

Steven Minchen/Mynchen of Dummer, husbandman 1588

Ref: Hants. RO 1588B/51

In the name of God Amen the 6th day of March in the year of our Lord God 1587 I Steven Mynchen of Dummer in the county of Southampton husbandman, being sick of body but of perfect remembrance, thanks be given to God therefore, do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. **First** I bequeath my soul in to the hands of Almighty God my Creator and to Jesus Christ His only son my Saviour and Redeemer and my body to be buried in the church yard of Dummer.

Item I give and bequeath to my son Thomas Mynchen one cow and six sheep. **Item** I give to John my son six sheep. **Item** I give to Roger my son one cow and four sheep.

Item I give to my daughter Jone Mynchen four sheep. **Item** I give my land in Dummer being freehold called by the name of *missing* to my son Thomas Mynchen after my wife's decease and to his heirs lawfully begotten. **And** I give to my son Roger Mynchen the tenement which now William Bowden dwells in during his life and no longer after the lease and years of the said Bowden shall be expired paying for a knowledge to my wife and to my heirs one penny yearly of good and lawful money of England. **Item** I give to the church of Dummer 12d. **Item** my mind is that whereas I do owe to my brother Willyam Minchen's daughter Edeth Mynchyn of Mapledurwell the sum of seven pounds being part of £20 of her legacy and whereas my brother in law Johne Myllyngate has the other £13 in his hands and is bound to discharge me, I will that my wife, my executrix, shall see that the said £7 to be faithfully paid out of my goods and living. **The residue** of all my goods not given nor bequeathed I do give to Jone my wife whom I do make my whole executrix of this my last will and testament. **And** I do make my well beloved brother in law John Myllyngate and Thomas Smyth my father in law my overseers. **Witnesses** to this my last will and testament William White parson of Dummer, Jhon Myllyngate, Thomas Smythe, Richard Weston and Benet Morleye.

Probate granted 19 September 1588 to the executrix above named. Obligation on Thomas Smith of the same place, husbandman.

The inventory of all and singular the goods and cattle of Steven Minchen husbandman late deceased of Dummer praised the 29th of June 1588 by Jhon Millyngate, Thomas Smyth, Benet Morley and *missing*.

	£	s	d
First his wearing apparel	0	6	8
Item one chest and 1 coffer	0	6	8
Item one old flockbed, 2 board bedsteads, 3 pairs of sheets and an old coverlet	0	13	4
Item 2 tables, one form	0	2	6
Item 2 little brass pots and one little skillet	0	12	0
Item 3 platters, 2 pottingers, one saucer, one salt, 1 candlestick, 4 spoons	0	5	0
Item in certain vessels	0	5	0
Item 2 bills, 1 mattock and one fire shovel	0	3	4
Item the wood in the gate	0	10	0
Item three kine	2	13	4
Item 16 wethers and ewes and 3 lambs	2	16	0

Item 3 hogs		0	10	0
Item in the barn				
In the field in wheat 4 acres and a half acre of vetches		2	13	4
Item in the field 6 acres of barley, half an acre of peas		3	0	0
Item 2 quarters of wheat in the barn by estimation		1	0	0
Item in malt 9 bushels		0	8	0
	Sum	15	12	8
Item in old iron gear		0	5	0
	Sum	16	10	2