

John Whitcombe/Witcom of Old Basing, 1558

Ref: Hants. RO 1558B/280

In the name of God Amen the 7th of August AD 1558 I John Witcom within the parish of Basing sick in body but perfect in memory do make this my last willing and testament in manner and form following. **First** I commit my soul to Almighty God, to our Lady Saint Mary and to all the holy company of heaven. **And my** body to be buried within the parish churchyard of Basing before said. **Item** I give to the mother church of Winchester 2d. **Item** to my parish church of Basing 12d. **Item** I bequeath to Jhon Witcom the younger, my son, £1 13s 4d. **Item** I bequeath to Joan Witcom, to Margaret Witcom, to Joan Witcom younger and to Elsabeth Witcom my daughters, to every one of them £1 6s 8d to be delivery to them at the day of their marriage. **And if** it shall chance any of my said children to die before they be married, then I will that the part of portion of any such child so dying shall remain or be due to Alys Witcom my wife. **Also I** bequeath to every one of my godchildren 2d. **Also I** do make, constitute and ordain Alys Witcom my wife and John Witcom the elder my son to be my full and lawful executors of this my will and testament as is before prescribed. **Also I** will that my executors before named shall pay or cause to be paid all my debts which can justly and lawfully be required.

Probate granted 16 September 1558. (Proved in Basingstoke rather than the more usual Winchester.)

An inventory of all the goods and cattle of John Whitcom of Basing within the county of Southampton who deceased the 8th day of August AD 1558 praised by William Wakefeild senior, Thomas White, William Whitcom and Edward Thorne the 4th day of September in the same year.

	£	s	d
In the hall			
Imprimis 1 table, 1 form, 1 pair of trestles, two chairs, 3 joined stools and 2 cupboards price	0	8	0
In the kitchen			
Imprimis 3 kettles, 1 pan, 1 little skillet and one brass pot price	0	13	4
Item 10 old tubs, 3 bowls, 3 kivers, 2 buckets, 3 cheese vats and 4 ale vessels price	0	6	8
Item one andiron, 1 broche, 1 gridiron, 1 paire of pot hangers price	0	3	0
Item 7 platters, 8 pottingers, 4 saucers, 1 chafing dish, 1 salt, 2 candlesticks, 1 dozen of treen dishes, 12 trenchers and 6 spoons	0	13	4
In the chamber			
Imprimis 1 flock bed, 1 mattress, 2 bedsteads, 2 coverlets, 4 pairs of sheets, 2 tablecloths and one tester price	1	4	4
Item 4 coffers, 1 chest and 20 small cheeses price	0	7	0

Cart, cattle, corn, wood and hay

Imprimis 2 steer and 3 mares price	3	13	4
Item one cart lade, one pair of wheels bound with iron, a whip lathe, 1 plough with the appurtenances price	0	13	4
Item 3 kine price	3	0	0
Item 3 bullocks of one year old price	1	4	0
Item 3 weaners of this year price	0	15	0
Item 1 sow, 5 shoots and 8 weaning pigs price	1	0	0
Item 6 geese and one gander	0	2	4
Item 6 hens and one cock	0	1	4
Item 1 little stack of hay	0	10	0
Item 1 little mow of wheat	1	12	0
Item 1 little mow of barley	1	6	8
Item 1 stack of pease, vetches and oats	0	13	4
Item 10 sheep	1	0	0
Item a little wood vine	0	8	0
Sum total	19	15	0