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The Will of John Best of the Parish of Linkinhorne in the County of Cornwall, written 17 Apr 1624, inventory taken 22 Apr 1624, will proved 21 Jul 1625.

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In the name of the almightie god I John Best of Linkinghorne in the Countie of Cornewall yeoman being sick of bodie but of sound & perfect minde and memorie thanks bee to god herefore doe make & ordaine this my last will & testament one the seventeenth day of Aprill in the yeare of our Lord god one thousand six hundred twentieth fowerth as followeth

First I commend my soul unto god beseeching him to take it againe unto himselfe & to give it a resting place in his most glorious presence for ever. And as for my bodie I leave it to the earth from whence it was taken nothing Doubting but that at the generall Day of iudgment it shall arise againe freed of all corruption wherwith it is now loaden & bee reunited againe unto my soul & make one pure & incorruptible bodie & remaine with god in glory for ever.

As touching the outward estate that god hath given mee in his world I make ordaine give & bequeath it in manner & fourme following:

First I give & bequeath unto William Peline one sheep.

Item. [I] give unto Cuiline? Grils one lamb.

Item. I give & bequeath unto Henry one lamb.

Item. I give & bequeath unto Robert Grils one sheep.

[Item. I] give & bequeath unto **Anne Cundey*** & **Catheren Cundey*** one -- eece.

Item. I give & bequeath to **Roger Cundey*** one lamb.

[Item.] I give & bequeath unto the poore people of this parish of Linkinghorne [thr]ee shillings & fower pence.

Item. I give & bequeath unto **Mary Cundey*** one lamb.

All the rest of my goods & chattles not before given & bequeathed I doe give & bequeath unto **Robert Best my sonne** whom I make & ordaine my whole & sole executor of this my last will & Testament.

Sealed & signed by the said John Best in the presence [of] William Bate, Richard Sanguine, William Peline.

An inventory of the goods & chattels of John Best of Linkinhorne in the Countie of Cornewall yeoman was taken on 22 Apr 1624 by John Hay, Richard Sanguine & Adam Grils and valued to £104 12s. 4d.

* The Cundy family members shown above are John's nieces and nephews, born of the marriage of John's sister Ellinor and her husband William Cundy (refer to the Will of John's father, Robert).