

Ambrose Dymmyng/Dimming of Upton Grey, blacksmith, 1550

Ref: Hants. RO 1550B/30

In the name of God Amen in the year of our Lord God 1549 the 28th day of October, I Ambrose Dymyng of the parish of Upton Grey being perfect and whole minded, do make this my last will and testament in form and manner hereafter following. **First** I give and bequeath my soul unto Almighty God and to his blessed mother our Lady Saint Mary and to all the blessed company of heaven, and my body to be buried in the churchyard of St Nicholas and of the parish aforesaid. **I bequeath** unto the mother church of the Holy Trinity of Winchester 4d. **And** I bequeath unto John Dymyng my eldest son, my anvil that John [*illegible*] has dwelling in Basingstoke and 4 pairs of tongs and one hand hammer and 2 sledges and 1 nail tool and a pair of pincers and a shoeing hammer and an old pair of bellow boards with all the iron that belongs unto them. **And** also again all my mill with all other things that [*missing*] thereunto, and again all things belonging to the malt house with the flour as it stands and nothing to be [*mynyschyd*] or plucked down from it, and a butt that hangs for a shelf, every even as it hangs up in the chamber that the foresaid Ambrose does lie in at this time. **Also** again I give my daughter Alse my great brass pot and six pounds of lawful money of England for true debt or the true value of so much. **And** unto my daughter Audre six sheep. **And** to my young John Dymmyng eight sheep. **And** to my son Andrew 4 sheep and unto my youngest daughter Julyan, 4 sheep. **And** also the best anvil in my shop to be divided among my five youngest children after the space and time of ten years completed, every one of them to have likewise. **The residue** of my goods unbequeathed I give unto Myldred my wife who I ordain and make my full executrix and Sir Wyllyam [Lycknar] to be my supervisor and overseer to [*missing*] this my last will and testament truly for to be performed and [*missing*] to distribute and dispose for the wealth of my soul [*missing*][.....] as they shall think by their discretion [*missing*] to have for their pains taking six shillings and 8d that is for to help her and to see all of my last will and testament to be performed and discharged to the great glory and honour of Almighty God and of solace of my soul's health as bear witness unto of the aforesaid last will [*illegible*] Sir Tristram Sparkman curate of the foresaid parish of Upton Grey, Henry Sherlocke Wyllyam Lycknar, Wyllyam Lee, Rychard Lee with diverse others of the same parish.

Probate was granted 22 December 1550 to Adam Straw executor.

The inventory of the goods and chattels of Ambrose Dimmyng of Upton Grey in *the* County of Southampton *blacksmith*, appraised by Raph Toms, Nicholas Mathew, John Tirry and John Aslat the last day of June Anno quarter and 7th.

	£	s	d
Imprimis two standing tables	0	1	6
Item a cupboard	0	1	0
Item a painted cloth	0	0	4
Item a chair	0	0	4
Item a feather bed with the appurtenances	0	8	0
Item a flock bed with the appurtenances	0	2	0
Item 2 other flock beds with appurtenances	0	7	0
Item 6 pairs of sheets	0	10	0

Item 3 coffers	0	3	0
Item an old which	0	0	4
Item a table with 2 trestles	0	0	8
Item 3 tablecloths	0	2	0
Item for a coat, a cloak, a doublet, a pair of hose	0	6	8
Item a furnace	0	5	0
Item a spit and a pair of andirons	0	2	0
Item 4 brass pans	1	0	0
Item 2 kettles	0	3	4
Item an old pan	0	0	4
Item a [chaforme]	0	1	0
Item 4 brass pots	0	13	4
Item a frying pan and a dripping pan	0	1	0
Item 7 candlesticks	0	6	8
Item 2 brewing vats	0	1	4
Item half a dozen of ale barrels	0	2	8
Item a yoting vat	0	0	8
Item a great chest	0	0	8
Item a dozen of platters	0	8	0
Item a dozen of pottingers	0	4	0
Item a dozen of saucers	0	2	0
Item 4 pewter pots	0	2	0
Item 4 kine	0	3	4
Item a yearling	0	5	0
Item 4 horses	[missing]		
Item 40 sheep	4	0	0
Item 8 hogs	0	8	0
Item 4 geese	0	1	3
Item a cart and a plough	0	11	0
Item 2 harrows	0	1	4
Item the woodyard	0	13	4
Item a grinding stone	0	2	0
Item a great anvil	2	13	4
Item another anvil	1	0	0
Item a vice	0	4	0
Item 3 hammers, 4 pairs of tongs and other tools and iron in the shop	0	16	0
Item 2 pairs of bellows	1	0	0
Item a balance with weights	0	2	0
Item 3 acres and a half of wheat	0	10	6
Item for 7 acres of barley	1	8	0
Item 2 acres of oats	0	6	0
Item an acre of peas	0	1	8
Item an acre of vetches	0	5	0