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BURFORD PROBATE DOCUMENTS

William HEGGES of Burford

Will proved 1545

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Testamentum Willi[a]mi Hegges de Burford

- 1 In the name of god amen the ix daye of december
- 2 in the yere of o[ur] Lord god 1544 I Wyllyam Hegges of the
- 3 Towne & paryshe of Burford uppon the old in the cowntie of oxon
- 4 whole of mynd & sycke in bodye make my Last wyll and Testament
- 5 of this maner and forme following Fyrst I bequeth my sowle
- 6 unto almyghtie god to o[ur] blessed Ladye saynt marie And to all
- 7 the holy companye in heaven my bodye to be buryed in the cha
- 8 pell of owr Ladye in the paryshe churche of Burforde aforesaid
- 9 before the west wyndo in the same chapell It[e]m I bequeth unto
- the Mother churche of Oxon iiij^d It[e]m I bequeth unto the hygh alter
- of Burforde churche ij^s It[e]m I bequeth unto every alter in the fore
- said churche iiij^d It[e]m I bequeth unto the mayntenance of the
- belles in the said churche iij^s iiij^d It[e]m I bequeth to the reparac[i]on
- of the same church where neede is vj^s viij^d It[e]m I bequeth xxij^s
- viij^d to bryng me to my berying It[e]m I bequeth unto Syr
- Thom[a]s Whytehead xx^d to praye for me and every preist in the
- 17 churche xij^d and the resydew to be dealt amongest poore folke to
- praye for me It[e]m I wyll that there be xxx^{ti} dosen of halfpeny
- breade dealte at my moneth mynd unto poore people and iii
- 20 quarter of malt made in holsome drynke to be given to the poore
- people at the same tyme It[e]m I bequeth to iiij poore men iiij cotes to
- 22 ev[er]y of them one made redye to put uppon them at my buryall to bere
- 23 iiij torches & the said iiij men to be every sondaye in their cotes at
- the hygh masse sacaryng yf it maye be convenyently withowt any
- other impediment at the syght of the church wardens & other of the

- paryshe It[e]m I bequeth unto Wyllyam my sonne my howse in the
- 27 hye strete at Wytnaye streat ende showttyng agaynst the sygne
- of the George in the hye strete aforesaid to hym and to his hyers
- 29 Lawfully begotten and yf the said Wyllyam my sonne doo depart
- 30 withowt yssue Lawfully begoten of his bodye that then hyt to
- remayne unto my sonne Alexandre & to his heyres Lawfully
- 32 begoten & yf he depart withowt yssue then I wyll hyt to goo to
- 33 the next of my kynne of the same name It[e]m I wyll that my sonne
- 34 Wyllyam shall have and enioye my howse that I dwell in
- 35 after the departyng of his mother my wyffe & all the goodes therein
- 36 except my plate which I gyve holly unto my wyffe It[e]m I bequeth
- 37 unto my sonne Wyllyam a Longe cart a donnge carte a plowe
- with vj oxen & all their apparell belongyng unto them with
- 39 all my takyng in Synet & all that belongeth thereunto and to ent[er]
- 40 into hyt immediatly after my departyng It[e]m I bequeth Alexandre
- 41 my sonne all my goodes on wytnay strete after the departynge of
- 42 his mother with Th[e] appurtenaunce therunto belongyng in feldes
- and in Towne It[e]m I bequethe unto the said Wyllyam my sonne
- my best gowne Jacket & my best dublet It[e]m I bequeth unto
- 45 Alexandre my sonne my second best gowne and my second best
- 46 dublet It[e]m I bequeth unto my sonnes Wyllyam & Alexandre
- an hunderith shepe to be devyded betwyxt them to eache of them
- 48 l a pece indiferently departed It[e]m I bequeth unto Barbara my
- sonne Wyllyam wyffe ij kyne It[e]m I bequeth unto Thomas Hegges
- of Kencot my kynsman an ewe & a lambe my saye dublet & a payre
- of roset hoose It[e]m I bequeth unto the said Thomas Hegges brother in
- 52 Law an ewe & a lambe It[e]m I bequeth unto Wyllyam Hardyng
- my servant my roset² cote It[e]m I bequeth unto Thom[a]s Honyborne my
- servant iii^s iiii^d It[e]m I bequeth to iiii boyes my servantes eche of the[m]
- a shepe worth ij^s a pece at the least pryce to John Modye one
- John Patrycke one John More one & John Slater one It[e]m I bequeth
- 57 to Roger Baker some tyme my servant nowe dwelling wythe my

¹ say fine cloth, similar to serge

² roset russet colour

- Ladye Yngglefylde iij^s iiij^d for suche cleames as he maketh of yf he
- 59 wyll uppon his conseyens take hit Allso I wyll that my sonne
- 60 Wyllyam & Barbara his wyffe to dwell in [?]make with my wyffe
- 61 his mother duryng her Lyfe tyme to helpe her & socer her as a
- 62 good chyld showld doo and then after her departyng to have both
- 63 goodes & howse as o[ur] very Lawfulle chyld & hayre It[e]m I bequethe
- 64 unto my sonns Wyllyam & Alexandre to every of them iii a pece
- and to be delyvered unto them at my moneth mynde It[e]m I wyll that
- 66 my wyffe after her decease shall leave a longe cart & a donge
- 67 cart with th[e]appurten[a]nces & a teme of horses to Alexandre my sonne
- 68 yf he be Then alyve The resydew of my goodes not gyven nother
- 69 bequethed I doo gyve & bequeth unto Margerye my wyffe whome
- 70 I doo ordeyne and make my executryx to doo for my sowle &
- all chrystian sowles as she shall thynke most expedyent & best
- 72 Theis beryng wytnesse Syr Thom[a]s Whytehead preist Rycharde
- 73 Hannys & James Grene then beyng bayles³ Thomas Tomson
- 74 Wyllyam Calcot Robert Johnson Thomas Faller with other
- 75 moo Allso I ordeyne and make my overseers of this my Last
- 76 wyll & Testament Rycharde Hannys and Thomas Tomson
- and they to have ten shyllynges a pece for their paynes

[Summary of Latin]

Probate granted by Dr. Wryght

at Burford

16 April 1545

to Margery his wife as executrix

Inventory sum: iij xx xij li xs iijd

 $[3 \ score \ and \ 12 = £72 \ 10s \ 3d]$

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³ bayles bailiffs