my house and ground be preserved to the use of my GrandChild William Hubbard And not be inbeseled or made away by my Executor hereafter named And my Will and pleasure is That if my Executor at the end of this Lease shall not be Able or be Likely to be a bad husband and an unthrift That then I Desire them the said John Hack and William Bull and my Will and pleasure is they shall take a Lease of my house and ground for the Use of my Grand Child William Hubbard That the same may be preserved in the Mark and blood of the Ancesters their of

Item I give and bequeath unto my two grandchildren Elizabeth Wimberley and Mary Wimberley one Velvit Cushin and two pincushins one Velvit and the other silk and silver

Item all the Rest of my Goods and Cattells and Chattells Whatsoever moveable and Unmoveable Unbequeathed and not given I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Hubbard whome I make full and Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament he paying all my Debts and ffunarall Expences in Witness Whereof I have here unto sett my hand and Seale the day and yeare ffirst above written

Thomas Hubbard his marke

Sealed and delivered in the presence of

Tobias ffrancis

John Woolley

Thomas Hubbard of Langham - 1691

NRO ~ X 048

In the Name of God Amen the Twentieth day of December in the yeare of our Lord God 1691 I Thomas Hubbard of Langham in the County of Rutl yeoman being sicke and weake of body but of sound and perfect Memory thanks be to God do ordaine and make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner ffollowing

first I bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creator fully trusting and assuredly beleiving in and through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ my onely Saviour and Redeemer to have full pardon and Remission of all my sins and my body to be buried in the Church yard of Langham

- Item I give unto my Daughter Ann Hubbard Twenty shillings to be added to her Grandfather Hubbards porcion to be paid to her when she Comes to the Age of one and Twenty Yeares
- Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Hubbard five pounds to be paid to him when he Comes to the Age of Twenty one years
- Item my Will and pleasure is that if the said John Hubbard or Ann shall depart this Life before they Come to the Age of Twenty one years that then the survivor of them shall have the Whole porcion of the deceased
- Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Hubbard ~~an~~ two parts of my house and whomested and my ground Except Jordains Closse and two pastures when he Comes to the Age of one and Twenty years
- Item my will and pleasure is that my ffather in Law Thomas Dowke and my Cousen John Hack shall be gardians for my Children untill they come to the Age of one and Twenty years
- Item my Will and pleasure is the My Couson John Hack shall hold the ground which he hath of mine now in possession untill he be satisfied for the intrest of my daughter Ann Hubbards porcion for the Terme of this Lease
- Item all the Rest of my goods Cattles and Chattles whatsoever moveable and unmoveable unbequeathed and not given I give and bequeath unto My Loving Wife Mary Hubbard whome I make full and soule Execatrix of this my Last Will and Testament In Witness Whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seale the day and yeare first above written

Published sealed and delivered

Thomas Hubbard

in the p^resence of

Tobias ffrancis

Mary ffrancis her marke

Alce Pitts her marke

Feb^y 24^o 1696/7 Jurata fuit Maria Hubbard vid et Execatrix Thoms Hubbard defunct Supra noiat Coram me Sam: S[off the bottom of photograph]

Jacobi (James) Hubberd de Langrom - 1589

In dei nomine Amen The vijth day of Marche in the yeare of our Lord god 1589 Anno Regni dom [?] Eliz dei gra Angl ffranc et Hibnie Regine fidi defensor etc [?resimo] primo I James Hubberde Of Langrom in the County of Rutland husbandman being sicke in bodey & in perfect memory do make & ordain this my last will & Testament in manner & forme following that is to say
ffirst I comit my soule unto the hands of my Lord Jesus Christ who dyed for me & all mankind desiring Almighty God to pardon & forgive me of all my former misdeeds & offences & to receive My soule into eternall life amongst the elect & chosen of God & there to rest & contynewe world without ende & my body to be buried in the churche & chappell of Langrom

In primis I give & bequeathe to the churche of Lincolne 4d

- Item I give & bequeathe to Richard Hubberd my sonne all my leases & chattels with the appurtenances situate & being in Langrom during the terme of the yeares of the said leases & all my other goodes moveable & unmoveable onely excepted those goodes & other thinges which hereafter in this my will I will dispose & give & also I give to the said Richard my sonne all my debts that be owing unto me
- Item I will that Isabell my wife shall remayne with my sonne Richard & have her fynding with sufficient meate & drinke & clothing & all other thinges necessarye to her maintenance during her natural life & if the said Isabell my wife shall mislike at anytime of her fynding & other thinges that she is to have I will then that she shall have one Tenement house in the tenure & occupation of John Lee situate in Langrom with all other houses & [word obscured, marks on copy] to the same belongyng ij milsh kye & ij Acres of Arrable lande in everye of the three fields of Langrom & one lode of hay during her naturall life to be planted dressed at the proper costes & charges of Richard my sonne or his assignes my wife fynding seed for the said ij acres of lande & my sonne Richard to carry the Corne & lode of haye that shall growe & increase upon the same lande unto the said tenement during the terme of my lease, if my wife so long do live
- Item I give to Isabell my wife ij bedsteads with furniture thereunto iiij peces of pewter & one Cubborde that standes in the hall
- Item I give & bequeathe unto John Hubberd my sonne One cottage howse now in the tenure of Ales greetom & Margerye Hewit my sisters after their diceases during so many yeares as shall be then to come & unexpired in my lease last taken of the same howse & one Acre of Arrable lande in every of the three fields of Langrom & yearly at every half yeare Xs, if the said John Hubberd so longe do live
- Item I give & bequeath to my sisters Ales Greetom & Margery Hewit yearly half a [quarter?] of bread corne to be paid by Richard my sonne during their naturall lives
- Item I give to every one of my sonne Richards children one Ewe & a lambe & one calf which calves are to be kept of the charges of my sonne Richard until they be iij yeares old
- Item I give to Jone Raines & Isabell Raines my daughters children, to every of them one calf to be kept at the Charges of my sonne Richard until they be iij yeares old & to every one of the Residew of her children Xs to be paid by Richard my sonne
- Item I give to The repayre of the hye wayes & briges about Langrom 3s 4d to be paid by Richard my sonne
- Item I give to Isabell Smithe my daughter XXs I make & ordeyne Isabell my wife my full executrix of this my last will & Testament & if my Wife do refuse to be my executrix I will then that my sonne Richard shall be my executor
I make John Olmer the overseer of this my last will & testament & I give him for his paynes XXs witnesses herunto
Debts owing unto me James Hubberd
- Item of Thomas [ffrostucall?] of wisoo iij^{lb} iiij^s
- Item of Humphrey humson iij^{lb}
- Item of John Sutton v^{lb}
- Item of James hubberd the yonger labourer iiij^{lb} xiiij^s iiij^d
- Item of Thomas Sloe viij^s ij^d I tm of Spencer of Borow viij^s

Witnesses hereunto

John Olmer
Robert hubbert
henry Hubberd
James hubberd his mark
Robte hubberd his marke
henry hubbert his marke

Robert Hubberd of Langham - 1639

MW95 F140

Tm Roberti Hubberd [mig?] de Langham

In the name of God Amen the third day of July Anno Dm 1639 I Robert Hubberd of Langham in the County of Rutland husbandman sicke in body but of good and perfect memory god be prayesd doo make this my last will and testament in manner and forme following

Ffirst I resigne my soule into ye hands of almighty God my Creator, nothing doubting but that for his infinite mercies in and through my lord and saviour Jesus Christ he will receive it to glory and place it in ye Company of ye heavenly angels and blessed Saints, and my body I give to ye earth from whence it came in a Decent and comely manner to be buryed in the parish Church of Langham aforesaid;

Item I give to my Daughter Alice eight pounds of lawful English money to be payd unto her at the age of eight and twenty years;

Item I give to my Daughter Margaret eight pounds to be paid unto her at ye age of six and twenty years;

Item I give to my Daughter Jane eight pounds to be payd unto her at ye age of six and twenty years;

Item I give to my Daughter [H?]ellen eight pounds to be payd unto her upon ye Daye of her marriage, If she so long live, and the meanwhile to be provided for and kept and maintained by mine executor of this my last will;

And if it fortune any of those my sayd Daughters to Decease before they shall accomplish theire severall ages That then I bequeath her or theire part of them soo Deceasing to thother of them then surviving to be equally divided amongst them when they shall accomplish theire sayd severall ages.

Item I give to my Daughter Rowit Fourty shillings to be payd unto her two yeares after my Decease;

Item I give to my sonne ffrancis at London five pound to be payd unto him at ye age of foure and twenty yeares,

Item my will is yt my wife shall live in ye house with my sonne James, and that he my sayd sonne shall in a most fit and Decent manner during ye naturall life of my sayd wife, find unto her meate drinke and lodging, And that ye Best bed with the funrniture thereto belonging with all my other household goods shall be at her disposing, and if it fortune my sayd wife and Sonne soo living together should disagree Then my sayd wife to have A sufficient Roome to her own use and to have A cow kept winter and summer and fourty shillings of lawful English money to be yearly payd unto her by my sayd Sonne;

Item all my other goods unbequeathed I give to my sonne James Hubberd whom I make my whole and sole Executor of this my last will and testament, And I doo hereby revoke and adnull all former wills by me made In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and set my seale unto this my present last will and testament

By me Robt Hubberd

In presence of John [Breard? or Beard?]

where as ye above sayd Robert Hubberd did constitute and ordaine James Hubberd his sonne sole executor of this his last will and testament if the sayd James doo hereby freely assent and consent that If it fortune I dye before ye sayd will be pro.....d That then I wholly assign and set over to Mary Hubberd my mother full power and authority in the promises to see all ye within named legacies and bequests expresd in as full large and ample manner as if my selfe should doo god sparing me life and health In witness thereof I have herewith subscribed my name.

Richard Hubbert of Langham - 1626

NRO ~ Film M92 F373

In the name of God Amen I Richard Hubbert of Langham in the County of Rutland yeoman being sicke in body but of perfect mind and memory thanks be given to god for it Doo ordayne and make this my last will and Testament this twentieth Day of January in the second reigne of our Soverigne Charles by the grace of God of England Scotland Ffrance and Ireland King Defender of the faith yr/ Anno.. dm 1626 in name and forme as followeth

Inprimis I bequeath my soule to Almighty God my Creator and Christ my Saviour and sole Redeemer/ and my body to be buried in the parish church of Langham

- Item I give and bequeath to James Hubbard my oldest sonne one colt which is my youngest and mare one yearling calfe and one sowe
 - Item I give and bequeath unto Robt. Hubbard my next sonne one stoned colt three weathers and one Ewe that had the last year a blacke lamb
 - Item I give to Elizabeth Kinge the wife of Thomas Kinge three heifers
 - Item I give and bequeath unto the children of James Hubbard Robert Hubbard William Hubbard, and Elizabeth Kinge the aforesaid wife of the aforesaid Thomas Kinge all my sheepe unbequeathed equallie to be distributed amongst them
 - Item I give unto James Hubbart Robert Hubbart and the foresaid Elizabeth Kinge the third part of all my white corne and hay equally to be divided amongst them and the foroth pt I will shall remayne to my Executor.
 - Item I give to Richard Hubbart the sonne of James Hubbart thirteen shillings and fower pence in money
 - Item I give to Margaret Hubbart the daughter of James Hubbart one cupboard with the cupboard cloth upon it
 - Item I give to Elizabeth Hubbart the daughter of William Hubbart one great presse
 - Item I give unto Richard Kinge the sonne of Thomas Kinge one mare foale
 - Item I give to Mary Hubbart the daughter of Robert Hubbart one great panne whichsoever my best
 - Item I give unto Ann Kinge Daughter of Thomas Kinge my best bedstead in the chamber one feather bed upon it one mattrice upon the same one greene and red Covering one white blanket two pillows one boulster one payre of hempen sheets which are now upon the bed I lie on and one payre of curtaynes
 - Item I give to Mary Hubbart the Daughter of William Hubbart one blewe and red covering
 - Item I give unto Anne Ector Twentie shillings w^{ch} legacacie I will my Executor paie within a yeare after my decease
 - Item I give unto the same Anne Ector one little table & one paire of harden sheets
 - Item I give to James Wilkinson 2 paire of harden sheets
 - Item I give to my Apprentice John Bunning tenn shillings which I will my Executor shall paie at ye end of his apprenticeship
 - Item I give all the residue of my household stuffe to Grace Hubbard the wife of James Hubbard & to Marie Hubbard the wife of Robert Hubbart & to Bridgit Hubbart the wife of William Hubbart & to Elizabeth Kinge the wife of Thomas Kinge equally to be divided amongst them except one long table & six buffet stooles in ye Hall & one Rack Iron & one Counter which I reserve for my Executor
 - Item I give unto Richard Hubbart my sonne five pounds which legacie I will my Executor shall paie two years next after my decease
 - Item I give unto Thomas Kinge my sonne inlaw the remainder of a bond of foure pounds which the said Thomas oweth me
 - Item I give unto James Hubbert my oldest sonne the remainder of a bond of tenn pounds which Henry Hubbart oweth me
- The rest of my goods & Chattels movables & unmovables not given & bequeathed I give & bequeath to William Hubbert my sonne whom I make full Executor of this my last will & Testament he payinge all my Debts legacies & ffunerall expenses bringing my body decentlie to ye ground And for the trust I repose in Anthonie Chessledine & Thomas Beaver I doe intreate them to be the Supervisors of this my last will & Testament, to see that ytt be performed according to ye same purport & meaning hereof In witness thereof I have sett my hand the day and year first above written
- Richard Hubbert his mark

Witnesses

Thomas Loyd
Anthony Cheseldine
Thomas Beaver

[Proved 15th February 1626]

FS [Dictionary of Dialect gives a stoned horse as an entire stallion]

Alice Ives of Langham - 1570

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Testamentn Alice Ives de Langham des a° Dm 1570

In nom dei amen the xxvijth daie of marche A° Dm 1570 and in the xijth yeare of the reigne of o^r most sovereigne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffrance and yreland quene defendo^r of the faythe etc Wyttneseth that I Ales Ives of Langham in the paryshe of Okehm in the dyoces of Peterboroughe sycke in bodye but whole in mynd and memorye doe make this my last wyll and Testament in manner and forme ffollowynge,

ffirst I geve and bequeth my Soule into the hands of almightie god throughe Jesus christ o^r Lord and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Langham in the paryshe of Okeham,

Item I geve and bequeth unto Ales phillypott my daughter one keverled of grene and redde,

Also I geve unto Elizabeth phillypott my kynswoman one pewter dyshe and to Ales phillipott her systar an other pewtar dyshe

Item I geve to Robt Tattersall Lector Langhamie viij^d

Also I geve unto Alce phillypott my daughter my best coote

All the rest of my gudds unbequethed I give and bequeth to Robt pytts my sonne whome I make my full Executor to paye my debts to dyscharge my legacies and to brynge my bodye honestly to the ground In wytnesse thereof I the above named Ales Ives to this my Last wyll and Testament have setto my marke the daye and yeare first above wrytten Wyllm Pyttes

Henry beston [M something, possibly abbreviation for magister] Stacie testantes Et me Robin Tatersaln scriptorem huis testamenti

Probatn fuit ... pus Testamentn supra scripta cora meo Coniyravo ... magistro venerabilis ... m^{ei} ... Theolog ... depntato tertio die menses maj A° dm 1571 Comissaq fuit admistratio et Exeruton in ... Testo noiato et Jurato Juren exhibit est ... vij^{ix} viij^d

Robert Ives of Langham - 1566

NRO Peterborough ~ MW87 Vol III F143

Testa^m Robti Ives ...per de Langham p...roces de Okeham Defunct

In dei nomine Amen In the name of god Amen the xvijth day of marche In the yeare of oure lorde god A thousande five hundredth sixtie & fyve I Robert Ives husbandman In the towne of Langham in the countie of Rutlande, sicke in bodye butt hole in Remembrance thanks be unto god maketh this my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge

ffirst I bequeathe my soule to allmyghtie god who made me and all the worlde and to the prayers of all the electe people of god and my bodye to be buried in the churche of Langham

Item I bequeathe to the use of Langham churche viij^s iiij^d

Item I bequeathe to every one of my godchildren viij^d

Item I bequeathe to my daughter Helens children one heffer

Item I bequeathe to Agnes my daughters children one heffer

Item I bequeathe to Robert Ives my godchilde viij^s iiij^d

Item I bequeathe to katheryne Ives viij^s iiij^d

Item to Willm baylye viij^s

Item I bequeathe to Alice my wiffe twoo kye, towe neat pastures for this yeare and my house that she dwelleth in at this presente day yf she awill dwell in it for lyffe, or else she shall not have it longer than she dwelleth in it

Item I will that she shall have one quarter of malte

Item vj^s viij^d in money

Item one bushell of maslyn corne

Item one strike of wheat, one halfe acre of barlye, one halfe acre of pease every year during her lyffe dwelling in my house, and the same yere after my decease one loode of coles

Item ten sheepe and all my householde goodes that is in my house that I dwell in at this home

Item I ordeyne and make Thomas Ives my onelie and sole executo^r of this my last will and testament, and I geve unto hym all and singular goods not mentioned in this my will and testament

Item I will that Thomas my sonne shall bringe my bodye to the grounde and to pay all my funerall expences of his proper charges at the day of my buriall

Those bearinge witnes

S^r Thomas Rodes Curate of Langham

Nicholas egleston

James Hubbart

Willm baylie w^t other men

Probatum fuit hoc pus Testa^m
supra scriptus coram nos magro
Anthonio burton caureit xj
die mons Aprilis 1566

Thomas Ives of Langham - 1628

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW93 Book XI F126

Testamentu^m Thome Ives de Langhame

In the name of God Amen the fourth day of January in the yeare of ^{our} Lord God 1628 I Thomas Ives of Langham in the County of Rutland yeoman beinge sicke in body but in perfect memory thankes be givene to God doe make and ordaine this my last will and Testament as followeth

ffirst I bequeath my Soule to Almighty God my Creator assuredly trusting in god that he will forgive mee all my sinnes for his only sonnes sake Jesus Christ my sole Saviou' and Redeemer and my body to be buried in the Church of Langham

I doe make Susan Ives my wife Sole Executor [sic] of all my goods and debts w^{ch} is oweing mee

And I give to William Ives my Eldest sonne Twelve pence

And to Mary Hacke the wife of Thomas Hacke of Whissendine Twelve pence

Item to my foure other sonnes Bartholomew, Thomas, Robert, and John fiteene pounds apiece to be payed att the age of the one and Twentith yeare of every one of their ages

And alsoe to my other two daughters Susann and Jane tenn pounds apeece to be payed at the one & twentith yeare of every of their ages, But if any of my sonnes or daughters afore named dye before the terme of the sayde one and twentith of age then the portion of the same sonne or Daughter shall remaine to my Executor,

Thomas Ives

Thomas Hack

the marke of John Harlye

Probatum fuit ... apud Barrowden sextio die Martij

Anno Dm 1628 ...

Richard Johnson

Elizabeth Jackson of Langham - 1630

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[no heading]

In the name of God Amen I Elizabeth Jackson of Langham in ye Countie of Rutland being sicke in bodie but of minde and memorie sound and perfect & thanks be given to almighty god, Doo make this my last will and testam^t in manner and forme following

ffirst I bequeath my soule into y^e handes of almighty god my creat^r And to Jesus Christ my redeemer and Savio^r And my bodie to y^e earth from whence it came

ffirst I give to Anne Bulliamer daughter of Rich Bulliamer one fether bed one greate pan one Cupbord one Cupbord cloth three pewter platters one sawser one chamber pott one coffer one cushion one buffet stoole one flaxen sheete and one other sheete

Item I give to Elizabeth Bullia^mer one kettle one buffet stoole one cushion one flaxen sheete and one other sheete one pewter platter and one coffer standing under the window and one matteris

Item I give to Mary Bulliamer one [c??over] ing one coffer in ye chamber one flaxen sheete other sheete one buffet stoole and one cushion

Item I give to ffrancis Bullimor one iron kettle one flaxen sheete one other sheete one buffit stoole and one cushion one Dripinpan one spit and one payre of cobberts and xx^s in money to be payd within one halfe yeare after my decease

Item I give to Jone Bullimer one brass pott all my neckiernes one flaxen sheete one other sheete one buffet stoole one cushion and xx^s in money to be paid wthin one halfe yeare after my decease

Item I give to John Bullimor one gaveloocke and xx^s in money to be paid wthin one halfe yeare after my decease

Item I give to Richard Bullimor xx^s towards ye building of one stone [g... ?]

Item I give to Alice Bullimor wife Richard Bullimer one greate wooden platter

Item I give to my sister Luce Phillipot one featherbed one covering one blanquet one roode of oats two roods of barley and two roods of pease

Item I give to Brian Phillipot xx^s in money and to Dorothe Philipot xx^s in money to be paid wthin one halfe yeare after my decease

Item I give to Toby Phillipot my best bed and one cow and he to give his brother William Phillipot vi^s viij^d in money and more I give to Tobie Phillipot one payre of sheets

Item I give to An Philolipot one table with ye frame and one table cloth

Item I give to my brother Kellam Phillipots three children xx^s in money to be equally divided and to be paide within one halfe yeare after my decease

Item I give to Alice Phillipot daughter of y^e said Kellam one ould cupboard one friing pan one kettle and one little brass pot

Item I give to Elizabeth Phillipot daughter of Robert Phillipot one paire of sheets one presse one rought towel and one bras pott

Item I give to Marie Phillipot one payre of sheets

Item I give to Bartholomew Phillipot one bed one mattress one blanquet one payre of sheets one pillow one pillowbere one boulder one covering one coffer

Item I give to Nicholas Pitts one roode of pease or my gavelock at his choyse

Item I give to Jone Pitts wife of Nicholas Pitts one apperne stiched about by^eside

Item I give to Elizab Pitts one flaxen bordcloth one pewter platter and one sauser

Item I give to Alice Osborne my best ~~my~~ gowne but one and one neketshere one kertshere one apperne and one smocke

Item I give to Ellin Stevens ij^s in money one smocke one appern and one kertshere

Item I give to Mary Adcocke v^s in money to be paid wthin one halfe yeare after my decease and one smocke and one apperne

Item I give to my uncle Robts children vj^d apiece

Item I give to y^e church of Langham iij^s iiij^d

Item I give to ye poore of Langham xx^s in money

Item I give to Thomas Beaver iij^s iiij^d in money

Item I give to Elizabeth Warner seaven yards of new harden cloth one pale one kettle one reele and her bed she lies in and all y^e clothes upon it and one stoole one cushing and one wheele and further I give to Elizabeth Phillipot daughter of Robt Phillipot one little kettle one blanquet and one pillow

Item I give to [word crossed out] Presilla Phillipot one old candle sticke and one little salt seller

And further I give Elizabeth Bullimor one pewter candlestick

and further I give Alice Bullimor one flaxen bordcloth and one [scam^mer]

and further I give to Anne Bullimor one brass candlestick

and further I give to Jone Bullimor one flaxen sheete wth [wildworme]

and further I give to ffrancis Bullimor one duple salt and one pewter platter

and further I give to Jone Bullimor one chayre wth a coffer in it

Item ye residue of all my goods and cattles unbequeathed and not given I give to Cutbert Phillipot my brother who I make my full executor of this my last will and testam^t he paying my funerall expenses and bringing my body honestly to y^e ground

and last of all I doo make Tho. Beaver and Richard Bullimor supervisors of this my last will and testament to see all things performed according to my will and for their paines I give them sixpence a peece In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand ye seaven and twentieth day of July Anno Dm 1630 Widow Jackson her mke

witnesses

Tho. Beaver
 Richard Bullimor his mke
 William Ireland his mke

Probatum fuit hor testamentum apud
 Barradon 12 die monse Augusto Anno Dm
 1630 ... commista est administration Exec... in
 dicto testamento nominat in Dobita Jures
 forma

Per me Richard W. Johnson surrogata

James Jackson of Langham - 1621

NRO Original ~ A265 Film Book X, F92

In the name of God amen The six & twenty day of August In the yeare of our Lord god 1621 wittneseth that I James Jacson of Langham in the Countie of Rutland yeoman being sicke in bodie, but both in minde & memorie sound & perfect thanks be to god, Do make this my last will & Testament in manour & forme following

First I commend my soule into the hands of Allmightie god; my Creator and to Jesus Christ my onely redeemer & my bodie to the earth from whence Itt came and to be buried in the Church of Langham be fore my seate where I have usully sitt:

Item I give to the Cathedrall Church of Peterborough fourpence;

Item I give to James Adcocke my Godchild three shillings & foure pence

Item I give to George Phillipott three shillings & foure pence

Item I give unto Thomas Osbourne three shillings & foure pence & to all the rest of my godchildren, foure pence apiece

Item I give to my kinsman John Jacksonne fortie shillings & if the said John Jacksonne shall depart this life before myselfe that then the heaire of the said John shall enjoy the said summe of ffourtie shillings

Item I give to my kinswoman Mary Lenard Twentie shillings

Item I give to Elizabeth Jacksonne three shillings & foure pence

Item I give to William Burbidge & his children Twentie shillings

Item I give to my brother Spring twelvecpence

Item I give to the child which he had by my sister Twentie shillings

Item I give to Margaret [Sence?] & her children thirteen shillings & foure pence; and to hir owne brother three shillings & four pence

Item I give to Bartholomew Phillippotts children foure pence apeace

Item I give to Cutbert Phillipott twelve pence, & to his wife one lambe hogge

Item I give to John Wallin twelvecpence and to his wife one lambe hogge

Item I give to Bartholomew Phillipotts yongest child two shillings

Item I give to Joan Phillipott widow twelve pence

Item I give unto Mary Bullimer the Daughter of Richard Bullimer Twentie shillings & ye said twentie shillings to be put forth for hir benefit by hir father until ytt please god that shee accomplish the age of eighteen yeares & the said Twentie shillings to be ^{paid} presently after my Decease

Item I give unto Else Bullimer the wife of the said Richard Twelve pence

Item I give unto the poore of Langham six shillings & eight pence

Item I give unto Else Neale three shillings & foure pence

Item I give to my wife Elezabeth & to hir Assigns six Roodes of Ground in a field & halfe a Cowpasture & five sheepecommons which I tooke of Thomas Lilbourne During the lease letten by Sir Andrew Noell unto hyme & one Roode of grasse in high meadow next Ambrose Riddle

Item all the rest of my Goods & Cattel moveables & unmovables not given and unbequeathed with my possessions I give and bequeath unto the said Elezabeth my wife whom I doe make my sole executrix of this my last will and Testament, & shee to pay all my Debts & Legacies & funerall expences bringing my body honestly to the ground, further my will is that my Legacies shall not be paid of one halfeyeaere after my Decease, & for the better performance of this my last will & Testament I Do entreate my Loveing nighboures Henry Hubbard and Jesper Pitts to be my supervisors to se that this my last will and Testament be performed according to the true entent & meaning of this my last will & Testament and they to have for their pains three shillings & foure pence apiece; In wittnes whereof I have sett to my hand & mark on the day and in the yeare above written

Henry Hubbard his mark,

Witnesses

Thomas Loyd

Richard Bullimore

Jesper Pitts his mark

James Jackson his mark.

Probatum fuitDuo Decimo [20th] Die October 1621

Elizabeth Mabley of Langham - 1619

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T Elizabeth Mabley De Langham ye 27th of May Anno Dm 1619 Jacobi [5?]3

Elizabeth Mabley of Langham in the County of Rutland sicke in body but whole, & in p^{er}fect^{mind} & memory god be prayed do ordaine this my last will and testam^t in manner & forme following

ffirst I bequeath my soule to almighty god my maker & Redeemer, and my bodie to the earth there to remaine till the ge[??]all judgem^t and to be buried in the churchyard of Langham aforesaid

Also I give to Willm Mabley five shillings

Also to his wife five shillings, and all the Aparell I have on,

To his child I give ten shillings, one tack[t?] nekeicher, and a halfe silke body

Also I give towards my burial, and the Ringers, five and twenty shillings

Item to the poore of Langham five shillings,

Item I give to Nicholas Mabley twenty shillings

Item I give to Henry Phrasye twenty shillings

Item I give to John Mably twenty shillings

Item I give to ffrancis Mably twenty shillings, and my best gowne, my best petticote, my best hatt, and my best ruffe,

Item I give to Anne Ives one paire of cuffes

All the rest of my goodes unbequeathed I leave them to the Disposing of my mother, whom I make whole Executrix of this my last will & Testam^t;

In witness whereof I the said Elizabeth Mabley have setto my hand & marke the day, moneth & yeare above written;

In the pnce [presence] of these witnesses

Tho Loyd curat [word not read],

Elizabeth Mabley,

Mary Ives hir mark

Anne Thorpe Dorothie Bealy hir mark.

Probatum fuit ... pus Testamtm apud ... nono

Die July Ano Dm 1619 ...Johne Lambe

[four more lines]

William Mabley of Langham - 1598

NRO Peterborough ~ MW89 Vol VII F10

T: Willmi Mabley de Langham The eighte and twentie of Marche anno 1598 Elizab; quadragesimo

I William Mabley of Langham in the conntie of Rutland Husbandman sicke in body, but wholl and in perfectt mynde and memorie god be praised do ordaine this my last will and Test: in manner and forme follow:

ffirste I bequeath my soule to almighte god my maker and redemer and my body to the earthe their to remaine till the generall indgmente[judgement] and to be buried in the Churchyarde of Langham aforesayd,

Allso I give to the Church of langham xij^d
and to the poore in langham xij^d

Item I give and bequeathe to Edward Mabley my Eldest sonn five pounds in mony to be payed to him at the age of xvj^{tie} yeares

Item to Dorotheie Mabley my elldest Daughter thre ponde at eighteene yeares of age

Item to William, Elizabeth, John, Nicholes and ffrancis my children by my last wiffe three ponde a peece as they shall growe to their severall ages, and yf it happen that any of them Decease before the accomplishment of their sayd ages and yf it happen that any of them Decease that then the survivors to ^{enioye} the other s partes equally to be Devided amongst them

To my god children four pence a peece yf they demande it

The rest of all my goods whatsoever unbequeathed my Debts payed my legacies performed and my funerall expenses discharged I give and bequeathe to Joane Mabley my wiffe, whome I make and ordaine my sole Executrix of this my last will and testamente and allso I ordaine William Beston and Willm Burie the Younger Supervisors of the same and for their paines six pence a peece, In wittnes whereof I the sayd William Mabley have setto my hande and m^{ar}ke the day monthe and yeare firste above Written,

In the presence of their Wittnesses by me William Mabley

Thomas Thickpenny [MF - Vicar of Oakham]
William Beston
William Berry
John Bullimere Make their m^{ar}ke

Probatum fuit humoi testantum coram magso Henrico
Hickman legum Doctorie ... in Chro pries oc Dm Dm
Richardi permissa Dma Peter epi sorrar in Spualibus
guabis etc xxij Die May 1598 Et Comissa fuit Administer
bonorn etc apud defuncti Executrix in humoi testamento noiate
in debita ... forma ... salno ...

John Milner of Langham - 1625

NRO Original C94 ~ Film Book X folio 271

Johannes Milner de Langham

In the name of god Amen The fifth day of March and in the yeare of the Lord god 1625 I John Milner of Langham in the County of Rutland Labourer being sicke in body but in perfect memory thanks be given to god doe make & ordaine this my last will & testament as followeth

ffirst I bequeath my Soule to Allmightie god my Creator firmly & assuredly trusting that he will forgive my sinnes for his only sonnes sake Jesus Christ my sole Saviour & Redeemer and my body to be buryed in the Church of my home I doo make Susan Milner my wife & Willm Ives the younger the sonne of Thomas Ives my Executors of all my goods & debts [.....?]

The mark of John Milner

The mark of Henry Hubbard

The mark of Robert Parr

Samuel Moberie of Langham - 1637

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW94 Book XII F287

T^m Samuelos Moberie de Langham

In the name of God Amen y^e 16 day of Sept in yeare of our lord god 1637 I Samuel Moberie of Langham in y^e Countie of [word crossed out] Rutlⁿ yeoman being sicke in body but of minde and memorie sound and perfect thanks be given to almighty god do make this my last will and testam^t in manner and forme following

Ffirst I bequeath my soule into y^e hands of almightie god my Creato^r and to Jesus Christ my redeemer and Saivo^r and my bodie to y^e earth from whence it came And to be buried in y^e Church of Langham

ffirst I give to William Archer my kinsman five pounds in money

Item I give to Eliz Harper my Cousen X^l in money

Item y^e residue of all my goods cattels and chattles unbequeathed and not given I give to Alice Mobery my wife who I make my full and sole Executrix of this my last will and testam^t shee paying my funerall expenses and bringing my body honestly and decently to y^e ground

And last of all I doe make Thomas Beaver and Daniell Pites supavisors of this my last will and testam^t to see all things performed according to my will and for there paines I give to either of them vj^d

In witness whereof I have here unto Sett my hand y^e day and yeare first above written

Samuel Moberie his marke

Witnesses

Thomas Beaver

Daniel Pites his mark.

11 November 1637

Probatum fuit ... Testam^{ta} cora Richo

Swanne oler Surr Commissor

Thomas Molson of Langham - 1673

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In the name of God amen I Thomas Molson of Langham in the County of Rutland Glover being sick in body but of sound and perfect memory I prayes god doe make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following first I give and bequeath my soule into the hands of almighty god my Creator and Redeemer hoping through the Merritts of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to be saved and noo other ways and my body to be buried in Christian buryall

Imprimis I give to ffrancis my loveing Wife Two Cowes that is the black cow which was her owne and the brndled Cow and Two black heffers and Ten Sheepe that is foure ewes Two theves and foure lambes that is Two weather lambes and Two ewe Cade lambes the Third part of the Cheeses and the Third part of the bacon that is in the house at my decease and a wastcote and saveguard of that Cloth that is a spinning and all the houshold goods that shee brought with her and if my sonne peter kill the hogg that is in my yard then my Wife shall have halfe one of the flitches and one Sparribb one Chine and one lift and if hee sell him then shee shall have the third part of the money hee is sould for and I give her also those Two houses the Gleabe Close and the fower Cow Commons which was her owne before She was my Wife shee paying the Lady Day Rent for them And it is my will also that my sonne peter shall keepe the fower Neate beass and Two sheepe for her untill may day next as hee keepeth his owne and six shillings and eight pence in money and to be in the house with my said sonne untill may day next or till her house be voyde

And it is my will also that all the money goods & Cattles Shee hath att her desease shalbe equally devided a monst my Children or to which of them shee pleaseth except ffive pound in money or the Lease of her Two houses shee may dispose of to whom shee pleaseth

Item I give to my sonne John Molson fforty shillings to be payd to him ffower years after my decease

Item I give to my Sonne Thomas Molson nine pounds That is to say ffower pound to put him to a Trade and ffive pound when hee shall accomplish the age of one and Twenty years

All the Rest of my goods Cattle & Chattles moveable and unmoveable unbequeathed my debts and legacies being paid and funerall expences discharged I give to my Sonne peter Molson whom I make full and sole executor of this my last will and Testament In Witness where of I have here unto sett my hand and Seale the Seaven and Twentyeth day of a September in the ffive and Twentieth yeare of the Raigne of our Sovereigne Lord Charles the Second by the grace of god of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland King defender of the fayth etc Annog Dom 1673

Memorandum this is further part of my will that if my Sonne John Molson depart this life before the fforty shillings before mentioned in my will be due to him then my Sonne Thomas Molson shall have the said fforty shillings & it is my will also that if my Sonne Thomas Malson depart this life before the the Nine pounds here before menconed in my will be due to him or soo much as is left of it beside puting him to a trade my Sonne John Malson shall have it

Sealed & delivered Thomas Malson his Marke

in the p^{re}sents of

ffrancis Edgson
John ffrancis his Marke

Novemb^r 11 1673

Probatio fuit humoi Testam^{ta} vigore

Juramenti Petri Maulson filis deft

ac unii Extoribni Testamento suo p^{re}d

nominato Comissaqr fuit et est bonor

... dirli defti p^{re}fato Extori prinls

debito jurat cora me

[no more on the photograph]

John Neale of Langham - 1544

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Testamentum Johanes Neale paroch De Langham

In The name of God Amen In the yere of our Lorde god ml cccco xliiij on The xx Day of the month of August I John Neyle m^{or} [m^{or} probably short for minor i.e. the younger] of Langham In the counte of Rutland in the Dio^{es} of peterbrogh being in hole mynde and perfet Remembrance make my Tesamtnt & last will in this manner

ffirst I bequethe my sowle to Almyghtie god and to ower Lady and To all the blessyde company in hevyn my body to be buryde in the church yarde of saynt peter and paule in Langham

Item I bequethe to the mother churche of peterburgh ij^d

Item I bequethe to the paryshe churche in Langham one Peck of whete and one rode of Barley of gryndell

Item I bequethe to Robert Neylle my Langham son A grey horse and sadell pryse ffoure nobilles And one Dove cowe [MB thinks possibly dove cowt, I think cowe]

Item I bequethe Alys Neylle my daughter on pyed cowe

Item I bequethe To Agnes Neylle my dawgter one blacke cowe

Item I bequethe to Elizabeth [Bayn] one wenying calffe The Resy^deu of all my godes my Debts Tents Legacies Donne And payde. I wyll yt be partyd yn iij partys one to my wife the secinde to my children the thirde parte to be done for me And make John Neyll my ffather and Jone Neylle my wyffe my tru executors to Dyspose for my soule and all crystons

Witnesses

Sir Wyllm Bromwynde curat

John Ball

Rychard Hubbard

Robt yvyes

Thomas Velam with others

Probatum fuitOctibrto Anno xliiv

Adam Newton of Langham - 1609

NRO Peterborough ~ MW90 Book VIII F2

T. Adam Newton De Langham Anno [ura] Sal^{is} 1609 [is this year of our salvation?]

In the dei nomie Amen The xxvth day of Maie and in the sixt yeare of the raigne of our Sovraigne Lord James by the grace of God of England ffrance and Ireland Kinge Defender of the faith etc and of Scotland the one and fortieth I Adam Newton of Langham in the county of Rutland wever beinge in body sicke but in minde and memory sound and perfect thanks be given to thallmighty god Doe make this my last will and Testament in manner & forme followeing

ffirst I comend my soule into the hands of god my Creator, and to his sonne Jesus Christ my onely and alone Savioer and Redeemer, my body to the earth from whence it came; and to be buried in the Churchyard of Langham

Item whereas I received eight shillings in money of my daughter Jone Newton some eight yeres past I am content to make it twenty shillings to be paid w^{thin} one yeare after my decease further I give to my Daughter Joane three pieces of pewter one old cupboard one brasse pan of three gallons or theire about one bedsted one coveringe one coffer uncoloured one bolster one pillowe one mattris one paire of teare hemp sheets one paire of flaxen sheets & wth one flaxen sheet one paire of harden sheets one flaxen towel wth an other towel of flaxen one pillowbere wth five pieces of linen

Item I give to my sonne Thomas Newton all my Loomes wth all other things that I have belonging to the occupacon of a weaver, And my apparel except my best cloke and one bedsted one paire of harden sheets one coverlid wth A blanket A pillow & forty shillings in money wthin two yeres after my decease

Item the residue of all my goods moveable and immouvouable not given & unbequeated I give unto Elizabeth my wife who I make my full & sole Executrix of this my last will and Testament and shee bringinge my body honestly to the ground

And for the better performance of this my will I entreat Richard Birket clerek and Lawrence Newby to be my faithfull Superviso^{res} in trust to see that this maie be effected accordinge to my true meaninge

In witness whereof I have put to my hand the day and yeare above written By me Adam Newton

Witnesses

Richard Birket Clerk [Curate]
Lawrence Newbies marke
Thomas Newby

Probatum fuit Testamtm
Okeham xxij^d April 1609

John Nickolson of Langham - 1670

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In the name of god Amen The Three & Twentith Day of August in the yeare of our Lord God 1670 I John Nickolson of Langham in the County of Rutl Taylor being sick and weake of body butt of sound and perfect memory thankes be given to god for the same doo ordaine and make this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following

ffirst I give & bequeath my Soule into the hands of Allmighty god my Creator ffully Trusting and assuredly believing in and Through the merits and mediation of Jesus Christ my onely Saviour & Redeemer to have full pardon and remission for all my Sins And my body to be buried in the Church yard of Langham

- Item I give and bequeath unto my son in law William Kellam of Barlethorpe the sum of fforty shillings which is now in the hands of Edward Abbott
- Item I give unto my wife hannah Nickolson fforty shillings to be paid out of the Rent of the house of Jeffery Noon at the times here after Expressed
- Item I give unto my son John Nickolson Ten pounds to be paide out of the Rent of the house of the aforesaid Jeffery Noone in Langham aforeSaid to be paid at the tymes here after Expressed
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Nickolson ffifteen pounds Ten pounds there of being in the hand of Mary Ball of Langham baker and ffive pounds to be paid out of the rent of the house of the aforesaid Jeffery Noon at the Tymes here after Expressed
- Item I give and be queath unto Mary Kellam Daughter of William Kellam of Barlethorpe Ten shillings
- Item my Will and pleasure is that John ffrancis of Langham Glover and his Executors shall be my ffeffees in trust to take in to his Custydy & keeping the bond of henry ball to Receive.... the in trust for the Use of my Daughter Elizabeth Nickolson And my will & pleasure is the said John ffrancis shall have in his Custody & keeping the Articles & bonds there unto belonging which are between me the afore named John Nickolson & the aforesaid Jeffery Noon And the Rent of the house of the said Jeffery Noon to take And the same to Distributt as is here after expressed

That is to say unto my wife Hannah the ffirst fforty shillings before bequeathed as it shall become Due & payable by the said Jeffery Noon next after Ten pounds to my son John Nickolson before bequeathed as it shall become Due & payable by the said Jeffery Noon, And next after that ffive pounds ^{before bequeathed} to my Daughter Elizabeth Nickolson as it shall become due and payable by the said Jeffery Noone And next after Ten shillings to Mary Kellam before bequeathed when it shall be due & payable by the said Jeffery Noon

- Item my will & pleasure is that my wife Hannah Nickolson shall pay the Charges for the proving of this my will and Testament
- Item my will & pleasure is That the said John ffrancis nor his Executors shall be sued or Damnifid ffor any money by those p^esents bequeathed if he cannot gett the Rent of the house of the aforesaid Jeffery Noon And that if he be forced to sue for any the said Rent that my son John Nickolson & Elizabeth my Daughter hannay my Wife to beare share everyone accordine to the proportion of their money In Witness where of I have here unto sett my hand & Seale the day & yeare first above written

John Nickolson his marke

Sealed & delivered in the p^esence of

Tobias ffrancis

William Kellam his marke

Probat fuit hoc Testament^m per Hannam Nickolson Testatени relicta
Debita juris forma jurat apud Glastoⁿ in Comit Rutl 15^o die mensis November
Ano Dmi ... 1670 coram me
Guil^o Halles Surrog Can^{ri}j

Andrew Palmer of Langham - 1695

Canterbury PROB 4/4081

Tm Andrew Palmer

In the name of God Amen the Eighteenth day of March Anno Dm one thousand six hundred ninety four I Andrew Palmer of Langham in the County of Rutland Sadler being sick and weak of body but of sound and perfect memory thanks be to God doe ordaine and make this my last Will and Testam^t in manner and forme following. first I give and bequeath my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator fully trusting and assuredly beleiveing in and through the merritts and mediacon of Jesus Christ my only Saviour and Redeemer to have full pardon and remission of all sins and my body to ^{be} buried at the discretion of my Executors herebafter named

- Item I give unto my brother John Palmer tenn shillings to buy him a Ring and a pair of Gloves
- Item I give and bequeath unto my mother in Law Mary Bone half a Crowne to buy her a pair of Gloves
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Sister Rachell Palmer two shillings to buy a paire of Gloves
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Sister Ann Hubbard wife of Matthew Hubbard of Langham in the County of Rutland thirty pounds
- Item all the rest of my goods Cattells and Chattells bills bonds ready money whatsoever unbequeathed and not given I give and bequeath unto my brother in Law Matthew Hubbard of Langham in the County of Rutland and to M^r Richard Buckley Smith in Blackfryers in Glassehouse yard in the City of London whom I make joint Executors of this my last Will and Testament they paying all my debts legacies and funeral expenses in bringing my body decently to the ground in witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and Seale the day and yeare first above written Andrew Palmer his mark published Sealed and delivered in the presence of Tobias ffrancis

Richard Barker
Elizabeth Ball her mark

Probatum fuit hysmodi Testamentum apud London
coram [nine lines of Latin, think it says Matthew Hubbard and Richard Buckley will well and faithfully administer. Date 26th April 1695. [I am told it says Robert Strangeworth executor]

[Ref via Nigel & Caroline Webb from National Archives is Palmer, Andrew, of Langham, Rutland, and St Dunstan in the West, London, sadler PROB 4/4081 1695 15 April]

Thomas Palmer of Langham - 1614

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Thomas Palmer de Langham Septemb: 11^o 1614

An Dei noic Amen. I Thomas Palmer of Langham the county of Rutland milner do make this my last will & testem in manner & forme as followeth First I do commit and commend my soule unto..... Almighty god my maker and masterChrist my only Saviour and redeemer & my Body to be buried in the church of Langham near adjoining to my (seate?)

- Item I give unto the cathedral & church of Peterb. iiiii^d
- Item I give to the church of Langham iiiii^d
- Item I give to the poore people of Langham iii^s iiiii^d to be distributed among them on St Thomas day next after my desease at the discretion of the minister & churchwardens
- Item I give to my daughter Bridget v£ to be paid unto her within one year after my desease and from the said sum of money to be put forth for her future use
- Item I give to my daughter v£ to be paid unto her within three years after my desease & then to be put forth for her better profit & use.
- Item I give to my Brother Henrie Palmer twentie nobles to be p^d unto him within one year after my desease
- Item I give unto Margaret Hubbard the daughter of Henrie Hubbard my kinswoman one ewe & one lambe at the time of the year
- Item I give unto Margaret More (amount not read by FS) within one month after my desease
- Item of all my goods & chattels moveable & unmovable nonbequeathed & not given I do give unto Elizabeth Palmer my wife & unto my natural sonne Stephen Palmer whom I do make jointly the full executor of this my last will & testament & they to pay all my debts legacies & funeral expenses bringing my body honestly to the ground and in regard of the great trust I Beare unto Henrie Hubbard & Thomas Beaver my honest neighbour I do make them supavisors of this my last will & testament in hope that they will see all things pformed according to the honest & true intent of this my last will & testam & they to have xii^d apiece for their paines in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand on the day & in the yeare above written

Witnesses

Nathaniel Croft
O Parke
the mark of Palmer

Will proved 31st October 1614

Thomas Palmer of Langham - 1700

NRO Peterborough ~ T227

In the name of God amen. I Thomas Palmer of Langham in the County of Rutland yeoman being sick in body but sound of mind and memory I praise god

Item I doo ordain and make this my last will and Testament in manor and forme following that is to say first I give and bequeath my soul unto the hands of Almighty god who gave it hoping through the Merits of Jesus Christ my saviour and Redeemer to Receive full and free pardon of all my sins and to inherit ever lasting life in the Kingdom of heaven committing my body to the earth from whence it was taken to bee buried att the discretion of my Executer hereafter named & for that little estate which it hath pleased god to bestow upon me I dispose as ffolloweth

I give and bequeath to my Sonne Thomas palmer the Bedstead wherein I lye with the feather bed and boulder the Curtains and Curtain Rods belonging & Table in the parlor and the Chaire that stands by it and my Chaire that standeth in the Chimney a pair of Running hooks a fire shovel and a toasting iron a pair of Touns a little brass pott and three puter Dishes two of the best and one of the worsor sort and I give him five shillings in money also and it is my will that the household goods shall stand in the house until he have (...ation) for to take them away and to have his libberty to come to the house at any convenient time without Mollestation

Item I give to my Cousen Mary the daughter of my Brother John Hornby ffive shillings

Item I give my Cousen Al... Hornby five shillings to be laid out for her for such things as she stands most need of towards all the rest of my goods Cattle & Chattles moveable and unmoveable what so ever unbequeathed my debt and legacies being faithfully paid and funeral expenses discharged I give and bequeath my loving son Stephen Palmer whom I make full and soule executor of this my last will and Testament Revoking all former Wills by mee made In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seal the nine and twentieth day of March Annog Dom 1700

Signed with a mark

Witnesses

Ffrancis Edgson
Thomas Woods
Margott Hornby (her mark)

Proved May 1700 by Stephen Palmer

John Pepper of Langham - 1607

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW88 Book VI F173

T. Johanis Pepper De Langham in Com. Rutland Anno Dm 1607

In Dei nomine Amen The xijth daie of August And in the fift yeare of the Rayine of o^r Sovereigne Lord James by the grace of god of England ffraunce and Ireland Kinge defendor of the faithe And of Scotland the xlith I John Pepper of Langham in the countie of Rutland Carpenter beinge in body sicke but in minde sounde and perfect thanks by given to god doe make this my last will and testam^t in manner and forme followeing

ffirst I comende my soule into the hands of the Allmightie god my Creator And to his sonne Jesus Christ my Redeemer and only Savio^r And my body to the earth frome whence it came, And to be buried in the Churchyard of Langham

- Item I give unto William Pepper my sonne five yeares of the last yeares in my lease to come.
- Item I give unto Marie Peper my daughter five pounds in money when she shall come to thage of twelve yeares to be put forth yearely for her use
- Item I give to my sister Susan Pitts a lambe hogge presently after my decease Item the residue of all my goods moveable and unmoveable not given and unbequeathed I give unto Alice my wife who I make sole Executrix of this my last will and testam^t And she to paie all my debts and legacies & my funeral expenses wth bringinge my body hon^estly to the grounde And for the better performance of this my will I doe entreat my brother Nicholas Pitts and Willm Bushe to be my Superviso^{rs} in trust that this my will maie be performed accordinge to my true meaninge

In witness whereof I have putto my hand the daie and yeare first above written

The are to have for there paines foure pence a peece 1607 The Marke of John Peper

Witnesses

Nicholas Pytts
Willm Bushe

Probatum fuit hor pus de..... apud Okham 12
January Anno Dm1607.....

William Pepper of Langham - 1639

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW95 Book XIII F135

T^m Guilielmi Pepper [?per] de Langham

In the name of God Amen I William Pepper of Langham in y^e county of Rutland husbandman being sick in body but sound and perfect in mind and memory, thankes be given to god for yt Doo ordaine and make this my last will and testament y^e fourth June Annog^r Dm 1639 in manner and forme as followeth;

Inprimis I bequeath my soule into y^e hands of almighty god my maker and creator and my body to be buryed in y^e Churchyard of Langham

- Item I give to Joseph Pepper my brother fourty shillings to be payd him twenty shillings at Christmas which shalbe in y^e yeare of our lord God 1642 and twenty shillings at Christmas w^{ch} shalbe in y^e yeare of our lord god 1643
- Item I give to my sister Shields 1^s I give to my two daughters Sarah and Anne ten pounds apiece to be p^d them when they shall accomlishe y^e yeares of twenty
- Item I give to my sonne William Pepper halfe my lease through out house and land to enter when he shall accomplish y^e yeares of twenty, and iff it happen that he Depart this mortall life before y^e expiracon off y^e lease then my will is y^t my wife shall have yt during her life And iff it shall happen that my wife Dye then my will is that my sonne shall have y^e whole lease And I intreat my brother Joseph to be their gardian, and iff both wife and sonne Depart this life then my will is that my Daughters shall have y^e lease And I intreate my brother Joseph to be their gardian, And if it please god wife sonne and daughters Dye then my will is that my brother Joseph shall have y^e lease he paying all my Debts and legacies that shalbe then unpayd; The rest of all my goods and chattels moveables and imoveables not given and unbequeathed I give to Isabell my wife whom I make sole Executrix of this my last will and testam^t she paying all my Debts legacies and funeral Charges expences bringing my body Decently to y^e ground in witnes whereof I have to these presents sette my hand y^e Day and yeare first above written William Pepper

Witnesses

Thomas Looyd [Curate]
William Edgson his marke

Probatum [not printed out from the film, check at NRO]

Alice Phillipot of Langham - 1612

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW90 Book VIII F316

T. Alicia Phyllypotte De Langham Ano Dm 1612

In dei nomine Amen, the eighteenth day of februarye in the tenth yeare of the Raigne of our Soveraigne Lord James by the grace of god King of England ffrance and Ireland Defender of the fayth etc And of Scotland the six and fortieth, I Alice Phillipott of Langham widdowe in the County of Rutland, being in body sicke and grieved but in minde and memory sound and perfect (thankes be given to god) Doe make this my last will and testamt in maner and fourme following: ffirst I commend my soule into the hande of Almighty god my Creator, And to his sonne Jesus Christ my onely saviour and redeemer, And my body to the earth from whence it came & to be buried in the Church yard of Langham

- Item I give unto Ellen Bunge my daughter one Cowe, one brasse pan & one Panne one Chafindish one of my best Coverlidds, one of my best blankets, and foure yards of Russet woollen cloth.
- Item I give to Cicely Drury my Daughter one brasse pott, one platter, one saucer, one payre of Cabyrns, and one spice Morter.
- Item I give unto Alice Busby my daughter in law one brasse kettle, one ffetherbed one payre of harden sheets, and one smocke.
- Item I give unto Thomas Phillipot and Richard Phillipot the sonnes of John Phillipot one of my best ewes and one lambe,
- Item I give unto Henry Bunge the sonne of Nicholas Bunge the best nexte ewe,
- Item I give unto Thomas Busby the sonne of William Busby one ewe, And if that ewe Doe bringe forth a lambe it is my will that Gyles Busby the sonne of ^{the said} William Busby shall have the lambe.
- Item I give to Sarah Drury the daughter of Ambrose Drury one ewe,
- Item I give unto John Bunge the sonne of Nicholas Bunning one lambe hogge, Itm I give unto Elizabeth Phillipot the Daughter of John Phillipot one ewe
- Item I give unto Richard Phillipot the sonne of Gregory Phillipott one silver spoone, one flaxen boardcloth and one Chafer
- Item I give unto Richard Phillipot the sonne of John Phillipot one little kettle,
- Item I give unto Margaret Phillipott the daughter of the sayd John one little panne, but in Consideracion of that great trust I commit and repose in Gregory Phillipot my sonne I doe make him my sole executer and hereupon I do give and bequeath unto him all the resedue of my goodes moveables and im^moveables unbequeathed and not given and all things to be ordered accordeinge to his disposeing, And I doe make him my full and sole executor of this my last will & testament, And he to pay all my debts and legacies and funeral expences bringinge my body honestly to the ground, and also that he shall pay unto John Phillipott the whole and just summe of Eleaven shillings and foure pence of lawfull money of England, And for ^{my} the better performance of this my will and testament, I do entreate Robert Broune my brother and John Phillipot my sonne in lawe to be ^{my} supervisors in trust to see all things performed herein according to the true meaning of this my last will and testament, In witness whereof I have set to my hand and marke on the day and yeare above written.

Alice Phillipot her marke,

Witnesses:

Nathaniell Goch minister

Nicholas Bunge his mark

Decimo quarto Octobris 1613.....

M^o Henrico Kirkman legu ...

Decimo quarto Die July Anno xndcinno Jacobi Regus

[In Latin] Whereas I Gregory ffillipott of Wappin London in the County of Middlesex Gent. was made and constituted sole executor of the last will and testament of Alice ffillipot of Langham in the County of Rutland widdowe my late mother deceased: I doe by this my presente wrighting for ever disclaime the said executershipp and do hereby give full power licence and authority to any of my brethren or sisters to take in their owne name or names lettrs of administration and to administer of all the goodes and Chattells of the sayd Alice my sayd mother Deceased In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seale in the presence of Nathaniell Goch Ob. George Stru[r?]ns his marke Gregory Phillipot Thomas ffillipot Also it is my minde that if none of my brothers or sisters doe take letters of administraciones to administer the goodes and Chattels of the party above written, then I will and Doe appointe and ordaine my welbeloved frend in Christ M^r Bartholomew Clarke to take such order and that all thinges may be performed according to the true meaneing of the will & testament.

Henry Phillipott of Langham - 1600

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW89 Book VII F124

T. Henrici Phillipott de Langham 1600

In dei nomine Amen The firste daye of june and in the Xliith yeare of the reigne of oure sovreigne lady Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffraunce and Ireland Queene defender of the faithe Witnesseth that I Henry Phillipott ofe Langham in the Countye of Rutland yeoman, beinge in bodye sicke, but of minde and memory sound and perfect thanks be given to th almighty god, do make this my laste will and Testament in manner and forme followinge.

Ffirst I commend my soule into the hands of god who gave it me, and to his sonne Jesus Christ who hath redeemed it and to the holye spirit of god who hath santifyed it in the revelation and knowledge of his holye will, and my bodye to thearth from whence it came and to be interred in the church of Langham

- Item I give to the repayre of the bells v^s
- Item I give to the poore in Langham vi^s viij^d
- Item I give to the poore of Ridlington iii^s iiij^d
- Item I give to Elizabeth Coxe of Ridlington x^s
- Item I give unto my brother Richards children a blacke dovye cowe amongst them which is at Ridlington Further I forgive him xv^s w^{ch} he oweth me.
- Item I give to my brother Kenelme Phillipotts daughter xx^s
- Item I give unto my brother Adcocks children a browne cowe at Martinmasse after my decease amongst them, and tenne shillings in money for my brother and my sister.
- Item I forgive my brother Bartholomew Phillipott all that he oweth me, And a pyed cowe to be employed to the profit of his children. And to Alice his daughter a brasse pottle and a paire of sheets w^{ch} was her mothers, And to Elizabeth his daughter a brasse pott and one sheete.
- Item I give to Ellone my brother Richards daughter a paire of sheets two table napkings and a pewter platter.
- Item I give to my brother Roberte Phillipott his sonne a browne steare, and in consideracion of the steare his sister shall have five shillings, And to my brother Robarte and his wife vi^s viij^d
- Item I give to Richard Birkett wardon vj^s viij^d
- Item I give to my sister Jackson vj^s viij^d
- Item I give my two hatts to Richard and Robert Phillipott my brothers
- Item I give to my brother James Jackson my beste robe, desiring him to be my supervisor of this my laste will and Testament.
- Item all the residue of my goods not given and bequithed I give unto my brother Cutbert Phillipott, whom I make my sole executor of this my last will and Testament, And he to paye all my legacyes and debts wth my funeral expenses according to the brotherly trust I repose in him.

In witnesse whereof I have putte my hande the daye and yeare firste above written

Witnesses:

Richard Birkett minister
John Graye
Thomas Hande
Richard Buttler.

Probatum fuitOundle xxv^{to} die monsis Septembris
anno dei 1600Richo Buttler sacre thedogie

Richard Phillipott of Langham - 1600

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW89 Book VII F149

Testm nuncupatium Richi Phillipott de Langham 1600

In dei nomine Amen. The fourthe daye of December and in the xliijth yeare of the Queenes ma^{sties} reigne that nowe is Richarde Phillipott of Langham in the Countye of Ruttlende labourer, did dispose his goods by worde and not by wrytinge to his wife and children, leaving his said goods to the distributing of Alice his wife to his said children And that he dothe make Alice his wife sole executrix of this his will.

Probatum fuitStamford sancti Martini quarto die monsis April 1601.....

Anthony Pitts of Langham - 1654

Canterbury PROB 11/238

In the name of God Amen I Anthony Pitts of Langham in the County of Rutland Carpenter being weake in body but of sound and perfect minde and memory thanks bee given to almighty God Doo make and Ordayne my last will & Testament in manner and forme following That is to say ffirst I Gyve and bequeath my Soule unto the hands of Almighty God my Creator hoping and stedfastly beleavinge by and through the Merritts Death and passion of my lord and Saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free remission of all my Sinnes And to see the Lord of the Land of the everlyving And my body I commit to the Earth from wheure itt came to be buryed in good and decent Manner att the disposicoun of my Executors hereafter named And as touchinge the Disposicoun of all such goods Chattells & Estate as God hath blessed me withal in this life I Gyve and bequeath the same as followeth That is to say

- ffirst I Gyve and bequeath to Sense my wife four cowes and pastures for them according as I now hold them two of them upon the pasture called the Home for the terme of the Lease And the other Two upon the great pasture for Six yeares And my Will is my said wife shall have the Glibe Close for to finde her Hay for the said Cowes Shee payinge the rent with other Dutyes for the same
- Item I Gyve to my Said wife Sixteene Ewes and Lambes And one barren Sheepe And two Heyfors which said Sheep and Heyfors are now upon the ground I have in Occuparoun in Ashwell field in County of Rutland And my Desire and will is that shee shall pay the Rent of the said ground
- Item I Gyve and bequeath unto my said wife all the household Goods which I possest after James Baxter married my Daughter And that if any Difference hereafter arise or growe betweene my Said wife & Anthony Baxter my Grandchild when hee shall accomplish the age of One and Twenty yeares then that Shee shall have that parte of the house to her selfe which wee formerly lived in together
- Item I Gyve and bequeath to Anthony Baxter the Close of Eight acres belonging to the Lords plot duringe the terme of the Lease and the house wherin I now Inhabite
- Item I Gyve and bequeath unto Thomas Baxter another of my Grandchildren Six pounds of lawfull English money to be paid unto him by my Executors when hee shall accomplish the Age of One and Twenty yeares
- Item I Gyve and bequeath unto James Baxter another of my Grandchildren the like Summ of Six pounds to bee paid him when hee shall accomplish the like age of One & Twenty yeares And if either Dye before they come att age the other to have itt
- Item I Gyve and bequeath to Mary and Sara Bayler other two of my Grandchildren each of ffyve poundes apeece to be paid them by my Executors when they shall accomplish the age of eighteen yeares And if itt happen that either of them Dye before shee shall accomplish her age the other shall have her porcoun I bequeath her
- Item my Will is that my said wife shall give all the household goods & other Cattell which shee possesseth after her Decease to bee equally Divided amongst them all
- Item my Will is that my Executors putt the said Thomas and James apprentice when they shall bee fittinge to undergoe Service
- Item I Gyve unto M^r Clarke our now Minister Tenn shillings to preach my ffunerall Sermon
- Item lastly all the residue of my Goods & Chattells not named and unbequeathed my Debts and Legacyes beinge paid and my ffunerall Expenses Discharged I Gyve unto Anthony Baxter my aforesaid Grandchilde And doo heerby nominate appoint and make my aforesaid wife and him the saide Anthony my Executors of this my last will and Testament And I doo entreate my kinsman William Baxter of Langham yeoman to bee Supvisor of this which I publish to bee my last will to see all things performed accordinge to this my Will And I Gyve unto him twelve pence to buy him a payre of gloves for his paynes

In witnesse whereof I have hereunto putt my hand and Seale the Thirteenth day of May In the yeare of our Lord God accordinge to the Computacoun of the Church of England One thousand Six hundred ffifty and foure 1654 Anthony Pitts his Marke

Witness heerunto wee whose names are heerunder written

Robert Wilcockes
William Baxter his mark.

This will was proved att Westminster the ffourteenth Day of November In the yeare of our Lord One thousand Six hundred ffifty foure Before the Judges lawfully Authorized for Probate of Wills and grantinge of Administrations By the Oath of Sense Pitts the Relict and one of the Executore named in this Will to whom was Committed Administratinn of all and Singular ye Goods Chattells and Debts of the said Deceased Shee being first Sworne truly to Adminster the same.

Jasper Pitts of Langham - 1639

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW95 Book XIII F148

T^m Jasperi Pits mg de Langham

In the name of God Amen the twentyth Day of January in the yeare of our Lord God 1638 I Jeffery Pits of Langham in the county of Rutland yeoman being sicke in body but of minde and memory sound and perfect thankes be Given to almighty God Doo make this my last will and testament in manner forme following;

First I bequeath my soule into y^e hands of Almighty God my Creator and to Jesus Christ my Redeemer and saviour and my body to y^e earth from whence it came and to be buried in the Church of Langham;

- Item I give to my sonne William Pits twenty pounds in money to be payd on S^t Michaels Day y^e Archangell next after my Decease;
- Item I give to my Sonne John Pits twenty pounds in money to on y^e feast Day of S^t Michaell the Archangell next after my Decease;
- Item I give to [word crossed out] my Daughter Mary Pits twenty pounds in money to be payd on the first Day of [words crossed out] May next after my Decease and all my household goods;
- Item I give to Robert Pits my Sonne my Coppy hold Cottage wth all the appurtenances and my lease of my inclosed ground and all that is there in contained and one Cow and seaven ewes and one quarter of oates, and all my oakstraw, and all my loomes and all other things in my shoppe y^t doeth belong to my trade;
- Item I give to Elizabeth ffeacy my mayde five shillings in money;
- Item I give unto my godchildren every one of them twelve pence
- Item y^e Residue of all my goods and Cattle unbequeathed and not given I give unto Thomas Pitts my sonne whoe I make my full and sole Executor of this my last will And testament he paying my funerall expences and bringing my body honestly and decently to y^e ground;

And last of all I doe make my executor Thomas Pits and William Pepper my Cousen gardinors for my Daughters porcon to put it forth for her use,

And also I Doo make my brother Nicholas Pites and my Coozen William Pepper supervisors of this my last will and for their paines I give to them six pence apeice In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand y^e Day and yeare first above written

Jesper Pites his marke

Witnesses

Thomas Beaver
William Gandey

Probatum fuit ... testam^{tum} apud Market overton
8 Septembris 1639 coram ... Johanne Groone [could be Greene]
[four more lines]

Mary Pitts of Langham - 1675

NRO ~ Q 105

In the name of God Amen I Mary Pitts of Langham widdow being sick in body but of sound & p^{er}fect memory blessed be god Knowing y^e uncertainty of this life here on earth & being desirous to settle things in order doo make this my last will & testament in manner & forme following that is to say

first I comend my Soule into y^e hands of almighty god my creator hoping to receive pardon for my sinns by y^e death of Christ & my body to y^e earth to be buried at the discretion of my executor hereafter named shall think meet & convenient And as touching such worldly things y^e lord hath sent me I desire they may be bestowed as hereafter is expressed

first I give & bequeath unto William Pitts my oldest Sonn five pounds to be paid by my executor,

Item I give unto Mary his wife one d[ress]ing one laund handcercher one scotch clot apron one paire of sheets too pillowbaires,

Item I give unto William Pitts my grandchild one littel pewter dishe & a tenn shillings peece of gold

Item I give unto Thomas Pitts an other of my sonns y^e Some of thirteene pounds when he accomplish y^e age of eighteen yeares & one littel pewter dish & one bras pot,

Item my will is y^t my executor shall give unto my Sonn William Pitts the Some of Six pounds for to learne my Sonn Thomas y^t trade or occupation which he now followeth or to put him to some other trade which my sonn William shall think convenient, & likewise my Sonn William shall have y^e interest of thirteene pounds yearely which is given to my Sonn Thomas until he shall accomplish y^e age of eighteen yeares for & towards his apparell & if my sonn Thomas shall depart this natural life before he shal accomplish eighteen yeares of age then my Sonn William shall have Six pound ten shillings & my executor y^e other sixe pound tenn shillings

Lastly all y^e rest of my goodes & chattels moveable or unmoveable [crossed out] which is not nominated or bequeathed I give unto John Pitts another of my Sonns and doo make him sole executor my debts & legacies and funeral expences being discharged by him & I doe revoke all wills by me formerly made & doe ordaine this as my laste will & testament where unto I have here [crossed out] sett my hand & seale the fifteenth Day of August in y^e yeare of our Lord god Annog Dm 1675

Sealed & Delivered

Mary Pitts her mark

in y^e p^{re}sence

Anthony Baxter

William Pitts his mark

xxij die Octobris 1675

Probatam fuit hoc Testantum Marie Pitts mg de Langham in Com Northton deft vigor Juramtin John Pits filij nralis & stuui ded dgto & mini Extriax in sexto ... nominat Commistuyr fuit Adio vium & singlor bonor Jur & de fti perfat Ex prinoer debitie jurat Coram me Frcisco Standish

Sur: Canc:

[d...ing can be read as dressing or perhaps dropling. Nothing found for dropling. Dressing could be dressing box, a box for toilet accessories often with a small mirror.]

[scotch clot apron. This could be scotch cloth with the final h missed off. Scotch cloth is linen supposedly woven from nettle fibres: cheap fabric resembling lawn]

Nicholas Pitts of Langham - 1601

NRO ~ Film MW89 Book VII F193

Test: nuncupatum Nickolai Pittes De Langham in Comitatu Rutlande

In Dei nomine Amen; the forth daye of September and in the three and fortieth yeare of the Queenes Majesties Raigne that nowe is I Nicholas Pittes of Langham in the Countie of Rutlande beinge in bodie sicke but of memorie sound and perfect thanks be geven to thalmightie god do make this my last will & Testament in manner & forme followinge

ffirst I commend my soule into the hande of god my Creator and to his sonne Jesus Christe my only Saviour & Redemer and my bodie to the earth from whence it came and to be buried in the Churchyarde of Langham;

Item I give and bequeathe the coppie hold that I have in Langham to the use of [William] and Nicholas Pitts my sonnes accordnye to the Custome and manor of Langham

Item I give and bequeathe to Jane Elizabeth Margeret and Dorothe Pitts my daughters all my householde with one cove to be sould & ~~delivered~~ divided amongst them

Item I give my full and whole estate of one house with halfe a yarde lande that is in Barrowe within the Countie of Rutland w^{ch} was one Thomas Briche who made me a feafer in truste for ever to let and set the same accordinge to his last will and Testamente unto my sonne in lawe Thomas Wilcockes & Esabell his Wife my daughter and to the heire male of them bothe otherwise that my sonne [William] shall have it if they die without heire

Item all the Residue of my goods not given and bequeathed I give to my sonne Wilcockes who I make my full and sole Executor of this my last will and Testament And that he shall see this my will performed my debts and Legacies payed And my bodie to the earthe

These Witnesses to this Will

William Ganey
Thomas Bagley; 1601

Probatum fuit

Quarto die....January Anno Dm ...1601

[The son's name is abbreviated, William seems the most likely but we need to check with parish register or other source]

Thomas Pocklinton of Langham - 1715

NRO Peterborough ~ X254

In the name of God Amen I Thomas Pocklinton of Langham In the County of Rutland Taylor being aged [68] Considering the uncertainty of life being desierous to setel my wordly affairs and leave peace behind me after my decease do make and ordaine this my last will and testament in maner and form ffollowing that is to say

ffirst I Commend my Soule into the hand of my Creator hoping through his mercy and the merits of my only Saviour Jesus Christ to have a Joyfull resurrection to Life Eternal and my body I Commit to the earth to be decently buried at the Discretion of my Executor hearin afternamed and such worldly estate as God has bestowed on mee I Give and dispose as ffolloweth;

Imprimus I Give and bequeath and devize all those my two Closes of pasture Ground situate Lieing being within the ffields and bounds of Pickwell in the County of Leicester in a Certaine place their called the North brook ffield Containing by Estimation ten acre be the same more or less now in the occupation or tenure of Michall Stacy together with and singular the benefits Commodities or apurtinaces and advantage belonging or in anywise appetaining whatsoever to the aforesaid Closs or Closing belonging to the use and behoof of my kinswoman Elizabeth peck of Knoston in the aforesaid County of Lices: widdow and to her heirs and assigns for ever upon Condition nevertheless that the said Elizabeth Peck her heirs and assigns do and shall well and truly Satisfie and pay or cause to be paid the sev[rest of word lost in binding] Legacies Sum and Sums of money hearin after nominated and perticularly Expressd Given and bequeathed to the person and persons Respectively hearin also after nominated and Appointed viz:

I Give and bequeath unto my Kinsman John Husey one shilling:

Item I Give and bequeath unto Henry Husey Ann now Cole Husey and William Hussey three of the Children of my Late Sister Elizabeth Hussey the Sum of Twenty pounds apeece to be paid to them Six months after my death

I Give unto my kinswoman Mary the Wife of Robert Cumbry Tallow Chandler the Sum of ffourteen pounds

Item I Give unto Ann the Wife of William Sharrat Gent the Sum of five pounds:

And to my loving friend Thomas Adcock of Sumerby [Hi?]llsite the Sum of twelve pounds;

and to Elizabeth the wife of John Geeson Junir of Greatham the Sum of five pounds

also to John Gibbing of Bronston five pounds;

and to the ffive Children of my Kinsman Henry Hussey aforesaid by his ffirst wife the Sum of Twenty Shillings apiece

and to Mary the wife of Thomas Cox of Langham twenty Shillings:

and to Elizabeth Heard of Oakham widdow two Shilling and six pence

And to my Cozen ffrancis Beeby of Oakham Twenty Shillings;

all which Sums to be paid six months after my decease as aforesaid

Item the poorest Widdows and other poor of Langham Twenty Shillings to be distributed by the proper officers then being of the said Parrish at thire discretion;

Item I Give and bequeath unto William Peney of Oakham John Gibbins and Abraham Bull of Bronston And Thomas Bull of Upingham and to the Survivors and Survivor the Sum ffifteen pounds to be paid to them at the time aforementioned for the use and Benifitt of the Congregation of Baptized beleviess Common Meeting at Broston Oakham Empingham and to be distributed by them to the said poore at their discretion

Item I give unto Thomas Bull of Upingham ffoure pounds

and to William Peney of Oakham ffive pounds to be paid unto them as aforesaid;

and to Kathiren Williamson widow and to Mary the wife of William Abbot two shillings six pence a peece to be paid at the time aforesaid;

ffurthermore my will is that my aforesaid Kinswoman Elizabeth Peck her heirs or assignes do pay or Caus to be paid unto my Executor ffifteen pounds immediatly after my decease upon demand to defray ffunerall Charg;

also my will is that if any person or persons to whom any of these Leagasies should happen to Die before their said sum or sums be due that then their said Legasies be paid their ffamalie or survivors or to whom they shall assign it at the time before mentioned

Item all my Goods or moneys and personall estate whatsoever unbequeathed I give and bequeath unto my Loveing Kinsman William Husey aforementioned for his use he paying all my depts and ffunerall Expences over and above what the before ordered ffifteen pounds Shall do and I do hearby Constitute make and ordaine the said William hus[torn] fful and Sole Executor of this my last will and testament;

and lastly I desire my Loveing friends John Gibbins and Thomas Bull in all things wherein the can to advise assist and help my Executor and to see that in all things my will be performed I hereby revoking all former wills by me made in witness whereof I hereunto put my hand and Seale this ffifteenth day of December Anno: Domini 1714

Thomas Poklinton his mark

Signed Sealed published and declared to be the Last will and Testament of the above named Thomas Pocklinton in the presence of us

Umphrery Hubberd his mark
Abraham Bull
Thomas Dickman

10me die Januarij 1715/6 Juratus fuit Gulielmas Hussey Executor
Thomas Pocklinton nuper de Langham Supradict defunct in huisdi
Testamto nominot
Coram me
Sam: Saunders Surrog:

William Pytts of Langham - 1571

NRO ~ MW14 F44 W106

Testamentum Willmi Pytts de Langham Des A° Dm 1571

In the name of god amen the xxvth Daie of June in the yeare of o^r Lord god 1571 and in the xiiijth yeare of the raigne of o^r Sovereigne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffraunce and Ireland quene defender of the faythe etc wytnesseythe that I William Pytte of Langham in the paryshe of Okeham and in the doces of [photocopied on two sheets and a line or lines have been missed out here between them] o^r Lord and my bodie to be buried in the churchyard of Langham

Item I geve and bequethe to the poore folke of Langham iij^s iiij^d and to the chappell of Langham iij^s iiij^d to the maynteinne of yt

I geve to Joane pytts my Daughter xv^l

I geve to my Daughter Izabell pytts x^l

I geve to my Daughter Agnes pytts x^l

I geve to Ellen pytts my Daughter x^l

I geve to Grace pytts my Daughter x [sic] to be paid them at the Daie of marriage Provided always that yf yt pleas almightie god to call any of the aforesaid children to his mercie before they come to the state of marriage that then there partes to remayn to the rest of there brethren and systers

I geve to all my godchildren iiij^d a pece to every one of them

I geve to sethe hoes my sonne in Lawe x^s

and to Nicholas pytts my sonne x^s whome I make ov^{er}seare of my wyll

All the rest of my goods unbequethed I geve and bequethe to Parnell my wyffe and Willm pytts my sonne whome I make my Executor to discharge my legacies paie my debts and to brynge my bodie honestly to the ground provided alwaies that yf yt pleas god to call Willm pytts my sonne to his mercie before Nicholas pytts my sonne yt then my sonne Nicholas to come to my farme and occupie in Willms Roome wth his mother Petnell my wyffe

In wytnes whereof I have setto my marke to this my last wyll and testament in the p^{re}sence of these

Henrie beiston

Sethe hoes

Nicholas pytts clarke

Probatum fuit hoc presens Testamentm coram m^{ro} miho Chopard s... theology ban archim northton vj die mens octobris a° Dm 1571 Comissag fuit admistratio parnell executrici in ... teste... et Jurate ... Re...rata consitt p...tate committend Willm atteso et Doner perwenerit ad utiam date et est exhit est ... id summna xxxvj^l xix^s x^d

Thomas Rest of Langham - 1687

NRO ~ R 370

In the Name of God Amen The third day of May in the Year of our Lord God one Thousand six hundred eighty and seaven I Thomas Rest of Langham in the County of Rutland being sick and weake of body but of sound and perfect Memory thanks be god do ordaine and make this my Last Will and Testament in Manner and forme following

First I bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creator fully trusting and assuredly believing in and through the merrits and mediation of Jesus Christ my onely Saviour and Redeemer to have full pardon & Remission of all my sins And my body to be buried in the Church yarde of Langham

- Item I give and bequeath unto my sister in Law Elizabeth Gilbert one shilling
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Loving Wife Mary Rest my Freehold house in Langham wherein I now live with all the writings evidences members and appurtenances their unto belonging and appertayning to her the said Mary Rest and to her heirs and assignes for ever
- Item all the Rest of my goods cattles and chatteles of what nature kind or quality soever moveable and unmoveable I give and bequeath unto My wife Mary Rest whome I make Full and sole Executrix of this my Last Will and Testament, And I do hereby Revoke and make voyd all wills by me formerly made And this onely to be Taken for my Last Will and Testament and none other In Witness whereof I have here unto putt to My hand and Seale the day and yeare First above written

Sealed and delivered in the p^resence of

Thomas Rest
James Hubbard
Elliner Bull
Tobias Francis

Nicholas Robinson of Barleythorpe - 1670

NRO Peterborough ~ R140

In the name of God Amen in the yeare of our lord God one thousand six hundred and seventy: upon the Six day of September I Nicholas Robinson in the towne of Barlithorp in the County of Rutland yoman being sick of body and yet being of perfect memory doe ordaine and make this my last will and Testament as in manner and forme as followeth

Item I give to ffranciss Stiles of Stamford one pound

Item I give to Thomas Bentley of Stamford one pound

Item I give to Dianah Robinson of thislton one pound

And the rest of all my worldly goods I give unto Ann Nunwick of Barlithorp whom I make my full and soul Executor

Nicholas Robinson his mark

Witnesses to this will

John Pilkington

J. Jackson

Probat fuit hoc Testamentm ye Annan Nunwick Testatoris Executrixm
debita juris forma juratam quarto die mensis July Anno Dni inperater
1673 apud Glaston in Comit predicti coram me
Guloelmo Halles Surrogo:

The Oath of Anne Nunwick was taken at Okeham the 22nd day of November before me
Tho: [surname not photographed]

Joane Rose of Langham - 1614

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW91 Book IX F37

T. Joane Rose de Langham [11th July AO?] dm 1614

In the name of god amen. I Joane Rose of Langham within the County of Rutland widow being sicke in body sicke but sounde & perfect in memory thanks be to god do make this my last will & testam^t in manner & forme as followeth In primis I do bequeath my soule into the hands of almighty god my Creator & to his sonne Jesus Christ my Saviour & redeemer & my body to be buried within the churchyard of Langham

- Item I give unto the Church of Langham iiiij^d
- Item I give unto Gillian Rose my daughter one paire of flaxen sheets one matrice that is her own & one fetherbede & one bedsted next the parlour dore one brasse potte one that condiconer that she shall give unto Cicely Rose her sister v^s of lawfull English money in lieu thereof & two brasse pannes of the leaste one pillow & one boulster & one pillowbeare & one peece of pewter of the best & one potte of the least & two panakingkes & one candlesticke & one little coffer standing at my beds feete & x^s of lawfull money to be pd unto her at her marriage Day & one coverlet that was made the last
- Item I give unto Robt Rose my sonne one paire of hempe sheets one coffer standing in the Chamber one pillow & two tablenapkins one of the best and another the worst & x^s to be pd unto him upon the day of his marriage & if he die before that then the same money to be devided equally amongst the rest that are liveinge Also I give unto Thomas Rose my sonne one flaxen sheete & one paire of hempen sheets & one Coffe before the parler dore & one pillow & one matrice on the s^d bed & xx^s to be pd unto him wthin one full yeare after my decease
- Item I give unto Mary Coles the daughter of George Coles one wooden presse in the parler
- Item I give unto the rest of the children of George Coles iiiij^d apiece wthin one quarter of the yeare after my decease
- Item I give unto the children of John Phillipot iiiij^d a peece after the s^d manner
- Item I give unto my children in lawe iiiij^d apeece after the s^d manner Lastly of all my goods and chattels moveable & unmoveable not given and unbequeathed I do give unto Cicely Rose my youngest daughter whom I do make full Executrix of this my last will & Testam^t & shee to pay all my funeral chardges & expenses bringing my body honestly & decently to the ground paying all my legacies & debts being ordered & governed by my Supervisors John Phillipot & George Coles whom in the trust & love I beare unto them do make them Supervisors of this my last will and testam^t & they to have 4^d a peece for their paines In witnes whereof I the sd Joane Rose doe hereunto sett my hand & seale on the day in the yeare above written the mke of Joane Rose testis Nathaniell Goch clerk

Comissa fuit adminstr
noiate dep apud Peterborough 12 die
monse August Ano Dm 1614 George Coles de Langham.....
.....Cicilia Rose Executrix
[not sure if it says she is a minor]
Malcolm Johnson.....

Richard Rose of Langham - 1571

NRO Peterborough ~ MW14 F127 W284

Testm Richd Rose de Langham des A° dm 1571

In the name of god Amen the third Daye of October in the yeare of Our Lord god 1571 and in the xiiijth yeare of the reigne of o^r Sovereigne Ladie Elizabeth by the grace of god of England ffrance and Ireland Quene Defender of the faithe etc I Richard Rose of Langham in the countie of Rutland husbandman beyng sycke in bodye but whole of mynde and of good remembrance god be thanked Doe make & ordeyne this my Last will and and testament in manner and forme followynge

Ffirste I bequethe my Soule to almightie god throughe the merites of Jesus Christ my Savyo^r and my bodie to the yearthe there to remayne untill the generall resurrection of the Just ones in christ and to be buried in the churche of Langham aforesaid

Item I bequeth to the mother churche of Lincoln iij^d

Item I geve and bequeth to Thomis Rose my Sonn to be paid at his comynge fourthe of his prentyceshippe vj^l xiiij^s iij^d

Also I geve to Willm Rose my sonne one quarter of malte

Item I geve to Jone Rose my older daughter one hackforthe of three yeares olde

Item I geve to Elling Rose my daughter iij^l vj^s viij^d to be paid at thage of xvij yeares and I geve to the said Ellen ij brasse pottes one of the best and an other of the meaner sorte, Also I geve to the said Ellen one fetherbedd tycke one bolstar and one of the best panns ij cov^{er}inge for a bedde of the best ij mattresses one bolstar a bedstede syxe paire of shetes viz one payre of harden one white coffer and my second cubbord two platters ij dyshes ij sarcers two candlestyckes one salte of pewtar and xx^{ti} stoore shepe wth ij heckfars of iij yeares olde apece two towelles one bourde clothe of the best and one Lynnen whele

Item I geve and bequethe to Jone Rose my youngest daughter iij^l vj^s viij^d to be paid at thaige of xvij yeares two pannes the newe cubbord and all other thinges as Ellen my daughter before hathe except an fetherbedde tycke, and eyther of them one quarter of malte at the daies of their marriage yf they Doe marrye,

Also I geve to Thomes my sonne aforesaid one mattresse one bolstar two cov^{er}inges two pair of towe of hempe shetes one heckfurthe of iij yeares olde at thende of his prentyceshippe and a Roode of wheate at the daye of his marryage,

Also I geve to the poore people of Langham xij^d and to the mayntennce of the churche and bells

I geve iij^s iij^d The rest of all my goodes and cattelles movealbe and unmoveable I geve and bequethe to my sonne Richard Rose whome I make and ordeyne my whole Executo^r of this my Last will and testament, And I mak and ordeyne my neighbe^r Henrie beiston and John Bullymer supervyso^{rs} of the same and to have for theirre paynes xij^d a pece these be ynge

wytynesses

Cutbert fawcett

Henrie Baston

Humfrey Cotton

John Bullymer wth others

Probatn fuit ...pus testm ...m^o ... talentyne ...

offili anerdro xvij^o die menses Aprille 1571

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[indistinct on photocopy, looks like a sum of money]

[FS

Hackforthe I think this is a heifer, both from the context and from the word heckfar being given as heifer in the 'Glossary of Household, Farming & Trade Terms from Probate Inventories'. A heifer is a young cow from one year old until she bears her second calf

stoore shepe Until recently sheep would not be sold for slaughter until they were at least two years old. Store sheep, as with store beast, were those that still needed growing on and fattening before they were ready for slaughter

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John Ruddel of Langham - 1688

NRO ~ S 117

In the name of god amen I John Ruddel of Langham in the County of Rutland Carpinter being sicke in body but sound & perfect of mind and memory I prayes god for it doe make this my last will & Testament in manner & forme following

ffirst I give & bequeath my soule into the hands of almighty god my Creator & Redeemer hoping through the merritts of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to be saved & my body to be buryed in the Churchyard of Langham & for that little which it hath pleased god to be stow uppon mee I dispose of as ffollowing

Imp^{rs} I give & bequeath to my Brother in Law John pitts all my goods Reddy money and debts oweing mee what soever for to pay my debts & funeral Charges And I doe Also give him my house & homsted to bring Upp & mainteyne my Daughter Hanna untill shee come to the age of eithteen yeares & no longer if shee so long live with necessary Meate drinke washing & lodging convenient

And I do make my said Brother in Law John pitts my full & sole Executo^r of this my last will & Testament In wittnes where of I have here unto sett my hand & Seale the Seaven & Twentieth Day of Aprill in the ffourth yeare of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord James the Second by the grace of god of England Scotland ffrance & Ireland King defender of the ffaith etc Annog: Dom: 1688

Sealed & delivered John Ruddel his Marke

in the p^{re}sents of

ffran: Edgson
John Nicholson
Sarah [?]baly

[The grant of probate is not on the photograph but we should look at it. Hannah Ruddel was buried 29/4/1688. The PR transcript has a John Riddell buried 12/5/1688, how do we read that name? Who would have inherited everything if Hannah was dead?]

Bartholomew Ruddell of Langham - 1715

NRO Peterborough ~ X252

In the name of god Amen ye twelveth day of August in ye yeare of our Lord god 1714 I Bartholomew Ruddill of Langham in ye County of Rutland Chapman being ye[blot]sick and weak In body but in perfect mind and memory thanks be given unto god therefore Calling unto mind ye mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my Last will and testament: that is to say principally: and first of all I give and recommend my Soul Into ye hands of god that gave it: and for my body I recommend it to ye Earth, to be buried in Christian Like, and decent manner at ye discretion of my Executors nothing doubting but at ye generall Resurrection I shall receive ye Same again by ye mighty power of god and as touching such worldly Estate where with It hath pleased god to bless me in this Life I give demise and dispose of ye same in ye following manner and form

I Give and bequeath to my well beloved Cozen William Baker ye Elder all my household goods and movables bills and bonds that are Bartholomew Ruddill only

likewise I sett my dearly beloved wife one shilling and my Son beniamin Hudson one shilling & Will Hudson one Shilling and I do hereby utterly disallow revoke and Disannull all and every other former testaments willis and Legacies Requests and Executors, by me in any ways before this time named Willied and bequeathed ratifying and Confirming this and no other to be my Last will and testament

In wittness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seale ye day and year above written

Signed Sealed published and declared by the said

B Bartholomew Rudill [his mark]

Last will and testament in ye presence of us the Subcribers, viz

Edward fracy his mark
Henry Hawgood
Toby White

Tertio die mensis Septembris 1715. Juratus fuit Gulielmus Baker sen de Langham in comit Rutlandia nepos ex sorore et unicus Executor Bartholomei Ruddell nuper de eodem de[damaged]m huisodi Testamento noiat et quod bona non extendunt ad Summam Viginti Libraram – coram me
Sa: Saunders Surrog:

John Ruddill of Langham - 1684

NRO ~ Q 130

In the name of God Amen y^e one & twentyeth day of Aprill Annog Dom 1684 & in the sixe and thirtyeth yeare of y^e raigne of our gracious soveraigne Lord Charles y^e Second by y^e grace of God of England Scotland ffrance & Ireland King Defender of y^e faithe etc I John Ruddill of Langham in y^e County of Rutland being sick & weake in body but of sound & perfect memory praized be god & calling to mind y^e uncertaincy of this life & being Desirous to settle things in order Doe make & ordaine this as my last will & testament in manner & forme as ffolloweth: That is to say

ffirst & principally I Commit my Soule to Almighty god my Creator assuredly believing through y^e merritts Deathe passion of Jesus Christ to receive ffree & full remission of my Sins & to inherit eternall life in y^e Kingdome of heaven & my body I Commit to y^e earth to be buried at y^e descretion of my Executor here after named & as touching y^e disposing of all my temporall estate as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me I doe give & bequeath thereof as followeth

ffirst I give & bequeath unto John Rudill my natural Sonn one shilling

Item I give & bequeath unto John Pitts one of my grandChildren ffifty shillings to be put out within twelve months after for y^e use of y^e child to y^e best use until it shall accomplish one & twenty years of age I give unto my wife all y^e household goods shee brought when wee was married & like wise ffifty shillings ^{to be paide} within two months after my Decease & forty shillings more within twelve months after my Decease & twenty shillings more within two yeares after my Decease if my wife live soo long as any or all of these payments shall become due to her And all y^e rest of my goods & Chattells moveable & unmoveable quick & dead not nominated appointed my Debts & Legacies being paid my funerall expences being discharged I doe make John Pitts ^{my sonn in law} Sole Executor of this my last will & testament And doe revoke all other wills formerly by me made In Wittness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & Seale y^e Day & yeare ffirst above written

Item my Will and pleasure is that If the said John Pitts my grandchild Dye before he Come to the age of 21 years Then the said Legacie to be to the next Child of John Pitts my Son in Law

I do Desire my Coson Luke Sharpe to be Supervisor to see y^e ffifty shillings which I have given unto John Pitts my grandchild be put out forward to ye best use according to my will

Published Red Sealed and Delivered in the Seacond Day of July 1684

In the p^resence of John Ruddill

Wittness

Anthony Baxter
Tobias ffrancis his mark
Ann fflaxman her mark
John Herrickher his mark
Elizabeth Baxter her mark

15th July 1684

Probatu^m fuit Ecstum suprascript vigour juram^{ti} John pitts

Executrij in ... fuit Ad^{ew} ... & Johij

Rudill defuncte ... Execat ...et jurat etc

Coram meJohnston

William Ruddle of Langham - 1674

NRO Peterborough ~ Q 121

In the name of god amen I William Ruddle of Langham in the County of Rutland Shoemaker being sick in body but sound and perfect of mynd and memory I prayes god for it Doe make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following first I give and bequeath my Sole into the hands of Almighty god my Creator and Redeemer hoping through the Merritts of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to be saved and no other wise and my body to be buryed in Christion buryall

Imprimis I give to my Sonne William Ruddle ffive pounds to be payd to him one yeare after my decease

Item I give to my Daughter Ann ffifty shillings to be payd to him when shee shall accomplish the age of one and Twenty years

Item I give to my Sonne Thomas ffifty shillings to be payd to him when hee shall accomplish the age of one and Twenty years

Item I give to my Daughter Mary ffifty shillings to be payd to her when shee shall accomplish the age of one and Twenty years

Item I give to my Sonne John ffifty shillings to be payd to him when hee shall accomplish the age of one and Twenty years

All the Rest of my good cattell and Chattles moveables and unmoveable unbequeathed my debts and Legacyes being payd and funerall expences discharged I give to Ann my loveing Wife whom I make full and sole executrix of this my Last Will and Testament. In Wittnes Where of I have here unto sett my hand and Seale the seaven and Twentieth day of March in the Six and Twentieth yeare of the Raigne of our Sovereigne Lord Charles the second by the grace of god of England Scotland ffrance and Ireland King defender of the faith etc Anno g dom 1674

Sealed and delivered

William Ruddle his Marke

in the p^resents of

ffrancis Edgson

Mary Ruddle her Marke

Probat fuit hoc Testamnt^m y Anna Ruddle
dicti Testoris Executirum debita jurii forma
jurat apud Glaston 8^o die mensii Junii Anno
Dm 1674 coram me
Guilialmo Halles Surrato

Francis Russell of Langham - 1639

In the name of God Amen I Francis Russell of Langham in the Countie of Rutland yeoman being sicke in body but sound and perfect in minde and memory thanks be given to God doo ordayne and make this my last will and Testament the sixteente day of June Annoys Dm. 1639 in manner and rome following

Ffirst I bequeath my soule unto the hande of almighty God my maker and Creator and my body to be buried in the Church of Langham.

- Item I give to the poore of Langham twentie shillinge to be given them presently after my decease at the discrecion of Mr Flood William Hubbard Thomas Beaver and Luke Sharpe
- Item I give to my brother John Russell twentie shillings
- Item I give to my brother Joseph twentie shillings
- Item I give to my brother William Russell twentie shillings
- Item I give to my mother that Dower which now she hath
- Item I give to my sister Elizabeth (R- ddish?) twentie shillings
- Item I give to my sister Anne Russell twentie shillings
- Item I give to Anne (Tokie?) half a crowne
- Item I give to my sonne Thomas Russell three score poundes and to my sonne Ffrancis threescore poundes and to my sonne John threescore poundes which porcions I will shall be payed them within three years after my decease
- Item I give to my Daughter Mary Russell fffitie pounds and to my Daughter Joane Russell fyftie pounds which porcones I will that be payed them within three years after my decease
- Item I give to my oldest sonne Thomas Russell the (indistinct word, could be house) and messuage wherein I now live with both my leases to enter upon them when he shall accomplish the years of foure and twenty And yf my wife die before he shall accomplish the yeares of fower and Twentie then my will is that the house and leases shall be lett for the benefit of my three sonnes till he the said Thomas shall accomplish the years of fower and twentie And yf my wife shall live after the said Thomas hath entred upon the house and leases Then my will is that he shall allow my wife a convenient roome in the house to live in and finde her firing and washing and paye her yearly during her naturall life tenn poundes towarde her maintance The rest of all my goods and chattels moveables and immovables not given and unbequeathed I give to Alice my wife whome I make sole executrix of this my last will and Testament she paying all my debts legacies funeral expenses bringing my body decently to the ground And for the love and trust I repose in my brothers Luke Sharpe and Matthew Nixe I (choose?) them (Garners?) for my Children to (receam...?) their severall porcions and to use and occupie yt for the best advantage of my children And my will is that the Gardiners shall paye my children their porcions as followeth vis To my three sonnes when they shall accomplish the yeares of one and twenty and to my Daughters when they shall accomplish the years of Twentie And yf any of my children dye before their porcions be payed them my will is that that porcion shal be equally divided among the rest of my children

In witness whereof I have sett my hand the daye & yeare ffirst above written.

Ffrancis Russell his mark.

Witnesses

Thomas Looyd

Thomas Beaver

Alice Sculthorpe of Langham - 1616

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW91 Book IX F202

T. Alice Sculthorpe de Langham

In the name of god Amen the fifteenth day of January in the yeare of the lord one thousand sixe hundred & ten I Alice Sculthorpe of Langham in the County of Rutland widdowe sicke in body but sound & p^{er}fect both in minde & memory thanks be given to almighty god do make this my last will & testam^t in mann^{er} & forme following ffirst I com^mend my soule into the hands of god my creato^r & maker & to his sonne Jesus Christ my onely savio^r & my redeemer and my body to the earth from whence it came, & to be buried in the Church of Langham neare to my husband deceased if it so fall out that my departure be at Langham if not my desire is to be buried in the churchyard in what towne soever it please god my departure be:

- Item I give to the repaire of the church of Langha^m three shillings foure pence Al^{so} to the poore peep^{le} of Langham twenty shillings in money to be disposed by the Churchwardens wth the consent of my Executo^r
- Item I give to the poore of Tinwell X^s if it please god my buriall be at Tinwell to be disposed by the Churchwardens wth the consent of my Executo^r
- Item I give to my sonne Jasp^{er} Barker & his wife five pounds in money, I give to my daughter Barker my best red peticote & a paire of sheets wth a pillowe
- Item I give to Joane Morris five pound in money to be paid unto her wthin sevon yeares after my departure I give unto the same Joane Morris foure yards of new graycloth a russet cloake & a tawny savegard a great coffer a paire of sheets a brasse pan two platters a mattrice a boulster a cov^{er}lid blacke and white a loade of coles to be given unto her within one yeare after my departure
- Item I give unto Alise Morrice daughter of the said Joane Morris my cove now in the keeping of Edmond Angell of Langham
- Item I give to Marg^t Crofts my daughter five pounds in money by best russet gowne & the cow w^{ch} they have a paire of sheets, a table cloth of towe hempe the largest my fetherbed wth a ticke boulster a cov^{er}let a pewter dish a cupboard a chaire & a forme
- Item I give to Alice Emlin my daughter five pounds in money a blacke gowne a brasse pot a platter, a pewter dish a table cloth a charger a diaper napkin a paire of sheets of the better sorte & my worst red petticote
- Item I give to Judith Emlin daughter of the said Alice a pillowe stuft wth fethers & a pillowbere Item I give to Ellen Nix my daughter five pounds in money & a tammy gowne
- Item to Jane Nix daughter of the said Ellen a pewter sawcer & to Isabell Nix her sister a flaxen pillowbere
- Item I give to the children of my daughter Sharp deceased five pounds to be equally devided amongst them,
- Item I give to my two brethren Edmond Angell & George Angell either of them XX^s apiece
- Item I give to ev^{er}y godchild forepence The rest of my goods unbequeathed I leave to my Executo^r to give & dispose to my children that stand most in need, and the remainder to have himselfe to bring my body in seemly manner to the ground paying my legacies & discharging my fun^{er}al expenses, & p^{er}forminge this my last will according to my true intent & meaning And this my sone W^m [word crossed out] Sculthorpe I appoint my sole Executo^r of this my so last will & testam^t

In witnes whereof I have put to my name & marke the day & yeare first above written, Alice Sculthorpe

In the p^{re}sense of

Tho^mms Grey
Peter Blackley

Probatum fuit hoc tentam^{tuer} apud Barrowden 17 die monse
July Ano Dm 1616
per me Chrisin Johnson

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Tawny light yellowish brown

Savegard or saveguard, outer skirt or petticoat, worn by women over their kirtle as a protection against dirt when riding.

Saucer sauceboat, usually metal, used for holding sauces and condiments; they were not used to hold cups until the 18th century

Tammy a fine worsted cloth of good quality, with a highly glazed finish; originally made in Tamworth, Staffordshire

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Robert Sculthorpe of Langham - 1603

NRO Peterborough ~ MW89 Book VII F267

Test: Robti Sculthorpe De Langham in Comitata Rutland 1603

In the name of god Amen the seavententh daye of Maye And in the yeare of our lord god 1603 I Robert Sculthorpe of Langham in the county of Rutland Husbandman beinge in bodye sicke but of minde and memory sounde & perfect thanks be given to almighty god do make this my last will & Testamente in mannor & forme following

Ffirst I commend my soule into the handes of god my Creator And to his sonne Jesus christe my only & aloane Saviour & Redeemer And my body to the earth from whence it came And to be buried in the Church of Langham

And to the cathedral church of Peterboroughe iiii^d

Item I give to Alce my wife all my Corne sowne in the fieldes of Langham wth all my householde goodes within my houses all my coales with all my bakrowe woods in the yarde and halfe the plowtymber and nineteen lamhogges w^{ch} is at Tyghe five kine two weaning calves one sowe one hogge & three pigges further I give her thre Akeres of lande in every field wth the halfe yarde Lande hididge for thre yeares to come at Miclemas next And to have hir dwellinge in the nether parlor & chamber over if at thre yeares to come at Miclemas next & two kye pastures during that yeare from Miclemas next And that my sonne William shall plow her land withal Arcares during the thre yeares wth carriage of her haye & corne During the yeares unto the neates house wheir she is to lay it And all the poultry I give her

Item I give & bequeathe to my daughter Margett twenty pound in money within one yeare after my decease Item I give unto Helen my daughter twenty pounds in money within thre yeares after my decease And yf ether of them departe this worlde before the money be due then her parte shall remaine to the survivor And yf the bothe end their lives beinge single & sole woomen then shall the xl' be divided to my wife & my sonne William

Item I give to every one of my daughters children a lambe hogg

Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth one yewe and a lambe

Item to my daughter Jane one yewe & one lambe

Item to my Servante Richarde Riddell a lambe hogge further I give unto Alce my wife fourteene yewes & lambes with foure weather sheepe so that the lambes w^{ch} I have geven shall be delivered & payed out of the lambes w^{ch} I have geven to my wife moreover I give to everye one of my daughters w^{ch} are married twelvecence a piece more I give to my wife the grey horse & the one halfe of all the fruite of all the orchards yearly duringe the yeares and my will is that the corne w^{ch} is in the house & yarde shalbe apente & bestowed upon my wife & children nowe at home together The residue of all my goodes cattle & chattels whatsoever I have not given & bequeathed I give and bequeath to my sonne William Sculthorpe whome I make & appointe to be my sole Executor of this my last will & Testament according to my true meaninge I desire my brother Jesper Sculthorpe and my sonne in law Thomas Sharpe to be my faythfull supervisors in truste And they to have for their paynes iij^s iiii^d By me Roberte Sculthorpe

Witnesses

Richarde Birkett minister
Jesper Sculthorpe
Thomas Sharpe

Probatum fuitPeterborough nono Junii Anno Dei millemo sexcentesimo tertio

Thomas Sculthorpe of Langham - 1599

NRO Peterborough ~ MW89 Vol VII F437

T. Thome Skulthorpe de Langham

In the name of god Amen Thomas Sculthorpe of Langham in the County of Rutland singleman beinge sicke in body but of perfectt mynde did ordaine and make his last will and testamente nuncupative before [blank space] the [blank] day of [blank] in the yeare of our lord god [blank] in mann^{er} and forme followinge viz:

he the sayd Thomas Skulthorpe deceased did assigne sett over and bequeathe unto Robert Skulthorpe his father a bond obligacione contayninge the some of IX^{li} XIIJ^s due unto the sayd Thomas Skulthorpe from George Sculthorpe, And the will meaninge and intent of the sayd Thomas was that his sayd father then to dispose the same amongst his bretheren and sister at his discrecon

Comissa fuit adminstrar bone ... etc de defuncti
Robto Sculthorpe patri natalis et ... euisdem
Thome def.... ... forman et effortn ...
apud per ... Johnem Jannes in off
office Dm Archm Northampton ... fulcit
apud Peterburghe tertio die mensis July
Ano Dm 1599 in Debita ... forma in persona
[two more lines but photocopy gets too bad to read]

Cornelius Sewell of Langham - 1684

NRO ~ Q194

In the name of God Amen The Fifth Day of February Anno Dom^m 1684 I Cornelius Sewell of Langham in the County of Rutland Dyer being sicke and weake of Body but of sound and perfect minde and memory praise bee therefore given to Almighty God doe make and ordaine this my last Will and Testament in Manner and Forme following (That is to say)

First and principally I commend my Soule into the hands of Almighty God, hoping througe ye merits, Death and Passion, of my Saviour Jesus Christ to receive full and free pardon of all my sinnes, and to inherit everlasting Life, and my Body I commit to the Earth, to be decently-Buried at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named; and as touching the disposition of all such Temporall Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bestow upon mee, I give, and Bequeath as followeth

First I will that my Debts and Funerall Charges shall be faithfully Paid and Discharged

Item I doe give and Bequeath unto my deare and only Sonne James Sewell One third part of that Two yard Land which I did Purchase of Ferdinande Pilton the older of Desborough Esq^{er} the other two third parts of those two yard Lands being by Indenture settled or given to my Beloved Wife Sarah Sewell for her Joynture by mutuall agreement upon marriage, the said Two yard Lands being equally divided into Three parts, which said and equall third part of the within mentioned Two yard Lands I will shall after my decease by my Executor hereafter named, bee by him Converted to the only Use and Behoofe of my deare and only Sonne James Sewell during his minority and when hee shall come to the Age of One and Twenty yeares that then the said and Third part of the above mentioned Two yard Land shall bee at his owne disposing for ever and Unto the Heyers of his Body lawfully Begotten If any such hee have But and if it shall happen that my Executor hereafter named or my Loving Brother James Sewell they or either of them shall Survive my Loving sonne James Sewell then I Will that my Executor hereafter named shall Enjoy that Third part of Land which I now give and Bequeath to my Loving sonne James Sewell and if it shall please God that my Brother James Sewell shall survive my Executor, then I will that hee shall einoy the said third part of that purchased Two yard Land; for ever

Item I give and Bequeath to my Loving Kinsman Cornelius Sewell Twenty shillings

All the rest of my p^{er}sonall Estate, Goods, and Chattles whatsoever I doe Give and Bequeath Unto my Loving Brother Thomas Sewell of Langham aforesaid whom I do Nominate and Appoint full and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and I doe hereby Revoke Disanull and make Void all former Wills and Testaments If any such by me heretofore made, and this only to stand for my last Will and Testament, In Wittnesse whereof I have hereunto put my hand and Seale the day and yeare first above

written In the p^{re}sence of:

Cornelius Sewell

Ja: Medicott

Francis Jephson

Octb di^{mo} 1685

Probatu & appbatm fuit hinoj Testestum^{tu} vigore
Juraent Thome Sewell ffratus & unisi Exorutotias
in sed noiati Et comissa fuit Adminjhoru bono etc
..... dro Exemlori prius Jurato etc
coram me Tho: Woolsey

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Joynture Estate or income settled on a widow for the period in which she survives her husband, or until her remarriage
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Thomas Sewell of Langham - 1713

NRO Peterborough ~ W 003

In the Name of God Amen I Thomas Sewel of Langham in the Counti of Rutland Dyer being well in healh and of a sound and disposing mind and memory praised be God for it do make and ordaine this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following that is to say Imp^{is} I Commit and commend my sole into the mercy and Protection of Almighty God hoping through the meritorious death and passion of our Blessed Lord and saviour Jesus Christ to have pardon and forgivenes of mee all my sins and my body I commit to the Earth from whence it came to be decently interred therein att the discretion of my Ex^{ors} hear after named Item as for such worldly Estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bestow upon mee I give and dispose thereof as followeth

- Item I give and bequeath to Thomas James and Cornelius the sons of James Sewill thirty pounds apiece my Exc^{tr} to pay them Intrest for the same untill they attain there severall ages of one and twenty years and if any of them dye before his and there share so dyeing to go to the survivor or survivors of them
- Item I give to Mary y^e Daughter of James Sewell the sum of ten pounds at her age of one and twenty years my Exc^{tr} paying Intrest for the same till she attain her aforesaid age
- Item I give unto my sister Elizabeth Eddis the sum of ten pounds to be paid within twelve months after my decease
- Item I give unto Mary the Daughter of Vallentine and Mary Hardell the sum of twenty pounds to be paid within twelwe months after my decease
- Item I give unto Cornelius Ogden the sum of two pounds to be paid within twelwe months after my decease
- Item I give unto Thomas Ogden the sum of ten pound to be paid within twelwe months after my decease
- Item I give unto Sammuell Ogden the son of Thomas Ogden ten pound to be paid within twelwe months after my decease
- Item I give to the poor of Langham the sum of twenty pounds to be paid by my Exc^{rs} within twelwe months after my decease to be put out by y^e Overseers of the said town of Langham att five p^r cent for y^e use of y^e said poor
- Item whereas I am obliged to pay Sarah Burnby eight pence A week for her life I do hereby make that eight pence two shillingas a week and do charg my Ex^{rs} to pay y^e same

Lastly all other my Goods Chattels whatsoever after my just debts Legacys & funerall Expences are paid and discharged I give and bequeath unto William Sharrad of Knoston and do make him whole and sole Ex^{tr} of this my last will and Testament In wittness whereof I have here unto put my hand and seal this ~~thirteenth~~ eighteenth day of July Anno Domⁱ 1713

Thomas Sewell

Signed sealed published & declared by the Testator to be his Last Will & testament in the Presence of us and attested by us in the presence of the said Testator

[P?] Sherard
Mary hardell
Elizabeth Taylor

[In margin]

Mr Sewills will 1713. - Thomas Sewell buried 16 Nov 1713 at Langham

Elizabeth Sewell w/o Thomas buried 23/Oct/1690 at Langham

Mr Thomas Sewell and Mrs Jane Auberry, widow, married at Langham 2/Aug/1692

29/Mar/1683 Elizabeth Sewell married John Eedis at Empingham

Baptisms at Langham

27/Jan/1700/1 Thomas Sewell s/o James & Mary

26/Nov/1702 James Sewell " " "

12/Oct/1704 Cornelius Sewell " " "

14/Mar/1707/8 Mary Sewell d/o " "

9/May/1697 Samuel Wogdain s/o Thomas & Frances bapt Langham.

Other Wodgain girls of Thomas & Frances bapt later . I think this is the Samuel Ogden mentioned in the will. No sign of Cornelius Ogden at Langham.

Sarah Burnby. In May 1683 Mrs Sarah Burnby married Mr John Cockman at Uppingham. If this was the Sarah Burnby in the will surely he would have referred to her as Sarah Cockman? However, Sarah Burnby was probably a relation, as on 27 Nov 1603 a Thomas Sewell married Ciceley Burneby at Manton.

Luke Sharpe of Langham - 1663

Reference: PROB 11/312 (National Archives/Record Public Record Office)

Transcription: Renn Edward Wortley, March 2005

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN January thirteenth in the Year of Our Lord One Thousand Six Hundred Sixty One, I Luke Sharpe of Langham in the County of Rutland, Yeoman, being sick in body but of mind and memory sound and perfect, Thanks be given to Almighty God, doe make this my last will and testament in manner and forme following —

FIRST I bequeath my soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creator And to Jesus Christ my Redeemer and Saviour And my body to the Earth from whence it came and to be buried in the Church of Langham, And alga I do renounce [.....] and make void all wills by me formerly made and declare and appoint this my Last Will and Testament.

- Item I give and bequeath unto Joane Sharp my wife Eighteene pounds of good and lawfull money of England by the yeare which my Executor shall pay unto her quarterly by even and equall portions at the place where my Executor shall then live until my daughter Sarah shall come to the age of one and twenty yeares for the maintenance of her selfe and her children.
- Item my will is that When my daughter Sarah is come to the age of one and twenty yeares then my Executor shall pay unto my wife but Twelve pounds by the yeare and not more, that is to say Six pounds for my wife and Six pounds for my daughter Judith's maintenance until my daughter Judith comes to the age of one and twenty yeares, then my will is that Six pounds of the said Twelve pounds shall be utterly cuff off and not
- Item my will is that when any daughter Judith is come to the age of one and twenty yeares my Executor shall pay unto my wife but Six pounds by the yeare during her naturall life.
- Item whereas have given to my wife Eighteen pounds by the yeare until my daughter Sarah accomplish the age of one and twenty yeares and Twelve pounds a yeare until my daughter Judith accomplish the age of one and twenty yeares NOW my will is that if my wife doe not well and orderly keepe educate and bring up my aforesaid daughters in mate drinke apparell lodging washing and other necessaries, then my will is that my Executor shall not pay unto my wife the above severall summes of money nor any part or parcell thereof Except the Six pounds which I have given her for her maintenance during her naturall life.
- Item my will is that my Executor shall either provide my wife an House for her habitation or else if he cannot conveniently provide her one he shall then pay her twenty shillings a yeare more of law full money of England while she liveth ALWAYS PROVIDED that if my wife shall be married againe that then my will is that the said twenty shillings shall be utterly eut off and not paid.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Sharpe Two hundred pounds for her portion
- Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Judith Sharpe One hundred pounds for her portion.
And to be paid unto them both by my Executor when they or any one of them shall attaine to the age of one and twenty yeares.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Wiberrowe tenn shillings.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my wife and my two daughters Sarah and Judith all my household stuffe to be equally divided amongst them.
- Item my will is that if my wife Joane Sharpe or any one on her behalf shall sue for the Thirds of my Lands then my will is that she shall not have nor enjoy neither of the aforesaid summe or summes of money nor any part or parcell thereof abovementioned.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my sonne Luke Sharpe all my freehould land and my fee farme, and all my goods cattell and chattels unbequeathed and not given, whome I make my full and sole Executor of this my last will and testament, he paying all my legacies and funerall expenses in bringing my body decently to the ground.

To this my last Will and Testament I doe hereunto sett my hand and seale the day and yeare first above written

Luke Sharpe

Sealed and Delivered in the presence of

Francis Hubbard
Tobias Francis

This Will was proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury in London on 27 November 1663 by the oath of Luke Sharpe, the son and sole Executor named in the Will.

Luke Sharpe of Langham - 1704

NRO Peterborough ~ T300

In the name of God Amen, I Luke Sharpe of Langham not knowing how longe I have to live, and desireing that all my Children may live together in peace and love, and in the feare of God, Doo make this my last will and testament as followeth;

first I bequeath my Soule into the hands of Almighty God my heavenly father and to Jesus Christe my redeemer and to the holy Goste my Sangtifier and preserver, and my body to be Decently buried in the Church of Langham

Imprimis I give and bequeath to my Daughter Elizabeth Sharpe & Sary Sharpe one hundred pounds a peice, and to my Daughter Mary Sharpe but foure Score and ten pounds because my Brother John Choyse is to give her ten pounds or more, to be paid unto them within too yeares after my decease, or asmuch sooner as my Executor shall see convenient, and that he shall either keepe them, or pay them lawfull interest till their potions be paide severally, at his Choyse;

Alsoe I give & bequeath to my Daughter Hannah Sharpe one hundred pounds to be paid unto her at the age of too and twenty years

And lastly I give and bequeath unto my sonne Luke Sharpe all my freehold land, and all my feefarme and all my Cattell & Chatell with all my howsehold goods moveable and unmoveable, and all other things unbequeathed and not given Whom I make my full and sole Executor of this my last will and testament he paying all my Debts leagacies and funeral expenses the which if he refuse to Doo, Then my will is that he shall have none of my free Land called by the name of Salterford Closings nor none of my Cattell nor goods but they shall be equally divided between my foure daughters in wittesse whereof I have heare unto sett my hand & Seale The eighteenth Day of July 1702

Luke Sharpe

Also my will is that my Executor shall keepe Hannah or pay her interest till she

come to Age notwithstanding whatsoever is expressed in my will above, now my will is that if my Daughter Elizabeth Sharpe be married to Mr Kempe of Oakham shee shall have but one shilling for her potion

alsoo my will is that if my Daughter Mary Sharpe be married unto Thomas Bodell of Markefeeld or to any other man without ye Consent and likeing of my Executor she shall have but one shilling for her potion.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of us

Sara Greene
Elizabeth Sharpe
Sara Sharpe

William Sharpe of Langham - 1529

NRO Northampton ~ Book D folio 319

In Dei Nomine amen I William Sharp of Langham in the county of Rutland havynge good remembrance and holle mind the xxvith day of December the year of lord god Jesus Christ M^{liiii} xxix [1529] that he ys apostall and ... of the plesure of Almighty god when he shall be called owt of thys transitory and wrechyd world ordeyn make & declare my Wyll and testament after the forme ensuyng

First I bequeath my soule to Almighty god & to all the company of hevyn besechyng hym of hys infinite mercy to ... admyt me his most wreched and synfull creature to be one of his ... and company Sayved by his high mercy pardon and ...

Item I bequeath my body to be buried in the church yarde of Langham on the Southe side of the churche

Item I will that Sir William Bronwynde the paryshe priest ... hys mortuary at the kings Wyll ... by statute made in his parlement at Westminster

Item I wyll that Alyce Sharp my Wyffe have my house in Langham with the appurtenances thereto belongynge for terme of her lyffe & after to remaine to my son Laurance Sharpe and to the heyres of his body lawfully begotton and ffor ffault of them on Thomas Sharpe my second son & to the heyres of hys body lawfully begotton and for lack of suche yssue unto Wylm my third son & to the heyres of yis body lawfully begoton & for lacke of such yssue now to my ii daughters Agnes & Elizabeth & to the heirs of thyre too bodys lawfully begotton Also I ordyne & make ~~my ii daughters~~ Alyce my wyffe my executrix ... hyr in my most hartye Wyes to see my detts payed and the residue of my goods & my debts paid I give them holly to Alyce my wyffe in witness that thy sys my last wyll and testament I have desired John Clarke and John Hubard John Watson to be witness unto yt ye day & yere above written.

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I shall desire my cosyn Willm [goodgam?] and my brother Robert [...] of thyre [...] and [...] and also make them [overseers] of and ffor the [...] I bequethe [each] of them iij^s iij^d and this ends my last will [god if my ...] of have my witnesses Ric [grene] Willm goodgam Robert ffowx Willm Ress with [...] others.

William Sharrad of Langham - 1783

Public Record Office PROB 11/1105

This is the Last Will and Testament of me William Sharrad the Elder of Langham in the County of Rutland Esquire
ffirst I desire to be buried in a private and decent manner at the discretion of my Executor hereinafter named and as
for my wordly Estate which hath please God to bless me with I give and dispose thereof as follows

- In the first place I give and bequeath unto my Son-in-law William Robinson of Ashwell in the said County of Rutland
Grazier and Elizabeth his Wife my Daughter the Sum of ffive Pounds apiece to be paid to them and each of
them as my Executor hereinafter named to buy them Mourning
- Also I give and bequeath unto my three Grand Daughters Ann Robinson Elizabeth Robinson and ffrances Susannah
Robinson the Sum of fforty Pounds apiece to be paid to them and to each of them when and as soon as they
Severally and respectively attain their several and respective age & ages of twenty one years without payment
of any interest in the meantime for the same and my mind and Will is that in case all either or any of my said
three Grand Daughters shall happen to die before she or they attain their said respective age and ages of twenty
one years and without issue of their respective Bodies lawfully to be begotten then and in such case I do direct
that the Legacy or Legacies of her or them so dying shall not go to or be paid to her or their Representatives or
Representative but I do hereby declare the same in such case to be and Esteemed a Lapsed Legacy or Legacies and
such for the benefit of my said Executor
- Also I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son William Robinson the Younger the only Son of the said William
Robinson the Sum of fforty Pounds to be paid him when he attains his age of twenty one years without
payment of any Interest in the meantime for the same But my Will is that in case my said Grand Son William
Robinson the Younger shall happen to die before he attains his said age of twenty one years without issue
of his Body lawfully to be begotten then and in such case I do hereby declare that the said Legacy of fforty
Pounds so given by me to my said Grand Son William Robinson the Younger shall in no wise be paid to his legal
Representatives by my said Executor But I do hereby declare the same in such case to be and Esteemed a Lapsed
Legacy to all intents and purposes whatsoever and
- Also I give and bequeath unto my Daughter ffrances Sharrad the Sum of ffour hundred Pounds of lawfull Money of
Great Britain to be paid her within two years next after my decease by my said Executor And I do hereby Subject
and Charge all and every my Closes Lands and Hereditaments lying and being within the Manor or Lordship of
Kirby Bellars in the County of Leicester which I purchased to me and my Heirs of and from the late Sir Charles
Sedley Baronet deceased with the Just and true payment of the said Legacy of ffour hundred Pounds by me given
to my said Daughter ffrances Sharrad in manner as aforesaid and in the mean time of payment no Interest thereof
shall be paid for the same by my said Executor
- Also I give and devise all and every my Messuages Closes Lands Tenements and Heredit whatsoever situate lying
and being within the Manor Town and Lordship of Scalford in the said County of Leicester with their and
every of their Appurtenances unto my Youngest Son George Sharrad his Heirs and Assigns for ever to have
and to hold the said Messuages Closes Lands Tenements Hereditament and Promises with their and every of their
Appurtenances unto my said Son George Sharrad his Heirs and Assigns for ever
- Also I give and bequeath unto my said Son George Sharrad the Sum of two hundred Pounds of lawfull Money of
Great Britain to be paid him when and as soon as he attains the Age of twenty one years without payment
of any Interest for the same in the mean time And I do hereby Subject and charge all and every my said Closes
Lands and Hereditaments lying Kirby Bellars aforesaid with the win payment thereof And my mind and Will
further is that in case my said Son George Sharrad shall happen to die before he attains his said Age of twenty
one years without issue of his Body lawfully begotten then and in such case I do give and devise the said
Messuages Closes Lands Tenements and Hereditaments in Scalford aforesaid and unto my Eldest Son William
Sharrad his Heirs and Assigns And for and concerning the said Legacy of two hundred Pounds so given by me to my
said Son George Sharrad as aforesaid I do direct the same to be paid to my said Daughter ffrances Sharrad her
Executors or Administrators
- Also I give and bequeath unto my said Son George Sharrad all that my Bed Bedding ffurniture and other Goods
situate and being in the blue Chamber in my now Dwelling House in Langham aforesaid to be delivered to him as
soon as conveniently may be after my decease by my said Executor
- Also I give and bequeath unto my said Son George Sharrad and my said Daughter ffrances Sharrad one half of my
plate and Linen whatsoever to be equally divided between them share and share alike as soon as conveniently
my be after my decease by my said Executor And Lastly all the rest and Residue of my Real and Personal Estate
whatsoever not herein before by me Specifically given and bequeathed my debts Legacies and ffuneral charges
being first paid

I give and bequeath the same unto my said Eldest Son William Sharrad his Heirs Executors and Admons whom I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint full and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all former and other Wills by me at any time heretofore made In Witness whereof I the said William Sharrad the testator have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Sixth Day of April in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and eighty two

The mark of William Sharrad. Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the said William Sharrad the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament written on two sheets of paper to the first of which he hath set his hand and to the last hath fixed his Seal in the Presence of us the Witnesses underwritten who have at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other set our hands to this His Execution of this his said Will

Edwd Stokes

Robt Kilby

Thos Brewster Sunt Clerk to Mrs Stokes

This Will was proved at London the Seventh day of June in the Year of our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and eighty three before the Right Worshipful Peter Calvert Doctor of Laws Master Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury lawfully constituted by the Oath of William Sharrad the Son of the deceased and Sole Executor named in the said Will to whom Administration was granted of all and singular the Goods Chattells and Credits of the said deceased he having been first Sworn by Commission duly to Adminster

William Sharrard of Langham - 1655

Public Record Office PROB 11/246

I William Sharrard of Braunston in the Countie of Rutland yeoman sick of bodie but of perfect mind and memorie, doe make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following

ffirst I bequeath my soule into the hands of Allmightie God my maker and Redeemer and my bodie to be buried in the churchyard of Braunston aforesaid

- Item my will is that my sonne William Sharrard and Elizabeth Sharrard my onlie wife shalbe my sole Executors of all my goods, Bills and Lands whatsoever.
- Item my will is that Elizabeth my beloved wife shall have all the House, and Land, till William Sharrard my sonne accomplish the age of one and Twentie years, and then my will is that the said William shall have my house and all my Lands, him and his heires for ever paying Six pounds, Six shillings, eight pence yearlie to the said Elizabeth During the terme of her naturall' life, conditionallie that the said Elizabeth shall revoke her Thirde and my will is that the said Elizabeth keepe herself a widow-house roome during her naturall life
- Item my will is, That my brother John Sharrard shall have his meate drink and lodging, first by my wife during her time, and then by my one if the said John live so long during his naturall' Life
- Item my will is that my daughter Elizabeth shall have Two hundred pounds to be paid by my Executors; One hundred pounds to be paid at the daie of marriage, and one hundred pounds at the birth of her first child, if the said Elizabeth live so long.
And my will is, That my Executors shall have the Liking and Oversight of her Matching & bestowing of her. So that if the said Elizabeth will not be Enled by my Executors, Then my will is That the said Elizabeth shall have but fffitie pounds at the daie of marriage and fffitie pounds at the birth of her first child, if she live so long.
- Item my will is that my wife Elizabeth shall give to my sonne William Twentie shillings a yere and two yowes and keeping for the two yowes, till he accomplish the age of one and Twentie years.
- Item my will is that my sonne William shall have the bedstead in ye Parler and my coffer.

William Sharrard his signet

Sealed & delivered in the presence of us

Thomas Tampyon
Giles Burton
Giles Burton Jones

This Will was proved at London before the Judges for Probat of Willes and granting of Administrations the Seaventh dale of Julie One Thousand Six Hundred fffitie and ffive By the Oathes of William Sharrard the one and Elizabeth Sharrard the relict of the deceased, Executors named in his will To whom was committed Administration of all and singular his goods Chattles & debts They being by virtue of a Commission first legallie sworne well & trulie to Administer the same

John Smith of Langham - 1705

NRO X 012

In the Name of God Amen I John Smith of Langham in the County of Rutl Ironmonger being Sick and weak of body but of Sound and perfect memory thanks be to God do ordaine and make this my Last will and Testament in manner And forme ffollowing
ffirst I give and bequeath my Soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creatour fully trusting and assuredly beleiving in and through the Merritts and mediation of Jesus Christ my oney Saviour and Redeemer to have ^{full} pardon and Remission of all my Sins And my body to be buried in the Church of Langham

- Item I give and bequeath my free Land at Hose in Leicestershire & the biggest Close to my Eldest son Richard Smith and the other Close at Hose aforesaid I give and bequeath unto my yeongest Son Henry Smith And to them and their heires for ever
- Item my will and pleasure is that my Son Richard Smith shall pay out of my Coppie hold house in Langham unto my Son Henry Smith Thirty pounds when he the said Henry Smith Comes to the Age of one and Twenty years
- Item all the Rest of my goods Cattles and Chattles whatsoever Moveable and unmoveable unbequeathed and not given I give and bequeath unto my ffather Richard Smith and to my brother Thomas Smith Minister whome I make Joynt Executors of this my Last Will and Testament they paying all my Debts And bringing up of my two Children to whose Care and Custaty I Leave them And paying all my ffunerall Expences in bring my body decently to the ground In witnesse whereof I have here unto sett my hand Seale the Ninth Day of March Anno Dom 1702

Published Sealed - John Smith

Delivered in the p^{re}sence of

Tobias ffrancis
Will White
Mary Woods her marke

12 die Martij 1705

Probat est hoc testum vigore Juranti Thome Smith

... Exor in hoc testo nomiut Et Comissa fuit ...

conor de bono adud strand xr Richaij Smithe

alter Exer indod nominate defunte

Curat Salvo jure Coram

Tho: Woolsey

Richard Smyth of Langham - 1705

NRO Peterborough ~ V 025

In the name of God Amen the Seaventh day of March Anno Domii 1705

I Richard Smyth of Langham in the County of Rutland Blacksmith being sicke and weake in Body, but of Sound minde and perfect memory (praised bee God for the same) doo Make, Nominate, Constitute, and Ordaine, this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following (That is to Say)

First and Principally, I comend my Soule into the hands of God my maker, hoping through the Merits of Christ my Redeemer, to receive full Pardon of all my Sins and to Inherrit Everlasting Life after death, And as for my Body I comit it to the Earth to be decently Interrd at the Discretion of my Executor hereafter named and as touching my personall Estate which the Lord in Mercy hath Lent mee, I Give and Bequeath as followeth:

Imprs I give to my loving Wife Jone Smyth Thirty Pounds

Item I give to my grand Daughter Ellen White Tenne Pound

Item I give to my Grandson Richard White Five Pound

Item I give to my Sonne in Law Wm White Fourty Shillings

Item I give to his Sixe Children, Mary, Elizabeth, Thomas, Bridget, William, and Francis, to Each of them Fifty shillings, to be paid to them Respectively when they Attaine to the Age of One and Twenty years, And if it Shall please God, that any of them shall Dye before they come to that Age, that then his or her Legacy, Shall bee equally divided amongst the Rest of his Children which shall survive them

Item I give to my two Grandsons Richard, and Henry Smyth Each of them, Five Pound

Item I give to my Sonne Mr: Thomas Smyth his Wife, Fourty Shillings, and to Each of his Children Three Pound, to bee paid them att the Age of One and Twenty years,

Item I give to Amie Redmile now living at Oakhame Five shillings

All the Rest of my personall Estate whatsoever I give and Bequeath to my Loving Sonne Mr: Thomas Smyth, whom I doo make full and Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, and Doo hereby Revoke Disanull, and utterly make void all former Wills, and Testaments, by mee att any tyme heretofore made, and this and noo other to Stand, for my last Will and Testament In Wittnesse whereof, I have hereunto put my hand and Seale the day and yeare above written.

The mark of Richard Smyth

Sealed, Signed, and published, in presense of

Francis Jephson

The mark of Richard Fracy

William Whyte

12o die Martij 1705o

Jurat fuit Tho. Smith predict in eod

hor lefto noiat et Comissalldro eui debene et

Jurat Coram

Tho Woolsey

Thomas Smyth of Langham - 1681

NRO Peterborough ~ P229

In the name of god amen I Thomas Smyth of Langham in the County of Rutland hive maker being sick in body but of perfect mynd & memory I prayes god for itt Doe make this my last will and Testament in manner & forme following

First I give & bequeath my Soule into the hands of almighty god my Creator & Redeemer hoping through the Merritts of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to be saved & my body to be buried in the Churchyard of Langham and for that little estate which itt hath pleased god to bestow upon mee I dispose of as followth

- Imp^{rs} I give & bequeath to to[sic] my Daughter Elizabeth Garner fifty shillings to be payd to her within one yeare after my Decease
- Item I give to my grand Child Mary Garner ffifty shillings to be payd to here when shee shall accomplish the age of One & Twenty years
- Item I give to my Grandchild Jane Garner ffifty shillings to be payd to her when shee shall accomplish the age of One & Twenty years
- Item itt is my Will that my Grandchild John Smyth shall pay to his Brother Thomas Smyth ffifty shillings & to his sister Bridgett Smyth ffifty shillings when he the said John shall come to enjoy his part of my Cottage
- Item itt is my Will that my Grandchild Mary Smyth shall pay to her Sister Ann Smyth Ten pounds when shee the said Mary shall enioye her part of my Cottage
- Item I give to my sonne Richard Smyth Ten shillings

All the rest of my goods & Chattles Moveables & unmoveable whatsoever unbequeathed my Debts & leagucies being payd and funerall expences discharged I give to Mary my loving wife whom I make full & sole executrix of this my last will and Testament in wittnes where of I have here unto sett my hand & Seale the Three & Twentieth Day of October in the Thirty Third yeare of the Raigne of our Sovereigne Lord Charles the Second by the grace of God of England Scotland ffrance & Ireland King Defender of the fayth etc Annog Dom 1681

Sealed & delivered Thomas Smyth his Marke

in the presents of

ffran. Edgson

John Duesberry his marke

Nov 15 1681 Probatum fuit hoc Testamentum
vigore juramenti Marie Smith Executricii in
Eodem nominata & Commissa ect Administratio
bonorum Testatoris eidem debite jurata
coram me Joanne Workman
Surrogat Epife Petrib

William Smyth de Langham - 1512

NRO ~ Book A folio 126

(The page is damaged so the right-hand side of this will has some words or part words missing. The Christian name is missing on the will itself but in the undamaged index at the beginning of the book the name is William Smyth).

In Dei nomine amen the XVIII day of December the yr off our Lord God an dom MCCCCXii off Langham off hole mynd and good memory bequeath my soule to Almighty God to our Lady Mary and to all the company of hevyn

Item I bequeath my body to be buried in the church Langham

Item I bequeath be (good?) (other wills around this date say "best beast" in this position, so should this mean "a good beast"?) to be my morturye after custom and manner of the town guild off Langham XXs. to the church aforesaid 6s. 8d. to our Lady of

Item I bequeath to William Smyth my wiffes sone my best cart and the horse with there geres a cowe and a boloke and XX sheep

Item I bequeath to the Vi (burgesses?) of Langham Vi Sharpe my kinsman a old carte an a horse not the best nor the worst and six sheepe and (.....?) six sheepe

Item to Henry her sone iV sheepe

Item to evry good child a sheep (the word is "good" but I wonder if he meant "godchild"?) Ir. to John Watson Vi sheep this done and my debts paid the residue of my goods not bequeathed I bequeath to (Kathryn?) Smyth my wiff and I ordayne her and (William?) Sharpe my executors to fullfill my wyll and to pay my debts and I make John Watson overseer to the same writing att Langham the daye and yeare aforesaid to the same. Sir William Taylor Thomas Balle Thomas Hubbard with others.

Richard Spell of Langham - 1615

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T Richi Spell de Langham

In the name of god Amen the three & twentieth day of March 1614 In the xij yeare of the raigne of our Sovereigne lord James by the grace of god of England ffrance & Ireland king defender of the faith etc & of Scotland the xlviiith I Richard Spell of Langham in the County Rutl. Gent. being sicke of body but of perfect memory thanks be to god do ordaine and make this my last will & testament in manner & forme following

- Ffirst I bequeath my soule into the hands of almighty god beleivinge & professing to be saved & have all my sinnes pardoned me onely for the merrits of the death & passion of my blessed savior Jesus Christ & my body Christianly to be buried in Langham Church upon which day I give xl^s to be distributed to the poore of Langham & also to everie other poore body that shall come to my buriall from other places I desire my wife acording to hir power to bestowe somewhat upon them at hir discretion
- Item touching my lease of certaine grounds at Loddington my will is that my welbeloved wife ffrancis shall have to her use the first yeare next after my death those rents & Revenoues according as it is to be recaved each halfe paying out of it vi^ls to the lord for the Rent x^ls to my brother Mr Thoms Spell & xx^s to the poore of Loddington
- The rent & Revenues of the second yeare I give to my daughter Elizabeth Spell the like payment out of it being discharged as in the first yeare & my will is that as the rents come in ech halfe yeare it be put into the hands of my sd brother Mr Thoms Spell & by him to be put forth & imployed to the best yearly for my daughters use till she come to the age of xviiij yeares or the day of her marriage which comes first
- Item the rents & revenues of the third yeare the foresaid payment out of it being discharged as in the first yeares I give to my sonne Richard Spell & my will is that each halfe yeares rents be put & payed into the hands of Mr William Gibson of Barlithorp by him to be imployed to his best use till he come to the age of xxj yeares or be married which comes first
- Item The rest of the years in the lease I give to my s^d wife discharging the fore saide paymts of vj^l to the lord x^l to my brother Mr Thomas Spell & xx^s to the poore of Loddington she all my other goods and Chattels bills & bonds & houshold stuffe & moveables whatsoever except that already bequeathed and that which hereafter in this will I shall bequeath I give & bequeath to my said wife ffrancis for hir maintenance and the bringing up of my Children
- Item by this my will I Desire my brother Mr Thomas Spell that after my death he will sell this house wherein I now live & put it forth so as my wife may have the yearly increase & commodity of it for the better educacon of my said sonne Richard & the stock for the which the house shall be sould to be by my said brother paied to my said sonne at the age of xxj yeares or on the day of his marriage which shall first come
- Item I give unto everye one of mine owne Sisters v^s apece to buy them a ringe
- Item I give unto my two godchildren Henry Wigby & John Pole x^s a pece & to each of my godchildren besides ij^s vj^d a pece if it be demanded
- Item to my servants x^s a pece more then their wages
- Item I give unto my father in law M^r Christopher Stace v^s to buy him a ring
- Item I give to Mr [G...th] v^s lte to M^r Peache I give x^s intreating him to preach at my funeral
- Item I give to my brother Mr Thomas Spell my best blacke suite & my blacke cloke and to my brother Mathew a suite that is now amakinge and my browne Cloake and to my brother Overy my skaine and to my brother Mathew Stacey my greene cloke and to my brother William Stacey my sword & greene hangers and my silke stockings & silke gaiters and to my brother William Dalby my best hat
- Item I give to my mother my filly
- Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth my browne heifer
- Item I give to all my brothers inlawes Children ij^s a pece
- Item I give to the church of Langham vj^s viij^d
- Item I give to Roger Clarke xij^d
- Item to my uncle Henry Oliver my greene suite my white hat & my coate
- Item I give to my servant Baptist twoo paire of stockins a paire of boots and a dublet
- Item I give to M^r ffrancis Jepson my best girdle & hangers
- Item I give to my Cusen Richard Oliver Two payre of head stalls reines & stirrupleathers & the like to Mr William Gibson
- Item I ordaine & make my s^d wife ffrancis to be my Sole & whole Executrix to see this my will faithfully performed my funerall discharged and Debts paid

Item I ordaine & appoint my loveing ffrends Mr Richard Bushby & Mr William Gibson & my brother Mr William Dalby to be my overseers intreating them to be assistant to my wife with their faithfull advice & furtherance I give to M^r Richard Bushbye my Rapier

In witness that this is my last will & testament I have set to my hand & seale the Day & yeare first above written

Richard Spell Delivered & professed to be his last will and testament in the presence of

William Peachy
Richard Bushby
William Gibson
William Dalbie

Probatum fuit hinoi testam^{tu} apud Peterborough 27^o July
1615 Malculmo Johnson Clico Surr &
commissa fuit administraca bono
Dior Petr existen Executici in hmoi noiate
in debita insis forma inrat salno inrog

Andrew Stevens of Langham - 1595

Testamentum numcupatinum Andrew Stevens octaro dit Octabris/1595/In dei nomine Amen:

Andrew Stevens of Langham in the Countie of Ruth. Bachelor and professere of the Lawe did by reason of the shortness of tyme, and the extremitie of the greate paine and griefe that he did indure while he lived, did appoint George Stevens his brother to be his sole Executor of all his goodes & chattels whatsoever he did possesse And that he should deliver unto John Stevens brother unto them both, A lease of a fferme in Essex att Tames Coyne, whereof the yealie rent is Eleaven pounds & seaventene yeares in said Lease to come, or a pease stack & forescore Weathers nowe being in the feilde of Langham with a bedstead & all other furniture thereunto with certayne other householde And further that the saide George Stevens shall have all my debtes that is owing unto me & to give unto my other bretherne & systers as he in his discrecon conscience shall think good

This will was acknowledged by the aforesaid Andrew Stevens in his greate & extreme payne, albeit he was of sounde and perfect of memorie

Witnesses to this will

Edwarde Hill

Willm Ayres

Richard Birkatt - Minister of Langham

Probatum fuit Testament^m suprascriptu^m apnd London

.....Juramento Gregory Stevens.....

.....

[the probate is written in full on the photocopy but it is in Latin and didn't seem relevant at the moment]

George Stevens of Langham - 1613

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T. Georgy Stevens De Langham

In the name of god amen The 2 day of November Ano Dm 1613 and in the yeare of our Sovereigne Lord James by the grace of god Kinge of England ffrance and Ireland the 11 and of Scotland the seaven and fortieth.

I George Stevens of Langham in the County of Rutland yeoman being sicke in body but of perfect minde and memory prayed be almighty god do make and ordaine this my last will and testamt in manner and forme following ffirst I doe commend my soule to almighty god by Jesus Chryst my onely Redeemer and mediator and my body to be decently buried by the Discretion of mine Executors and as concerning my worldly goodes and Chattalls I give and bequeath them as followeth

ffirst I doe give unto my daughter Anne Stevens xl to be paid unto her at the age of three and twenty or day of marriage wch shall happen first:

Item I doe give unto my daughter Joan Stevens the some of viijl to be payd unto her at the age of two and twenty yeares

Item I do give unto my sonne Gregory Stevens the some of vil to be payd unto him at the age of one and twenty yeares

Item I do give unto my daughter Elizabeth Stevens the some of vil xiijs iiijd to be payd to her at the age of Eighteen yeares

Item I do give unto my sonne Bartholomew Stevens the somme of vil xiijs iiijd to be payd unto him at the age of 18 yeares

Item I do give unto my sonne Thomas Stevens the somme of viijl to be payd unto him at the age of eighteene yeares

Item I do give unto my Daughter Susan Stevens the summe of Six poundes thirteene shillings foure pence to be payed unto her at the age of sixteene yeares

And my will is that upon the receipt of any of the legacies there shalbe an acquittance under their Delivored unto my my executors

I doe five unto the Church of Langham iijs iiijd to be payd wthin two monethes after my Decease

Item I do give unto every one of my godchildren iiijd

Item I do give unto Elizabeth Phillipot & Thomas Phillipott the children of John Phillipot one lambe to be equally Devided betweene them

Item I do give unto Anne Ives & Margery Ives one other lambe to be equally Devided

Item I give unto Wm Ives & Mary Ives the children of Thomas Ives one other lambe to be equally Devided

Item I do give unto Richard Hubberd and Elizabeth Hubberd children of William Hubberd the yonger one other lambe to be equally Devided,

Item I do give unto Jasper Cole and Mary Cole the Children of George Cole one other lambe to be equally Devided

And I doe ordaine my wife Mary Stevens to be my sole executrix of this my last will and testamt, And all the rest of my goodes & Chattels I do give unto hir my executrix requireinge & Charginge hir to see this my last will & testamt [j?]ustly and truly performed In witness whereof I have set to my hand & Seale the day & yeare first above written, George Stevens his marke

Sealed and Delivered in the presence of

Rich: Spell

William Ives

John Phillipot his mark.

Probatum fuit ... apud

Langham nono die mense Decembris

Ano Dm 1613 coram M... Nathanieli

Goch ...

[The will that follows on after the above is of Humphrey Dickman of Oakham, labourer, last day of October 1613. He leaves everything to Mary his wife. Witnesses Thomas Cole his marke, Thomas Johnson his marke, Ellen Beavey her marke. Probate granted 14th December 1613.]

Richard Sylvestre of Langham - 1563

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Testam Richard Sylvestre mg. de Langham paroch de Okeham

In the name of God Amen the thirtie Day of July in the yeare of or Lorde god A thousand fyve hundreth threescore & thre I Richard Sylvestre of Langham In the countie of Rutland being in good mynde, & of perfecte memorie maketh this my last will & testament In manner & forme followinge

Ffirste I bequethe my soule to allmyghtie god & to his sonne Jesus Christe who Redemed me wth his precious bloode & my bodye to be buried in the churche yarde of peter & paule in Langham aforesaid

Item I bequethe to the churche of Langham vjs viijd

Item I bequethe to Raufe Hubbard a payre of harden shete a pott & a platter

Item I bequethe to Henry Sylvestre one ewe and one lambe

Item I bequethe to Margaret Sylvestre one ewe and one lambe

Item I bequethe to John Hubbarde A payre of hardyn shete one pott & one platter

Item I bequethe top Brygyt gylburne one lambe

The Residue of all my goodes not bequeathed I gyve & bequethe to Katheryne Sylvestre my wife whome I make my executrix of this my last wyll and testament

These beringe Wyttesse

William Ganne Curett

Henry harde

Robert barker wth other moo

[No signature, but someone has put unreadable letters in the margin]

probat fuit hoc pu... Testam
suprascript apud petriburgn
cora magro William ffluyd
comiss xjo die Januarij Ao 1563o

Roger Clerke of London, born in Langham - 1607

In the name of God Amen. The nyneth day of July one thousand six hundred and seven and in the fiveth year of the Reigne of our Sovereigne Lord James by grace of god King of England Scotland France and Ireland defender of the Faith (that is to saie) of England the fiveth and of Scotland the fourtithe I Roger Clerke Citizen and Salter of London being of good and perfect health thanks be given to Almightye god doe make and ordein this my last will and Testament in manner and fourme following (that is to saie) First and principally I bequeath and recommend my Soule unto Almightye god my Creator and to his dearlie beloved sonne Jhesus Christ my onelie Lord Saviour and Redeemer by and throughe whose onelie death merritte and passion I doe assuredlie trust to have salvation and forgiveness of all my sinnes and offences and to be an Inheritance with him in the Kingdome of heaven.

Item I will my bodie to be buried in the parishe Church of Sainct Margarett Moyses in fryday Streete where I am a Parrishioner.

Item I will and ordeine that my Executrix doe well and trulie paie all such debtes and duties as I of right doe or shall owe to any personn or persons whatsoever without any delay or Contradiction.

Item I will that all and singuler my goodes chatells Plate Jewells Redye money Implementes Household stuffe Creditts and debtes whatsoever after my funerall Expences discharged and my debtes paied shalbe equallie parted and devided into three equall partes and portions whereof I give leave and bequeath one of the three partes unto Franncys my welbeloved wife in the name of her parte and porcion which to her is due and belonginge according to the laudable custome of the Citty of London.

The second part of all and singuler my goodes Chattells plate Jewells Redy money Implementes houshold stuffe Creditts and debtes I leave unto my Children aswell sonnes as daughters to be equally devided and parted parte and porcion like amongst them accordinge to the laudable Custome of the Citty of London savinge onely my daughter Elizabeth Askewe who hath had in parte of advancement Fower hundred & eight poundes which is to be accompted as part of her porcion. And the thre of my Children are to have the greater porcions by so muche. But my full intent and meaning is and I doe will and bequeath that William my sonne yet whollie unadvanced shall have for his Customarie parte to him belonginge by the Custome of the Citty of London of my goodes Chattells plate Jewells Redye money Implementes Credittes and debtes All that severall freeholde messuadges Landes tenementes meadowes Leasones pastures Feedinges Commons hereditamentes and appurtenannces whatsoever which are hereafter particulirlie expressed and mencionned which I the said Roger Clerke nowe houlde and enjoye to me my Executors Administrators and assignes by vertue and force of one Indenture of Demise bearing date the third day of December in the fower and fourtethe yeare of the late Queene Elizabeth thereof to me made by Thomas Hunstone of Wellpoole in the County of Norffolk Esquire for fower score yeares beginninge at the feaste of the Birth of our Lord god the next following after the date of the same Indenture of demise (yf my saide Sonne William Clerke shall so long live). And all my interest estate Revercion and tearme of yeares in the same and all Rentes reseived by me for the same that is to saie one messuage and Fourtie three acres And one Roode of Landes adioyninge to the same sett and being in new Crofte in the Towne Feildes or Parrishe of Wallpoole in the saide Countie of Norffolk abuttinge upon Watterdin Northe, Westdrose West, and the landes there of the saide Thomas Hunstone Southe nowe in the tenure or ocupacion of one John Daye and of the saide Thomas Hunstone or of their or some of their assigne or assignes.

Alsoe fourtie and sixe acres and three Roodes of Landes sett and beinge in new Crofte alias Gerdlers in Wallpoole aforesaide abuttinge uppon Westdrose west Carters Lane there Southe and Bondes Lane there Northe now in the tenure of the said Thomas [85v] Hunstone or his assignee or assignes.

Alsoe twelve acres of Lande in Luddam Feild in Wallpoole aforesaide abuttinge uppon Peackall Lane South and the late Queenes majesties Landes there Northe now in the tenure or ocupacion of one Edward Jones gentleman or his assignee or assignes.

Alsoe all those nyne acres and one Roode of land there abuttinge uppon the landes of Richar Langthorne west and a place ther called Ledam Northe now in the tenure or ocupacion of Robert Keymet or of his assignee or assignes.

Alsoe three acres of lande there abuttinge uppon the landes of mr Parrey Southe and uppon Popes Greene Easte now in the tenure or ocupacion of one Henry Everade or his assignee or assignes.

Alsoe eight acres of land there now in the tenure or ocupacion of one George Scott or of his Assignee or Assignes.

Alsoe all that Thirtie and five acres of land sett and being in and neere Kirkefeilde in wallpoole aforesaide now in the severall tenures or ocupacions of one Henry Freancheam, Edward Jones and of him the saide Thomas Hunstone or of their or some of their assignee or assignes.

Alsoe all those his Twentye acres of land in Cranyfeilde & Burstofte feilde in Wallepoole aforesaide now in the tenure of the saide Thomas Hunstone and William Evert or their or one of their Assigne or Assignes.

Alsoe all those Thirtie and five acres of lande neare Burstofte Greene in Wallpoole aforesaide now in the severall Tenures or ocupacions of Robert Farthinge, Walter Merdham, and of him the saide Thomas Hunston or of their or some of their assignee or assignes.

Alsoe all that thirtie and eight acres of lande in Studmerholme in Wallpoole aforesaide abuttinge uppon the landes of William Meade Southe the lands there sometymes of one Richard Gaday Northe and a place there called Westdrove East now in the tenure of one John Wells or of his Assignee or Assignes.

Alsoe all those fiftie and five acres of land sett and being in Findiche, Restofte field new Crofte and Thornfield in Wallpoole aforesaid now in the several tenures or occupacions of William Edees, Thomas Mee, Robert More, George Bull and of the saide Thomas Hunstone of their or some of their assigne or Assignes. And all woodes, underwoodes, Tymber, Trees, Fishinges, Fowlinges, Wayes, Easementes, Commons, Emolumentes, profitts, Commodities, Hereditamentes and appurtenances Whatsoever to the same demised premisses or any of them belonging or in any Wise apperteyninge. All which saide premisses are scituate lyinge and beinge Within the Towne and Feildes of Wallepoole aforesaide in the said Countye of Norffolk as in and by the same Indenture of demise more at large appeareth. To have and to holde the saide messuage landes and hereditaments unto the saide William Clarke my sonne his Executors, Administrators and Assignes ymmediatelie from and after my deceasse and departure owt of this Worlde for and duringe the residue of the saide tearme of Fower score yeares then to come and unexpired yf the said William my Sonne shall soe longe live for and towards his part and porcion of all and singuler my goodes Chattells plate Jewells howsholdstufte Credytttes and debtes which is or shalbe due unto him by the custome of the saide Cittye as his childes part or porcion or customarie part or porcion thereof. The other third part of all and Singuler my goodes Chattells plate Jewells Redye money Implementes howsholdstufte Credytttes and debtes which is the part and porcion due unto me by the Custome of the saide Cittye of London to bestowe and bequeath at my pleasure I will bequeath and bestowe in manner and forme followinge. In primis I give will and bequeath unto Fortie poore men everie of them a black gowne of the valewe of Twentie shillinges the peece to be worne by them at my Funerall whereof my Will and mynde is that Twentye of the saide Black gownes shalbe geven whollie to the poore [86] men of the Company of Salters which have used to take up my damaske wares at the water side whereof Sixe Almes menn of that companye to be of that number also. The other Twentie black gownes which make up the full number of Fourtie in all my Will and mynde is shalbe given and distributed at the discretion of my Executrix and Overseers.

Item I geve Will and Bequeath to and amongst the poore people of the parish of Langham in the County of Rutland where I was borne the somme of Sixe poundes thirteene shillinges and fower pence starlinge to be devided amongst them at the discretion of my Cozen Bartholomewe Clarke and the Churchwardens of the parishe which shalbe for the tyme beinge.

Item I geve and bequeath unto Franncys my Welbeloved wife my Executrix the some of Fourtie poundes of lawfull money of England to be spent on a dynner uppon my Funerall daie on the Mourners and such others as shalbe at my Funerall. And my Will and minde is that yf the chardges of the saide dynner shall happen to arise to a greater Somme then my Executrix shall levye the Overplus thereof owt of my thirde parte of my goodes & chattells.

Item I geve and bequeath unto Franncys my wief twoe mourninge gownes or Twelve poundes of lawfull money of England to bestowe of two such Gownes as she best liketh of.

Alsoe I geve Will and bequeath unto the saide Franncys my Welbeloved wief all her Jewells Chaynes Apparell and Ringes and all such Lynen as she usuallie weareth. And also my best Bedd together with all the furniture thereunto belonginge. And moreover I geve will and bequeath unto the saide Franncys my Wief the some of Five hundred poundes of lawfull money of England. And furthermore my Will and mynde is that thaforsaide Franncys my Wief shall have use and enioye my dwelling howse scituate and beinge in Fridaie Streete in the warde of Bredstreete London wherein I now inhabite for and duringe soe many yeares of my Leasse and tearme Which I have therin to come as shee shall remaine & contynewe a Widdowe.

Item I geve Will and bequeathe unto each of my three sonnes Roger Clarke, Gawen Clarke and Robert Clarke Twelve hundred poundes a peece of lawfull money of England.

Alsoe I geve will and bequeathe unto my daughter Elizabeth Askewe Twoe hundred poundes of lawfull money of England.

Alsoe I geve will and bequeath unto James Askewe my Sonne in Lawe One hundred Poundes of lawfull money of England.

Item I geve will and bequeath unto my Cozen Henry Sewter the somme of Fifteene powndes of lawfull money of England.

Item I geve and bequeath unto my nephewe Thomas Clarke the sonne of John Clarke late one of my sonnes deceased [sic] the somme of Five hundred poundes of lawfull money of England to be paide unto him at the full age of one and twenty yeares. And my wyll and mynde is that the saide somme of Five hundred powndes shalbe paide unto the handes of the maior and Comunalitie and Cittizens of the Cittie of London and they to have the use of the same Five hundred poundes untill my saide nephewe Thomas Clarke shall accomlishe his full age of one and twentie yeares they payinge yearlie for the same towards the education and bringing upp of the saide Thomas Clarke after the rate of Five poundes per Centum whereof my Will and mynde is that Twelve poundes and tenn shillinges parcell of the Five and Twentye poundes yearlie which shalbe paide for the use of the saide Five hundred poundes after the rate of Five poundes per Centum shalbe paide to such as shall have the education of the saide Thomas Clarke. And the other Twelve poundes and tenn shillinges residue of the saide Twentye and five poundes which shalbe [86v] paide yearlie for the use aforesaide shall remaine yearlie in the handes of the saide Maior and Communaltie and Cittizens of the City of London towards the encreasinge and augmentinge of the saide somme of Five hundred powndes for the use of my saide nephew Thomas Clarke to be paide to him when he shall come to receive the saide somme of Five hundred poundes. And further my will and mynde is that if the saide maior and Comunialtie and Cittizens of the Cittye of London shall

refuse to accepte of the same according to this my Will and bequest That then the Company of Salters London shall have the use of the same Five hundred poundes untill my saide nephewe Thomas Clarke shall accomplish his full age of one and twenty yeares they allowing and payenge for the use thereof towards the education and bringing upp of the saide Thomas Clarke duringe soe long tyme as the saide Company of Salters shall have the same Five hundred poundes after the rate of Five poundes per Centum which is Twentye and five poundes per annum whereof Twelve poundes and Tenne shillings parcell of the somme of Twentie and five poundes yearlie which shalbe paide for the use of the saide Five hundred poundes after the rate of Five poundes per Centum shalbe paide to such as shall have the education of him the saide Thomas Clarke and the other twelve poundes and tenn shillings residue of the saide Twenty five poundes which shalbe payde yearlie for the use aforesaid shall remaine yearlie in the handes of the saide company of Salters towards the encreasing and augmenting of the saide Somme of five hundred poundes for the use of the saide Thomas Clarke to be paide unto him when he shall come to receive the said somme of Five hundred poundes. And alsoe yf the saide Companie of Salters shall refuse to accepte of the same according to this my Will and Bequest That then the Company of Rushia otherwise called the Merchanntes of the new trade shall have the use of the same Five hundred poundes untill my saide nephewe Thomas Clarke shall accomplishe his full age of one and twentie yeares They allowing and paying for the use aforesaide towards the education and bringing up of the said Thomas Clarke during soe long tyme as the said Company of Russia shall have the saide five hundred poundes after the rate of Five poundes per Centum Which is Twentie and Five poundes per Annum whereof Twelve poundes and Tenne shillings parcell of the somme of Twentie and five poundes yearlie which shalbe paide for the use of the saide Five hundred poundes after the rate of Five poundes per Centum shalbe paide to such as shall have the education of him the saide Thomas Clarke and the other twelve poundes and tenn shillings residewe of the saide Twenty five poundes which shalbe payde yearlie for the use aforesaid shall remaine yearlie in the handes of the saide Company of Russia towards the encreasing and augmentinge of the saide Somme of Five hundred poundes for the use of the saide Thomas Clarke to be paide to him when he shall come to receive the said somme of Five hundred poundes. And yf the same Company of Russia shall likewise refuse to accepte thereof in manner as aforesaide Then my Will and mynde is that my Executrix and Oveseers hereunder named shall putt the saide Five hundred poundes in some sufficient mans handes as they shall thinke good to be paid to the saide Thomas Clarke as at his full age of one and Twentie yeares and they allowing towards the education and bringinge up of the said Thomas after the like rate of five poundes per Centum whereof Twelve poundes and Tenn shillings parcell of the somme of Twenty and Five poundes yearlie which shalbe payed for the use of the said Five hundred poundes after the rate of Five poundes per Centum shalbe payed to such as shall have the education of him the saide Thomas Clarke and the other Twelve poundes and tenn shillings residewe of the said Twenty and five poundes Which shall growe due yearlie besides shalbe towards the encreasinge and [87] augmenting of the said somme of Five hundred poundes for the use of him the saide Thomas Clarke to be payde as aforesaid And furthermore my will and minde is that my said Executrix and Overseers shall place the said Thomas Clarke with some such sufficient person as they shall thinke meete and convenient for the better bringing up of the said Thomas Clarke Provided always that if it shall happen my saide nephewe Thomas Clarke to dye or departe this worlde before he shall accomplish his full age of one and twenty yeares Then I will give and bequeath the saide Somme of Five hundred poundes together with the encrease of Twelve poundes and Tenn shillings per annum which shall growe due by reason of the said Five hundred poundes unto my saide Children Roger Clarke, Gawen Clarke and Robert Clarke and to as many of them as shalbe then living to be equallie devided part and part like amongst them.

- Item I give and bequeath unto the saide Thomas Clarke my nephewe a black mourning Cloake
 - Item I give and bequeath unto Franncys Wadlowe my Man the somme of Tenn poundes of lawfull money of England And also a mourninge Cloake of Fiftye shillings price yf he shalbe at that tyme in England to weare the same and not otherwise.
 - Item I geve will and bequeath to all my Mayde Servauntes which shalbe with me at the tyme of my deceasse Fourtie shillings a peece of lawful money of England.
- Alsoe I give will and bequeath to Mary my Chambermaide over and above that which I have given her the Somme of Five poundes.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto that woman Whether she shalbe Mayde or Widdowe whome my Sonne Roger Clarke shall happen hereafter to marry Withall and take to wiefe accordinge to the lawes of England the somme of One hundred poundes of lawfull money to be paide to her by my Executrix within three monthes next after such marradge soe had and solemnized accordinge betweene them.
 - Item I geve and bequeath unto the poor people within the fower severall prisons in London (that is to saie) the Compters of Woodsteete and the Powltrye, Ludgate and Newgate Fower poundes a peece (namelie) to the releife of the poore Prisoners within every of the said Prisons Fower poundes to be delivered to each of them at the discrecion of my Executrix and Overseers.
 - Item I give will and bequeath unto my Cozen Thomas Bland Five poundes.
 - Item I geve will and bequeath unto my Sonne in lawe James Askewe and to his wief each of them a mourninge Gowne or Nyne poundes in money to buy the same withall at their choice.
 - Item I give will and bequeath unto my good Freindes George Hubbersty & to Mr Edmondes who was Executor unto Mr Edmondes late my Deputie in Bridgewarde To everie of them a mourninge Gowne or Five poundes everie one of them to buy the same at their choice

- Item I give and bequeath unto my Cozen Richard Clarke Fower poundes in money and alsoe a mourninge Gowne or Fower poundes in money to buy the same withall at his choice.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Mistres Robotham Widdowe a mourninge Gowne of fower poundes to buy the same withall. And alsoe to hir sonne Richard Robotham A mourning Gowne or fower poundes to buy the same withall at his choice.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Sister Clarke a gowne or three poundes in money to buy the same withall at hir choice.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my sonnes Roger Clarke Gawen Clarke and Robert Clarke and to everie of them a mourning gowne or Five poundes a peece to buy the same withall at their choice.
- Item I give and bequeath unto William Clarke my sonne a mourning Gowne of the price of Five poundes. And alsoe a Featherbedd with all furniture thereunto [87v] belonginge.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Henrie Sowter A mourning gowne or fower poundes and Tenn shillings to buy the same withall at his choice.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto every of my maide servauntes which shalbe dwelling with me at the tyme of my deceasse A black mouninge gowne of the price of Fourtie shillings a peece.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Joane Clarke the wief of Gawen Clarke my sonne a mourning gowen or fower poundes in money to buy the same withall at hir choice.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Clemens Hodges A mourning gowne of Fourtie shillings price or soe much in money to buy the same.
- Item I geve Will and bequeathe unto my Cozen Richard Sowter A mourninge Cloake or three poundes in money to buy the same withall.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto and amongst the poore people which shalbe at my buriall Five poundes in money to be distributed either in Twoe pence in money or breade at the discretion of my Executrix and Overseers.
- Item I geve and bequeath unto the Company of Salters whereof I am a Brother the somme of Twentie poundes of lawfull money to make them a dynner for their paines in bringing my Corps to the Earthe.
- Item I will and my minde is that Mr Hayward or some other good and learned man doe preach at my Funerall. And my will and mynde is that my Executrix shall give him a mourning gowne for his paines of the valewe of Five poundes or five poundes in money at his pleasure to buy the same withall.
- Item I give and bequeath to the releife of the poore people in the three hospitalls in London and Southwarke (that is to saie) Bridewell, St Thomas and St Bartholomewes eight poundes a peece of lawfull money of England (that is to saie) Eight poundes to the Releiffe of the poore People in everie of the saide Three hospitalls So as some of the Governors doe accompany my bodie to the Buriall and the Children of the Christes hospitall.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Charitie my Maide Servaunte which useth commonlie to my howse A mourninge Gowne of the price of Thirtie shillings or Thirtie shillings in money.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my brother Bartholomewe Clarkes two Children (that is to saie) Bartholomewe Clarke Fourtie poundes and Sence Sherman Tenn poundes.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Sister Joane Clarke their mother tenn poundes.
- Alsoe I give and bequeath unto my halfe Sister Dorathie Allen sometymes the wief of John Allen late of Stocke in the Countie of Lincolne the Somme of Thirteene poundes Sixe shillings and Eight pence of lawfull money of England to be delivered to Frannycs and Richard Allen for the onelie use of their saide mother Dorathie Allen and now wief of one Burges.
- Item I geve and bequeath unto Clemens Goodwyns my wyfes Sister Fower poundes of lawfull money.
- Item I give will and bequeathe towards the Releiffe of the poore Inhabitants of the Parishe of St Margaret Moyses in Frydaie Streete where I am a Parishioner the somme of Fifteene poundes of lawful money of England to be putt to the Stocke called the Poores money to be used at the discretion of the Parishioners of the same Parrish.
- Alsoe I geve and bequeath unto Christes hospitall of London towards the Releiffe and bringing upp of the poore Fatherlesse Children there the somme of Twentie poundes of lawfull money.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Thomas Hayne my Apprentice that was John [88] Clarkes man A mourninge Cloake of Fiftie and Five shillings. And alsoe I give and bequeath unto him the saide Thomas in money the somme of Twentie poundes of lawfull money.
- Item I geve and bequeath unto James Monger Late my henchman When I was Sheriffe of the Cittye of London A mourning Cloake of the price of Three and Thirtie shillings and fower pence. And alsoe I geve and bequeath unto the saide James Monger the somme of Five poundes of Lawful money of England.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Mr Bamford Sopemaker A mourning gowne of fower poundes and Tenn shillings price or soe much in money to buy the same Withall at his choice.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my Cosynne Richard Allen a mourning gowne or fower poundes and Tenn shillings to buy the same Withall at his choice.
- Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter in lawe Jane Clarke the wief of Gawen Clarke my sonne one hundred poundes of

lawfull money of England.

- Item I give and bequeath unto Margarett Clarke the wief of Robert Clarke my Sonne the somme of One hundred poundes.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto William Rudd my Apprentice Fower and twenty poundes which I had with him to provyde him an other master yf yt shall happen that I shall deceasse before his tearme of yeares be expired And also I give and bequeath unto the saide William Rudd A mourninge Cloake of fower and Fortie shillings price.
- Item I give & bequeath to James Davies my man the somme of fiftene poundes and also a mourning Cloake of Fiftie shillings price.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Thomas my man Which keepeth my howse at Hackney A mourninge Cloake of Fourtie shillings price.
- Item I give and bequeath unto William Chapman Salter sometymes my Servaunte A mourninge Gowne or fower poundes in money to buy the same withall at his choice.
- Item I give and bequeath unto John Layne Parson of the Parish of St Margatett Moyses in Fryday Streete where I am a Parishioner a blacke mourninge Gowne of Fower poundes and tenn shillings price or soe much money to buy the same withall Soe allwaies he be confirmable to my Executrix and Overseers at my Buriall as alsoe to suffer such Preachers as my Executrix and Overseers shall appointe to make those monthlie Sermons in the Church after my deceasse and not otherwise.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Mr Gerrard my Surgeon to keepe my Bodye untill my Funerall daie and to Wrappe me in Searecloth, the somme of Five poundes And alsoe a mourninge gowne of Fower Poundes and Tenn shillings price.
- Item I give and bequeath unto Leonard Boylle my man servaunte the somme of Five poundes in money.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto John Wardall and to Suzanne his wief and to each of them a mourninge Gowne a peece of Fower poundes price or soe much in money to buy the same withall at their choice. And as concerninge the disposinge of all and singuler my Freeholde messuages landes Tenementes and hereditaments Whatsoever which I have lyinge and being in Fryday streete in the parrishe of St Margarett Moyses in the ward of Bread streete London, I doe by this my last will and Testament give will and bequeath All that my said landes or Tenementes and all other the premisses whatsoever from and after the decease of me the saide Roger Clarke the Father unto the onelie use and behooffe of the saide Roger Clarke my eldest [88v] Sonne and to heires of the Boddye of him the saide Roger Clarke lawfullie begotten And for defaulte of such yssue of the bodye of the saide Roger my Sonne lawfullie to be begotten Then and from thence fourth the saide premisses to goe to the use and behooffe of my sonne Gawen Clarke and to the heires of his bodie lawfullie begotten And for defaulte of such yssue of the Bodye of the saide Gawen lawfullie to be begotten Then and from thenceforthe the saide premisses to goe to my Sonne Robert Clarke and to the heires of his Bodye lawfullie begotten And for defaulte of such yssue of the Bodye of the saide Robert Clarke lawfullie to be begotten Then and from thenceforthe unto my daughter Elizabeth Askewe and to the heires of her Bodie lawfullie begotten And for defaulte of such yssue of the Bodie of the saide Elizabeth Askewe lawfullie to be begotten Then and from thenceforthe all the saide premisses to goe to the right heires of me the saide Roger Clarke the Father forever. To have and to houlde all and singuler the saide premisses together with all Evidences Deede Escripes Conveighances of Leasses Wrightinges and Munimentes Whatsoever touchinge and concerninge tha same unto the said Roger Clarke my eldest Sonne after my deceasse and to his heires of his bodie lawfullie begotten together with such other Remynders over (for want of such yssue) as aforesaide.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto Franncys Clarke daughter of my sonne Robert Clarke the somme of Three hundred poundes of Lawfull money of England to be payed to her by my Executrix at hir day of marriadge or at hir lawfull age of one and twenty yeares which First shall happen. And further my Will and minde be that yf the saide Franncys Clarke shall happen to dye or depart this worlde before she shalbe marryed or come to hir age of one and twentie yeares Then my Will and mynde is that the saide Three hundred poundes shall goe to the nexte Childe of the saide Robert Clarke which shalbe by him lawfullie begotten to be payed by my Executrix in such manner and sorte as the saide Franncys Clarke shoulde have had the same yf shee had then bynne livinge. And soe successivelye to any one of the Children which the saide Robert Clarke shall lawfullie begett untill the first shall live to the age of one and twentie yeares or daie of marriadge yf the saide Franncys Clarke shall not happen to live before hir marriadge or age of one and twenty yeares.
- Item I give will and bequeath the Somme of Tenn poundes of lawfull money of England to be paide by my Executrix unto such good Learned Preachers as shalbe appointed by my Executrix and Overseers which shall make Twentie Sermons (that is to saie) everie month one in the Parrish Church of St Margarett Moyses in Fryday Street where I am now a Parrishoner And for everie Sermon which they shall soe make to have for their paines Tenn shillings And moreover I give and bequeath unto Franncys my Welbeloved wief my Executrix the somme of Five hundred poundes to be taken owt of my third part which is in my disposicion to this ende and purpose that she shall keepe house together With such of my Children as she now dothe and with such others as shee shall see cause duringe the space of one Whole yeare after my deceasse And that she shall on everie Sunday and Thursdaie throughout the saide yeare bydde and invite the rest of my Children which shee shall not keepe howse with and which she shall like of and please to have [89] to dyner and Supper according as I have usuallie done Provided alwaies that yf any of my Children which shall remaine or keepe howse with my saide wief duringe the saide yeare shalbe unquyett and disobedient unto my saide wief their mother or shall fall owt or disagree by any meanes or wayes whatsoever or shall not duringe the saide yeare come in and owt at

due and convenient howres to their meales or lodginge or shall disquyett my saide wief or any of the neighbors in the night tyme Then my will and minde is that whichsoever of my saide Children shall in any sort be disobedient or offend in any of the saide actions shalbe privately dismissed of the benefitt of his dyett and lodginge duringe the saide tearme of one year and to be fourthwith avoyded owte of the howse for that yeare.

- Item I give will and bequeathe unto William Power sometymes my Servaunte A mourning gowne of Five poundes price of five poundes in money to buy the same withall.
- Item I give will & bequeath unto George Benett and to Henry Guye Salters and to each of them a mourning gowne a peece or fower poundes a peece to buy the same withall Provided further that if my saide wief shall refuse to keepe howse with my saide Children duringe one Whole yeare according to my will and minde before expressed Then I give will and bequeath the saide somme of Five hundred poundes unto and amongst my saide Children Roger Clarke Gawen Clarke and Robert Clarke to be equallie devided part and porcion like amongst them And I doe ordaine nominate and appointe the foresaide Frannycs my welbeloved wief my sole and onely Executrix of this my last will and testament Sir James Altham knight, Randall Woolley merchannt taillor, Richard Craford Tallowchandler, Beniamyne Monger Mercer, Citizens of London my Overseers of this my last will and Testament. And I doe give and bequeath unto the same James Altham the Somme of Tenn poundes Randall Woolley, Richard Craford and Beniamyn Monger to each of them for their paines to be taken therein Sixe poundes thirteene shillings and fower pence in money and to each of them a mourning gowne of five poundes price a peece desiring them to be ayding and assisting to my Executrix in the true performnce of this my last will and testament.
- Item I give will & bequeath unto my Lovinge freinde Sir Humfrye Wylde knight a mourning gowne or Sixe poundes in money to buy the same withall.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto Richard Traford my God sonne A mourning Gowne or Five poundes in money to buy the same withall.
- Item I give will and bequeath unto my lovinge wief Frannycs Clarke my Executrix Twentie poundes of Lawfull money of England to bestowe at her pleasure uppon mourninge gownes uppon such Freindes as shee shall thinke good which I have forgotten.
- Item I give will and bequeath to Goodman Allison Clarke of the Parrishe of St Margarett Moyses in Fryday Streete a mourning Gowne of Three poundes or Three poundes in money to buy the same.
- Item I give and bequeath to Agnes Woodd and to Agnes Underhill two poore labouringe women which taketh paines in my howse to each of them a mourninge gowne a peece or fourtie shillings a peece in money to buy the same withall. The residue of all and singuler my goodes Chattells, plate, money, Jewells Imprlmentes of howsholdstufte, Credittes and debtes above unbequeathed being the remainder of my third part I wholly give and bequeathe unto and amongst my fower Children Roger Clarke, Gawen Clarke, Robert Clarke and Elizabeth Askewe part and porcion like [89v] equallie to be devided amongst them Provided alwaies and it is my minde will & intent that if any of my saide Children or their husbandes shall at any tyme hereafter seeke attempte or goe about to disallowe alter Controwlle gaynesaye or withstand this my last will and testament or the trewe execution thereof or any Legacye or Legacies bequeast or bequeastes matter or matters devise or devises herein mencioned expressed lymytted or conteyned or shall or doe molest vexe sewe or trouble my saide Executrix for or by reason of any of my goodes Chattells debtes landes temementes or hereditamentes contrary to the trewe intent and meaninge of this my last will and testament Then I will that all and everie Legacie or bequest to him hir or them by me herein devised or bequeathed other then such as belongeth to him or them by the Custome of the Cittye of London shall utterlie be voyde and of none effect. And then I will and bequeath the benefitt thereof wholly to my Executrix aforenamed. And I doe hereby revoke all forms wills whatsoever per me Roger Clarke. Memorandum that the twoe and twentieth day of July One Thousand Sixe hundred & seaven and in the fiveth yeare of the raigne of our Sovereigne King James that now is the aforesaide Roger Clarke did sealle and deliver this present will as his Last will and testament and did revoke all former Wills whatsoever heretofore made in the presence of us.

By me George Benett
per me Henrye Guye
per me Beni. Monger

[In Latin]

The above written will was proved at London before the venerable gentleman master John Hone doctor of law, surrogate of the venerable gentleman John Bennett esquire also doctor of law, lawfully appointed master guardian or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, on the nineteenth day of the month of July 1608 upon the oath of Frances relict of the said deceased and executrix named in this will to whom administration was granted etc and she swore an oath about well and faithfully administering etc.

Roger Tomlinson of Langham - 1638

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T^m Roger Tomlinson mg de Langham

In the name of God Amen the nine and twentieth day of July in the thirteenth yeare of king Charles Anno Dm 1637 I Roger Tomlinson of Langham in Rutlandshire labourer, in perfect understanding and memory (thanks be to God) doo make this my will and last testament viz; as followeth

Inprimis I comend my soule into y^e hands of Jesus Christ my Saviour and my body to y^e earth whence it came, and for my worldly goods;

first I give and bequeath unto my children Robert; Alice, Anne and Thomas fourty shillings apiece; to payd by mine Executrix to my Sonne Robert his fourty at the time of his app[??]titiship when it shalbe fully compleat and ended, and the other three my children, their fourtyes severally payd them at their severall ages of one and twenty yeares when they shall attaine y^e same provided that if any of my sayd children shall Depart this world before their severall ~~ages~~ portions be Due and payable the rest surviving shall have y^e portion or portions of those deceaseing by equall division to be duely payd at the tyme and tymes aforesaid Alsoe all other my goods and Chattells moveable and unmoveable whatsoever I give and bequeath unto Eme my beloved wife; whom I alsoe nominate and appointe my sole Executrix of this my will and last testament to take & pay my Debts, to see my body Decently my children brought up and I have hereunto set my hand and seale y^e Day and yeare next above written Roger Tomlinson his marke

In the presence of these witnesses

John Gunison

Signum megg^s

Johnes Audley vicr de Hacconby

Probatum fuit ... testamtm

Johanne Groome

26 die ffebruary 1638

[three more lines]

[FS

Hacconby church has a rhyming acrostic to John Audley on the N. wall dated 1648, see Lincolnshire by J Charles Cox 1916. Roger Tomlinson was not buried in Langham (PR). Hacconby registers do not survive until the eighteenth century and the Bishops Transcripts for the year in question are too faded to read on film so at present we do not know if he was buried at Hacconby

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John Walmsley of Langham - 1611

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW 90 Book VIII F126

T. Johnis Walmsley De Langham Ano Dm 1611

In Dei nomine Amen the xxvjth daie of March and in the ninth yeare of o^r Sovereigne Lord James by the gracious providence of god Kinge of great Brittain ffrance and Ireland Defende^r of the faith etc And of Scotland the xliiiijth I John Walmsley of Langham in the county of Rutland Victualer, beinge in body sicke & weake but sound in minde and perfecte of memory thanks and praise be given to thalmightie god, doe make this my last will & testam^t in manner and forme followinge

ffirst I commend my Soule into the hands of the eternall god my Creat^r and to Jesus Christe my onely Savio^r and redeemer and my body to the earth from whence it came and to be buried in the church of Langham nere unto the seate end where I commonly used to sit

Item I give to the repaire of the churche sixe shillings eight pence

Item I give to everye godchild iiijd and to John Bullymer twelve pence

Item I give to the daughter Issabell Walmsley twenty shillings in money within one yere after my decease & to be delivered to John Walter to their use

Item I give to Thomas [Penke or Peuke] and his wife every yere one strike of barley dureinge my lease against Christmas dureinge my lease

Item I give to my brother Ellingworth two shillings

Item I give to my brother Bullimer every new yeres daie so longe as he liveth twelve pence

Item I give for the use of the poore people in Langham the sume of three pounds in money wthin one yeare after my decease and to be put forth by my wife for there use so long as she liveth and when it shall please god to end her daies then the said Some shalbe comissned into the hands of the minister and churchwardens for their time beinge and so to continue a perpetuytie for ever And that the use beinge five shillings shall for ever the next sonndaie after Easter usually called Loe Sunndaie be disposed to the poore whereof Jone Curtes shalbe one and to have foure pence of the saide money

Item all the residue of all my goods moveable and immoveable not given and unbequeathed I give unto Jone my wife whoe I make my full and sole Executrix of this my last will and testament and she to paie and dischardge my debts & legacies wth my funeral expences and to see my body decently & christionly brought to the earth, and for the better performance hereof I entreate M^r Bartholomew Clarcke & my kinseman Thomas Horneby to be my faithfull Supervisors in trust to see this my last will and Testament to be performed accordinge to my true meaninge and they to have for their paines two shillings sixe pence a piece In witness whereof I have put to my name and marcke the daie and yeare above written by me John Walmsley

Witnesses

Richard Burcket curate

William Glen

Nicholas Jordaine

Probatm fuit.....

Stamford.....Richard Birket

... .. de Langham

xij Aprilis 1611

Katherine Walton of Langham - 1681

NRO Peterborough ~ P 255

In the name of god amen I Katherine Walton of Langham in the County of Rutland widdow being sick in body but sound and perfect of mind and memory I prayes god for it doo make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following first I give and bequeath my Soule into the hands of almighte god my Creator and Redeemer hopeing through the Merritts of Jesus Christ my redeemer to be saved and my body to be buried in Christian buriall and for that estate which it hath pleased god to bestow upon mee I dispose of as followeth

Imp^{re} I give and bequeath to my Cosen Martha Moore one shilling one blankett Two pillows the one with feather & the other with wooll one flaxen pillobear one paire of hempen sheets and one Mattris

All the Rest and resedue of my household goods what soever I give to my Two Kinsweomen that is Jane Worth and Martha Worth to be equally devided be twixt them

Item it is my will that the Tenne pounds which my Sonne Thomas Walton in law oweth mee Upon Bond I give to him the said Thomas Walton forty shillings and the other eight pound I give to so many of his Children as shalbe living att my decease to be equally devided betwixt them

Item I give to my Cosen John Worth the money which my Brother Robert Jonson oweth mee upon Bond being Twenty & Three pounds beside Six pounds which is written on the back side of the Bond

All the Rest of my goods & Chattles moveables and unmoveables Bills Bonds Ready money what soever unbequethed my debts and legucies being payd and funeral Expences discharged I give to my Coson Robert Worth whom I make full & sole Executor of this my last will & Testament revokeing all former wills by mee made In the Thirtieth day of March in the yeare of our Lord god one Thousand Six hundred Eighty one

Sealed and delivered - Katherine Walton her Marke

in the p^{re}sents of:

ffrancis Edgon

William Bauly his Marke

Jone Beyly [could be Begly] her Marke

[Probate not photographed]

Jane Waters of Langham - 1640

NRO Peterborough ~ Film MW95 Book XIV F8

T. Jane Waters de Langham

In the name of God Amen I Jane Waters of Langham in the County of Rutland widow being sicke in body, but sound and perfect in mynd and memory thanks be given to God for yt, Doe ordaine and make this my last will & Testament on the 19th Day of April in the sixteenth yere of o' Sovereigne Lord King Charles Anno Dm 1640 in manner and forme as followeth.

ffirst I bequeath my soule into the hands of God my maker and Christ my Redeemer; And my body to be buried in the Churchyard of Langham:

Item I give to Dorothy Coxall and Margaret Brotherton my two sisters one cow equally to be devided betwixt them.

Item I give to either of them one pewter platter;

Item I give to them one bedstead to be devided betwixt them.

Item I give to my brother Nicholas Pyts one Covered and one sheete.

Item I give to Mary Darby one Presse

Item I give to Elizabeth Darby one Covering.

Item I give unto Jane Darby one lambhogge

Item I give to M^r ffllood ten shillings intreating him to preach at my buryall. The rest of all my goods and Cattells not given and unbequeathed I give to Henry Darby whome I make my sole Executor of this my last will and Testam^t he pay^{ing} all my debts, legacyes, ffuneral Expenses, bringing my body decently to the ground

In Witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand the day and yere firste above written Jane Waters her marke

Witnesses

Thomas Loyd

Dorothy Coxall her marke

7th May 1640

Probatn fuitTestamtm

Nicholas Watson of Langham - 1572

NRO ~ MW14 F100 W226

Testm Nichi Watson de Langham des A^o Dm 1572 nona die meses Julij Anno Rn^e Elizabethhe xiiij^{to}

In the name of god Amen the daie & yeare above said, I Nicholas Watson of Langham in the countie of Rutland husbandman sicke in body but whole in mynd and memorie Doe make and ordein this my laste will in manner and forme followynge
ffirst I bequeth my soule to almightie god & my bodie to the earthe etc

Also I geve to the Churche of Langham to the reperinones of the belles & to the mendinge of the bridges of the same town ii^s xij^d to eyther of them the belles and the bridge

Also when yt ys agreed btwest the said Nicholas and one Willim Webstar of Langham aforesaid that the said Nicholas should have duringe his lyffe in consideracon that the said Willm Webster hath paid to thuse of the right honourable the Lord Cromwell xⁱ for the fine of the ferme that I dwell in the hawle the perlo^r ij acres of arable land in every fffeld one halffe acre in the hie meddowe, one Lea in the howse sycke, ij neates pastures & tene shepes commons halfe the frute in thorchey and thover end of the barn to lay corn in, and the carte hovel to laye pease upon, and two lodes of wood carringe

Duringe the lyves of the said Nicholas and Kethrinn his wyffe, and yf yt please god to call eyther of them to his mercie then the longer lyver to have but one acre & a halfe of erable land in every fylde one halffe acre in the meddow one netes pasture tenne shepes commons so they be not letten, halfe the frute the barne end and the hovel the hawell and parler as aforesaid and the woode carringe aforesaid, and at thend of bothe their lyves when god shall cauall them the corne that ys upon the ground then thone halffe the said Willm to have as his owne, thother halffe he to have yt of a price Doinge one and other will doe before any other

The Rest of all my goods or Catttells unbequethed my legacie performed and my funeral expenses dyscharged I geve to Kathern my wyffe whome I make my whole Executrix of this my last will and testament, and I make and ordeine Thomas beale my supervisor and for his paines I bequeath him xij^d

In wytnesse whereoof I have setto my hand or marke the daie & yeare abovesaid

N Watson mark

Cutbert ffawcet Teste
Thoma beale
James hubborrde
W^m Coole

Probatn fuit hoc p...testatm coram m^{ro} Jaccobo chernocke m ll b... venabilis vivi Mr Rich^d Telentyne dm offilis depntato XV^{to} die menses Septembris A^o 1573 comissay fuit ... est Executr ... indro testem... ..et Jurate Salno jure comisona Et exhibit est ... bono ud sumna xvijⁱ vij^s viijd

[We think that the amount of money at the end of probate is the total of the inventory]

William Weaver of Langham - 1624

NRO ~ Original D121 Film Book X folio 247

Tm Willielmi Weaver de Langhame October 19th 1624

In nomine Dei amen I William Weaver of Langham in the County of Rutland husbandman being sicke in body but sound & perfect in mynd and memory thanks be given to god for yt Doo make this my last will & testament in manner & forme as followeth ffirst I bequeath my body to the ground from whence it came & to be buryed in the church of Langhame and my Soule into the hands of Christ my Saviour & Redeemer

- Item I give unto Margaret my wife the house she now dwelleth in & two acres three roods of arable land and all the grass at the nether ends of my close between Widow Stevens her hedge & the Land ends to keep her two kine, one or else two cowe pastures of James Hubbards there & halfe the hay growing & arising of two acres of medowe lying at Burley hedge with halfe the grothe during her natuall life and the expiration of a newe lease covenanted to be sealed from the Lord Noell if the said Margaret shall live soo longe & after her decease I give them to Grace Hubbard wife of James Hubbard & to her assignes during the expiration of the said Lease
- Item I give unto the said Grace Hubberd & to her assignes all the rest of my lands arable medowe & pasture during the expiration of the said lease
- Item I will that James Hubberd shall plow sowe & harrowe for Margaret my wife the aforesaid two acres & three roods of arable land as he doth his owne she find the seede for it & shall bring home all the corne growing & arising of the said arable land to that house she now dwelleth in and halfe the hay arising of the two acres of medowe and shall fetch her home one Load of Coules yearly shee paying for them at the Pitts & two loads of wood she providing them & shall carry all the composse she maketh of her owne chattel to the said arable land & also I will that Margaret my wife shall pay the Lords Rent for two roode of arrible Land [rateably?] and Duties to Church Lord & Kinge for as much as she shall occupie as formerly I have done
- Item I give to my wife all the corne & hay about my yard and all the woode fitt for the fire with two kine and all my household stufes
- Item I give to Elizabeth Ffrisbee wife of Thomas Ffresbee of Langham seaven pounds which Richard Allen of [?eantin] oweth me for an horse and I will that if the said Thomas Ffrisbee cannot recover the said seaven pounds then I will that the said Thomas Ffrisbee shall have the same sponsor of my will that James Hubbard my Executor hath to recover the said Debte of Seaven Pounds
- Item I give to James Hubbard his children & to Elizabeth Ffrisbie daughter of Thomas Ffrisbie Ten pound which my brother John Brotford of [Stok?yo?don] oweth of equally to be divided amongst them soe soone as yt shall be recovered Item I give to James Hubbard his children & to the Daughter of Thomas Ffrisbie Ffour pound three shillings & a pennye which John Hurbottle of [?son] in the County of Rutland gent oweth me equally to be divided amongst them at Whitsontide next after my decease or so soone after as yt shall be recovered
- Item I give to James Hubbards children three pound thirteene shillings & four pence which James Hubbard oweth me equally to be divided amongst them so soone as they shall accomplish the yeares of one & twenty
- Item I give unto Margaret Hubberd daughter of James Hubbard seaven ewes presently to [?] them after my desease
- Item I give to Richard Hubbard sonne of James Hubbard one horse trough one paire of cart wheeles
- Item I give to the poore of Langham fforty shillings to be paid to them by my executor at Mayday next after my desease the rest of my goods & movables & unmovables not given and unbequeathed I give unto James Hubbard whom I make sole executor of this my last will & Testament he paying my funeral expenses

In witness whereof I have sette my hand the day & year above written Willm Weaver his mark

Witnesses:

Thomas [?ooyes]
Anthony Cheseldine

Probatum fuitDecember 1624

Ellnor White of Langham - 1690

NRO ~ Y268

In the name of god amen I Ellnor White of Langham in the County of Rutland Widdow being of a sound mind and perfect memory prayes therefore bee given to god for the same doe make and ordaine this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following That is to say ffirst and principally I commend my soule into the hands of almighty god who gave it, hoping through the Merritts death and pashon of my saviour Jesus Christ to receive full and free pardon and forgiveness of all my Sines and to inherritt everlasting life and my body I committ to the earth to be decently buried att the discession of my executor here after named and as touching the disposition of such estate as it hath pleased god to beestow uppon mee I give and dispose there of as ffolloweth –

- Impr I give and bequeath to my Daughter Mary White Three Score pounds
- Item I give to my Daughter priscilla White Three score pounds all my household goods what soever except Two beds and convenient beding to them which I shall dispose of here after in this my Will I give to my Two Daughters before named to be equally devided betwixt them to be paid and delivered to each of them with in six months after my decease by my executor hereafter named
- Item I give to my Son Thomas White Ten pounds and one Bed with beding convenient to it and all my stock of Cattle what soever which I leave att my decease the Ten pounds to be paid to him when he shall come to the age of one and Twenty yeares And all s̄ my stock of cattle which I leave att my decease I do give my ffoffees in trust here after named to sell and dispose of the stock for the best use of my said son Thomas White And if it shall please god that any of my Three Children before named in this my Will or my son Tobias White depart this life before such time as they are to Receive their porcons here in bequeathed in this my Will Then I will that that part or porcon of the deceased shall be equally devided betwixt the other Three of them that shalbe then living
- Item I give to my Son William White ffive shillings
- Item I give to my Son in law John Rippin ffive shillings
- Item I give to my Son in law ffrancis Clooue ffive shillings
- Item I doo nominate constitute and appoynt my loveing Sonnes William White and John Rippin to bee my ffeoffees in trust for my Children within named whom I doo pray and intreat to Act on their behalves according to that great trust and confidence I repose in them
- Item I will that all my debts leagacies and ffunerall charges be faith fully paid by my executor here after named

All the rest of my goods Chattles one bedsted and beding convenient to it and ready money whatsoever unbequeathed I give and bequeath to my loveing Son Tobias White whom I appoint and make full and soule executor of this my last Will and Testament In Wittness where of I have here unto Sett my hand and seale the ffifteenth day of ffebruary Annog: Dom: 1690

Sealed and delivered Ellnor White her Marke

in the presents of

ffran Edgson snr
Fran: Edgson Jun
Elizabeth Edgson her Marke

[there is no grant of probate on the photograph]