

Richard Austen of Cliddesden, 1559

Ref: Hants. RO 1559U/008

In dei nomine Amen in the year of our Lord God 1558 and the ninth day of December, I Richard Austen of the parish of Cliddesden in the county of Southampton being of perfect mind and memory make my testament and last will in form as follows. **First** I render bequeath and commend my soul unto my creator Almighty God in trinity beseeching the most blessed Virgin Mary and all the Holy Company of Heaven to pray for me and my body to be buried Christianlike in the churchyard of Cliddesden aforesaid. **Item** I give and bequeath to the mother church of Winchester 4d. **Item** I bequeath to the parish church of Cliddesden one ewe sheep. **Item** I bequeath to Edwarde Austen my son 6 wether sheep. **Item** to Joane my daughter 3 ewe sheep. **Item** I give and bequeath to John Kynge one ewe sheep and to Willyam Wodowson the elder another, the which said 2 persons I ordain, constitute and make the overseers of this my present testament. **And the** rest of my goods and cattles not bequeathed (the charge of funeral and debts being first and fully paid), I give and bequeath to Margerye my wife whom I constitute and make my only executrix to have, use and bestow the same for my soul's health. **And as** to her good [disposition] and [discretion] shall seem best given and signed by my own hand in the presence of Richard Hollande clerk, John Kynge, Willyam Wodowson, Thomas Prynce with others.

Probate granted 28 January 1559 to Margerye the relict.

The inventory of the goods and cattles of Richard Austen of Cliddesden taken and made the 17th day of December AD 1558 by John Kinge, Willyam Wodeson and Thomas Prince.

In the hall and kitchen

	£	s	d
Imprimis a cupboard	0	1	4
Item 3 basins, 3 candlesticks	0	2	0
Item 3 old platters, 4 pottingers	0	2	4
Item one brass pot	0	2	0
Item 1 spit, a pot hanger and chain	0	1	0
Item 2 andirons	0	1	0
Item trenchers and water dishes, 2 saucers	0	0	3
Item 2 chafing dish	0	0	3
Item a gridiron	0	0	2
Item 2 iron wedges	0	0	6
Item 4 kettles	0	5	0
Item 2 posnets	0	1	0

Item a trivet	0	0	8
Item 2 salt cellars	0	0	2
Item 2 table boards, a form	0	2	0
Item 6 old vessels and tubs	0	2	0
Item one bottle	0	2	0
Sum	1	1	10

The chamber

Imprimis a coffer	0	0	8
Item 2 flockbeds	0	6	8
Item 2 coverlet	0	5	0
Item 2 pillows, one bolster	0	1	4
Item 2 pairs of sheets	0	5	0
Item one sealing for a bed	0	1	0
Item his wearing apparel	0	5	0
Sum	1	4	8

Corn and cattle with utensils for husbandry

Imprimis wheat in the barn by estimation 9 quarters	1	16	0
Item 9 quarters barley	1	16	0
Item vetches and peas	1	0	0
Item oats and hay	0	4	0
Item wheat in the field 17 acres	1	16	8
Item 3 acres vetches	0	10	0
Item the bushel <i>winding</i> sheet and sieves	0	0	10
Item 5 cart horses	3	0	0
Item harness, wood rope and halters	0	2	8
Item an iron bound cart	1	0	0
Item a cart lade	0	2	8
Item an old wheel for a cart	0	2	0
Item the plough, the harrows and chain	0	5	0
Item 2 kine	1	12	0
Item 2 steer bullocks	0	13	4
Item one weaner calf	0	2	4
Item 7 hogs shoots	0	16	0
Item 16 wether sheep	1	12	0
Item 14 kebs	1	3	4
Item 26 ewes	1	14	4
Item 5 ewe tegs	0	5	0
Sum	20	15	8