

Edward Austin of Basingstoke, baker, 1610

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In the name of God Amen. The 3rd day of March 1609 I Edward Austen of Basingstoke sick in body yet in good memory, thanks be to God, do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. **First** I bequeath my soul into the hands of God, and my body to be buried in Christian burial. **Item** I give unto my son William Austen ten pounds of good money to be paid unto my overseers within a month after the day of my decease and they to put it forth to use for his best advantage, and he to receive it with the use at the age of four and twenty years. **Item** my will is that my son William shall have all those things which his grandmother gave him viz one joined bedstead and a truckle bedstead, one feather bed and a feather bolster, one feather pillow with a pillow bere, two coverlets, one blanket, one lockram sheet, one canvas sheet, and a canvas table cloth, one table, one cupboard, a pair of angers, one chest, one brass pot, one cauldron, one brasen candlestick, one white candlestick, five pieces of pewter, two joined stools, one chair. **Item** I will that my overseers shall receive the £20 a year which I in my life time received out of my brother in law Thomas Harmwood, forth of his house, and they to take it and use it for him for his best advantage and to deliver it him at the age of four and twenty years. **Item** I bequeath unto my wife and said son William all my goods within doors and without to be equally divided by my overseers between my said son and my wife, and the same to be delivered within one month after my departure out of this life and he to enjoy the benefit of it at the age of four and twenty years. **Item** my will is that if my said son William shall depart this life before the age of 24 years that then my wife Clemence shall enjoy all those things formerly given unto my said son, during her natural life. **And** after her decease my will is that it shall remain unto the use of my brother in law Thomas Harmwoode's children to be equally divided between them. **And** all my goods and chattels not given and bequeathed, I give and bequeath unto Clemence my wife whom I make my sole executrix of this my last will and testament. **And** I do ordain and appoint Thomas Morrell and John Sidford my overseers, to see this my last will and testament according to my good meanings justly performed.

Witnesses hereunto

Robert Walker and

Robert Davis, his mark

Edward Austen, his mark

An inventory indented of the goods and chattels of Edward Austen of Basingstoke late deceased baker, taken and praised by Thomas Morrell, John Stevens, John Sidford and John Morrell the 20th day of March 1609.

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In the hall

Imprimis one cupboard, one form, a little back with benches and wainscot, one little chair, a little joined stool and old painted cloths, three cushions, one settle, a pair of bellows, a pair of andirons, one pair of tongs, one firer pan, a toasting iron, a little iron bar, two pairs of pot hangers

0 18 0

In the kitchen

Item three brass pots, five small kettles, a little furnace, one skillet, one brasen ladle and a skimmer, one frying pan, two dripping pans, one gridiron, two pairs of pot-hooks, two broches, a chopping knife and a cleaver, one spade, a trowel, one iron [trist], an iron bar in the chimney with two little bars, one trough with a moulding board and a brake and a bench, a peal with other small things and a brewing vat

2 0 0

In the bolting house

Item a wheel, a reel, and a pair of cards, two sieves, two baskets, one bushel and a gallon measure, three tubs, two bolting wiches, one broche, three boulders and a search, one pair of scales, one pound stone and two half pounds, two baskets, one little stool, two bowls with a tray with some dishes and other small wooden things

0 6 8

Item 6 flitches of bacon

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In the shop

Item two tubs, three baskets, two shelves, a candle mould, one auger and a [wrybit] with other old iron and earthen vessels

0 5 0

In a little room next the shop

Item a table with a frame, one form with benches

0 2 6

In a little chamber

Item one feather bed, two bolsters, one coverlet, a low bedstead, a little form with a little boarde and a cord

0 2 6

In the buttry

Item two saws, one axe, one hatchet, 4 wedges, one pair of pincers, one hammer, a little bill hook, one prong, one watch bill, a garden rake, one old cupboard, lanthorn, one handsaw, a wimble, two chisels with some other small things

0 7 0

In the cellar

Item one powdering trough, four kivers, three barrels, Two tubs, one trivet, one stand, two shelves with a partition

0 16 0

In the loft over the gate house

Item three old bedsteads, three flockbeds, three flock bolsters, one feather bolster, two coverlets, one blanket and old board with a pair of trestles

1 10 0

In the chamber over the shop

Item one little joined bedstead with one other truckle

bedstead, one flockbed, three bolsters, one old coverlet,
two tables with frames, a form with benches with boards
and timber overhead and simple painted clothes 0 16 0

In the chamber over the hall

Item a bedstead with a truckle bedstead, two flockbeds,
one feather bolster and a flock bolster, two coverlets, a
linen tester, three flock pillows 0 13 4

Item one chest, five coffers 0 13 4

In the loft over the kitchen

Item two old coffers and a form and two bushels of peas
two bushels of wheat and half a quarter of malt 0 13 4

Item his wearing apparel woollen and linen 2 10 0

Item one kettle, one brasen posnet, four little brasen
candlesticks, 6 platters, 8 pottingers, 8 saucers, three
quart pots, two pint pots, two salts, two small basins, two
pewter dishes, two dozen of spoons, three chamber pots
with a cheese rack 1 6 8

Item nine pairs of canvas sheet, and one sheet, three
table cloths, half a dozen of napkins, three pillow beres,
five handtowels 2 13 4

In the backside

Item three barrels, five kivers, four tubs, one old grindstone,
a coop, two planks, a well bucket with rope and chain an old
bushel and two or three buckets and ten boards 0 8 0

Item great wood and faggots 2 0 0

Item in the stable, a rack and a manger, a ladder, a vat
with some other old things 0 8 0

Item seven young hogs 1 15 0

Item one cock and a hen with three little cheeses 0 2 0

His debts

Item Richard Deane owes him upon a bond 6 0 0

Item the same Richard Deane owes him more 2 0 0

Item Mr Overy owes him 1 0 0

Item Henry Smith owes him 0 12 4

Item Mr Illingworth owes him for twenty tod of hay 0 6 8

Item Mr Earely owes him 1 0 0

Item John Miles owes him 0 3 4

Item John Owens owes him 0 8 0

Sum total 34 16 6