

Elizabeth King of Upton Grey, widow, 1580

Ref: Hants. RO 1580B/45

In the name of God Amen the 12th of February and in the 23rd year of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth by grace of God queen of England, France and Ireland, defender of the faith etc., I Elizabeth King of Upton Grey in the county of Southampton widow, sick of body but of perfect mind and memory, thanks be unto Almighty God, do make my last will and testament in manner and form following. **First** I give and bequeath my soul unto Almighty God my maker and redeemer and my body to be buried in the church of the said Upton Grey. **Item** I bequeath unto the Cathedral church of Winchester 4d. **Item** I bequeath unto the parish church of the said Upton Grey 3s.4d. **Also** I give to the poor people there 4 bushels of wheat. **Item** I bequeath unto the church of Mapledurwell 12d and to the poor people there 12d. **Item** I give and bequeath unto Robert King my son in law, my best silver spoon. **Item** I bequeath unto Elizabeth Searle in money 20s and one of my silver spoons. **Item** I bequeath unto Agnes Searle a feather bed with a bolster and a pair of sheets and 20s in money. **Item** I bequeath unto Joane Searle in money 20s. **Item** I give and bequeath unto the 4 children of my brother Nicholas Wattes of Yateley 4 ewes and lambs to every of them, a ewe and a lamb and to Mary Wattes over and besides a worsted kirtell and a pair of Damask sleeves. **Item** I bequeath unto Margaret Wright, Alice Tilberrie and Elizabeth Watts my 3 best gowns and to the same Elizabeth Wattes my best flockbed, a bolster, a coverlet and a pair of sheets. **Item** I bequeath unto Agnes Dymmyng my frieze cassock. **Item** I bequeath to every of my godchildren 4d. **Item** I give and bequeath unto Thomas King my son all my corn in the barn and growing upon the ground within the parish of the said Upton Grey with my team of horses with all the furniture belonging thereto and all and singular debts due or owing unto me within the realm of England and other ready money in my house. **In consideration** whereof, and my will is, that my said son Thomas King shall pay unto my youngest son, James King, the sum of fifty pounds of lawful money of England which my late husband, Thomas King before his death did bequeath, and will unto my said son James King. **Also** I bequeath unto the said James King all my corn growing upon the ground in Mapledurwell. **Item** I give and bequeath all and singular my other goods, chattels and cattle unbequeathed and not before mentioned unto my 2 sons Thomas and James to be equally divided between them by the discretion of my overseers hereafter to be named. **Item** I will that if either of my said sons chance to depart out of this world before they be at the full age of 21 years without issue of their own bodies, the survivor or longer liver to have all and singular my said goods, chattels and cattle movable and unmovable, debts and ready money, provided always that if my said son Thomas King do marry before he be at the full age of 21 years, that then he to put in sufficient sureties to my overseers hereafter to be named for the delivery and payment of all such goods and cattles as I have given and bequeathed unto my said son James King and for his bringing up and keeping in good order till he comes to the full age of 21 years. **And if** my said son Thomas do not marry till he be at the full age of 21 years, that then to be bound himself for the delivery and payment of all the said goods and cattle to my said overseers in manner and form before expressed. **Also** I will that my said son Thomas shall put all and singular the goods and cattle of my said son James to the most advantage and profit to the use of the said James, only after the said James shall be at the age of 16 years till he come to the full age of 21 years. **The residue** of all and singular my goods and cattle not before mentioned or bequeathed, my debts

being paid, my funeral expenses discharged, I give and bequeath unto Thomas King my son whom I do make my whole and sole executor of this my last will and testament. **Also** I will my said son my executor in all things to be valued by William King of Weston and Nicholas Wattes of Yateley whom I appoint and ordain to be my overseers of this my last will and testament and for their pains I give unto every of them 6s.8d. **Witnesses** hereunto William Poole and John Raynolde with others the day and year first above written.

Probate granted 3 March 1580.

The inventory of all the goods and chattels and cattles movable and unmovable of Elizabeth King of Upton Grey in the county of Southampton widow deceased, viewed, valued and appraised by William King, James Mathew, Thomas Mathew, Nicholas Wattes, Edmund Searle and John Raynolde the 23rd day of February and in the 23rd year of the reign of our sovereign Lady Elizabeth by the grace of God queen of England, France and Ireland defender of the faith etc.

	£	s	d
Imprimis in the hall			
A long table, a cupboard, a form, 2 joined stools, a pair of andirons and pair of cotterells, a pair of pot-hooks, 3 cushions and a cupboard cloth	0	10	0
Item in the kitchen			
A cauldron, 5 pots, 2 skillets, 6 bottles, 3 spits, a chain, a skimmer, 3 pans, a trivet, a frying pan and dripping pan	1	16	8
Item 7 brasen candlesticks, 2 brasen basins and a brasen mortar	0	6	8
Item 19 pewter platters, 12 pottingers, 12 saucers and four salt cellars	2	0	0
Item 2 dozen of tinnen spoons, 3 dozen of wooden trenchers and wooden dishes	0	0	8
Item 2 vats, 4 barrels, a great trough and all the other tubs and lumber	2	0	0
Item 3 feather beds, 3 feather bolsters and 3 feather pillows	3	6	8
Item 3 flockbeds with bolsters	1	0	0
Item 5 coverlets or helings, 5 blankets and 2 carpets	2	6	8
Item 18 pairs of sheets, 4 pillow beres, 3 tablecloths, a dozen of table napkins and a linen bed tester	6	13	4
Item 2 bedsteads, 4 coffers, a great chest, 3 chairs, a little table and a woman's saddle	0	16	0
Item 2 hedging bills, an axe, 4 iron wedges and 2 mattocks	0	6	8
Item all the bacon in the house	2	13	4

Item all the cheese in the house	1	10	0
Item 4 sacks and a winnowing sheet	0	7	0
Item all the wood with certain boards	0	12	0
Item 2 hundred and 20 sheep at £4 the score in whole	44	0	0
Item 10 kine, 2 working bullocks and 2 other younger bullocks	20	0	0
Item a certain lease held of Mr Richard Lee of Herriard	13	0	0
Item all her wearing apparel	2	0	0
Item 12 hogs, a dozen hens and capons	1	14	0
Item the corn in Mapledurwell	1	0	0
Item the corn in the barn and in the house	6	6	8
Item the corn growing upon the ground	8	0	0
Item 6 horses and all the plough gear, the carts with their furniture	12	0	0
Debts due to the testator:			
Item Nicholas Wattes of Yateley owes	18	0	0
Item Thomas South of Odiham	7	0	0
Item William Woddes	1	0	0
Item John Beane	2	0	0
Item Edward Ovar of Hartley for 10 sheep and the kine	2	10	0
Item John King of Nately	2	13	4
Sum total:	167	15	8