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HENLEY PROBATE DOCUMENTS

Robert KENTON, of Henley on Thames Oxfordshire Record Office, Arch. Deac. Reg. 178.85

Will proved 1532

This document is in two parts: firstly a testament, dealing with personal property and secondly a will, dealing with real 'estate'

Numbering at left identifies line of original document

- 1 Test[ementum] Robert Kenton de Henley
- 2 In the name off god ame[n] The xxiij^{ti} day of November
- 3 the yere of ow[r] lord a m⁰ ccccc xxxij^{ti} I Robert Kenton
- the elder of th[e] pari[ss]he of henley upon temys wythin
- 5 the diocys off lyncoln hole off mynde and memory
- 6 make my wyll and testament under this manner and
- 7 forme In my bigyning I bequeth my sowle to Almyghty
- 8 god to owr lady saynt marye and to all the holy
- g company off hevyn And my body to be beryed in the
- 10 churche off henley before saynt Johns awter the evan
- gelyst. It[e]m I gyve and bequeth to the mother churche
- off lyncolln ij^d It[e]m to the hy awlter of henley for all
- 13 suche tithes negligently for gotten iij^s iiij^d It[e]m I gyve
- to the auter off saynt Johns a challes a payre off
- vestments a messe boke pryntyd It[e]m I gyve to ev[er]y p[rie]st
- servyng in the churche off henley at my beryng viji^d
- and all my monythes mynde as myche And all my
- 18 yeres mynde viij^d a pece And to all other p[rie]stis iiij^d
- And also I give and bequethe to a honest p[rie]st a synging
- 20 man for the terme and space of one yere to pray for
- 21 my sowle my wyffys sowle and all Cristen sowlys
- 22 vj^{li} xiij^s iiij^d at saynt Johns alter and I shall fynde
- 23 hym waxe and he shall fynde hym selfe brede and
- 24 wyne. Also I wyll ther shalbe bestowed att my bereing

- to pore pepell [people] xx^s and as myche at my monythes
- 26 mynde and att my yeres mynde as myche It[e]m I wyll
- 27 that the howse callyd the lyon shalbe payd owte
- 28 vj^s viij^d by yere to helpe a yerely obbitt for my sowle
- 29 my wyffys sowle for ever and for lacke off keping off
- the same obbet the brydgemen of henley w[it]h the warden
- off the towne to enter in to the same howse to the use
- 32 and p[ro]ffytt of the bryge It[e]m I gyve and bequeth
- 33 to Jone sharpe my dowghter xx^{li} It[e]m to the sayd Jone
- 34 sharpe a dos[e]n of sylver sponys It[e]m I wyll that Robert my
- son[n] shall by a stone to ly upon my grave After my
- 36 departing It[e]m I gyve to John greneleff a quarter of malt
- 37 It[e]m to thomas Robertes on[?] quarter off malt It[e]m to Will[ia]m
- 38 locke one quarter of malt It[e]m to Elyzabethe Wyllson one
- 39 quarter of malt if she tarry owte an hole yere It[e]m I gyve
- 40 to Willi[a]m browne a blacke gown w[it]h white lambe p[er]teining
- to the same It[e]m to John hopp a black gowne the wyche
- 42 I were ev[er]y day. And the residue of all my goodes
- dettes content and payde I gyve and bequethe to Robert
- kenton my sone whom I make my sole Executor to use
- and occupy them to hys owne use and p[ro]ffytt as he
- shall thynke beste most convenyent and necessary and
- ov[er]sears off this my wyll to se all thynges herin well
- and truly p[er]formed and don[e] I make henry leven
- 49 thomas lewes and robert burgeis and ev[er]y of them
- 50 to have iii^s iiii^d a pece for ther labu[r]s and to this
- 51 wyll I do requyre F[ather] Rychard Willus Willi[a]m browne
- 52 John sherewod and other mo[re] to record and testify at
- 33 all tymes when nede require

[His will]

- 54 In the name of god Amen the day and yere a bove
- 55 namyd I Robert Kenton the Elder afore sayd gyve
- and bequeth to Robert Kenton my son[e] all my howses and

- 57 landys w[it]h ther app[ur]tenannces lying & being w[it]h in the towne
- of henley to hym and to his herrys off his body
- 159 lawfullly be gotten and for lacke of heRres off his body
- 60 lawfully be gotten then I wyll that the afore sayd howses and
- 61 landys w[it]h ther app[ur]tenannces shall remayne to Jone Sharpe
- my dowzter and to the herris of her body lawfully
- begotten and for lacke off heires of her body lawfully
- begotten then I wyll the a fore howses and landys w[it]h
- 65 the hole app[ur]tenannces shall remayne to the bridge off
- 66 henley for ev[er] and the warden of the bryge for the
- 67 tyme being to kepe the forsayd obbet as is afore
- 68 Especyfyd and they to have for ther laburs iiij^d
- a pece gyve[n] the day and yere above namyd

[Summary of the Latin probate clause]

Date of probate: 23rd January [1532]

Inventory value: £165 2s 8d

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