William Pivar of Eastnor, smith, 1595

Ref: Herefs. RO 34/2/35

In the name of God Amen, the fifth day of May AD 1595, I William Pivar of Eastnor in the county of Hereford, smith, being sick in body but (thanks be to God) of perfect memory, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following: First I bequeath my soul to Almighty God my maker and redeemer by whom alone I hope to be saved, and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Eastnor. And as concerning my worldly [goods], although they be but few, I give and bequeath them as followeth: First I bequeath unto John Linals my kinsman one smith's vice, three pairs of tongs, one hand hammer. Item I give and bequeath unto Alice Smalls my daughter two ewes and lambs, to be paid within one year next after the decease of Eline my wife. Item I bequeath unto Robert my son one ewe and lamb. Item I give and bequeath unto William my son my anvil and my bighorn, to be occupied jointly between my wife and him during her life. All the rest of my goods moveable and immoveable not yet bequeathed (my debts and funeral discharged), I give and bequeath unto Eline my wife, whom I make my sole and only executrix. Item I do appoint John Webley and Thomas Clinton to be overseers of this my last will and testament.

Witnesses hereof: Edward Wilshire, Richard Careles, Elizabeth Salter

Debts which I do owe:

Imprimis to Margaret Webley 40s. to Edwards of Worcester 6s. 8d.

Debts owing to me:

Thomas Pit 2s 4d.
Roger Davies 16d.
Thomas Barbar 32s.
For two mares
Bought of me the
Price £3 3s. 4d.
And I received but
15s.

Probate 29th.. June. 1595/6

Note: William Pivar the elder was buried 13 May 1595 [Herefs. RO BO93/1]