

Amy Soper of Dummer, widow 1701

Ref: Hants. RO 1701A/93

In the name of God Amen I Amy Soper of the Grange in the parish of Dummer in the county of Southampton widow being in good health of body and of sound and perfect mind and memory, thanks be therefore given to Almighty God, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say **first** and principally I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my Creator and Redeemer who said, 'I am the resurrection and the life' and in Him and through Him and by Him I believe that though my body for a time be closed in earth yet in due time both soul and body shall enjoy everlasting felicity I know that my Redeemer lives and that in the day of my resurrection I shall see my Saviour in my flesh, this is my hope. **And as** for my funeral I leave it to my executors herein after named. **And as** for such temporal estate wherewith my Creator has blessed me I dispose thereof as follows. **Imprimis** I give and bequeath unto my grandchild and goddaughter Amy Soper being the daughter of my son John Soper late deceased my chest of drawers with any bed, bolster and bedstead, rug, one pair of blankets, mat, cord and curtain rods standing and being in the best chamber belonging to the messuage or tenement wherein I now dwell. **Item** I give and bequeath unto her the said Amy Soper my oval table and frame, twelve turkey work chairs and the covering belonging to them with my table carpet and one little table with one pair of andirons with brasses, one pair of dogs with brass heads one fire pan and pair of tongs with the stand all which are standing, lying and being in the parlour of and belonging to my said dwelling house all which goods and things I will shall be delivered to my said grandchild Amy Soper within three months next after my decease. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my soe William Soper the sum of five pounds of lawful money of England to be paid unto him by my executor within two months next after my decease. **Item** I will (that if I do not, or shall not in my lifetime satisfy and pay unto my said son William Soper the legacy or sum of two hundred pounds which were given unto him by his father's will), that then the same sum of two hundred pounds shall be paid unto him, my said son William, by my executor herein after named within three months after my decease out of the stock of money, goods, chattels, corn and cattle which I shall leave behind me at the time of my decease. **All the rest** of my goods, chattels, debts and credits whatsoever I do hereby give and bequeath unto my son Richard Soper whom I do hereby make and ordain the sole and whole executor of this my last will and testament. **In witness** whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this one and twentieth day of January AD 1688 in the 4th year of James the Second.

Signed, sealed and published by the within named Amy Soper to be her last will and testament in the presence of Henry Collier.

Phillip Soper
George Heath

Proved 12 July 1701

A true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods, chattels, rights, credits and personal estate of Amy Soper late of Dummer Grange in the county of Southampton widow deceased, taken and appraised this four and twentieth day of March in the

thirteenth year of the reign of King William the Third over England etc., and in the year of our Lord Christ 1700 by us whose names are hereto subscribed.

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Imprimis her wearing apparel and money in her purse	6	10	0

In the chamber where she died

Item one feather bed and bolster one pair of old curtains and valances, one old flockbed and bolster, two old bed testers and other things thereto belonging, one coffer, two chests one old press, an old trunk and other lumber	3	0	0
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In the hall chamber

Item one old feather bed and bolster, one old bedstead, one pair of blankets, one coverlet, one cupboard, one great chest, two chairs, a truckle bedstead, two coffer and other lumber	2	10	0
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In the wainscot chamber

Item one feather bed and bolster, one pair of blankets, one bedstead, one pair of curtains and valance, one pair of chest of drawers, one little table, four chairs, one pair of andirons, one stand and a little basket	7	0	0
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In the white chamber

Item one feather bed, two rugs, one pair of blankets, one bedstead, one pair of curtains and valance, one great chest, one old side cupboard, three old chairs and a close stool	3	10	0
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In the two garrets

Item about twelve tod of wool, three tod of lambs' wool, an old bedstead and cord, old iron and other lumber	15	0	0
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In the great parlour

Item a round table and carpet, one other table, twelve turkey work chairs, one pair of brass andirons, a pair of tongs and dogs	3	8	0
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Item linen in the chests being ten tablecloths and three dozen of napkins	2	10	0
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Item fifteen pairs of sheets, ten bolster cases, pillow beres and other linen	5	0	0
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Item one silver salt, one silver tankard, and one spoon	7	0	0
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In the little parlour

Item one table, one side cupboard, five leather chairs,
one old butter basket, two pairs of dogs and an old
carpet 1 5 0

In the hall and passage

Item two tables and forms, an old side cupboard, two
Old chairs, a pair of dogs, an iron back and three wedges 1 0 0

In the kitchen

Item thirty six pewter dishes, twelve pewter plates, three
pewter flagons, two iron kettles, two brass pans, one
colander, one warming pan, two buckets, two brass candle-
sticks, one pair of iron dogs and andirons, fire shovel and
tongs, a pestle and mortar, five brass candlesticks, three
spits, two smoothing irons, two grines and other lumber 6 0 0

In the bake house and brewhouse

Item one furnace and brewing vat, five tubs, one kiver
And other lumber 2 0 0

In the mill loft

Item one old mill, one old kiver, some ploughbote and
cartbote and other lumber 2 0 0

In the servants' chamber

Item three ordinary beds and bedsteads, three rugs,
three pairs of blankets and all lumber
Item milk vessels valued at 1 0 0

In the cellars

Item fourteen sides of bacon and beef in the powdering
Tub eight barrels, a tunnel, form and stand and other lumber 17 10 0

In the buttery

Item twelve trenchers, one old table, two joined stools and
other lumber 0 5 0

In the peas barn and house

Item about nine quarters of peas threshed and in the
hulme 9 18 0
Item twenty five quarters of barley by estimation in the

mow and flour in the barley barn	22	10	0
Item thirty five quarters of wheat by estimation in the mow and flour in the wheat barn	49	0	0
Item fourteen quarters of barley in the granary	12	12	0
Item ten quarters of oats by estimation in the barn threshed and unthreshed	6	10	0
Item two old wagons, three old dung cart lades, two ploughs, one dung cart with wheels, one cart, two ploughs and tackling thereto belonging, three drags, five harrows and one roller	26	10	0
Item a stack of hay	0	8	0
Item one timber chain, one wood chain, and rope and two cord lines	1	10	0
Item one fan. 18 sacks, one bushel, three sieves, three rudders and one screen	2	10	0
Item twelve hogs and pigs	9	0	0
Item six old cart horses, one set of cart harness and one of plough harness	27	0	0
Item twenty four cows and bullocks and ten cow racks	35	0	0
Item fourteen ducks and the hens and cocks in the backside	1	0	0
Item two hundred sheep	66	8	4
Item thirty five acres of wheat	24	15	0
Item six acres of vetches	3	0	0
Item twenty acres of oats	11	10	0
Item twenty six acres peas	17	10	0
<i>Sum</i>	413	4	4

Appraisers William Penton

The mark of Richard Grantham

The mark of Thomas Greene

Item more at the Grange in a coploft

Item a dozen of napkins and other small linen	1	0	0
Item two old coffers and other lumber	0	5	0

In the backside

Item timber and firewood	5	0	0
Item fifty tegs in the woodland	10	0	0

At Preston Candover

Item three tables, one cupboard and six joined stools

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and one bedstead

Sum

2	0	0
18	5	0

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William Penton

Proved 22 April 1701