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BURFORD PROBATE DOCUMENTS

William HEDGYS of Burford

Will proved 1548

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Testamentum Willimi Hedgys de Burforde

1. In the name of god amen the thirde daye of Auguste the yere of our lord god A
2. thowsande fyve hundred fortie and eight the seconde yere of the reigne of our soferaigne
3. lorde Edwarde the vjth by the grace of god of Englande Fraunce and Irelande kyng
4. defender of the faith and of the churche of Englande and allso of Irelande in earth the
5. supream heed I Wyllyam Hedgys of Burforde in the Countie of Oxforde whole and
6. p[er]fet of mynde but syke in bodie make and ordeyne this my Testamente and laste
7. Wyll in maner and forme folowinge Fyrst I bequeth my sowle to allmyghtie god
8. desyerynge all the blessed sayntes in Heaven to praye for me my bodye to be buried within
9. the chapell of our blessed ladie saynte Marie the virgyn in the paryshe churche of
10. Burforde aforesaid on the lefte syde where Margerye my mother is buried yf I dye within
11. anye parte of this realme It[e]m I gyve and bequeth to Alexandre Hedges my naturall
12. brother fyve score shepe to be delyvered unto hym as they shall runne owte of the folde
13. in signett felde within one quarter of a yere nexte after my decease and allso one Cowe
14. to be delyvered at the same tyme It[e]m more I gyve and bequeth unto hym myne
15. owne geldyng that I ryde on myselfe an yron bounde carte one pyle of woode nexte
16. to the backe yate that standeth upon an hovell, the hovell¹ and the polles to remayne
17. standyng xv acres of barley and one acre of wheate to be indifferently appoynted
18. unto hym by myne overseers hereafter to be named It[e]m I gyve to my said brother A
19. greate maser² of sylver vj spones of sylver and to his wyffe ij shepe It[e]m I gyve and
20. bequeath to John Carter of Fulbrooke a dublet that was my fathers which is
21. stocked³ with velvet and a sylver spon It[e]m I gyve and bequeth to Henry Combe
22. a wolsted⁴ iacket that was my fathers my best shyrt and to Agnes his wyffe I gyve

¹ hovell outhouse or frame for cornstack

² maser goblet without a foot, usually of wood, sometimes decorated with silver

³ stocked possibly decorated or edged

⁴ wolsted probably worsted, superior woollen cloth with long staple

23. my second shirte and ij sylver spones It[e]m I gyve and bequeth unto Margaret
 24. Hedgys of Kencott wedowe one sylver spone and to her sonne Henrye one sylver
 25. spone and to her dawghter Katheryne one sylver spone It[e]m I wyll that Barbara
 26. my wyffe shall have and enioye the lease of the howse that I dwell in of Thomas
 27. Fallers in Burforde durynge the terme of her wedowhod and after that she dothe
 28. marrye or decease the lease of the said howse to remayne unto the said Thomas
 29. Faller and to his heyres And that the said Thomas and his heyres everye yere
 30. durynge the terme of yeres than to cume in the said lease shall gyve unto xij poore
 31. people xij^d It[e]m I gyve unto the said Barbara my wyffe a sylver salte⁵ w[i]th a cover
 32. a sylver cuppe with a cover and vj sylver spones Yf she doo marry honestly and
 33. accordinge to the myndes and wyll of my overseers of my laste wyll And if she dothe
 34. otherwyse than I wyll that my said brother Alexandre shall have the said salte cuppe
 35. and spones and he to distribute therefore amonges the poore people of the paryshe of
 Burforde
 36. aforesaid xx^s within one moneth nexte after he hath receaved the said plate It[e]m I
 37. gyve and bequeth unto the chyl dren of Thomas Hedges my fathers brother xl^s equallye
 38. to be devyded amonges them It[e]m I wyll that Wylliam Cotmore shall have his meate
 39. and drynke of my executors durynge his naturall lyffe or els to have iij^{li} in moneye
 40. towards his Fyndyng to be delyvered hym by my said executors within foure dayes
 41. nexte after that my said executors wyll no longer kepe hym It[e]m I wyll that xx^{ti}
 42. bushelles of barlye and xx^{ti} bushelles of malte shall within one moneth nexte after
 43. my decease be distributed amonges the poore people of the paryshe of Burforde by and at
 44. the discrecion of my said Overseers It[e]m I gyve to Elsab[eth] Harbedge late my servand
 45. v^s It[e]m I gyve to Marstresse handes the greate purse [?press] that hangith in the chamber
 46. at home It[e]m I wyll that George Lamberte shall have the copper maser that was his
 47. It[e]m I wyll there shalbe distributed to the ministers of the quire and to the poore people
 48. at the daye of my buryng xiiij^s iij^d It[e]m I gyve to every one of my s[er]vantes that be
 49. in my service at the daye of my decease a bushell of wheate and a bushell of barlye
 50. It[e]m I gyve and bequeth to Henrye Perrott a quarter of malte It[e]m I gyve unto
 51. Thomas Faller my beste gowne my lytle maser and my sworde that is at Richarde
 52. breames It[e]m I gyve unto Richarde Hodges iij hogges The reste of all my goodes and
 53. catalles not gyven nor bequeathed my funeralles donne and my dettes payed I gyve
 54. hollye unto Barbara my wyffe whom I doo make my full executrix and she

⁵ salt container for salt

55. to dispose thereof for the wealth of my sowle and all christen sowles as she shall thynke
56. expediente Allso I doo ordeyne and make my overseers or supervisors of this my laste
57. wyll and Testamente Thomas Faller and Richarde Hodges and to every of them
58. I gyve for their paynes takyn in this behalffe iij^s iiij^d the pece And allso I wyll that
59. the said Thomas and Richarde shall minister in all my goodes and catalles & fullfyll
60. this my laste wyll if the said Barbara my wyffe doo renounce or wyll not iustly
61. and trewly p[er]forme the same accordynge to the teanure purporte, and effecte thereof
62. recordynge therunto John Floid al[ia]s Hewes Thomas Prickvaunce Thom[a]s Faller
63. Richarde Hodges John Fortie Henrye Perrott and Agnes Combe w[ith] other[s]

[Summary of Latin probate]

Probate granted in the reign of Edward VI

23 November 1548

to the executrix

by Walter Wryght.

[No inventory total shown]

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