

Thomas Mathewe the younger of Upton Grey, husbandman, 1617

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In the name of God Amen the tenth day of November in the year of our Lord God 1616 and in the fourteenth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord James by the grace of God King of England, France and Ireland defender of the faith etc. and of Scotland the fiftieth, I Thomas Mathewe the younger of Hoddington in the parish of Upton Grey in the county of Southampton husbandman, being sick in body but of good and perfect memory laud and praise be therefore given to Almighty God do make, ordain, publish and declare this to be my present testament wherein is contained my last will in manner and form following. (That is to say), **First** and principally I give, bequeath and commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator and Maker, through the death, merits and passion of my only and sole Redeemer Jesus Christ, and my body to the earth to be buried within the parish churchyard of Upton Grey aforesaid at the discretion of my executrix undernamed. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas one horse to be delivered unto him within one month next after my decease. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my daughter Joane Aslet the wife of Henry Aslet one of my best ewe sheep and one other of my best ewe sheep to her child. **And all** the rest of my sheep of what kind soever to my son James to be delivered to them and every of them by my said executrix within one month next after my decease. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my daughter Annis Francklin the wife of Andrew Francklin one acre of wheat now growing in the common field called Comp Field in Hoddington aforesaid commonly called and known by the name of the Bottom Acre in the same field. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my daughter Adrian ten pounds of lawful English money to be paid unto her by my said executrix when she shall accomplish and come to her full age of sixteen years or day of marriage which shall first happen. **But if she** fortune to die before the accomplishment of her age of sixteen years or day of marriage as aforesaid, then my will and meaning is that the said ten pounds be equally divided between my aforesaid daughters Joane Aslet and Annie Franklin to be paid unto them by my said executrix within one month next after the decease of my said daughter Adrian happening as aforesaid. **All** the residue of all and singular my money, goods, chattels and cattles whatsoever as well moveable as unmoveable, my debts paid my burial discharged and this my last will and the legacies herein given in all things performed, fulfilled, discharged and accomplished according to the true meaning hereof, I give and leave wholly and altogether unto my dear and loving wife Alice Mathewe whom I make my full and sole executrix of this my last will and testament. **And I** ordain, constitute and appoint, my right trusty and well beloved friends in Christ Thomas Kinge and Bryan Mathewe of Upton Grey aforesaid to be my supervisors and overseers of this my last will and testament to see the same, well, truly and faithfully in all points performed, fulfilled and accomplished according to the true intent hereof and according to the great trust and confidence which I do put in them. **And I** utterly revoke and annul all and only other former, testaments, wills, legacies, bequests, executors and overseers by me in any wise before this time, named, willed and bequeathed, these persons whose names are hereunder written being witnesses.

Thomas Kinge
Brian Mathew
Geo Bayly

Thomas Mathewe his mark

Probate granted 6 May 1617. Obligation to the relict and Thomas Mathew husbandman.

An inventory of the goods, chattels and cattles of Thomas Mathewe the younger late of Hoddington in the parish of Upton Grey in the county of Southampton husbandman deceased taken, valued and appraised by Thomas Kinge, Bryan Mathewe, Thomas Mathewe the elder, John Swain and George Bayly the first day of December in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred and sixteen.

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In the hall			
Imprimis a plank table with a joined frame, a plank form, a joined cupboard and a chair	0	13	4
Sum	0	13	4
In the kitchen			
Item one old cupboard, a silting trowe, 3 tubs, one yoting vat, one kiver with other old lumber	0	10	0
Item 8 fitches of bacon	1	0	0
Item 4 brass kettles, 2 brass pots, 2 brass skillets, one iron spit and an andiron	1	3	4
Item 21 pieces of pewter and a mortar	0	10	0
Item a pair of pot-hooks and cotterells, a chafing dish, 3 wedges, an axe and a mattock	0	5	0
Item a hair and 2 sacks	0	4	0
Sum	3	12	4
In the buttery			
Item 3 barrels, one powdering tub, a butter churn and a bolting which with other lumber	0	6	8
Sum	0	6	8
In the chamber next to the hall			
Item 2 flock beds with bolsters and boarded bedsteads with 2 list coverlets	2	0	0
Item 2 old chests, 3 pairs of sheets with other linen	0	13	4
Sum	2	13	4
In the chamber adjoining to the buttery			
Item one boarded bedstead with a flock bed, a shredden coverlet and an old chest of shelves	0	6	8
Sum	0	6	8
In the loft over the chamber next to the hall			
Item one old joined bedstead with a flock bed, a shredden coverlet and an old chest	0	6	8
Item his wearing apparel	2	0	0
Sum	2	6	8
In the well house			
Item a well bucket, rope, chain and a grindstone	0	3	4
Sum	0	3	4
In the barn			

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Item wheat one little stack unthrashed	2	0	0
Item barley and oats unthrashed	4	0	0
Item vetches unthrashed	0	13	4
Sum	6	13	4

In the stable

Item one horse	1	0	0
Sum	1	0	0

In the gate

Item 2 kine and 3 bullocks	5	0	0
Item 21 sheep	5	0	0
Item one iron bound cart, a long lade, 1 plough with furniture, a pair of harrows and a dung pot	2	3	4
Item 3 hoggerels	0	12	0
Sum	12	15	4

Corn in the fields

Item wheat 6 acres and a half	4	0	0
Item vetches 2 acres	1	0	0
Sum	5	0	0
Sum total	35	11	0

Thomas King
Brian Mathew
Geo. Bayly

John Swain his mark
Thomas Mathewe the elder's mark