Abstract of the Will of William Brett of the Parish of Herstmonceux in the County of Sussex, Husbandman, written 30 Aug 1806, proved 16 Nov 1811.

(Wills and Administrations preserved in the District Probate Court of Lewes, ESRO reference: PBT 1/1/71/146)

Gives and bequeaths £1 1*s*. to his friend John Pursglove of Herstmonceux, farmer, as a remembrance, and to whom he also gives and bequeaths as trustee his tenement garden and premises in Herstmonceux, all his ready money, securities for money, book debts, household goods and furniture, and the rest of his real and personal estate.

Wills that his said trustee shall permit his wife Elizabeth to receive the rents, issues, produce and profits of all his real and personal estate for the term of her natural life. After her decease he gives and bequeaths to her daughter Ann Read the bed, stead and hangings in the room where he and his wife now sleep.

Gives and bequeaths £5 to his wife's son Edward Read, to be paid by his trustee immediately following his wife's decease.

Gives and bequeaths the remainder of his real and personal estate to his three sons: Henry Brett, James Brett and Charles Brett, share and share alike.

Appoints his two sons James and Charles co-executors of his last will and testament, and the said John Pursglove trustee and overseer thereof during the lifetime of his wife Elizabeth.

(Signed)

Witnesses: W. B. Robinson, Elizth Allfree, Edward Allfree