

Francis Prince of Cliddesden, yeoman, 1557

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In the name of God Amen the 28th day of August in the year of our Lord God 1557 I Francis Prince of the parish of Cliddesden in the county of Southampton, being in perfect mind and memory do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. **First** I bequeath my soul unto Almighty God and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Cliddesden. **Item** I give and bequeath to the church of Cliddesden to be prayed for 6s. 8d. **Item** to the mother church in Winchester 4d. **Item** to the church of Farleigh *Wallop* a ewe sheep. **Item** to the church of Ellisfield a ewe sheep. **Item** to the church of Winslade a ewe sheep. **Item** I give to Sibill Prince my daughter £10 in money, 10 wethers, 10 ewes, 6 platters, 6 pottingers, 2 saucers, 2 good pairs of sheets, a white tester for a bed, a pair of silver hooks and silver pin and the best cap kerchief of her mothers and these to be delivered to her at the age of 16 years. **Item** I give to my daughter Johan Prince £10 in money, 10 wethers, 10 ewes, 6 platters, 6 pottingers, 2 saucers, 2 pairs of good sheets, a pair of silver hooks and a cap kerchief and these to be delivered to her at the age of 16 years. **Item** I give to my son John Prince £10 in money, 10 wethers, 10 ewes, a pair of sheets, a coverlet, a pair of blankets, 6 platters, 6 pottingers, 2 saucers and one chain of gold that my Lady Walloppe did give him at his christening. **And my** will is that if any of my aforenamed children, that is to say Sibell, Johan or John do die before they have their bequests of this my will, that then that part or parts of them so dying shall be equally divided by my executors and overseers unto the other of my children surviving. **Item** I give to John Knyght of Woodmancote 6 wethers. **Item** I give to Mawde Knight 5 wethers. **Item** I give to Valentine Kember a wether. **Item** I give to Rose Wrath a ewe sheep. **Item** I give to every one of my godchildren dwelling in the parish at this present time 12d. **Item** I give unto Edith Knight five wethers and five ewes. **Item** I give unto Julyan Prince my sister 33s. 4d besides her father's bequest which is £5 and that is in my custody. **Item** I give unto Johan Prince my sister 6s. 8d. **Item** I give unto Philipp Gye a wether. **Item** I give to Richard Flete at my yeremind to do his service diligently and truly 13s 4d. **Item** I give to Henry Silver for the same intent to do his service truly and diligently 13s 4d. **I give** to William Diggyns 6s 8d. **Item** I give to Alice Custran my sister 6s 8d. **Item** I give to Florentyne a bushel of wheat and to every one of his children 4d. **Item** I give to Johan Dey 4 ewe tegs. **Item** I give to Jerman Randell a bushel of barley. **Item** I give to Sir Davye Griffithe to pray for me 6s. 8d. **Item** I give to William Prince my son my gear of horses, my cart, the plough and all that appertains to the same, the press in the chamber and the joined table in the hall, the furnace, the yoting vat and all the things that shall be there upon the farm at my departing, 20 wether tegs, 10 ewe tegs and the garner in the malt house. **The residue** of my goods not given nor bequeathed I give and bequeath to William Prince and Thomas Prince my sons whom I make my full executors and they to be resident together upon my farm for the space of 18 years and then to divide their parts equally at the sight of my overseers which be these, Sir Olyver Walloppe Knight, Robert Prince and Thomas Prince and William Woodeson. **And I** will that Sir Olyver Walloppe for his pains shall have my best boar and William Woodeson shall have 5s. **Witnesses** of the same Sir Davye Griffithe parson of Farleigh *Wallop*, Richard Philpott, John Wrathe, Philipp Gye and William Blunden. **And I** will if either of my executors, that is to say William Prince or Thomas depart out of this present life before they divide their parts of goods, that then the other that lives shall give unto Sibill, John and Johan forty shillings apiece. **And if** it

chance that William and Thomas depart out of this transitory life before they come to years of discretion, that then my son John shall have the years remaining in my farm after their decease.

The inventory of all the goods moveable and unmoveable of Frauncis Prince of Cliddesden in the county of Southampton yeoman, late deceased, taken and made the sixth day of September in the year of our Lord God 1557 and appraised by Thomas Blouden, Florentyne Elis, John Wrathe and John Grantam.

The hall	£	s	d
Imprimis a joined table with a cupboard	0	5	0
Item a form	0	0	4
Item a round table	0	1	0
Item another table	0	1	0
Item two joined stools	0	1	4
Item an old cupboard	0	1	8
Item a joined back	0	2	6
Item the painted hangings	0	1	8
Item an andiron and a broche with a foot	0	3	4
Item a fire prong and 2 pot-hangers	0	1	4
Item 6 old cushions	0	3	0
Item 5 candlesticks	0	3	4
Item 12 broad brimmed platters	0	1	4
Item 13 other old platters	0	10	10
Item 12 porringers	0	13	0
Item 8 saucers	0	5	4
Item a washing basin	0	1	8
Item 2 salt cellars	0	1	4
Item a chafing dish	0	1	4
Item a dozen and half of pewter spoons	0	0	6
Item 2 dozen and half of trenchers	0	0	4
Sum	3	15	10

The kitchen			
Item 2 pans	0	6	8
Item 3 great kettles	0	14	0
Item 4 little kettles	0	5	4
Item one other kettle	0	2	8
Item 2 brass pots	0	8	0
Item a posnet	0	1	8
Item a pap pan	0	0	6
Item a cauldren	0	5	0
Item a furnace	0	3	4
Item 2 treen platters and 2 dozen treen dishes	0	0	8
Item a pair of bellows	0	0	4
Item a dripping pan	0	0	2
Item a hair for the [oast]	0	2	0
Item a ladle	0	0	0½
Item a skimmer	0	0	4
Item a cleaver and a ripping knife	0	1	0

Item an iron bar	0	1	4
Item a powdering trough	0	1	0
Item a gridiron	0	0	6
Item ten fitches of bacon	1	6	8
Item 2 trivets and a cobiron	0	0	2
Item 4 cheese vats	0	2	0
Item a cradle	0	1	0
Sum	4	6	2½

The malt house

Item a brewing vat and a grout tub	0	3	4
Item 2 water tubs and 2 buckets	0	3	4
Item 2 hogswash tubs	0	1	4
Item an adze	0	0	10
Item a mow knife	0	0	2
Item 4 augers and a wimble	0	1	3
Item a chisel and a spoke shave	0	0	4
Item 2 old horse combs	0	0	3
Item 12 riphooks	0	2	8
Item 2 frying pans	0	1	4
Item 4 milk bowls	0	2	0
Item 5 bottles	0	4	0
Item an old brasen skillet	0	0	6
Item 40 pounds of old iron by estimation	0	3	4
Item a grinding stone with an iron spindle	0	4	0
Item one shovel and a spade	0	0	8
Item 2 dung pots	0	0	6
Item an iron shoeing horn with a chain	0	0	4
Item 3 old pair of sheep shears	0	1	6
Item 2 scythes with the apparel	0	5	0
Item a yoting vat, an old trough and 4 old tubs	0	5	0
Item 4 old sacks	0	4	0
Item 2 seedlips	0	0	6
Item a well bucket bound with iron with a chain	0	3	4
Item 2 spinning wheel with a pair of spinning cards and 2 spindles	0	2	8
Item 9 ale tubs with a little kive and a firkin	0	11	0
Item a garner	0	6	8
Item 2 sheep skins and 3 lamb skins	0	1	0
Sum	3	10	11

The chamber within the hall

Item 2 bedsteads	0	2	8
Item a flock bed with a bolster and one flock pillow	0	6	8
Item 2 coverlets dyed, of listen	0	7	0
Item 2 painted sealings and the painted hangings	0	6	0
Item a press	0	6	8
Item an old flock bed	0	5	0
Item another coverlet of dyed listen	0	6	8
Item in white money	4	6	8

Item in gold	2	15	8
Item a piece of cloth coloured pink of 4 yards	0	12	0
Item a white piece of cloth containing by estimation six yards and a half	0	5	6
Item 3 pair of blankets	0	6	8
Item an old coverlet	0	1	8
Item 3 coffers	0	5	0
Item 8 pair of canvas sheets and a sheet	1	15	0
Item a christening sheet	0	6	8
Item a pair of lockeram sheets	0	15	0
Item a white linen tester	0	6	8
Item 4 feather pillows	0	4	0
Item 2 Holland pillow beres	0	4	0
Item 2 old pillow beres	0	2	0
Item one tablecloth of lockeram	0	3	0
Item one tablecloth of canvas	0	2	8
Item 2 little old tablecloths	0	1	8
Item 4 table napkins	0	1	0
Item 2 towels	0	2	0
Item an old cupboard cloth	0	1	0
Item 4 silver spoons	0	10	0
Item a mazer with a silver band	0	10	0
Sum	15	19	6

His raiment

Item 3 old coats and a cloak	1	0	0
Item a leather jerkin	0	5	0
Item a worsted doublet, a canvas doublet and a leather doublet	0	6	8
Item 2 pair of hose	0	4	0
Item 4 shirts	0	4	0
Item an old cap and a hat	0	2	8
Sum	2	2	4

His wife's raiment

Item 13 kerchiefs and rails	0	8	4
Item 3 smocks	0	3	0
Item a cap and an old silk hat	0	6	8
Item 2 pairs of camlet sleeves	0	2	8
Item an old frock with a black kirtle	0	13	4
Item 2 petticoats	0	9	0
Sum	2	8	0

The loft over the chamber

Item a bedstead	0	1	4
Item another bedstead	0	0	8
Item a truckle bedstead	0	1	0
Item a flock bed	0	6	8
Item a feather bed with a tick for a bolster	1	0	0
Item a carpet	0	6	0

Item a coverlet	0	10	0
Item a stained tester with the hanging	0	3	0
Item two hundred weight of cheeses	1	4	0
Item a coffer	0	1	0
Item a bolting vat, 2 breeding kivers, 2 old whiches, 2 broken coffers and a firkin	0	6	8
Item 2 great pots with ears	0	9	0
Item a tod and a half of locks and lamb's wool with 4 fleeces of wool	0	13	4
Item 3 hand baskets and a hamper	0	1	4
Item a cheese rack with a double shelf	0	1	0
Item a reel	0	0	5
Item 2 malt sieves	0	0	6
Item an old pair of harnesses	0	1	8
Item a flock bed and a bolster for a truckle bed	0	4	0
Item a lantern	0	0	4
Item a flock bed, a bolster, a coverlet and a blanket with an old tester	0	5	0
Item 2 earthen pans and 2 yearn pots	0	0	4
Item 10 bushels of malt	1	0	0
Sum	6	17	4

The stable

Item 3 bills	0	1	6
Item a tenon saw	0	1	4
Item 5 old axes and 4 hatchets	0	4	4
Item 3 iron wedges	0	1	0
Item 2 prongs	0	0	6
Item 2 pairs of pincers and 2 mattocks	0	2	0
Item 2 hammers	0	1	0
Item 2 corn ropes and a wood rope	0	8	0
Item 6 horse harnesses for the cart with collars and halters	1	10	0
Item 2 racks and two mangers	0	2	0
Sum	2	1	8

The cattle

Item 2 old cart horses	3	0	0
Item 4 young cart horses	9	6	8
Item 9 score and one of wether sheep and 4 rams	43	3	4
Item four score ewes	13	6	8
Item four score lambs	10	0	0
Item 8 hogs and a boar	2	5	0
Item 10 weaned pigs	1	0	0
Item 18 hens and pullets and 2 cocks	0	5	0
Item 20 chickens	0	2	6
Item a stall of bees	0	3	4
Item 7 kine and a bull	13	6	8
Item a heifer	1	3	4
Item 2 weaners	0	13	4

	Sum	97	15	10
The barns				
Item 5 loads of hay		2	0	0
Item 5 loads of vetches by estimation		2	10	0
Item 2 loads of peas by estimation		1	0	0
Item 44 quarters of barley by estimation after 8s the quarter		17	12	0
Item 70 quarters of wheat at 10s the quarter		35	0	0
Item 36 quarters of oats at 5s 4d the quarter		9	12	0
Sum		67	14	0
The backside				
Item fifty loads of wood by estimation		5	0	0
Item one plough with 2 pair of iron bands and all the apparel thereunto belonging		1	0	0
Item 2 iron bound carts with 3 lades and a cart wheel		3	6	8
Item 6 rakes and a drag		0	2	0
Item 3 cow racks		0	1	0
Item 2 ladders		0	2	0
Item a hog trough		0	0	4
Item a flail, a barn shovel and a winnowing sheet, a bushel and five sieves		0	5	0
Item a load of wheat straw		0	1	4
Item 6 harrows and a roller		0	13	4
Item 40 fold hurdles		0	6	8
Item an old cart wheel bound with iron		0	2	0
Sum		10	19	4
Sum total Inventory		218	11	0½