William Frye/Fry of Cliddesden, 1612 Ref: Hants. RO 1612B/029

Anno Domini 1612

In the name of God Amen: I William Frie of Cliddesden, being sick in body, but perfect in mind and memory do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I commend my soul into the hands of my most loving Creator and merciful Redeemer trusting to be saved by the above mercies and merits of my blessed Saviour. And my body to be buried in the churchyard of the parish church of Cliddesden. **Item** I bequeath and give to the cathedral church of the Blessed Trinity in Winchester 6d. Item I give my eldest son Mathewe Frie twenty pounds. Item I give to my second son Edward ten pounds. Item I give Catharine my eldest daughter twelve pounds which is now in the hands of Richard Marler in Hurst parish in Wiltshire. **Item** I give to Anne my second daughter ten pounds. **Item** I give to Susan my youngest daughter ten pounds. **Item** I give to William my youngest son ten pounds. **Item** I give to my eldest brother Thomas Frie of Sunning/Sonning? forty shillings. Item I give to the five children of my brother James Frie (which he had by his first wife) each of them a ewe sheep. **Item** I give to my godchildren twelve pence apiece. Item I give to my servant John Bennam one ewe and one lamb. Item I give to my servant John Cliffe one lamb. Item I give to my servant Besse Elisabeth Woodason one ewe. Item I give to my servant Elisabeth Lee one lamb. Item I give to the poor of this parish six shillings 8d. Item I give to the parish church one shilling. My will and pleasure is that these sums of money given to my daughters shall be paid unto them by my wife when they come to the fifteenth year of their age and to my sons when they come to the eighteenth year of their age. The residue of all my goods and cattles, my debts being paid, and funeral expenses being discharged I give and bequeath unto Catharine my wife whom I make my sole executrix of this my last will and testament, and my overseers thereof I do ordain and make William Prince, James Dyer and John Aire my brother. In witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and seal this present seventh day of June AD 1612, bearing witness hereunto the persons whose names are underwritten.

Sealed in the presence of us. The seal and mark of William Frie

Subscribed and sealed in the presence of us William Prince
James Dyer
John Aire

Probate granted 24 September 1612 to the relict. Obligation was on James Dyer of Ellisfield husbandman and Richard Fry of Yately yeoman.

The inventory of the goods and cattles of Wyllam Fry deceased taken the 10th day of August 1612 as follows and appraised by Wyllam Prynce, James Dier, Richard Frye and Wyllyam Barrett.

Item imprimis 11 rother beasts Item 11 hogs and 15 pigs Item 280 sheep of all sorts Item 6 horse beast Item 16 quarters of wheat Item 23 acres of barley Item 10 acres of oats Item 3 acres of peas Item 2 acres of fetches Item 2 carts, 2 lades and a dung pot Item 2 ploughs and chains and wheels Item 2 harrows Item wood in the backside	£ s d 18 6 8 6 5 0 43 0 0 14 0 0 21 6 8 26 13 4 12 0 0 3 0 0 1 0 0 4 6 8 1 0 0 0 16 0 0 10 0
Item 1 quarter of old wheat	1 6 8
Item 2 silting trows, a yoting vat, a cheese press, a	
bushel and a peck	1 10 0
Item 7 kettles	3 0 0
Item 3 brass pots and posnet and a spice mortar	1 10 0
Item 2 brass pans, 3 skillets and a skimmer	0 13 4
Item 2 spits, 2 pairs of pot-hooks, 1 pair of andirons an	
2 pair of pot hangers	0 14 0
Item in all sorts of pewter vessels	2 12 0
Item 1 chafing dish	0 2 0
Item 2 cupboards, 1 table and form, 1 chair	1 10 0
Item 6 barrels for beer and all other wooden vessels	1 10 0
Item 10 bushels of malt	1 5 0
Item 1 featherbed and 2 bolsters, 4 feather pillows	3 0 0
5 flock beds and 5 bolsters	3 0 0
6 coverlets	2 13 4
3 pairs of blankets	1 0 0
Item 10 pairs of sheets, 2 tablecloths and 1 dozen of	1 0 0
table napkins	4 10 0
Item 8 tod of wool	10 0 0
Item 3 flitches of bacon	0 18 0
Item 50 cheeses	2 0 0
Item 4 bedsteads	1 10 0
Item 9 coffers, 3 boxes	
Item an old cart bound of iron	1 0 0 0 6 8
Item 3 saddles and 2 linen wheels	1 0 0
Item his apparel	2 10 0
Sum is	201 5 4
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Wyllyam Prynce his mark James Dier his mark Wyllam Barrett Richard Fry his mark