

Calendar of Wills in the Consistory Court of the Bishop of Chichester, 1482-1800, Register 3, 9 17b 1557.

*Abstract of the Will of Thomas Patching of the Parish of Horsham in the County of Sussex, written 23 Sep 1557.*

Wills that his body be buried in the churchyard of Horsham.

Wills three pence to the cathedral church of Chichester.

Wills 20 shillings to the poor people [of Horsham].

Wills £8 to his son Henry, along with sufficient timber to repair his house, one cow, seven sheep, a kettle, a pan, two pair of sheets, a flockbed, a coverlet, a blanket, two platters, two dishes and two saucers.

Wills £6 13s. 4d. each to his sons Thomas, John and William, to be paid to them when they turn 18.

Wills to his son Thomas sufficient Timber to repair his house.

Wills to his son Richard all his ploughs, wains, chains, carts, harrows and the rest of his farming equipment.

Wills £16 6s. 4d. each to his daughters Johane and Alice, to be paid to them when they marry.

Wills £3 6s. 8d. to his daughter Margery Shorter and 12 pence to each of her children.

Wills 3s. 3d. to the children of his daughter Emma Walder.

Wills 6s. 8d. to his niece Margery Pachynge.

Wills sixpence (6d.) to each of his godchildren.

Wills 6s. 8d. to his servant Anes Bocher.

Wills 3s. 3d. to his servant George Smythe.

The rest of his goods, chattels and debts he wills to his wife Margret and to his son Richard, whom he makes co-executors of his last will and testament, by the discretion of Richard's brother Henry and brother-in-law Thomas Walder whom he appoints overseers of his last will and testament and pays 3s. 3d. for their efforts.

Wills that if his wife Margret decides to forfeit her right and title of such lands and tenements as shown in the marriage jointure, then he wills to her his lands and tenements called The Bye and The Ryddey and also a tenement in Nuthurst called Cobbishale, for the term of her natural life, whereafter he wills the same to his son William and his heirs.

Wills to his son Henry and his heirs his house, garden and close in Horsham currently occupied by Johan Nicholas, widow, and two crofts of land in Benorthe

Hethe [Heath] of which one is called Nowres Croft and the other two acres called Ryes Croft.

Wills to his son Thomas and his heirs his house and lands in Horsham currently occupied by John Longe, widower, and also an adjoining garden called Giffards Garden and a tenement in Rowghy called Pyswags, now in the tenure of John Dungate.

Wills to his son John and his heirs his house and garden in Horsham currently occupied by Thomas Brodbege, as well as his lands at Horsham Hill called The Hyll.

Wills to his son William and his heirs his house and garden in Horsham late in the occupation of Elizabeth Martyn, widow.

Wills to his son Richard and his heirs his lease in certain lands called The Lemes.

Witnesses: Sir Roger Loyd, Rycharde Mychell, Richard Nye, John Mychell, James Shawe and others.