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Abstract of the Will of William Bysshe of the Parish of Godstone in the County of Surrey, Sheather, written 1 Jul 1591, proved 28 Sep 1591.

Wills that his body be buried in the churchyard of Burstowe in co. Surrey.

Acknowledges that he owes £68 to various persons according to a note set down before his cousin Thomas Bysshe of Burstowe, James Jordan of Charlwood in co. Surrey, and others, such that he directs his son Thomas Bysshe of Burstowe, sheather, and his son-in-law Richard Tasker of the same place, sheather, to sell the place where he now dwells with its barn, garden, orchards and croft called Millinges a/s. Millers containing about one acre of land in the parish of Walcombstead a/s. Godstone in co. Surrey which he lately purchased from Tobias Kempe, and to use the proceeds of the sale to pay his debts.

The residue of his monies remaining after the payment of his debts he gives and bequeaths to his daughters Agnes, Elizabeth, Johan, Mercy, Susan, and Sara. Also gives to his said daughters all his and at Smalefeld at his son's house.

Gives £10 to his youngest son William Bysshe.

Wills that his wife Alice shall raise his son William until he is old enough to make his own living.

Appoints his wife Alice the sole executrix of his last will and testament and bequeaths to her the rest of his goods and chattels.

Makes Percival Cansted, Nicholas Blundell and John Paine overseers of his last will and testament.

(Signed)

Witnesses: Thomas Bysshe, James Jordan, Thomas Lyfe