William Lover of Steventon, 1591 Ref: Hants. RO 1591A/088

In the name of God Amen, in the year of our Lord God 1591, the 12th day of May, I William Lover of the parish or Steventon, sick in body but in perfect and good remembrance, I praise God, do constitute, make, and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I commend my soul to Almighty God and my body to be buried within the church yard of the parish of Steventon. **Item** I give to the Trinity church of Winchester 4d. **Item** I give to the church of Steventon 6d. Item I give to the church of North Waltham 6d. Item I give to the church of Deane 6d. **Item** I give John Hardyng of Steventon 8d. **Item** I give to James Benet of Steventon parish 8d. Item I give to William Francklyn 8d. Item I give to John Lover of the parish of Overton 10s. Also I give to Austin Browne a lamb. Item to John Wisham I give 8d. Item I give to my godson William Sticklinge 12d. Also I give to Joan Lover, my wife, my bed wherein I now lie, and all thereunto belonging, her chamber, meat, drink and clothing during her life, in consideration that she shall not demand any dowry of Joane Crooke my daughter, nor of John Crooke her husband. Item I give and begueath all my lands and tenements, lying and being within the parish of Steventon and also within the parish of Ashe to Joan Lover my daughter, and to the lawful begotten heirs of her body. All the rest of my goods movable and unmovable I give and bequeath to the said Joan Lover my daughter whom I do make my whole executrix of this my last will and testament, and I utterly revoke and annul all and every other former testaments, wills, bequests, legacies, executors and overseers, by me in anywise before time made, named, willed and bequeathed. In witness hereof are these under named

The seal of the testator and his mark

Pierse Robarts, minister Robert Harryes Austin Ansell

Probate granted 4 December 1592 to John his son.
Obligation to John Crocke, yeoman and William Sticklin, husbandman.

An inventory of all the goods and chattels of William Lover of Steventon taken the 21st day of November 1591.

	£	S	d
Imprimis four horses, cart, plough and harness	4	0	0
Item three kine	3	0	0
Item wethers, ewes and lambs 26	4	0	0
Item hogs and pigs 7	1	0	0
Item wheat and barley	4	13	4
Item two feather beds	2	0	0
A flock bed	0	7	0
Three coverlets	0	16	0
Item 3 bolsters, two pillows, a pair of blankets	1	0	0
Item two bedsteads	0	6	8

Item four pairs of sheets, a pair of pillow beres, three			
table cloths	1	6	0
Half a dozen of table napkins	0	4	0
Item two table boards	0	3	4
Item pewter three dozen	1	0	0
Item candlesticks half a dozen	0	6	3
Item 3 brass pots	0	16	0
Item three kettles	0	13	4
Item two pans	0	8	0
Item two skillets	0	2	0
Item 2 broches	0	2	4
Item three cows	0	2	4
Item three barrels	0	3	4
One vat	0	3	0
One kine	0	1	0

Appraisers

John Lover, John Upton, Astaine Ansell, Wylliam Stickling