

**Nicholas Smith of Mapledurwell, yeoman, 1632**

**Ref: Hants. RO 1632A/085**

**In the name of God Amen.** The tenth day of March in the year of our Lord God 1630, I Nicholas Smith of Mapledurwell in the county of Southampton, yeoman, being sick in body but of whole mind and in good and perfect remembrance, laud and praise be unto Almighty God, make and ordain this my present testament concerning herein my last will in manner and form following. **First** I commend my soul unto Almighty God my maker and redeemer and my body to be buried in the church yard of Mapledurwell. **And** I bequeath toward the reparation of the church there 5 shillings. **Then** I give to my mother church of Winchester 4 pence. **Item** I will that all such debts and duties as I owe of right or of conscience to any person or persons be well and truly satisfied and paid by mine executors hereafter named. **And** after my debts paid and my funeral expenses performed, I will that all my goods, chattels and debts be honestly, conscionably valued and praised, and thereof I will that my seven children, that is to say, my three sons Roger, William and Richard and my four daughters Barbara, Elizabeth, Agnes and Martha shall have forty pounds apiece each of them. **The** said portions to be paid unto my said sons when they shall accomplish the age of one and twenty years and to my said daughters when they shall accomplish the like age of 21 years or else when they shall be married if before that time they shall be bestowed. **Item** I give to my servants Henry Edwards, Henry Cowper and Mary White to each of them 5 shillings. **Item** I give unto every other of my godchildren which bear my name 18 pence. **Item** I give unto every other of my godchildren 12 pence. **Item** I give to the poor of Mapledurwell 10 shillings in money and 2 bushels of wheat for bread to be distributed amongst them according as my executors in their discretion shall think fit. **Item** I will that if any of my foresaid sons and daughters shall depart out of this life before they accomplish the age of 21 years that then their portion of portions shall be distributed equally amongst those my children which shall survive. **The residue** of all my goods, chattels and debts, after my debts paid, my funeral expenses performed, and those my legacies combined in this my present testament fulfilled, I wholly give unto Elizabeth my wife and Roger my son whom jointly I make and ordain mine executors. **Then** I will that Elizabeth my wife shall have the [Turtis] of all my said children during their minorities, together with the one half of their portion. **And** I will that the other moneys or half of their portion shall be employed and put forth for their benefit until they accomplish the aforesaid age of 21 years. **And** of the execution of this my last will and testament I make and ordain my well beloved brother William Smith, and my loving friend John Canner overseers, desiring them to assist my executors in those things which concern my will and the welfare of my children and to either of them for their pains and as a remembrance of my love I bequeath 10 shillings. **In witness** of the aforesaid persons I have unto this my last will and testament put my hand, the day and year above written.

Nicholas Smith

Witness thereof William Cape, Clerk

The inventory of the goods and chattels of Nicholas Smith of Mapledurwell deceased, taken the 15th day of September 1631, as they were praised by Edward Cleave, William Smith, Hugh Mathews, John Canner, Edward Bernard and William Cape

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<b>Imprimis</b> his wearing apparel	4	0	0

**Item in the chamber over the parlour**

One feather bed one flock bed, one bolster, 6 pillows, 2 blankets, one coverlet and one standing bedstead	4	0	0
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<b>Item</b> one table with its frame, 3 coffers, 2 boxes and 4 joined stools	0	13	0
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**Item in an upper chamber over one lower chamber**

One standing bedstead one flock bed, one bolster one covering and one truckle bedstead	1	0	0
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<b>Item</b> one standing bedstead of boards nailed together, a flock bed, one coverlet, 2 chests with other lumber	0	10	0
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**Item in the old loft over the hall**

4 tod of fleece wool and 14 pound of lamb's wool	5	16	8
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<b>Item</b> eleven sacks, 2 tubs, 3 baskets with other lumber	0	15	0
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**Item in the garret**

In pewter one charger, 10 platters, 14 middling dishes, 4 candlesticks with other small pewter	2	0	0
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**Item in the parlour**

A table with a frame, one form, 4 joined stools, a chair, a cupboard with other lumber	1	6	0
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**Item in an under chamber next unto the parlour**

2 standing bedsteads, 2 flock beds, 2 bolsters, 2 coverlets, one chest, 2 coffers one cupboard with other lumber	1	10	0
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<b>Item</b> in cheeses	0	17	0
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**Item in the hall**

One table, one chair, 2 sheets, a table, a cupboard 2 spits, one pair of andirons with other lumber	1	0	0
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**Item in the buttery**

5 barrels, 4 bottles with other lumber	0	10	0
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**Item in the kitchen**

One furnace of brass, 2 kettles, two brass pots, 3 skillets with other small pieces	1	10	0
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<b>Item</b> one yoting vat, one kine-vat a well bucket and			
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the rope with other lumber 0 15 0

**Item in the bakehouse**

A bedstead, a flock bed, a bolster a kneading kiver,  
a basket with other lumber 0 10 0

**Item** one piece of [...] woollen cloth, 8 pair of sheets,  
6 pair of pillow beres, 2 tablecloths, one dozen of napkins  
and some other linen 4 0 0

**Item in the barns**

**Imprimis** in wheat 24 0 0

**Item** in barley 24 0 0

**Item** in oats 12 0 0

**Item** in peas 7 6 0

**Item** in vetches 5 10 0

**Item** in rye 1 0 0

**Item** in sheep 16 0 0

**Item** in kine and young cattle 21 0 0

**Item** in horses and colts 12 0 0

**Item** in ploughs, carts and the tackling belonging thereto 5 0 0

**Item** in hay 2 0 0

**Item** in timber bought and yet growing on the stem 3 0 0

**Item** in wood and timber 5 0 0

**Item** in hogs and pigs 5 0 0

**Item** in bonds and debts 150 0 0

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Edward Cleeve

William Smith

William Cape

Hugh Mathew his mark

John Canner his mark

Edward Barnard