

Thomas Cooke of Basingstoke, clothier, 1640

Ref: Hants. RO 1640A/033

In the name of God Amen, the twelfth day of December AD 1639 and in the fifteenth year of the reign of our most gracious sovereign Lord Charles by the grace of God King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, Defender of the faith etc., I Thomas Cooke of Basingstoke in the county of Southampton clothier, being weak of body but of good and perfect mind and memory (thanks be therefore given to Almighty God), do make and ordain this my last will and testament in form following. **First** and principally I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my Maker and Creator hoping and assuredly trusting that after this life ended I shall be received into his everlasting kingdom through the only merits, death and passion of Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer and by no other merits or means whatsoever. **And my** body being earthly I commit the same to the earth again to be interred and buried by the discretion of my executrix and overseers hereafter named. **And for** such temporal goods whereof the Lord of His goodness has bestowed on me in this life I will, devise and bequeath the same in form following. **First** I will that all such debts as I duly or truly owe unto any man shall be truly paid in as convenient time as may be after my decease, which being done and performed, **item** then I give and bequeath unto Dorotheie my daughter the sum of three score pounds of lawful money of England to be paid unto her at the day of her marriage or within one month next after that she shall accomplish her full age of one and twenty years which of the same days or times shall first and next happen after my decease. **And if** my said daughter shall fortune to depart this life before that this legacy or portion shall be due to her, then I will that forty pounds of the said legacy shall be to Thomas Cooke my youngest son, and the other twenty pounds to William Cooke my eldest son. **Item** I give and bequeath to the said Thomas Cooke my son the sum of four score pounds of lawful money of England to be paid unto him when and so soon as he shall accomplish his full age of four and twenty years, which said sum of four score pounds, I will that all my lands, tenements and hereditaments in the parish of Sherfield on Loddon in the county of Southampton aforesaid shall stand and be charged and chargeable for. **And if** my said son Thomas shall fortune to depart this life before that this legacy or portion shall be due unto him then I will forty pounds of the said legacy unto my said daughter Dorotheie and the other forty pounds to my said son William Cooke. **Item** I give and bequeath to my said son William Cooke and to his heirs forever at the time of his age of one and twenty years all my said lands, tenements and hereditaments paying the fore said legacy or sum of four score pounds according to this my said last will. **The rest** and residue of all and singular my goods, chattles and cattle my debts being first paid legacies in this my will performed and funeral expenses discharged I wholly give and bequeath to Agnes my now wife whom I make and ordain to be the full and sole executrix of this my said last will and testament. **And I** do make and ordain as overseers of the same my well beloved father in law Walter Pincke and my well beloved friend Thomas Denham desiring them to be aiding and assisting to my said executrix to see this my will performed, unto each of which for their pains to be therein taken I give twelve pence apiece. **And I** do hereby revoke and disannul all former wills by me made and I will that none of them shall stand in force but only this my will. **In witness** whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal the day and years first above written.

Signed, sealed, published and declared to be the last will and testament of the said Thomas Cooke in the presence of William Herne, John Borne snr, Richard Woodroffe.

Probate granted 13 May 1640.

An inventory of the goods and chattles of Thomas Cooke Late of Basingstoke deceased, taken and appraised the tenth day of March 1639 by Walter Pincke of Kempshot, William Herne and Thomas Denham of Basingstoke as follows.

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Imprimis: In the hall: One joined table with a frame, six joined stools, one little joined table with a cupboard, one great joined cupboard with a cupboard cloth and cupboard cushion, three brass candlesticks, one turned chair, one grate, one joined chair, two carpets, one pair of andirons, one iron dog, three cushions, one window	3	10	0

Item in the parlour: one joined bedstead with mat and cord, one feather bed, one flock bed, one pair of blankets, one listen coverlet, two feather bolsters, three feather pillows, one valance with curtains and curtain rods, one trundle bedstead with a cord and settle, one joined table with a frame, one joined chest, one box, one coffer	8	2	10
Item his two suits of apparel	3	0	0
Item money in his purse	7	0	0

Item in the buttery one barrel, two firkins, one grate, one dough kiver, one powdering tub, one meal tub, thirty pewter platters, six fruit dishes, three saucers, two pewter flagons, six alchemy spoons, one silver bowl, ten silver spoons	7	13	6
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Item in the kitchen: two brass pots, three brass kettles, three brass skillets, two brass ladles, one brass warming pan, one brass hanging candlestick, one brass mortar, two dripping pans, three spits, three hogs of bacon, one frying pan, three trays, one joined chest with a table, one joined form, two joined stools, one brass skimmer, one iron fender, two pairs of pot hangers, two pairs of pothooks, one fire shovel and tongs, two yowting vats, one malt mill, one gridiron, one musket furnished, one brass furnace, one wooden pump, two buckets, one pair of andirons	13	1	0
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Item in the beer buttery two hogsheads, four

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Item in the old parlour: six pairs of canvas sheets, two pairs of flaxen sheets, three dozen of table napkins, three pairs of pillow beres, five tablecloths, two joined bedsteads, two flock beds, one feather bolster, two flock bolsters, two pairs of blankets, one coverlet, two chests, one box	11	11	0
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Item in the shop ten pairs of shears, two pairs of scales and beams, a half a dozen leaden weights	2	11	8
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Item in the malt loft one malt screen, one bushel, one hundred quarters of malt and fifteen quarters of barley at sixteen shillings the quarter	92	14	0
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Item in the barn four bushels of wheat, six bushels of peas, one load of vetches, one load of hay and a fan to winnow corn	3	10	0
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Item in the backside two shoots, two loads of wood, one leaden pump with other lumber	2	12	0
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Item five acres of wheat and vetches	10	0	0
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The sum total of this inventory is	160	16	0
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Walter Pincke
William Herne
Thomas Denham