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THE KENTISH FAMILY OF STUBBS. WILLS, AND EXTRACTS FROM RECORDS.

COMMUNICATED BY HENRY STUBBS, J.P.,

OF DANBY, BALLYSHANNON.

FROM THE CLOSE ROLLS.

1. Recognisance dated 25 May 1586. John Stubbes Citizen & Fishmonger of London to John Carter Citizen & Fishmonger in the sum of £300. The Condition being that said Stubbes his heirs &c. shall observe perform &c. the Covenants Grants Articles &c. comprised in a pair of Indentures between him

said John Stubbes & the said John Carter dated 20 Feb. last past.

2. Recognisance dated 14 March 1586. John Stubbs Citizen & Fishmonger London to Robert Withers Citizen & Vintner of London in the sum of £1000. Whereas the above bounden John Stubbs by Indenture of Bargain & Sale dated 2 Dec. last past and made between him of the one part and the above named Robert Withers of the other part, granted sold &c. to the latter "All that newe bricke messuage or tenement with the appurten'nees late in the tenure or occupac'on of the sayd John Stubbs set and being in the parrishe of Eltham in the Countye Kente" and other property (Lands &c.) there, purchased by him said John. He said John Stubbs & Mary his Wife if they claim any right title &c. to the said property shall do all such reasonable acts deeds &c. as shall be necessary or required.

3. 1595. Indenture dated 2 Oct. 37* Elizth between William Ellyot of Eltham co. Kent Gent. John Stubes son of Philip Stubes of Eltham aforesaid Yeoman & Margaret Stubes of Eltham Widow late the wife of Robert Stubes of Eltham aforesaid dec^d of the one part and John Restone lof Eltham Gent. of the other part for the sale in pursuance of the Will of the said Robert Stubes dated 31 Dec. 1594 37th Elizth for the sum of £46 to the said John Restone of a Messuage or House in Eltham and 1 parcel of Land there in Easfield containing half an

acre.

4. 1611. Indenture dated 5 May 9 James I. between Tobye Stubbes of Eltham co. Kent Yeoman son & heir of John Stubbes late of the City of London Fishmonger dee⁴, Henry Stubbes of Eltham aforesaid Baker and Hugh Stubbes of Eltham Tailor sons of Philip Stubbes late of London Brewer dee⁴ brother of the said John Stubbes of the one part, and Richard Slynne of Eltham aforesaid Yeoman of the other part, for the sale in consideration of £70 to said Richard of "All that messuage or ten'te" &c. "and garden plott or small orchard" in Eltham aforesaid now or late in the occupation of John Smyth Labourer also of "all that messuage or ten'te" now or late in the occupation of Roger Allen Labourer with three roods of Land more or less "lying at Easte feilde in the p'ishe of Eltham aforesaid."

5. Indenture dated 18 May 1612 between *Henry Stubbs* of *Eltham* co. Kent Yeoman & *Alice* his Wife of the one part and Walter Parry of Eltham aforesaid Yeoman of the other part for Mortgage of £40 on "All that messuage or ten'te called the George" &c. in Eltham now in the tenure or occupation of the said

Henry Stubbs.

^{* 38} in Calendar.

Recognisance. Richard Stubbs of Chiselhurst in the 6. 12 May 1635. County of Kent Gent. to Adrian Evans Citizen & Clothworker of London in the sum of £140.

INDENTURES.

a. Indenture dated 20 Nov. 33 Cha⁵ I. (1647) between James Bens of Chatham co. Kent Shipwright & Mary his wife, Jane Stubbes of Chesles [Chislehurst] Kent Widow & Elizabeth Fowler of East Wickham in Kent Singlewoman being the daughters & co-heirs of Philip Fowler late of East Wickham aforesaid deod of the 1st part, and Dame Christian Leigh of East Wickham aforesaid Widow of the other part. The said James Bens & Mary his Wife in consideration of the sum of £75, the said James Bens & mary his Wife in consideration of the sum of £5, and the said Elizabeth Fowler in consideration of the sum of £80 to them paid by the said Dame Christian Leigh according to the last Will & Testament of the said Philip Fowler bearing date on or about 23 June 1636, discharge the said Dame Christian from the said sums and grant sell &c. to her that Messuage &c. in Bexly and those Three Parcels of Land to the same belonging.

b. Indenture dated 12 Aug. 1663 between James Bends of Chatham co. Kent Shipwright, Philip Stubbs Citizen & Vintner of London, Robert Cooper of Bexley in said co. Kent Yeoman son & heir of Robert Cooper late of Bexley aforesaid deed & Elizabeth wife of the said Robert Cooper party to these presents of the 1st part, and John Briscoe Citizen & Fishmonger of London of the other

part, for the sale of property in Bexley to the said John Briscoe.

c. Indenture dated 16 Nov. 19th Charles II. between Robert Stubbs of Stamford co. Lincoln Gent. son & heir of Elizabeth Stubbs decd late wife of John Stubbs of Bernards Inn co. Midd* Gent., the said Elizabeth being surviving daughter & heiress of George Barnewell late of the City of Rochester co. Kent Gent. decd, of the one part, and John Brooke of the said City of Rochester Tallow Chandler of the other part, relating to property in St Nicholas parish in Rochester &c.

d. Indenture dated 10 Feb. 1667 between Robert Stubbs of Barnard Inn London Gent. of the one part, and John Marloe Gent. Alderman of the City of Rochester co. Kent of the other part, relating to property in Stroud in the said

co. Kent.

FROM THE KENT FINES.

Fine levied at Westminster in Trinity Term 2nd Edw. VI. between William Stubbys Plaintiff and Thomas Mathewe & Alice his wife Defendants of 1 Messuage 1 Garden & 6 acres in Northflete purchased of Thomas & Alice for £40.

Fine levied in Hilary Term 7th Edw. VI. between John Stubbys Plaintiff and John Hodder & Margaret his wife Defendants of 1 Messuage with

appurtenances in *Chesylhurst* purchased of said John & Margaret for £40.

1555. Fine levied at Westminster in Trinity Term 2nd & 3rd Philip & Mary between Henry Stubes Plaintiff and William Skelton Defendant of 2 Messuages 1 Barn 2 Gardens 6 acres of Land & 6 acres of Pasture with the appurtenances in Eltham purchased of said William for £40.

EXTRACTS FROM ELTHAM PARISH REGISTERS.

Baptisms.

July 4 John Burne son of Richard. 1584

1586 Thomas stubes the sonn of John baptiz. yo 5 of may.

Hughe stubes the sonn of phillip baptized the 9 of october. Willia, stubbes the sonn of Jo. bapt, the same day (1 Dec.), margaret stubes the daughter of phillip bap'z, eode' (15 Dec.). Elizabeth stubbes daughter of phillip bap, the 25 of January. 1588

Jane starky the daughter of Richard baptiz. the 27 of deceber. Edward stubbes the sonn of John baptiz. the 27 of october. 1592

1594

Phillip richardson daughter [sic] of richard bapti. the 14 of may.

- John Stubbes the sonn of John baptiz. the ii of September 1597. 1597
- 1601 margaret Stubs filia Johannis Stubs bap. 22 noue'b.
- Elizabeth Stubs the dafter of Hendry stubs baptized the 5 of may 1605. 1605 Clement Stubs the sonne of Tobi Stubs baptized ye 30 of november 1605.
- Richard Stubs the sonne of John Stubs baptized the 25 of December being 1606 Christmas Day 1606.
- Marget Stubs the Dafter of Hendry baptiz. the i of nouember 1607. 1607
- Elizabeth Stubbes the dafter of tobi baptized the 8 day of october 1609. 1609 Ann Stubbes the dafter of Hendry baptized the first of nouemb. 1610. 1610
- George Stubs the sonn of John Stubs baptized the 25 of Auguste 1611. 1611
- Phillip Stubes the soone of Hendry Stubes baptiz. the 15 of may 1613. 1613
- 1616 Ann clarke bapt. 9 Jan.
 - the weeke before a dafter of Binds baptized. " more a sonne of hendry Stubs baptized.
- Nathaniell filius Philipp Stubes Octobr 4th 1637. 1637
- Maria filia Philippi Stubbes Decembr 30th 1638. .1638
- Anna filia Philippi Stubbes Nouemb^r 25th. Philippus fil. Philippi Stubbes Jann. 23. 1640 1644
- Henricus fil. Henrici Stubbs Jul. 26. 1646
- 1647 Esther filia Henrici Stubbes Jan. 16.
- Anna filia Henrici Stubbs Junij 1º. 1651
- 1656 Infans inbaptiz. Henerici Stubbs 6 Aprilis.

Marriages.

- 1591 John Slauter Alse stubes maried ye 28 of noue'b. 1591.
- Richard starky Elizabeth stubes maried yo 3 of April 1591. Robart stubes marget Fowler maried yo 9 of April 1592. 1592
- 1594 John stubbes & doryt. Snopill (or Snossill) maried yo 12 of may.
- 1595 Richard Richardson & margaret stubes were maried the 11 of november
- Toby Stubs & margaret slinn were maried the 17 of June 1604. 1604
- John Stubbs maried mr masters Dafter of Chisselhourst at the tower the 1605 2° of octob. 1605 and payed the Dutyes here Also to me.
- 1619 Richard webbe & Elizabeth Stubbes maried the 11 of Aprill 1619.
- 1635 Philip Stubbs et An Nicholson nupti fuere No'bris 30th cum licentia
- 1645 Henrious Stubbes et Esther Owen Sep'br 2d.
- 1655 Robertus Rose et Anna Stubbs de Eltham 7 Decemb.

Burials.

- 1584
- Ales stubbes the wyfe of phillip buried y° x of August. Marget stubbes y° daughter of phillip buried y° 24 January. Willia. Stubes y° sonn of John buried y° 14 of August. 1588
- 1590
- 1591
- Phillip stubbes was buried yo 25 marche 1591. Robart stubbes buried yo 27 of January 1594. Edward Snopill buried the 6 of marche 1596. 1594
- 1596
- Mrs Stubs the wyfe of John stubs buried the 7th of September 1604. 1604
- 1605 A child of toby stubs buried the 6 of september 1605.
- 1606
- Ould mr Phillip stubs buried the 6 of April 1606. margret Stubs the dafter of Hendri Stubs buried the 22 of January 1608 1608.
- Stops sonn buried the 26 of marche 1618. 1618
- July 12 "buried of the sicknes" 1625
 - first a man from mr Ridwels secondly clement Stubbes.
- 1627 goodwyfe stop buried the 20 of octob. 1627.
- Elizabetha filia Richardi Slyn generosi sepulta fuit 7 die Decembris. 1629
- 1631 Henricus Stubbes sepultus fuit 15 die (July).
- Nathaniell filius Philippi Stubbes No'br 14. 1637
- 1646 Philippus Stubbes Octo. 14.

1646 Anna Slyn vidua Dec. 28.

1656 Infans Henrici Stubbs 27 April.

1668 uxor Henrici Stubbs sepulta 8º Novemb.

(John Stubbes was Churchwarden of Eltham 1599 and John Stubes in 1614.)

EXTRACTS FROM CHISLEHURST REGISTERS.

Martha Stubbes daugher of Richard Stubbes and Jane his wife Christ-1632 ened one the 18th day of Aprill.

1656 Robert Rose & Widdoe Stubbs maried by Justice Palmer the 4th of december 1656.

M^s Alce Stubbs buried the 30 day of october. 1656

1682 nouember the 23 Jane the widow Stubs burd.

From Parish Register of St. Peter's an Vincula, London. John Stubbes maried to Alice Maisters the xxith of Octob 1605.

EXTRACTS FROM REGISTERS OF ST. ANDREW UNDERSHAFT, LONDON.

"Thomas Stubbs the sonn of Phillup Stubbs and Elizabeth his wife was baptized the 6th day of Nouember 1664 by mr Saker."

"Phillip Stubs sonn of Mr Phillip Stubs and Elizabeth his wife was baptized

ye 2d day October 1665."

"Elizabeth Stubs dafter of Phillip Stubs and Elizabeth his wife was baptized the 25th day of September 1666."

"Lucas Stubs the Son of Phillip Stubs and of Elizabeth his Wife was Bap-

tized on the 27th of October" 1667.

"John Stubs Son of Phillip Stubs & of Elizabeth his Wife was Baptized the 13th of October " 1668.

"Richard Stubbs Son of Phillip Stubbs & of Elizabeth his Wife was Baptized on the 26th of September" 1669.

"Richard Stubbs Son of Phillip Stubbs & of Elizabeth his Wife was Bap-

tized on the 25th day of december" 1670.

"John Stubbs Son of Phillip Stubbs & of Elizabeth his Wife was Baptized on the 2^d of January" 1673.

"Charles Stubbs Son of Phillip Stubbs & of Elizabeth his wife was Baptized

on the 27th day of October" 1678.

Burials.

"Richard Stubbs Son of Phillip Stubbs & of Elizabeth his Wife was Buried on the 6th of October" 1669.

"John Stubbs Son of Phillip Stubbs & of Elizabeth his Wife was Buried on

the 7th day of July " 1672.

"A Female Still Borne Child of Phillip Stubbs & of Elizabeth his Wife was

Buried on the 8th of February "1675.
"M" Elizabeth Stubbs Wife of Mr Phillip Stubbs was Buried on the 28th

day of July " 1680.

"Rebecca Hillier Widdow died in the house of Mr Phillip Stubbs & was Buried the 14th of September " 1680.

EXTRACT FROM REGISTERS OF BATTERSEA.

Marriage in 1680.

"Nouember 2d Mr Phillop Stubs And Mrs Marci Seargant."

EXTRACTS FROM REGISTERS OF ST. PETER'S, CORNHILL.

Baptisms.

Samuell son of Philip & Mercy Stubbs. 1681 Aug. 21

1682 Aug. 1 Mary dau. of Philip & Mercy Stubbs.

1683 Aug. 1 Jacob son of Philip & Marcy Stubbs.
 1689 Sept. 8 Samuell son of Philip & Mercy Stubbs.

Burials.

1682 Mar. 30 Richard son of Philip Stubs in the South Isle.

1683 Sept. 1 Jacob son of Philip and Ma Stubbs in the middle Isle.

1685 Apr. 1 Charles Stubbs in yo South Isle.

Marriages.

1719 May 28 W^m Stubbs of S^t Mary Magdalene Bermondsey co. Surry & Hannah Story of y^o same. Licence.

FROM GREENWICH PARISH REGISTERS.

Baptisms.

Charles son of Rebecca & Charles Stubbs was baptized in Greenwich Church in Feb. 1735 New Style (1734 Old Style).

FROM BROMLEY REGISTER OF BURIALS.

5 Feb. 1759. Mary Stubbs, widow of the College, aged 95.

FROM St. Andrew's, Holborn, Register of Marriages.

14 July 1771. Thomas Stubbs of St. Andrew's Holborn co. Midd^x Bach^z & Mary Roberts of the same Sp^z marr^a by licence. Witnesses Tho^s Jones, Elizth Jones.

FROM THE VINTNERS' COMPANY'S REGISTERS.

1 Dec. 1646. Philipp Stubbs fil. Rich. S. de Chesles in Com. Kant po: Joh'i Kent p' 9 annos a Mich'm's ult.

Philip Stubbs was Master of the Company from 1660 to 1665.

14 Oct. 1679. Thomas Stubbs son of Philip Stubbs Citizen and Vintner of London apprenticed to Philip Stubbs Citizen and Vintner of London for 7 years. 6 Feb. 1688. John Stubbs son of Philip Stubbs Citizen and Vintner London apprenticed to Philip Stubbs for 7 years.

MARRIAGE LICENCES.

14 June 1631. Richard Stubbs of Chislehurst co. Kent Gent. Batch aged about 24 & Jane Fowler Spr aged about 18 day of Philip Fowler of East Wickham co. Kent Gent. who consents—To be marrd at St Faith's or at St Sepulchre's London.

28 Oct, 1663. Philip Stubbs of the Parish of S^t Andrew Undershaft London Vintner Bachelor aged about 28 years & Elizabeth Hiller Maiden aged 20 years daughter of Thomas & Rebecca Hiller of the Parish of S^t Dionis Backchurch London Citizen & Upholsterer who are consenting—To marry at S^t Olave's Old

Jewry.

28 Oct. 1680. "Phillipp Stubbs of St Andrew Undershaft Lond. Vintner aged about 44 years and a Widdower" and "Mrs Mercy Sarjeant of St Catherine Creechurch Lond. aged about 34 years and a Widdowe"—to be married in yoparish Church of Battersey in Surry.

29 Jan. 1717-8. Samuel Stubbs of St Mary's Rotherhithe co. Surry, Batch, aged upwards of 28, and Anne Norton of Hurstpierpoint co. Sussex, aged upwards

of 21-To marry at the latter.

12 May 1733. Charles Stubbs of East Greenwich in the County of Kent, aged 27 years & upwards, Batchelor, & Rebecca Wallrond of S' James Westminster, Middlesex, aged 20 years, Spinster, with the consent of her mother Elizabeth Wallrond Widow—To be married at St Alphage's East Greenwich or St Alphage's within Cripplegate London.

31 January 1761. On which day a Licence issued for the Marriage of Francis Grojan of the Parish of S^t James, in the liberty of Westminster, in the Co. of Midd^x, a Bachelor, of the age of 25 years, with Elizabeth Stubbs of the same parish, aged 21 years & upwards, a Spinster—To be married in the Parish Church of S^t James aforesaid.

14 March 1761. Charles Stubbs of St James' Westminster. co. Middx Batch aged 25 & upwards and Elizabeth Troubridge of St Marylebone in

same co. Spinster aged 21 & upwards—To marry at the former.

13 July 1771. Thomas Stubbs of St Andrew's Holborn co. Midd* Batchelor aged 21 & upwards and Mary Roberts of the same parish Spinster aged 21 &

upwards-To marry there.

23 May 1781. Joseph Thompson of the Parish of St James Westminster in the County of Midd* Widower & Elizabeth Stubbs of the Parish of St Bridget's otherwise Bride in the City of London Widow-To marry in the Parish Church of St Bridget's otherwise Bride.

WILLS.

No. 1. WILL OF JOHN STOBBES, of Eltham.

In the name of god Amen. I John Stobbes of Eltham yeoman hole of mynde &c .- my body to be buried in the Churchyarde of Eltham—to the highe Aulter of Eltham iijs iiijd—to the mother Church of Rochester xijd. Item two dussen of brede and a kilderkyn of Ale to the pore people of Eltham-to my godchildren both boyes and gerles my blessinge and grotes apece—to Margaret my wif the newe howse &c. as longe as she is wedowe—unto my Sonnes Henry Philip Richard Robert and John Stobbes my ii howses on Chestlest heth in the p'ryshe of Chestlehurst-to Alice my youngest Doughter ij of my best Bease It'm I bequeyth to Elizabeth Borne my dowghter one of my best bease—to Alice my wife's Dowghter a yonge Bullock—to John Litlegrome one of my best Bullocks—to John and Philip Stobbes the Sonnes of Harry Stobbes betwene them one bullocke—unto my wif vj bease and all Rest of quicke Cattell aboute the house and all the Rest of my goods to be deuided to my wif and my Children in equall porc'ons-Margaret my wif and Richard my Sonn Exors. John Rolte and John Alee Overseers. Witnesses John Rolte John Alee and Edward Eliott. No date. Proved 22 Sept. 1556.

No. 2. WILL OF HENRY STORES, of Eltham.

14 Dec. 1571. I Henry Stobes of the p'ishe of Eltam yeman my body to be buried in the p'ishe churche yarde of Eltam so nye unto my frends as mayebe—unto Catheren my wyfe all my howses and Lands and all the reste of my goods bothe moveable and un-moveable so longe as she kepethe her my wydowe also if Katheren my wyfe do marry that then she shall have my howses that I dwell in wth the lands belonginge thereto also then my two howses at Chesselhurst shall Remayne unto my iij sonnes and also my howses at Eltam win th'app'ten'nc's thereto belonginge after the decease of my wife to remayne unto my thre sonnes that is to seye John Stubes Phillipe Stobes and John Stobes the yonger unto them and their haiers of their body lawfully begotten remr to Agnes and

Margaret my doughters to them also at the Daye of the mariage of my wife the one halfe of my moveables as yt shalbe praised by my overseers—unto every of my godchildren iiijs—unto the power at the daye of my buryall iij dozen of bread and a stande of eale to be given at the Churche—s^d wife sole Ex'tx. Phillope Stobs Richard Stobes and John Stobes my brothers Overseers. Witnesses John Rolte Richard Felton John borne wth others. Proved the last of March 1571.

No. 3. WILL OF KATHERINE HAIGHTE, of Eltham, widowe.

January 1590. To Henrie Stubbs & Hugh Stubbs the children of my sonne Phillipp Stubbs, and unto Elizth Shawe the daur of Henry Shawe the elder, & unto William the son of Henry Shawe the younger, all my goods are to be equallie devided amongst them. To Tobie Stubbs and Thomas Stubbs, sons of my late son John Stubbs, & to Elizth Stubbs his daughter what the mother hathe in her hands allreadie; and to my son Phillipp Stubbs, & to Henry Shawe the younger. I give to my sonne John Stubbs that which he did owe unto me, that I paid for him unto Robt Sonne fishmonger, and to Thomas Harince grocer, both citizens of London. My best hatte to Alice the wife of my son Phillipp Stubbs. To Katherine, the daughter of John Borne deceased, a sawcer and porringer. To Jone Hodgekins daur of Elizth Barker, the wife of John Barker citizen, a joyned chaire. To Richard Browne, blacksmith, of Eltham, a mattriss wth flocke bolster, & a plaine bedstead. To the poor of Eltham, bread and Kilderkin of beare. I make the five children above-named my executors; and my overseers of this my last will Phillip Stubbs, Thomas Swifte, Henry Willet, James Swifte, and my goods being praised, after the legacies above specified are performed, I will that my goods be divided into five parts, to remanie in the hands of the said overseers of my will to the behoofe of the five children aforesaid to be paid unto them when they all come to lawful age. I give to ffrancys Shawe, the daur of Henry Shawe the younger, one of my best Kyne, to be delivered unto her father presently after my death, or so much money as the cowe be valued at the day of her marriage, or at . . years of age. I will that my sonne Phillipp Stubbs have th'use of my my houshold Stuffe, condicionallie that he do enter into sufficient bonds unto my overseers to sell howses landes that was bequeathed to him, his children also to restore the said goods or the valewe thereof, as they shall be praised, unto my said overseers, at what tyme me they shall demande them, to the behoof of the said children. Witnesses: Thos Swifte; Phillipp Stubbs, the older; James Swifte; Phillip Stubbs, the younger. The marke of Katherine Haighte.

Codicil.

The iiijth day March 1590. I give to my son Phillipp Stubbs the corn wheat & oats with a parcell of ground & five paire of Geese. To John, & his wife Elizth, Stubbs a pair of Geese. To James Swifte vicar of Eltham a paire of Sheets. I give to Margaret Shawe two gownes a petticoate & Kirtle.

No. 4. WILL OF RICHARD STUBBS, of Ruislip.

12 Dec. 1585. I Richard Stubbes—my bodey to be buryed in the p'ishe Church of Ryslipp—to my wyve's daughter Margaret Nelham x¹¹ at the day of her marriage but if she dies before she be married then same to be equally devided between James Nelham her brother and Elizabeth Burne my syster's daughter—unto my wyve's eldest sonne John Nelham my best cloake—my seconde beste Cloake unto James my wyve's sonne and also a Taffata dowblet and a new velvet Capp—to Richard my wyve's youngest sonne xx⁵ in golde—unto Will'm Nelham my wyve's sonne xx⁵—unto Isabell Barmoy my servaunte x⁵—to Richard Turnor our comon servaunte in the Confectionary x⁵ also unto his fellow servaunte Thomas Vause v⁵—unto Annes my wiefe all my goodes and Cattalls whatsoeu' unbequeathed and she sole Ex'tx. Witnesses Leonard Davies Anthony Barkell Raphe Redinge and Will'm Kyrton. Proved 19 Feb. 1585-6 in the Commissary's Court, London.

No. 5. WILL OF PHILIP STUBBS, of Eltham.

From the original will, which is much damaged, there being no

registered copy:

I Philip Stubbes of Eltham in ye County of Kent yeoman—to be buried in the p.... church or churchyard of Eltham aforesaid—to... my welbeloved wiefe... my lands and tenements goods Chattells Cattell ymplements... wthin the p'ish of Eltham in the said county—And the Rent... have and take to her owne p'per use during her naturall life So as she the said... put in security and be bound for keeping of my howses &c. in good and sufficient reparac'ons—if not so lands &c. unto my lovinge sonnes George Stubbes and John Stubbes equally between them during the life of so Ellenor my wife paying to her £10 a year, so lands &c. after her decease unto my three sonnes George John and Edward Stubbes equally amongst them to be devided—so sons George & John Ex'ors—my lovinge freinds William Elliot and John Phillips Overseers, to whom 3s 4d apiece. Dated 16 May 1596. Signed by a mark. Witnesses Robert Groo Bartholomew Graue and Richard Peacocke. Proved 27 April 1606.

No. 6. WILL OF ROBERT STUBBS, of Eltham.

11 Nov. 1569. I Robert Stubbes of the parishe of Eltham in the Countie of Kent yeoman—my bodie to be buryed in the parish Churcheyarde so nighe unto my freinds as can be—Item Pawle Bushebre oweth me xx⁵ iiij^d Item Richarde Bore ow'th me l⁵ Item Robert Ale oweth me fyve nobles and fortie pence Item Harry Stubbes my brother oweth me vj⁵ of the last payment of my parte of the howses at Chesilhurst Item Mr Cockes oweth me 9⁵ Item olde Moyger oweth me xxvj⁵ viij^d and xx^d Item William Hamsher oweth me v⁵ Item Walter Burchett oweth me ij⁵ Item Wharton of Depford oweth me iiij¹¹ Item Person of grennwyche oweth me for v lodes of wood after iij⁵ vj^d the lode Item Tyse oweth me xl⁵ that

he borowed of me. Debtes that I owe—unto Mr Rowe iiiji Mr Reding xiijs and John Bourne xvs xd—unto my foure sonnes that ys to say Edwarde Stubbes Roger Stubbes George Stubbes and Robert my sonnes the house that olde Moyger dwelleth in to be equally devided betwext them. Witnesses Harry Stubbes Philippe Stubbes John Bourne John Grassewith & others. On 9 Jan. 1569 Adm'on with same g'td to Mary Stubbes the Relict.

No. 7. WILL OF JOHN STUBBS, of Chislehurst.

March the 29 day 1632. John Stubs of Chilslyehearst perfect in heart & mynde doe geue all my moueables wthin doores and wthout wholye to Alse Stubs my wyfe to her descretion to dispose of as shee pleaseth. Item I geue unto Margret Feedorne (? Freborne) my daughter and her two children five pounds to be paid at three moneths after my discease.

By mee John Stubbes.

The marke of + Robert Goslrige.

Edward Marten.
Christopher Carter.

The mark of Alse Rose.

Admon with same granted to Alice Stubbes widow the relict.

No date given.

No. 8. WILL OF RICHARD MASTERS OF CHISLEHURST.

I Richarde Maisters of in y° Countye of Kente one of his Maties yeomen of—my bodye of Ewell in the countye of Surrey to be buried—to my wiffe Alece all my Lande Liinge in the countye of Kent for life remr to my daughter Alece Stubs and hir lawfullye begotten—Other two daughters Joan and . . . —to my daughter Elizabeth Barker all that my Lande colled in y° parrishe of ficotcraye and to her heirs remr to her other two sisters —to my brother Henrye Maisters—Wife Alece sole Ex'tx & residuary Legatee. Dated 28 June 1608. Signed by mark. Witnesses Edward Webb Thomas Tyllye & John Lee. Proved 22 July 1608. (From the original will, which is very much injured by damp, there being no registered copy.)

No. 9. WILL OF RICHARD STARKEY.

1587. 31 Jan. 30th Elizth. I Richard Starkey of Eltham in the countie of Kente Cooke—to my daughter Marye Starkey a flock bedd wth a payre of sheets &c.—to my daughter Emerye a flocke bedd a payre of sheetes &c. &c.—to my daughter Jane Starkey a cow a standing bed in the chamber wth the fetherbedd &c. &c.—to my daughter ffrauncis Starkey a cow a standing bedd &c. &c.—these my youngest daughters under 16—to my godsonne and graundchild John miles 5s—to my godsonne Richard the sonne of Thomas Batt 12d—to my godsonne Richard wilcoxsonne 12d—to Elizabeth Stubbes my wine's daughter a bullocke that is now almost two yeares olde—to tobie Stubbes and to Thomas Stubbes my wine's sonnes

10° a piece and to Tobie I giue a rapier—Wife Elizabeth sole Ex'tx & residy Legatee—mr Jeames Twist our vicar ouerseer to whom 5° for his pains—The debtes I doe owe are these It'm to Tobie Stubbes xx° It'm to Thomas Stubbes xx°—Memorand' that whereas my daughter ffrauncis is deceased her legacies to said wife. Signed by mark. Witnesses Jeames Tauyst Henry Collinson William Higges Thomas Phill Roger Ashell & Robert Weekes the two last being marksmen. Proved in the Consistory Court 18 May 1598.

No. 10. WILL OF PHILIP STUBBS, junior, of Eltham.

20 March 1590. I Phillip Stubbes the younger of Eltham in the Countie of Kent—to be buried in the parish churchyard of Eltham so nigh unto my friendes as may be—unto Alice Stubbes my wiffe all my goodes moveable and unmoveable and for my houses and land that was bequethed unto me by my father which lieth and is within the parish of Eltham aforesayd for life if she keep s^d houses in repair, if not, and after her death to my two sonnes Henry Stubbes and Hughe Stubbes equally, if they both die S.P. then to my daughters Katherin and Elizabeth Stubbes equally, also to s^d dau^{rs} £5 a piece when 21—s^d wife sole Ex't^x. Overseers James Twist and my uncle Phillip Stubbes unto whom I bequeth x^s a peece for their paines. Witnesses James Twiste and Philip Stubbes. Proved 12 May 1591.

No. 11. WILL OF ROBERT STUBBS, of Eltham.

I Robert Stubbes of Eltham in the Countie of Kent Victualer my bodie to be buried in the Churchyard of Eltham—to my mother Marie Elliott the Wiffe of Walter Elliott tenne poundes—to Henrie Stubbs the sonne of Phillipp Stubbes deceased 208-to Hugh Stubbes the sonne of the foresaid Phillip 20s—to John Burne the sonne of Richard Burne of Eltham Blacksmith 205-my house wth the orchard yardes and other edificies about the same win a picell of land lyinge in Eastefeild by estimac'on halfe an aker to be sold to pay debts legacies and burial expenses with fower shillinges to be given to the poore and foure dozen of bread and the remr of the money arising therefrom to my cosen John Stubbes the sonne of Phillipp Stubbes the elder—to Alise Parrie now dwellinge wth my mother Elliott 5s to be paid also out of money recd for sd house—to John Kettle my sword and dagger and to Richard Bourne all my apparell except my best cloke—all my goodes moveable and ymoueable unbequeathed to my wiffe Margaret Stubbes-she sole Ex'tx. Overseers William Elliott and my cosen John Stubbes the sonne of Philip Stubbes. Dated 30 Dec. 1594. Witnesses James Twist Thomas Lawghton Phillip Stubbes and Richard Bourne. Proved 14 Feb. 1594.

No. 12. WILL OF PHILIP FOWLER.

28 June 1636. I Phillip ffowler of Eastwickham in the County of Kent yeoman—to be decently buried in the Parrish Church of

Eastwickham aforesaid-vnto my eldest daughter Mary Bean the wife of James Bean of Chatham Shipwright £70 and the Lease of the Windmill standing in the Parrish of Addington in the County of Surrey she paying to the heirs of Sir Francis Leigh after his decease the yearly rent of £4-also to said Mary the greene bedd and bedsteed with the curtaines and valians &c. &c .-- vnto my youngest daughter Elizabeth Fowler £80-Lands Goods & Chattels except as aforesaid to be sold by Overseers after death of Wife Jane for the payment of said legacies and the overplus arising therefrom to bee equally devided betweene the children of Mary Bean and Jane Stubbs my daughters which are now att this printe tyme lyving -vnto my second daughter Jane Stubbs the yellow bedd and bedsteed with the curtaines and vallians the rug boulster and blancketts belonging therevnto-more vnto my said youngest daughter Elizabeth flowler my silver boule silver salt and all my silver spoones--vnto my Cosen William Robinson my Seale ring which I vsually weare upon my finger—vnto the poore of the parrish Eastwickham abouesesaid 20s—Loving Wife Jane sole Ex'tx & residuary Legatee -Loving friends Thomas Williams and George Hampe of East Wickham Overseers to whom 10^s a piece. Witnesses ffra. Cotton cler. George Hampe. Proved by said Ex'tx 9 Sept. 1636. (97 Pile.)

No. 13. WILL OF JANE FOWLER, mother of JANE STUBBS.

Nuncupative Will of Jane Fowler of Wickham in the County of Kent Widow dated 26 Aug. 1647. Imprimis I give and bequeath vnto Mary Bennes my daughter the wife of James Bennes of Chatham in the County of Kent two shillings and six pence—vnto Jane Stubbs my daughter the like sum'e of two shillings and six pence—Residue of Personal Estate after payment of debts and funeral expenses to my loveing daughter Elizabeth ffowler. Witnesses Su. Leigh Dorothie Andrewes Joane Buckely. On 14 Oct. 1647 Admon with said Will annexed granted to Elizabeth Fowler the daughter, no Exor having been appointed. (197 Fines.) This will is registered over again at p. 210 Fines, but for what reason does not appear.

No. 14. WILL OF JOHN KENT (father of second wife of Philip Stubbs).

"I John Kent the elder of the parish of St Olave Hartstreete in London Cittizen and Vintner of London." To be buried "in the Parish Church of Alhallows Lumbard streete in London at the upper end of the ffirst Isle in the Right hand under the Window where the seate stood." "Unto my Eldest son John Kent and to my Daughter Mercy Stubbs and Elizabeth Upsher" £5 apiece—"unto my worthy good ffriends Doctor Josiah Clarke and Mr John Newton" £5 apiece—"unto my youngest daughter Elizabeth Kent" £500 when 21 or married. Residue of Personal Estate after payment of Debts &c. to said Wife Elizabeth and to youngest Son Dixey equally. Reversion of Capital Messuage "called the Mannor house of the Marke" and all other my Messuages Lands &c. "in

the parish of Walthamstowe and Lowe Leyton in the County of Essex or either of them Except Eight acres of Meadow ground belonging to the said Capitall Messuage lyeing and being in Leighton Marsh neere the fferry house there" &c. settled upon said Wife for life as her jointure "unto my said youngest sonn Dixey Kent and to his Heires and Assignes for ever" he paying Testator's Debts Legacies &c. if said Personal Estate be not sufficient for that purpose. Said Wife and youngest Son Ext^x and Exo^x. Said D^x Josiah Clarke and M^x John Newton Overseers. Dated 14 Dec. 1689. Witnesses "Hen. Lewes Geo. Barry Legh Beale. Proved by both 23 Dec. 1689.

No. 15. Admin. of Thomas Stubbs.

4 Oct. 1699. Admon to *Thomas Stubbs* late of Fort St George in the East Indies a Bach^r dec^d was granted to Philip Stubbs the father.

No. 16. WILL OF ARCHDEACON PHILIP STUBBS.

In the Name of God, Amen, I Philip Stubbs, Arch Deacon of St Albans, being through the mercy of God in good bodily health as well as perfect and sound in mind and memory, yet considering the certainty of death, and the uncertainty of the time thereof, And that I may be the better prepared to leave this wretched world. when it shall please God to call me hence, Do therefore make and declare this my last will and testament, in manner and form following; that is to say, First and principally I commend my Soul into the hands of Almighty God my most mercifull Creator, hoping for pardon and remission of all my sins whether of omission or commission, And that I may be partaker of eternal happiness in his heavenly kingdom, through the meritts and mediation of my Blessed Lord and Saviour, the only Mediator between God and Man, Christ Jesus. My mortal body in the next place I leave to be interred, in hopes of a joyfull resurrection, but with as moderate expence as shall be consistent, with the most private funeral, with this choice only as to the place, that if I dye at St Albans I would be buryed under the Consistorial Court: If at Launton Oxfordshire, in the Church Yard near to the wall under the middle window of the Chauncel; If at the Royal Hospital Greenwich, in the common buryal ground the eastern part of it. None to be invited but the charity children respectively of each place, to whose education I have many ways contributed, and whom I pray God to succeed so that they may be continued a blessing to many generations, as well as the Schools at St Alfage and St James Garlick Hythe, now incorporated into Cripplegate and Vintry Wards, both first set on foot by me when Rector of those parishes, and encouraged since by me till brought to this happy Establishment. Each child for his attendance and singing the fourth psalm to the place of buryal, to receive a pair of Lamb Gloves, meaning those of St Albans, The Royal Hospitall, and Bishe* on supposition I dye in or near those

^{*} Probably an error, for Cripplegate.

places; otherwise, wherever the Tree falls there let it lye. for such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bestow upon me in this life, be it either reall or personal, goods, chattells, debts, ready money, plate, books, printed or MSS., (except my sermons which I desire may be all burnt by my executors before my buryal,) houshold stuff, or other kind whatsoever or wheresoever (after such debts as shall happen to be owing by me at the time of my decease, and funeral charges, are paid and satisfyed) I doe hereby fully and wholly give, devise, dispose, and bequeath the same unto my dear and loving wife Mrs Mary Stubbs (with whom I have lived these 37 years in faithfull conjugal affection) and to my dear dutifull daughter Philippa Maria Stubbs conjointly, so that the right and property continue in my daughter, but the interest and produce of the whole surplusage to be for the support of her mother, during her life; and after their decease, to their heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns for ever. And I do hereby make and appoint my said dear and loving wife Mrs Mary Stubbs, and my said dutifull daughter Philippa Maria Stubbs, to be joynt Executrixes of this my last will and testament, requesting them to give each of my sons, William and Charles, a ring of twenty shillings value, in memory of a loving Father who would have done more for them in my life time had it pleased God to enable me further, and whom I recommend to their never failing affections in their lives, and at their deaths, trusting moreover that these my sons will ever remember the Rock from whence they were hewn, their Father, a Christian Priest after the ordering of the Church of Christ Established Nationally in England, and their mother of the same a true In confidence of whose following their faith and practice member. (human frailty excepted) and their gratefull behaviour towards their only sister, to whom they have ever been dear, in manifold instances, I shall lay myself down in peace and take my rest in God's due time, whom I humbly beseech, as who alone can do so, to make them all dwell in safety. And in witness that this is my last will and testament, All others being cancelled, I doe hereunto set my hand and seal, this tenth day of December 1733.

PH. STUBBS.

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Ph. Stubbs the testator for and as his last will and testament in presence of us who have subscribed our names in his presence after interlining the word (declared) as above Tho. Gataker The mark of Edward Harris Ann Newling.

This Will was proved at London the thirty-first day of October 1738.

No. 17. WILL OF PHILIPPA MARIA STUBBS (daughter of Arch-deacon Stubbs).

Will of Philippa Maria Stubbs of Bromley co. Kent Spinster.
My body I desire may lie near the remains of my much honored
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Mother. To my nephew and nieces Thomas Mary Elizabeth and Sarah the son and three daughters of my dear brother and to my brother's two grandchildren the sons of my niece Dufour 5 guineas each. Whereas by a former will I left the three children of my nephew Charles Stubbs the same now I leave the £100 my dear nephew left me to his three children Ann Elizabeth and William Trowbridge. To the four children of my niece Grojan 10 guineas each and to Charles Steen the son of my niece Steen 10 guineas. To my cousin Sibill Willis of Brentwood Essex and her daughter Philippa Maria Willis 5 guineas each. To my friends the three sisters of Sir George Pocock Miss Rebecca Kerby and my cousin Eleanor Coward each a ring of a guinea value. To the twenty gentlewomen of Bromley College a pair of gloves each as a small token of the sence I have of the benefit my dear mother enjoyed in that Society. To Mrs Elizabeth Lambe all my household goods and to Mrs Dorothy Lambe my wearing apparel. To Mrs Catherine Stell one guinea. To Mrs Blany now in the Workhouse of Bromley and Elizabeth Grainge the wife of Jonathan Grainge 5s each. To the Rev. Mr Bagshaw and my dear brother William Stubbs whom I make my exors twenty guineas each. Residue to my brother with all my books and papers excepting two Common Prayer Books one for the Rev. Mr Pratt and the other for Mrs Mary Hildesley. March 3, 1772. Witnesses John Derby Mary Janaway. Proved 2 May 1786 by Wm. Stubbs the brother one of the ex'ors power reserved to the Rev. Thomas Bagshaw the other ex'or.

No. 18. WILL OF LUCAS STUBBS.

I Lucas Stubbs belonging to their Maties Shipp "Bristoll"—to Mr Alexander Cahoon chaplain on board the aforesaid shipp three Guynnies in considerac'on of preaching a Sermon next Sabbath day after my decease if soe please God-to Mr John Baxter Chirurgion of the said ship one guynny he having one pound Seaventeen Shillings and Six pence of mine to be paid to my Executor—to William Ellic belonging to the said Shipp all my wareing apparrell and linnen and Chest and Instruments and other utensill with Tenn Shillings for a ffunerall ring Item I give if any Legacies hath been left to me dureing my absence from London to this time to my wellbeloved Sister Elizabeth Stubbs. The rest and residue of my wages due to me for my service performed in their Mattes Shipp "Bristoll" I give and bequeath to my loving father Phillip Stubbs Vintner in London makeing him my sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament if my said Executor be deceased to be equally divided to my loving Brothers and Sisters. Dated 5 May 1691. Witnesses John Baxter Alex Colhoun. Proved by Philip Stubbs the father and Exor 11 Feb. 1691-2. (56 Fane.) On 11 Feb. 1691-2 the will of Lucas Stubbs late belonging to the Royal Ship "Bristoll" upon the high seas decd was proved &c. (Probate Act Book.)

No. 19. WILL OF REV. AMBROSE BONWICKE.*

"I Ambrose Bonwicke." "To my Dear Wife all that my Messuage &c. called "Burford and Boxland" in Mickleham and all other my Freehold Messuages Lands &c. in that parish for life if she continues a widow remr "to my Son James and his Heirs "he paying £200 "to his Brother my Son John To which Son John I bequeath moreover" £200—"to my five Daughters Elizabeth, Dorothea, Winefrid, Henrietta, and Margaret (my Daughter Mary being already provided for) to every one of them" £400 when married with their mother's consent &c.—"to S^t John Baptist Colledge in Oxford" £5—"to the Library of Merchant Taylors' School in London" 20^s—"To my Dear ffriend the Reverend Mr William Musson and to my Brother Mr Samuel Stubbs" 20s each for a Ring—"to the poor of Reygate half a certain sum'e of money which my dear Wife knows of and the other half to be equally divided betweene the poor of Headley and of that parish where I shall be buried "-"I leave my Medals with the cabinet wherein they are and all my Books to my Son James and to my Dear Wife "—said Wife sole Ext" & resid Legatee—" my Dear Brother James Bonwick Esqr" to determine any doubt that may arise about the Will—"I desire my said Dear Brother to accept a poor Legacy of five pounds." Dated 26 July 1722. Witnesses William Cawthorpe Nicholas Williams Robert Arthur. On 18 Jan. 1722–3 Commission issued to John Bonwicke, Elizabeth Bonwicke, & Dorothy Bonwicke, the Children & Administrators of the Goods &c. of Elizabeth Bonwicke decd whilst she lived the Relict, Extx, & residy Legatee named in the Will of Ambrose Bonwicke late of Headly co. Surry decd, to administer the Goods &c. of the said decd according to the form and effect of the Will, for that the said Elizabeth Bonwicke Widow the Extx before-named died also before administering. (3 Richmond.)

No. 20. WILL OF WILLIAM STUBBS, Registrar of Rochester Archdeaconry.

I William Stubbs of the Precincts of the Cathedral Church of Rochester Gent.—to be buried in the South Aisle of the said Cathedral Church near the graves of my wife and my infant children—to my daughter Sarah Dufaur wife of Mr John D. £200—to my grand son and godson William Joseph Dufaur £10 for Mourning and also an Annuity of £20 until he attains 21 and during his Clerkship but no longer—to my niece Mrs Elizabeth Grojan and to Mrs Thompson wife of Mr Thompson of Vine Street Piccadilly London, and my kinsman William Stubbes my godson, a mourning ring each of two Guineas value—Residue of Estate whatsoever after payment of debts and the aforesaid legacies to Mary

^{*} A son of this gentleman by his wife, née Elizabeth Stubbs, is thus alluded to, in Abbey's "The English Church 1700—1800," vol. i., p. 66: "Ambrose Bonwicke was not the only example, in the generation just before Wesley, of deep and fervent piety in a student" at the universities. Mr. Abbey refers also to Nichols's Literary Anecdotes, v., 118—136.

Stubbs Spinster my daughter—Mr Francis Grojan of Vine Street aforesaid Attorney, Mr James Farquhar, Proctor Drs Commons London, and my said daughter Mary Stubbs Exors and Ex'tx, to each of whom 10 Guineas for their care and trouble. Dated 17 April 1789. On 16 March 1790 appeared personally Joseph Stevens of Doctors Commons London Gent. and Thomas Skeffington of the same Gent. and deposed that they believed the s^d Will to have been written by Testator. Proved 17 March 1790. (154 Bishop.)

No. 21. WILL OF EDWARD GASCOIGNE.

I Edward Gascoigne Captain of his Majesty's Ship the Dublin (in calendar "of Kent")—unto my Sister Elizabeth Macro the Interest of Two thousand five hundred pounds which is in three per Cent. Consolid'td Bank Stock for the Term of her Natural life—unto my beloved ffriend and Brother William Stubbs of the Precincts of the Cathedral Church of Rochester All that House and Houses Messuages Tenements Yards Gardens thereunto belonging which I purchased of the Widow Elliott of Rochester for him to have and to hold during the Term of his Natural life my Sister the said Elizabeth Macro having an Appartment therein which I leave ready ffurnished—all the residue and Remainder of my Monies which are in the Bank and South Sea Stock to be Equally Devided between Thomas Stubbs Mary Stubbs Elizabeth Stubbs and Sarah Stubbs Son and daughters of the above William Stubbs and my late Sister Mary Stubbs—The said £2500 after the death of said Sister Elizabeth to said children equally—to my said Sister Elizabeth Macro my Ring and Mourning and also Mourning unto the said Thomas Stubbs Mary Stubbs Elizabeth Stubbs and Sarah Stubbs. William S. sole Exor & residy Legatee. Dated 15 Dec. 1764. nesses John Ralling George Hubberd and Susan Ralling. Proved (16 Rushworth.) 10 Jan. 1765.

No. 22. WILL OF JOSEPH THOMPSON.

Will of Joseph Thompson of Vine Street in the Parish of St James Westminster in the County of Middlesex Esquire—unto my grand daughter Mary Thompson Wright £3000 3 % Cons. Bank Anns—unto my daughter in law Elizabeth Jackson the same—unto my daughter in law Ann Mawdsley £3000 3 % Reduced Bank Anns—unto my son in law William Troubridge Stubbs the same—unto Catherine my god daughter now the wife of Mr Nathaniel Carr of Warmington co. Northampton Farmer £500—unto John Low Parkinson of Widdington near Stamford co. Lincoln Farmer and to Ann P. Elizabeth P. and Margaret P. of Northborough near Market Deeping co. Lincoln and Sarah Carr wife of John C. of Elton co. Hunts Farmer £200 a piece—unto James Crompton of Paddington co. Middx Esquire and John Groom of Brompton Row in said co. Esquire my Ex'ors £100 each—to each of the servants living with me at my decease Mourning to be given—Little Horse, Bridles and Saddles to be sold and the old Horse shot—Houses, Ground Rents,

Household Goods, Furniture, Plate, Linen &c. and Residue of Estate whatsoever to sa Mary Thompson Wright Elizabeth Jackson Ann Mawdsley and William Troubridge Stubbs equally. Dated 7 Oct. 1812. Witnesses Francis Boring and W. Skillington. 1st Codicil dated 9 Nov. 1814: Joseph Millington of Foley Place in the parish of St Marylebone in the county of Middlesex Surgeon to be Ex'or instead of James Crompton and to have same legacy of : Testator's goddaughter Cathe-£100. 2nd Codicil dated rine Carr being then dead he gives her legacy of £500 to her husband Mr Nathaniel C. of Warmington co. Northampton in trust for the benefit of his four children by her viz. Edward, Catherine, Joseph & Eliza. Witness Elizabeth Jackson. On 13 May 1822 appeared personally William Troubridge Stubbs of Allsops Buildings in the parish of St Marylebone in the county of Middx Gentleman and deposed that he well knew Testator formerly of Warwick Street Golden Square afterwards of Vine Street Piccadilly but late of Great Marlborough Street in the parish of St James Westminster in the county of Middx Esquire who died 1 May Inst. and that he believed the said Will and Codicils to be in his own proper handwriting. Proved 15 May 1822 by John Groome Esq^r and Joseph Millington Esq^r the Ex'ors. (284 Herschell.)

No. 23. Will of William Stubbs,* of Northfleet.

15 July 1553. I William Stubbes of the parishe of Northflete in the Countie of Kent yoman-to the churche boxe of Northflete towardes the repa'c'ons of the same churche twentie shillinges-to euery of the poore householders of the said p'ish of Northflete that haue no ploughe going a busshell of malte to be delyuered to energy of them ageynst Christmas next—to eu'y of my godchildren xijd a pece—to every of my wiefe's children twentie shillinges a pece—to my suster Alice xxs to my said suster Alice's doughter and her sonne xxs a pece-to Elizabeth Russell my suster Jone's doughter xls And to Robert Russell her brother xxs And to Joane Russell their suster xxs—to Henry my brother's sonne xxs and to his suster Joane twentie shillinges—to my brother John my best Cote and my best Cloke-to every of my se'unts nowe being of my household iijs iiijd a pece-And as for all my landes tenementes and other hereditamentes with their appurten'nces set lying and being in Northflete and Gravesende in the Countie of Kent I will and by thies p'nts give & bequeathe to Joane my wief for terme of her lief naturall And the remaynder therof after her decease to Thomas my brother's sonne and to th'eyres of the bodye of the same Thomas laufully begotten foreuer. And for want of suche yssue the remaynder theref to Henry his brother and to th'eyres of his bodye laufully begotten foreuer. And for want of suche yssue the remaynder therof to Willyam Stubbes th'eldest sonne of my brother John Stubbes and to the heyres of the same Willyam for euer .-

^{*} The connection, of the makers of the following wills with the Ditham family, cannot be traced.

Item as for my bargayne and purchase of all suche landes whiche I late bought of our late soueraigne Lorde the Kinge of one John Swaynslande I will and bequeathe them to my said Cozen Thomas and to his heyres for euer more any thing before reherced to the contrary notwithstanding And yf he caynot recover and enjoie the said late purchased Landes Then I will that he shall recover take and haue to his owne use all suche somes of money as I haue paide for the same purchase Whereof I will that my said wief shall have Thyrtie poundes she bearing the costes and charges of the sute for . recovering thereof And if my said Cosyn Thomas recover the said purchased Landes or any parcell of them then I will that my said wief shall have and enjoie the same during her said lief she paying the costes and charges for the Recou'y of the same And also paying to hym yerely during her said lief three pounds at two tymes usuall And as for Lease Landes I will that my said wief shall have during her said lief paying th'accustomyd Rentes and doing as I by the said Leases therof am bounde to doo And after her decease I will that my said cosyn Thomas his Executours and assignes shall haue all the saide lease Landes and the saide Leases for and during the yeres which then shalbe in the said Lease to com'—Wife Joan sole Ex'tx and residy Legatee-my welbeloved freinds Willyam Vaughan of Dartfurth in the said Countie of Kent and Robert Hall of Mylton in the said Countie Supervisors, to each of whom for their pains 20s. Witnesses Rd. Harde Thomas Boys Mathew Smyth Anthony Talven Richard Swan Thomas Marten & Robert Pole s'unte to the said Thomas Marten. Proved 14 Oct. 1553.

No. 24. Will of Joan Stubbs, widow, of Swanscombe and Northflete.

3 May 23 Elizth. I Johan Stubbes of the p'ishe of Swanscombemy bodie to be buried wthin the p'ishe Churche yarde of Northfleteunto the poore people of the p'ishe of Northflete xxtie Dozen of breade to be distributed at my buriall and a virkin of beere—unto the poore people of the p'ishe of Swanscombe xxs-unto Audrey my daughter foure powndes of good and lawfull money of England one of my fine shetes &c.—unto Johan Dunmowe th'elder one of the daughters of Audrie my Daughter one greate kettell and one greate Cheste—unto Johan Dunmowe the younger one small brasse pott one small kettell and one small cheste—unto Johan Dunmowe the elder & unto Johan Dunmowe the yonger my olde featherbed wth ij bolsters a Coverlette and my best blanckettunto Katherine Kaed xxs—unto Bridgett Knolden xxs when 16 (said Johan Dunmowe the elder and Johan D. the younger under 18) unto Agnes Harden daughter of my Cozen John Harden a joyned bedstedde a mattris withe ij curteins &c. &c. when 23-unto Samuell Harden my best featherbed a bolster & Coverlet wth a blanckett therto belonging when 21-unto Richard Smithe my godsonne 6° 8° — unto Alice Harden my shepes russett frocke. It'm I do forgeue nicholas Harden iijii the W^{ch} he dothe owe me—I do clerelie acquite and discharge the Executors of the last will and Testament of Nicholas Harden my Sonne deceased of all suche

sum'e or sum'es of money or anie other thinges whatsoeu' the saide Nicholas my sonne hathe had at anie tyme of me heretofore—my Cousin John Harden sole Ex^{or} and resid^y Legatee—John Beare the younger Overseer to whom for his pains 5^s. Signed by a mark. Witnesses John Beare the younger and John Giblett marksmen. Proved in Rochester Consistory Court 11 May 1582.

No. 25. Will of Thomas Stubb, of Ulcombe.

Last day but one of March 1509. I Thomas Stubb of the parish of Ulcombe—to be buried in the Chapel of the Blessed Virgin Mary in the Parish Church of All Saints in Ulcombe aforesaid—to the high altar there for my tythes and oblations negligently forgotten 12^d—to the Lights, of the B.V.M. 4^d—of S^t Nicholas 2^d—of S^t John Baptist 2^d—of the Trinity and S^t Mary Magdalen 6^d—of S^t Anne 2^d and of S^t Margaret 2^d. The residue of my goods, my debts and legacies paid, to William Stubb my brother and John A Lincoln my Ex^{ors} to dispose for the welfare of my soul the soul of my wife and the souls of all the faithful departed and of my benefactors. Witnesses John Hood Curate

there William Stubb & others. [Testament in Latin.]

Will of the said Thomas [in English] same date. ffirst I will that my brother William haue the graynes of myn encreasse sowen and A place callid Moswell And the Residue to be sold to fulfill this my last Will and my brother to have the avauntage of it at my maist's pleas"—to the Roode and to o' ladye chapell 10s. It' I will that o'on of my best cou'lettes shall remayn to the church for eu'. It' I will that maistres Dorathe Seyntleg' [St. Leger] haue my wife's best gowne lyned wt white and purfelid wt letewis. It' I will that my suster Elizabeth haue my wiffe's Russett gowne purfelid wt blake boge. It' I will that Margery my suster doughter haue my kowe that is at Seuenoke. It' I will that Margaret my broder dought' have oon of my wiffe's best kertilles. It' I will that Johan'e Jamett haue oon of my best hogges that she can chese. It' I will that my brother William oon of myn executours have my geldinge my best bowe and my woodknyff. It' I will that John A Lincoln myn other executour shalhaue for his labor vis viijd. Proved 2 May 1509. (13 Bennet.)

No. 26. Nuncupative Will of Andrew Slynn*

I Andrew Slynn of the parish of Eltham, co. Kent, on the first day of August in the year of our Lord God 1601. I first will my soule to God and my bodie to be buried in a decent manner.

I will and bequeth that after my death my two sonnes John & Richard Slynn should have all my goods and chattels eaqually devided between them part and portion like and to be my full and whole executors which words or the like effect as aforesaid in the year 1601.

^{*} Margaret Slynn, or Slinn, was married at Eltham to Tobias Stubbs, 17 June 1604.

No. 27. Will of Richard Slynn,* of Eltham.

6 Oct. 1642. I give to the parish of Eltham 20s To be paid to the Churchwardens for bread to be given the first Sunday in every month to the poor and needy. 8s to be given to the minister to preach a sermon on the fyfth of November, and to give God thanks of great deliverance from the great Powder Treason. This to be done by Mr Owen as long as pleases him, and after by Mr Bull the parson of Northcrey. 20s to be paid out of the teniment that John Smyth nowe lyves in. To Thomas Slynn my son 20 pounds, and my goald Ringe; at the second fell of the woods I hold of ffrances Sherman the sum of 50 pounds, which will be in A.D. one thousand six hundred and fyftie, or there abouts, yf he bee then livinge; and I give at the last fellinge of the said woods fyfty pounds. To my son-in-law William Powell, my best horse. To my daughter Jane Powell, my watch. To my said sonne W.m Powell, the sume of £15 to buy a horse, if he be living. To my son-in-law John Kinge, £40; provided hee pay and discharge the Bonds, that I and my sonne Thomas Slynn stand bound with him, to the company of Stapllears. I give to him £50, if he and his wife my daur may be then living; if not, I give the said sume to theire children to be equally divided. And that my wife shall sell the said lease which I hold, then I ordain she shall pay the sumes above said to each of them. I give to Mary my sister, the wife of Thomas Arsber, the sume of 40°, if she be living. I give to one of her children 10°. I give to Hythill 20°, and to his sister Elizabeth 10s if they be living. I ordaine my wife Anne Slynn sole executrix.

No. 28. Will of William Stubbes of Hithe.

3 March 1553. "I Will'm Stubbes of the parrishe of Hith in the Countie of Kent yoman"—"All my goodes and Cattalles I give and bequeth vnto Richard Stubbes my sonne, my sole executor. I give to Margaret Gallant of Sittingborne for her paynes keping me there, being seeke, tenne shillinges, and a worsted kirtell value of xiijs iiijd. Also I wille that Will'm Geoffry shalhaue my sonne Richard to be his servante, to thintent he may lerne his occupacion and that the said Geoffry shalhaue the custodie of all my goodes, the legacies and dettes paid, for the space of vj yeres"—"Item I wille that George Paynton of Hithe shalhaue fortye shillinges of money in occupying, for the space of vj yeres, and at the ende of vj yeres to repaye it to my sonne Richard agayn"—Testator speaks

^{*} Dr. Drake, in his History of the Hundred of Blackheath, p. 198, under Eltham, says: "SLYNN'S CHARITY, Richard Slynn by will date unknown gave 12s. a year, issuing out of a house and land on the north side of the High Street, Eltham, to be laid out in bread for the poor, and 8s. for a sermon on the 5th of November." In May 1636 "Ric Slyn, gentleman," was assessed in the parish of Eltham. The vicar named in R. Slynn's will was the Rev. Richard Owen, who was instituted to the vicarage of Eltham on the 18th of February 1635-6; and we hear of no successor to him until 1646, when William Overton was "recommended" to the cure by the Parliamentary Committee. In 1654, however, "Richard Owen, clerk, de Eltham," was married there to A. Kidwell.

of his wife's children in general terms.—"I will that Will'm Carter shalhaue his cloake, and a bras pot whiche I haue in my keping, wtout paying any thing for it. Also I geve unto the said Will'm Carter all suche dettis as is owing to me at the tyme of my deathe"—Will'm Geoffrye to be Overseer—Witnesses "Thom's Godfraye, of Sittingbourne; Richard Digyns, George Baker, Thomas Jekyn', and George Catmer"—Proved 18 April 1553.

No. 29. Will of Rev. John Stubbs, Vicar of Newington by Hythe.

8 May 1502. Will (in Latin) of John Stubbs Master of Arts perpetual Vicar of the parish church of Newyngton near Hithe—my body to be buried in the Chancel of the Church of St Nicholas of Newington; to the College of Wye &c.; to the Church of Newington; to John Serles 25s 8d for monies owed to him by me; to Thomas my servant my green cloak; to Margaret Williams & Elizabeth Monshe &c.; Also I give and bequeath to Master Lawrence Stubbs, my brother, my household stuff, with all other my goods whom of this my Will I make Executor—Witnesses:—Sir Thomas Fogg, Rector of the parish church of Cheryton; John (or Joan) Nethersole, Robert Monshe, and others—Proved 17 May 1502.

No. 30. Will of William Stubbs of Ulcomb.

27 Sept. 1518. Testament & Will of William Stubbis late of Ulcombe—"my body to be buried in the churcheyard of Vlcombe"—"to the high auter vjd; To owr Lady light iiijd"—"I will Marget my servant haue in money vjs viijd & in howsold stuff to the value vjs viijd;" "To my sister Godlif xld;" "to Willia' Andrew an old ffetherbed;" "to Richard Stubbis, my swerde and my buckler, and a salett"—"to five power pepull vd"—"I will that Willia' Claygate my godson haue a plater, and ij pewter disshes;"—"to my godchildren iiijd a pece;" "Johanne my Wif, and John Style" to be Extr & Exor & residy Legatees; "Sir John Glowsoppe, the Curat; Elis Champe, Robt Smodyng, with other moo"—Proved 26 Oct. 1518.

No. 31. Will of Kateryne Stubbs of Oanterbury.

14 July 1524. "I Kateryne Stubbes" (in Cal^r "of Canterbury")
—"my body to be buried in the churche porche of Saynt Augustyn"
—"vnto the high ault' of our lady of Northegate for my tithes and oblations forgoten xij^d" &c.—"to the wiff of Robert Polcher my tawny gowne"—"to John Polcher an Agnus Dei"—"to John Andrewes wif a sawcer"—"Sir Will'm Kempe vicar of Northegate" sole Exor & residy Legatee—Witnesses "Will'm Pood, Johan'e Jemett, Johan'e Adams, and other moo"—Proved 29 July 1524.

No. 32. Will of Thomas Stubbs of Borden.

20 Dec. 1529. "I Thomas Stubbys othre wyse callyd Thomas Robynson beyng of the p'ishe of Borden"—"my bodye to be

buryed yn the churchyard of Borden aforesaid"—"to the high ault' there for my tythes forgoten xx^d Also to our ladye of Nesse xx^d Also to the Rode of Grace xij^d Also to Kyng Henry of Wynsor xx^d Also to our ladye of Cortopstreete iiij^d"—"Will'm Harrys" sole Exor & residy Legatee—Witnesses "Sir John Hethe vicar of Borden; Sir Petre Woreseley—Proved 18 April 1530.

No. 33. Will of George Stubbs of Bilsington.

"I George Stubbes of the parrishe of Bilsington"—"to bee buryed in the church yard of Bilsington aforesaide"—"I give all my moveable to my wife and my sonne Thomas and my dawghter Alice to bee equally devided in three severall partes and owte of wives parte and my dawghter Alice parte by even portion to the maynteyning of my sonne Thomas to the schoole the wholl soome of five powndes"—said son under 22 and said daughter under 21—"to my sister Maryon Jenninges three sheepe"—Wife Rebecca sole Ext—Witnesses: "Wyllyam Dennisterp, Ursula Bowman"—Proved 27 July 1587.

No. 34. Will of Alice Stubbs of Thornham.

3 April 1602. "I Alice Stubbes of the p'ishe of Thorneham in the countye of Kente Wyddowe"—"my bodye to be buried in the churchyard of Thornham"—"vnto ffrauncys Hassenden my daughter two of the ewes with their lambes weh are nowe at her husbands house at pasture"—"vnto Marye Houlden my daughter other two if the sheepe wth their lambes weh are at the said Hassendens keeponge" also "one flockbed wth a blanket and a covilit weh is at George Larkins"—"vnto Anne Larkin my daughter othir two of the sheepe wth their lambes"—"to my daughter ffrauncys one lambe to the worthe of ten groats"—"to the said Anne my daughter one gowne weh is nowe at Hawles of Maydstone" &c.—George Larkin sole Exor—"Anthonie Kingsmill ourseer"—Signed by a mark—Witnesses "Anthonie Kingsmill, Curate; Richarde Archard, George Gafferley his marke"—Proved 12 April 1602 by said Exor.