

Rowland Upton of Newnham, yeoman, 1614

Ref: Hants. RO 1614B/80

The twentieth day of April Anno Domini 1614, I Rowlande Upton of Newnham in the County of Southampton yeoman being sick in body, but of perfect and good remembrance, I thank God therefore, do hereby revoke and make void all former wills and testaments whatsoever, and do publish and declare this to be my last will and testament in manner and form following. **First** and above all things I commend my soul into the hands of my merciful God, with full assurance through the only merits of Christ my Redeemer and Saviour, to be made partaker of life everlasting, and my body I commit to the earth whereof it was made. **Item** I give to the parish Church of Newnham aforesaid 6s. 8d. **Item** I give towards the amending of the highway leading from Newnham towards Rotherwick 6s. 8d. the same to be employed at the discretion of my executors. **Item** I give unto Joane Goodier and to John Stroude's wife and to the widow Olins, to every of them 12d apiece. **Item** I give unto Justinian my son four pounds to be paid within one year next after my decease. **Item** I give unto my son John twenty pounds to be paid within one year next after my decease. **Item** I give unto my grandchild Thomas Berde forty shillings, and unto Marye Berde and Joane Berde my grandchildren 20s apiece. **Item** I give unto every of my godchildren 12d apiece. **Item** I give unto Rowlande my son forty pounds to be paid within two years next after my decease. **And I** will that my executors hereafter named, and the longer liver of them shall during their lives and during the life of the longer liver of them have the ordering of this money for the good of my said son accordingly as they shall think fitting. **Item** I give unto my son Roger forty pounds to be paid by Joane my wife within six years next after my decease, and I do commit the care of my said son Roger unto my said wife. **Item** I give unto my said wife Joane all my lands and tenements called or known by the name of Maies Lands, and all other my lands and tenements which I purchased of Mr Coldham, to have and to hold all the said lands and tenements unto my said wife and her heirs forever. **And I** do give unto my said wife all the beds and furniture of household now being in the chamber wherein I now lie in my house in Newnham. **The rest** of my goods not given, my debts being paid and my funeral discharged I give unto my said wife Joane and unto William my son, and I do nominate them two to be executors of this my last will, to see it truly performed, and I do entreat my good friends Mr Richarde Tilney of Rotherwicke and Mr James Deane of Basing to be overseers of this my last will, desiring them to assist my executors in what they may about the due performance thereof. **And I** do give unto either of them 20s apiece for their pains herein to be taken.

Rowlande Upton's mark X

Signed, published and declared as the last
will and testament of Rowlande Upton
in the presence of Richard Tilney

William Deane
Daniell Seagrove's mark

Probate was granted 4 October 1614

An Inventory of the goods and chattels of Rowland Upton taken at Newnham the first of May 1614 as they were praised by Richard Tilney Esquire, James Deane Gent., Richard Ambline, Nicholas Smith Clerk, Alexander Searle and Daniell Segrove.

	£	s	d
Imprimis in his purse in ready money	2	0	0
Item his wearing apparel in linen and woollen	2	0	0
Item in the hall one old table with a frame, a form and two stools, four cushions, one cupboard, 9 pieces of pewter, three brass candlesticks, one brass mortar, two andirons	1	6	0
Item in the kitchen ten fitches of bacon and beef	3	0	0
Item his bills, staffs, wedges and other working tools	0	2	0
Item in the lower room by the hall one joined bedstead, one feather bed, one flock bed, four pillows, one bolster, one coverlet, one blanket, two chairs, one table with his frame, four joined stools, two old swords, six small barrels, kivers and other wooden ware	2	17	0
Item in the chamber over the parlour one joined bedstead, one flock bed, two flock bolsters, one coverlet, five bushels of barley, two tubs, one old table, a chest with other lumber	1	6	0
Item in the kitchen in brass worth	1	10	0
Item in the kitchen four spits, a fire shovel, one andiron, a frying pan, two pot hangers, one powdering trough, one old table, a kettle and certain other lumber	0	18	0
Item in the room over the buttery 12 bushels of malt, four bushels of dredge	1	4	0
Item in the chamber over the hall two bedsteads, two feather beds, two flock beds, two bolsters, five pillows, three coverlets, two blankets, two remnants of new cloth, four chests, two chairs, one bible with certain other lumber	4	2	0
In the little chamber next the hall two old bedsteads with some old bedding	0	10	0
Item of sheets, tablecloth, napkins and other linen	2	0	0

Item of wheat thrashed and unthrashed four quarters	5	0	0
Item of oats thrashed and unthrashed three quarters	1	4	0
Item of straw and hay	0	10	0
Item one yowting vat, certain dry tubs, one old willow, one winnowing sheet and certain rakes, flails and prongs	0	8	8
Item of wood and blocks	0	10	0
Item of carts, two dung pots, one long cart, two pairs of old wheels, two ploughs, one dredge, one pair of harrows with yokes and chains and other plough gear	3	0	0
Item of ducks, cocks and hens	9	0	0
Item of bees eight stalls	1	0	0
Item of all sorts of hogs, nine with six sucking pigs	1	16	0
Item three horses	5	0	0
Item eight oxen and steers	20	0	0
Item seven kine	12	0	0
Item of spare beasts one heifer and four calves	2	0	0
Item thirty six pounds of wool or thereabouts	1	0	0
Item of diverse other small things, lumber and other loose things about the yard	0	14	0
Item in debts good and bad	10	0	0
Item in corn now sown upon the ground	2	0	0
Sum total	89	2	8

Richard Tilney, James Deane, Nicolas Smythe
Daniell Segrove's mark
the mark of Richard Amblin