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The Will of George Ireland of the Parish of Reigate in the County of Surrey, Yeoman, written 29 Mar 1603, proved 4 Jun 1603.

In the name of God Amen the xxixth day of March one thousand sixe hundred and three I George Ireland of Rygate in the County of Surrie yeoman, being sicke in bodye but in good and perfect memory thankes be to god, do make and ordayne this my Last will and testament in manner and forme following That is to saie

first I give and bequeath my soule to allmightie god &c... and my bodye to the earthe &c...

Item. I give towardes the reparacions of the parishe church of Rygate two shillinges.

Item. I give to poore people of Rygate two shillinges to be given at the discrecion of the overseers for the poore within one monthe after my decease.

Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Elzabeth fives pounds.

Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter Anne my second daughter five pounds.

Item. I give and bequeath to Nicholas my eldest sonne fortie shillinges.

Item. I give and bequeath to <u>my second sonne William</u> now being at Mestham with my cosin Thomas Gawton seaven pounds.

Item. I give and bequeath unto Beththia my third daughter five pounds.

Item. I give and bequeath unto Mary my fourthe daughter five poundes.

Item. My will and true meaning is that my said children shall have the said somes given them as aforesaid at the day of their marriage or when they doe accomplishe the full age of one and twentie yeares.

All the residue of my goodes and Cattells whatsoever my debtes being payde and my Legaces and funerall discharged I give and bequeath them all to <u>Annis my welbeloved wife</u> whome I make my sole executor of this my Last will.

And further my will and true meaninge is that if any of my said children doe hapen to die before the age and tyme of mariage as afore sett downe then the said portion of him or her so dyinge to be equallye devyded amongst the other survivinge and equally to be devyded amongst them all.

Also I make and ordayne <u>Thomas Gawton of Mestham</u> and <u>Richard Best of Rygate my brother in Lawe</u> my overseers of this my Last will and to have for their paynes either of them twelve pence a peece.

In witness hereof to be my true will I have hereunto sett my hand seale the day and yeare first above written.

George Ireland

Signed sealed and delivered in the presence of Nicholas Best & John Sparkes.