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MILTON WILLS

(NEXT SITTINGBOURNE)—II.

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WILLIAM COCHE.

19 Novem 1522. Probate to his Will. Ex'or—John Cowche.
 {No more information.] (A. Act. Vol. 5, fol. 120.)

JOHN COWCHE.

7 August 1541. Buried in the churchyard beside my father.
 Ex'or :—Son Raynold and have my shop with all thereto. Sons
 John, Richard, and daughters Agnes and Cicely various household
 things. Witnesses :—Thomas Austen, vicar, Thomas Bocher,
 John Panton. [Probate 29 April 1542.] (A. Vol. 22, fol. 242.)

RAYNOLD COWCHE.

16 Feb. 1556-7. Buried where I do end my life. Sons
 Amos and Jonas each 20/- and a cow when 18. Daughter Denis
 20/- and a cow when 16. Ex'or :—Wife Joan and have residue.
 Debts I owe :—William Webb joiner £16. Thomas Redar of
 Bredgar 20/-. Thomas Carden of Sheppey £3. James Colsoil
 of Sheppey £3. [Probate 4 March 1556-7.] (A. Vol. 30, fol. 291.)

JOAN COWCHE.

25 Feb. 1557-8. Will of Joan Cowche. Ex'ors—Thomas
 Master and Hamon Crowch who renounced ex'orship. Adminis-
 tration to John Cowch, husband. Bonds :—Nicholas Norton
 vicar there, and Thomas Harting in £40.
 (A. Act. Vol. 13, fol. 19.)

WILLIAM CROUCHE, of Chalkwell.

10 Sept 1472. Buried in the churchyard next le ewe [yew-
 tree]. High altar 20*d*. Dom. John parish-priest 8*d*, parish clerk
 6*d*, sacrist 4*d*. Light of St Mary 12*d*. Residue to wife Isabelle
 my Ex'or to pay debts. Wife have messuage in which I dwell,
 4 acres in Sewers field next the Townmede, 1½ acres at the Forthe.

Daughter Felice wife of William Hogon my Barn with buildings, dovehouse, and 4 acres of land for life then to her issue. [Probate 16 March 1472-3.] (A. Vol. 2, fol. 146.)

ALICE CRUX.

7 Sept 1487. Buried in the churchyard. Light of the Cross of the High Loft a wax candle to burn during divine service in Hartlip church 6*d*. Joan Cotyng my sister 20/- and half my goods. Thomas Crux my brother 20/- and the other half of my goods. Residue to Thomas Cotyng my brother and Ex'or. [Probate 10 Feb. 1487-8.] (A. Vol. 5, fol. 21.)

WILLIAM DAYWELL OF PERYN.

24 Sept 1494. Buried in the churchyard. After debts paid residue to wife Margaret and Elie Catlott my Ex'ors to dispose for my soul. Messuage in Newington be sold and £3-6-8 to wife Margaret, the residue to pay debts. [No Probate. Cf. next will 21 Feb 1494-5.] (A. Vol. 6, fol. 52.)

ROBERT DEBNAM.

18 June 1529. Buried in the churchyard. Ex'or—Wife Joan and have residue after paying debts, with William Awse overseer. Wife have the tenement I dwell in, also tenement bought from Thomas Keylog for her life, paying to my daughter Joan 40/- and daughter Alice 20/- at their marriage. After the death of my wife son Thomas the younger have the two tenements in fee simple. Son Thomas the elder the tenement in St John's hold with two gardens there and the taynter lands¹ when he is 25 in fee simple, giving to my daughter Alice out of the tenement 20/- at her marriage. If sons die without lawful issue, then after wife's death all lands tenements be sold, the money half in charitable works for our souls, other half 40/- to my daughter Marione the residue between daughters Joan and Alice. Witnesses:—Thomas Austen vicar, Thomas Payne, Roger Yenes, John Bresenden, Nicholas Hart. [Probate 6 August 1529.] (A. Vol. 18, fol. 203.)

JOAN DEDMAN.

22 May 1539. Administration to her goods granted to Alice her daughter. Bonds:—John Payne of Wye, and John Plott of Iwade, in £40. (A. Act. Vol. 8, fol. 39.)

¹ Tenter-ground, where tenter hooks were placed for stretching skins, cloth, etc.

RAYMOND DICSON, Weaver.

5 April 1528. Buried in the churchyard. Son Robert my greatest brass pot, two candlesticks, etc, if he die to my wife. All residue after debts paid to wife Margaret my Ex'or, with Dom Thomas Austen vicar and William Awse, overseers. Witnesses :—Dom Thomas Austen, vicar, William Awse, William Loud parish-clerk. [Probate 28 May 1528.]

(A. Vol. 17, fol. 359.)

MATHEW DIGGON.

28 May 1555. Administration to his goods granted to Margaret his widow. Bonds :—William Okingwold and Simon Cloke, both of Great Chart, yeomen, in £40.

(A. Act. Vol. 12, fol. 14.)

JOHN DYNE, Weaver.

14 Novem 1545. Buried in the churchyard. Wife Alice pay to Christopher Gaye of Sidingbourne and John Thorneton of Milton, at the next Feast of St Michael £12 to the use of my son Augustine Dyne when 22, but if dead to my three daughters Joan, Thomasine, Denys, at their marriage, if all died the money to wife Alice if living, or if dead to the next of my blood. Ex'or :—Wife Alice and have residue. Witnesses :—Christopher Gaye, John Thorneton, Richard Buncker, William Roose. [Probate 12 April 1546.]

(A. Vol. 24, fol. 31.)

JAMES EGETTE.

8 Decem. 1474. Buried in the churchyard. Residue to wife Joan my Ex'or. Wife have my messuage and five virgates of land at North street for 20 years, then or at her death to son John for ever, but if John die within the 20 years then at the death of Joan be sold, the money disposed in works of charity. [Probate 13 April 1475.]

(A. Vol. 2, fol. 380.)

THOMAS EGETTE.¹

10 Feb 1477-8. Buried in the churchyard. Residue to wife Joan my Ex'or. Wife have my messuage at Northstreet, and to her heirs assigns for ever. [Probate 10 May 1478.]

(A. Vol. 3, fol. 163.)

¹ A Thomas Echete, husbandman, joined John Cade in 1450, and had pardon.—*Arch. Cant.*, VII, p. 268.

RICHARD ELLIOTT.

17 June 1506. Administration to his goods granted to Katherine his widow. (A. Act. Vol. 3, fol. 148.)

JOHN ELLIOTT.

5 July 1510. My body to the earth to be buried in a holy place (in loco sacro). Residue to wife Elisabeth and sons John, William, Thomas my Ex'ors, with William Peerson overseer. Wife have one house that she will chose of the two for life then to my sons equally, the other to my sons. Witnesses:—John Stamford curate there, William Peerson, Thomas Payne. [Probate 19 Sept 1510.] (A. Vol. 11, fol. 198.)

MAWDE, widow of Cuthbert ELLWODE.

No date. Buried in the churchyard beside my husband. John Ade have all moveables and debts owing to me to bring up my children until they be 14, and discharge me of the last Will of Richard Horn¹, and my brother John Huggine and Lockysmith of Tonge for my husband's Will. Anise [Agnes] my daughter 8 pewter platters, 4 pewter dishes, 2 sawcers, the greatest brewing kettle with the trivet, a chafer to stand by the fire, etc, at her marriage or when 20. Sons Robert and Thomas the residue of the pewter and brass. Mawd Watson daughter of my sister 6-8*d* at her marriage. Ex'or—John Ade, with John Huggine my brother and John Rede overseers. That a table, form and querne (handmill) remain to my house at Borden. Residue to Ex'or to pay debts, etc. Witnesses:—Thomas Austen, vicar, John Huggine, John Rede. [Probate 24 January 1536-7.] (A. Vol. 21, fol. 113.)

WILLIAM FIGGE.

8 Decem 1551. Probate to his Will. Ex'or—Thomas Figge, brother. [No more information.] (A. Act. Vol. 10, fol. 109.)

JOHN FINCHE, gent.

20 March 1548-9. [Probate 26 Sept. 1549.]

(A. Vol. 26, fol. 275-9.)

(This long Will is printed in *Arch. Cant.*, Vol. XIII, 328-32.)

¹ See the will of John Horne, 1528, of which her husband, Cuthbert, was one of the Exors. No Will of Cuthbert Ellwode.

THOMAS FLAWNE.

18 Oct 1518. Buried in the churchyard. My brother William Flawne [of Newington] my best gown and 6-8*d*. Margaret Bowdon my sister two seames of malt, and John Bowdon my brother the best cow. Margaret Cheseman sister of my wife, the best gown of my wife. Residue disposed by my brother William Flawne my Ex'or. Witnesses—Thomas Austen, vicar, William Flawne, John Higgin, John Catlott. [Probate 27 Oct. 1518.]
(A. Vol. 13, fol. 326.)

JOHN FRANCKLEN.

23 Sept 1554. Administration to his goods granted to Elisabeth his widow. Bonds :—John Stone, tailor, of Milton, and John Bocchar of Sidingborne, tallow-chandler, in £20.
(A. Act. Vol. 11, fol. 117.)

JOHN FURNER.

9 May 1555. Administration to his goods granted to Alice his widow.
(A. Act. Vol. 12, fol. 13.)

WILLIAM FOSTAR.

3 April 1520. Buried in the churchyard. To the Brotherhood of St James 6-8*d* to the stock of the Brotherhood. To the gilding of the Rood-loft 3-4*d*. Ex'or—My daughter Joan, with Thomas Austen, vicar, overseer. Thomas Letcott¹ her (sic) husband my colt. Joan my daughter have my house in fee simple and pay my debts. Residue to wife Cecile. Witnesses :—Thomas Austen vicar, Alexander Simpson, John Carpenter, John Hartt. [Probate 24 May 1520.] (A. Vol. 15, fol. 78.)

MARGARET, widow of WILLIAM GARDINER.

28 Decem 1554. Buried in the churchyard beside my husband. To poor people at my burial 6-8*d*. Agnes Gurnarde daughter of my daughter £3-6-8*d*, and Gurnarde shall not have the keeping of the same. Residue to Agnes and Alice Pegram my two daughters. Ex'or :—Agnes Pegram with my brother John Colman overseer.

Witnesses :—Thomas Bull, Raynolde Crowche, John Stonden, William Coting. [Probate 21 Feb. 1554-5.]
(A. Vol. 30, fol. 61.)

¹ Thomas Letcote, of Halstow, yeoman, died 1540, married Joan Fostar, by whom a son, John.—A. Vol. 22, fol. 29.

NICHOLAS GATE.¹

26 April 1481. Buried in the churchyard. Dom Peter Dingle vicar to pray for my soul in the church a trental of masses 8/-. Ex'ors—Wife Margaret and son William, have residue to pay debts and dispose for my soul. Feoffees—Peter Dingle, clerk, Thomas Sayer, John Bull to sell three acres of land in Norkefied in Borden, the money in three parts—(1) wife Margaret, (2) son William, (3) repair of my messuage and expenses of my burial. After the death of my wife my messuage in the Town of Middleton with land called Downe to son William for ever. [Probate 19 Decem. 1481.] (A. Vol. 3, fol. 386.)

THOMAS GEDDYN.

8 March 1533-4. Buried in the church next to my wife. High altar 6-8*d*. Thomas Driland my brother a black gown furred with lamb. Juliane my servant a quarters wages. Residue of apparel to son John, and of instuff and my wife's apparel to my daughters Elisabeth and Anne equally, also £40 at their marriage, if they died to my son John if alive, or in deeds of charity. Ex'ors :—Richard Driland senior, Thomas Grene, gent, each to have 40/-. My Ex'ors take all profits from my lands and tenements for six years after my death to pay my debts etc, and then to son John after he is 21. Witnesses :—Thomas Austen vicar, John Finch, gent, John Norton senior, gent, Richard Norton, John Godfrey. [No Probate date.]

(Con. Vol. 16, fol. 62.)

RICHARD GENVEY, Waterman.

12 March 1556 [? 1555-6]. Buried in the churchyard. To those that bear me to church 4*d* each. Son Raulf and daughter Joan various household things. William son of Robert Ruffin 6-8*d*. Elisabeth Ruffin my daughter 6-8*d*. Christopher and Edward Standon children of my son 6-8*d* each, and John Standon their father my best jacket, dublet, cap, and Levyn his wife my best gown. Son Raulf my best breeches of blue cloth. William Genvey son of my son 6-8*d*, and Alice Genvey daughter of my son 6-8*d*. Residue after debts paid to wife Joane my Ex'or, with son Raulf overseer. Witnesses :—Nicholas Moreton vicar of the town, John Hinderwell. [Probate 6 April 1556.]

(A. Vol. 30, fol. 263.)

¹ A Nicholas Gate, roper, joined John Cade in 1450, and had pardon. —*Arch. Cant.*, VII, p. 268.

WILLIAM GERRADE.

26 June 1550. Buried in the churchyard. Francis my eldest son the lease of the house I dwell in. Margaret my wife a chamber, the loft with the shop under it for one year, and all such things as were hers. Tomesine and all Margery my daughters each 40/- at their marriage. Ex'ors :—Sons Francis and William to have residue. "To that woman that plucketh off my shirt to have the same shirt and 6*d*," and to two other poor women 1*d* each that shall turn me into my sheet. [Probate 25 Sept. 1551.]

(A. Vol. 29, fol. 177.)

LAWRANCE GIBSON.

10 March 1499 (sic). Buried in the churchyard. To the vicar 12*d*. Residue after paying debts to Richard Gebill and John Catlott my Ex'ors, to dispose for my soul. Witnesses :—John Walshe, Hugh Howlet. [Probate 15 May 1499.]

(A. Vol. 7, fol. 94.)

THOMAS GLADWIN.

20 March 1513-4. Buried in the churchyard. High altar for tithes 3-4*d*. To the stock of the Brotherhood of St James 6-8*d* or a seame of malt. Reparation of the church 6-8*d*, and to the gilding of the Tabernacle of Our Lady 3-4*d*. Wife¹ [no name] have for life the house in which I dwell, then equally to my three sons [no names], each heir to other, but if all die without lawful issue then to my three daughters [no names], if they die without lawful issue then to be sold, and £3-6-8*d* to a priest to sing for our souls, another £3-6-8*d* to the stock of the Brotherhood of St James, the residue to the reparation of the church. To each daughter three platters, dishes, sawcers, and a candlestick, and my wife keep them until daughters are married, and if my wife marry then my brother Robert Dounham keep them. Residue to wife to pay debts and be Ex'or, with Robert Dounham and Roger Yenes overseers, each have 6-8*d*. Witnesses :—Thomas Austen, vicar, William Pikell clerk, Roger Yenes. [Probate 19 May 1514.]

(A. Vol. 12, fol. 308.)

JAMES GODYN.

10 April 1510. Probate to his Will. Ex'or—Anna his widow. [No more information.] (A. Act. Vol. 3, fol. 169.)

¹ His wife was Joan, who afterwards married William Awcey, who died 1536, and Joan Awcey died 1543. See their Wills.

JOHN GODYN.

3 April 1514. Buried in the church of Holy Trinity Milton. To the Brotherhood of St James towards a stock a bushel of malt. Ex'ors find a light before St Loye of half a lb of wax, and another before Our Lady of Piete, during eight years. To the gilding of the Tabernacle of Our Lady two bushels of malt, and to the gilding of the Roodloft over St James a bushel of malt. Wife [no name] have the napery ware in my house, except son Lowis have the second bed, and son Christopher the third bed, and my pewter and brass be divided between my wife and two sons. Wife have my great old chest until Elisabeth be married then to Elisabeth. Son Lowis the great new chest of Spruce wood, son Christopher a little chest with a spring lock, son Lawrence another chest, and my daughter a little chest which lacketh a lock. If son Christopher continue my craft he to have half the stuff of my shop with Lowis, if not Lowis have all the stuff. Son Lowis all my right in a tenement with lands in Stallfield parish, and pay all my debts and bequests, the residue to my wife and three sons. That my three sons have my great tenement in Bobbing with all thereto. Daughter Elisabeth a little house with a garden in Bobbing. Ex'ors :—Wife, sons Lowis and Christopher with my brother William Godyn overseer. [Probate 26 April 1514.]
(A. Vol. 12, fol. 320.)

LOWIS GODYN.

[No Date.] Buried in the churchyard. Wife Eme so that she pays my debts have all my moveable goods and be Ex'or, with Reignold Signet overseer. Wife have for life all my tenements and lands, and if with child a son, to my son and his heirs, my daughter [not named] having out of the same 53-4*d*, but if a girl equally divided between my daughters, and if both die without lawful issue then sold, the money—to the churches of Bobbing and Milton each £3-6-8*d*, the residue disposed by the vicar, Rauff Hayman, Reignold Signet. Witness—Thomas Austen vicar of Milton. [Probate 7 Oct. 1517.]
(A. Vol. 13, fol. 390.)

HENRY GRENE.

6 April 1552. Administration to his goods granted to Denis his widow.
(A. Act. Vol. 10, fol. 214.)

JOHN GREY.

15 Decem. 1477. Buried in the churchyard. My brother William Grey my best cloak. Residue to wife Joan and William Coting my Ex'ors. Wife have my messuage and to her heirs assigns for ever. [Probate 4 March 1477-8.]

(A. Vol. 3, fol. 157.)

THOMAS GROVEHERST, gent.

14 March 1523-4. Buried in the church of the Trinity Milton before the Rood. High altar for tithes 20/. Reparation of the church £6-13-4*d* and Thomas Austen the vicar with Robert Debnham have the disposition where most need is. To Iwade church £5 by 33-4*d* to buy a stock of ewes and with the mole [=profit, increase] of them to find a wax taper before Our Lady there. John son of Herry Finch a piece of land called little Holbroke, and he and his heirs and assigns to pay yearly 6-8*d* to the vicar for an Obit yearly in the church for 40 years. William Colsam the hermit 6-8*d*. Ex'ors :—Katherine Finch widow, and John son of Herry Finch, with Thomas Austen vicar, overseer. That Ex'ors fulfill the Will of my wife [Joan] and dispose residue after paying debts for our souls. My Manor or tenement called Broke with a cow-pasture in Blakers marsh, to Katherine and John Finch, paying £13-6-8*d* and £60, the money to buy a whole suite of black for Milton church £40, and £33-6-8*d* to a priest to sing for our souls for five years. That the said Katherine and John buy Broke severally and not as joint purchasers. My land called Russhinden [in Sheppey] be sold the money disposed to my kinsfolk, or repair of bad roads, or other good works by Ex'ors. If it can be proved by the law or by those learned in the law and of good conscience, that the Manor of Groveherst which I have sold be entailed by the last Will of my uncle Thomas Groveherst unto further heirs, and restitution and amends to be made to the heirs ; then out of all my lands and goods restitution be made, and my lands sold to the best value for this, and Katherine Finch widow and John Finch shall have first choice of purchase of my tenement Broke if they will buy it. Then when satisfaction is made to the heirs any residue to fulfill my Will. If it be proved Groveherst is not entailed then my Will be fulfilled. Witnesses :—Thomas Austen vicar, William Ballamye, John Plott. [Probate 12 May 1524.]

(A. Vol. 16, fol. 34.)

PETER GUNSELE.

8 April 1477. Buried in the churchyard. Joane daughter of Elene Hellis my daughter 20/-, to Margaret her daughter 13-4d and Felise her daughter 6-8d at their marriage. Residue after paying debts to William Hellis my son and Ex'or to dispose for my soul. Elene Hellis my daughter all my messuage, barn, garden for her life, then to her husband William Hellis for his life, then to Thomas son of Elene and his lawful issue, in default to his brother John and his lawful issue, in default to the right heirs of Elene for ever. Witnesses—Peter Dingley vicar of Milton, William Coting, William Bright, Thomas Cryer.
[Probate 20 May 1477]. (A. Vol. 3, fol. 96.)

WILLIAM HAME.

22 Sept 1529. Probate of his Will to his Ex'or Margery his widow. [No more information.] (A. Act. Vol. 6, fol. 186.)

WILLIAM HARRIES.

19 January 1531-2. Buried in the churchyard. High altar 2/-. Residue after paying debts to my wife (no name) my Ex'or, Witnesses :—Thomas Austen vicar there, John Cowche.
[Probate 13 March 1531-2.] (A. Vol. 19, fol. 178.)

STEPHEN HARISON.

No date. Buried in the churchyard at the south side. Thomas my brother all my wearing gear except a coat to my maid Joan. Ex'or :—Agnes my wife and have the residue to keep my child, and the lease of the Mill for all my years. Witnesses—Thomas Austen vicar, Robert Raiffin, Thomas Kilvert.
[Probate 14 Decem. 1524.] (A. Vol. 16, fol. 154.)

JOAN HERT.

5 Oct 1464. Buried in the churchyard next my husband. High altar 6-8d. A priest celebrate in the church for my soul, husband, all faithful departed half a year have £3-6-8d. To repair the Key late my husbands in the Town of Middleton 26-8d. Disorie Childmelle my best cloak and green girdle. Residue to William Childmelle my son to dispose for my soul and be Ex'or. Two acres and one virgate of land and two barns in Sidingborn be sold, the money equally to the church work and for a priest to celebrate for my soul, and my husband, etc.
[No Witnesses or Probate.] (A. Vol. 1, fol. 105.)

LAWRENCE HERT.

10 Feb 1479-80. Buried in the churchyard. Ex'or :—Wife Joan and have residue. My messuage in Middleton in the tenure of St. John be sold, the money to wife Joan to fulfill my Will, and £6-13-4*d* to a priest celebrating for my soul.

[Probate 14 Feb. 1480-1.] (A. Vol. 3, fol. 343.)

WILLIAM HART of Milton, Armyte.¹

26 Feb 1497-8. Buried in the churchyard of Milton. A taper of 1 lb of wax to burn before the image of the blessed Trinity in the church ; and five other taper of half a lb to burn before the Images of Jesus, Our Lady of Pitie, St. Katherine, St John Baptist, and St James in the church. To a poor man to say Our Ladys Sawtre (Psalter) at 16 sundry times for my soul 16*d*. That a new Bell that was made too big and large for the Armitage in the said parish, be delivered again that my Ex'or may be paid and have again as right requireth, those 13-10*d* that I paid towards the making of that Bell. All residue of my good to the maintenance of the six tapers before the Images. Ex'or :—John Fiche, with Robert Tomson clerk, overseer. [Probate 3 July 1498.]

(A. Vol. 7, fol. 37.)

NICHOLAS HARTE.

18 January 1548-9. Buried in the churchyard. Joan and Juliane daughters of Affabel Oliver 10/- each at their marriage. Ex'or—Juliane my wife and have residue after debts paid. My tenement and garden be sold the money to pay my debts, but if my wife will pay them to have the tenement in fee simple. Witnesses—John Thornton, Thomas Harte, Ralph Oliver.

[Probate 26 Sept. 1549.] (A. Vol. 26, fol. 268.)

RALPH HAYMAN.

15 Novem 1474. Buried in the churchyard. High altar for tithes 5/-. The parish-priest, parish-clerk, and sacrist, each 6*d*. Light of St Mary 10/-. Margaret Cosin three quarters of barley, William Denewey my servant 3-4*d*. Residue to wife Agnes who with John Bole my Ex'ors. Wife have messuage in which I dwell and all the Key late obtained from the Feoffees of Richard Hart

¹ Schamel Hermitage (see *Arch. Cant.*, XXIX, p. 54), on the north side of the main road and usually said to be in Sittingbourne, was probably in Milton parish as William Hart states, and refers to the Hermitage in that parish.

now dead, for her life, then to my sons (no names), but if they die before Agnes then at her death be sold the money disposed for our souls. Witnesses :—William Stevyn, Stephen Feltnall, William Coting, Thomas atte Water. [Probate 12 Oct. 1475.]

(A. Vol. 2, fol. 424.)

RAFE HAYMAN.

1 Sept 1534. Buried in Milton church before the high quier door. High altar 3-4*d*. A stone of marble graved with my picture, my three wives, three sons, and four daughters to the value of £3. Wife Marion and John Feltewell all my household stuff. Residue to Ex'ors to pay debts etc.—Wife Marion, John Miller, John Por-dage, each to have 20/- yearly for 20 years. Wife have for life all my lands tenements, and when John Feltewell is 24, if my wife be dead then John have the house in which I dwell with my Wharf called the Kay, the house bought from Thomas Cardon, the house bought from Peter Smithe and Laurance Halsted, the smith's forge, all my lands in Sawiersfield, my part of Harts barn and garden, and to his lawful issue. If wife die before John is 24 then Ex'ors take the income until he is 24. If John die without lawful issue then be sold by Feoffees, the money disposed in mending highways and other deeds of charity ; except my part of Harts barn with garden and land in Sawiers field remain to John Bull and his lawful issue for ever, paying to my Ex'ors £13-6-8*d* to be bestowed in repair of highways etc. Then to Rafe Hills my house next the gutter with the Kay. After my wife's death Lawrence Benett have two acres behind the parsonage barn for his life, then sold the money in charitable deeds. After my wife's death my Shambles [portable-stalls] to maintain the Cross Light in the church for 20 years. After my wife's death my tenement called the Rose in Sittingbourne to Raufe Simonds and his heirs for ever, paying to Raufe Corser £10. My part of my house and lands in Rodmersham to Thomas Croft and his heirs for ever, paying £20 to my Ex'ors. Land called Putt Wood be sold money to pay debts. Robert Chamber have my house and garden at Chalkwell. Raufe son of Peter Hayman my Manor of Backhilde [Bapchild] Court with all the lands rents services thereto ; my tenement called the Bell in Sittingbourne 20 years after my death, and during those 20 years my Ex'ors have the profits to pay my debts, legacies, and when Raufe enters in he to keep a yearly Obit in Milton church of 40/- for the next 20 years ; if Raufe be dead without lawful male

issue then the Manor and the Bell remain to my Ex'ors, to find a priest born in Kent to sing in Milton church for 20 years having £7 yearly. Richard Genin have the fourth part of my Boat called the Tome, or value in money if sold by Ex'ors. Witnesses:—John Joyce, William Brown, Richard Genin, Robert Chamber.

[Probate 27 March 1548.]

(Con. Vol. 21, fol. 80.)

JOHN HERWARD.

15 June 1466. Buried in the churchyard. To the parish-clerk and sacrist each 2*d*. Residue to wife Marione my Ex'or to pay debts. Feoffees—Robert Mone and Robert Hennaker. Wife have messuage with all buildings thereto, in which I dwell, next messuage of William Stevens, and five virgates of land next the rectory of Middleton, in fee simple. Also receive from Joan Berghman £20 for my messuage next the Key sold to her, and wife pay out of that money £3-6-8*d* to Joan my daughter after her marriage. Witnesses:—William Stevens, William Synett, Richard Bolle, Richard King. [No Probate Date.]

(A. Vol. 1, fol. 193.)

WILLIAM HEWE.

20 May 1513. Buried in the churchyard. To the gilding of the Assumption of Our Lady 16*d*. That two tapers of 3 lbs of wax be burned before St Loye. My house be sold and son Robert when 20 have 20/- and daughter Agnes 13-4*d* when 16, if both die then wife have the money. Ex'or—Thomasine my wife and have residue, with Robert Dounham overseer. [Probate 22 July 1513.]

(A. Vol. 12, fol. 183.)

LAWRANCE HILLS.

4 July 1488. Buried in the churchyard. Dom William Petitt vicar of the church have 13-4*d* to dispose for my soul. After paying debts ten ewes to my parents (not named) to each brother (no names) four ewes, and my mother have a small chest with all therein. Residue to Dom William Petitt and Bartholomew Cardon my Ex'ors to dispose for my soul. Witnesses:—Robert Coke, Beatrice Paine. [Probate 23 Oct. 1488.]

(A. Vol. 5, fol. 19.)

WILLIAM HILL, Weaver.

9 Feb 1493-4. Buried in the churchyard. A taper of 1 lb of wax before St Erasmus. Wife Cecilia have my tenement with

garden for life, then to John son of my brother John Hill and his heirs for ever, if he die without issue then to Robert Hill my brother. My brother Robert Hill have a broad loom and a linen loom. Residue after debts paid to John Fye and Joan his wife my Ex'ors to dispose for my soul. Witnesses :—John Walsh my curate, John Gormesfell, John Turye, William Raynold.

[No Probate Date.]

(A. Vol. 6, fol. 8.)

ROBERT HILLS.

2 Feb 1498-9. Buried in the churchyard. John Hills my kinsman all my craft and trade tools, a bacon hogg, all wood in the garden. Residue after paying debts to John and William my sons. Ex'or—Robert Dobenham. To the making of a torch for the church 20*d*. Witnesses :—Dom William Petitt vicar, Robert Dobenham. [Probate 27 Feb. 1498-9.] (A. Vol. 7, fol. 101.)

THOMAS HOGAN.

20 August 1473. Buried in the churchyard. To the parish-priest, parish-clerk, and sacrist, each 4*d*. Residue to wife Elene my Ex'or. If I die from this sickness my wife have the messuage in which I dwell in the market-place of Middelton for life, then to Agnes my daughter and her lawful issue, in default to be sold, the money—for a priest to celebrate in Middelton and Newington churches half a year for our souls £6-13-4*d* ; Joan Cokelette my daughter 40/- ; Joan daughter of Joan Cokelette 6-8*d* ; Thomas Parkin barber 3-4*d* ; John Bole and William Coting my Feoffees each 5/-, any residue to the highways and poor people. Peter Dingley vicar to be overseer and have 6-8*d*. Witnesses :—John Cobbe, William Denewey, John Carpenter, Thomas Sprotte, Thomas at Sole. [Probate 2 Sept. 1473.] (A. Vol. 2, fol. 184.)

WILLIAM HUGGIN, of Quynntonstreet.

4 Oct 1513. Buried in the churchyard. To the gilding of Our Lady 40*d*. Mawd daughter of my son a brass pot of three gallons, Thomas her brother a little brass pot, John his brother 6*d*. John Harman 13-4*d* of which my wife shall pay 6-8*d* and John my son 6-8*d*. Robert Huggin my brother 13-4*d* by 3-4*d*. yearly. Residue after debts etc paid to wife Margaret, who with William Wreke her son, my Ex'ors. Wife have for life all messuages, gardens, lands in Quynntonstreet in Middelton and Bobbing, except two acres at Hulthill be sold and money disposed for my soul ; after wife's death to son John and his lawful issue. Son John all

my tenements and lands at Chalkwell and to his lawful issue, viz—the garden bought from Noke next the mill—pond of two acres, and two acres in Saweris field next to the town mede. Witnesses : William Pikill, John Hoggin. [Probate 21 Oct. 1513.]

(A. Vol. 12, fol. 157.)

MARGARET HOGIN.

No date. Buried in the churchyard next my husband. To the reparation of the church 3-4*d* where the vicar thinks best. Residue after paying debts to my sons William and Harry Wreke my Ex'ors. Witnesses :—Thomas Austen vicar, Edward True. [Probate 27 Feb. 1527-8.]

(A. Vol. 17, fol. 195.)

JOHN HOGIN, senior.

25 April 1533. Buried in Milton church against the door beside the pillar, and there a taper of $\frac{1}{2}$ lb of wax be continued during the life of my son John. An Obit for ten years of 6-8*d* yearly. To amend the high street betwixt my house and the watering-place of the pond 6-8*d*. Wife Isabel have household stuff that she brought to me at our marriage ; also two seames of malt, a bacon hogg, and a sheteling [young hogg of a year], five hens and a cock, and her dwelling in my house. Daughters Agnes and Mawde a cow each. Residue to son John my Ex'or, and have all my tenements and lands. Witnesses :—Thomas Austen vicar, John Catlott senior, John Birdon. [Probate 16 Oct. 1534.]

(A. Vol. 20, fol. 65.)

WILLIAM HUGGING.

31 January 1532-3. Buried in the churchyard beside my wife Joan. Wife Margaret all my poultry, ducks, hoggs, 53-4*d*, two fitches of bacon, and all her own household stuff. Son Bartholomew and Margaret my daughter have all moveables, and all my lands at Merwood for ever ; my daughter to be under the governance of John Fowler and his wife with the use of her part until 18, then or at her marriage to Margaret. Ex'or :—Son Bartholomew and have all my lands with my house. Witnesses :—William Brice, Thomas Warler. [Probate 7 May 1533.]

(A. Vol. 30, fol. 36.)

JOHN HOKER.

12 January 1474-5. Buried in the churchyard of Holy Trinity Milton. Agnes my daughter 12 ewes, 8 quarters of barley, etc.

To the Hermit of Milton 12*d*. Residue to wife Agnes my Ex'or. Wife have my messuage at Northstreet for 20 years, then to Agnes my daughter for ever, and if wife be with a son then after the 20 years to the son for ever, but if a girl to my daughters. Witnesses :—Peter Dingley vicar, Stephen Feltnell, Thomas utte Sole. [Probate 17 January 1474-5.] (A. Vol. 2, fol. 366.)

JOHN HOLNEST.

20 April 1474. Buried in the churchyard. Ex'or—Wife Joan and have residue of goods. Wife have my messuage in East street Sidingbourne for life then to Richard my son. [Probate 16 June 1474.] (A. Vol. 2, fol. 315.)

GEORGE HOLT.

20 Oct 1469. Buried in the churchyard. To the parish-priest 6*d*, parish-clerk 4*d*, the sacrist my red cloak. Wife Alice all utensils of my house. Dionise and Rose my daughters at their marriage each £3-6-8*d*. Ex'ors :—Thomas Clenche, William Coting to pay all debts. Wife dwell in my house for a year then have for life 20/- yearly. The tenement called Robys with all lands to my sons (no names) and daughters, if they die without lawful issue then be sold, the money :—to the highway between the churches of Iwade and Bobbing £13-6-8*d*, to a priest to celebrate for our souls 33-4*d*, the residue by discretion of Feoffees. [Probate 15 Feb. 1469-70.] (A. Vol. 1, fol. 313.)

RICHARD HORNE.¹

No Date. Buried in the churchyard. Residue to wife Cecily my Ex'or. Feoffees :—Thomas Thomas and William Alen. The house in which I dwell be sold the money to pay my debts, and residue equally to wife and daughters (no names) when 22. Witnesses :—John Ade, William Alen, Thomas Denham. [Probate 2 July 1522.] (A. Vol. 15, fol. 169.)

JOHN HORNE.

3 Oct 1528. Buried in the churchyard. In the church 10/- in masses and other good works for my soul and parents. Son Edward my best coat. Son James a bullock. Son John 8 seames of barley when he is 16 and Cutbert Elwood have the same unto

¹ Richard Horne of Minster-in-Sheppey, who died 1505, left two sons, Richard and John.

that time, and yearly occupy it as a stock for the behoof of John, and if my son shall have need or necessity within the same time by reason of sickness or any chance, then my son have it to help him. That if John shall have discretion to occupy two or three seames before he is 16, then so to do by the advice of my Ex'or and overseer ; but if John die before 16 the stock and increase be sold and disposed in Milton church for our souls. Residue after debts paid to my Ex'or—Cutbert Elwood, with Dom Robert Gate overseer, to dispose for my soul in good works. Witnesses—Dom Robert Gate, Edmund True. [Probate 18 Novem. 1528.]

(A. Vol. 18, fol. 68.)

GARRARD HUSSIE, senior.

11 July 1541. Buried in the churchyard. High altar 53-4*d*. Dionise son of my wife four silver spoons and silver maser. William Barbor four of my basons and all my boxes. Ex'ors :—Son Garrard and John Basinden, with John Reade overseer. Son Garrard have residue to pay debts, also my three tenements in fee simple. Son Thomas all my other lands tenements. Witnesses—Thomas Austen vicar, Thomas Blokke, John Panton.

[Probate 20 July 1541.] (A. Vol. 22, fol. 135.)

GARRARD HUSSIE.

. . . . 1545. Buried in the churchyard next unto my friends. Son John £10 at his marriage or age of 24, if he die to Agnes my wife. Residue to wife Agnes my Ex'or to pay debts, with John Thornton overseer :—Witnesses :—John Thornton, John Dyne, Raynolde Cooke. [Probate 21 May 1545.]

(A. Vol. 24, fol. 206.)

EDMUND IDEN.

28 Novem 1525. Buried in Milton church. High altar for tithes 3-4*d*. Residue after debts paid to wife Elyn, who with Mr John Cheyne my Ex'ors. Wife have my lands tenements for life doing repairs, then my godson Robert Bowre have 53-4*d* yearly out of the profits, but the tenement and lands to Frawncesse daughter of John Cheyne in fee simple, if she die under age then to her brother William Cheyney in fee simple. Witnesses—Thomas Austen vicar, Richard Blackburn. [Probate 10 Oct. 1526.]

(A. Vol. 17, fol. 235.)

JOHN JEROM, Mariner.

9 May 1524. Buried in the churchyard. High altar 3-4*d*.
Ex'or maintain a taper before Our Lady of Pity for ten years, and
a taper of 1 lb of wax afore the Sacrament as long as it will last.
Wife (no name) all household stuff except one bed to my brother
Thomas Jerom. Ex'or :—Thomas Jerom my brother [of Tenham]
and have residue to pay debts. Thomas my brother my tenement
and all lands in Tenham, and to his heirs in fee simple, also the
tenement in which I dwell, keeping one Obit of 6-8*d* yearly for ten
years. Witnesses :—Thomas Austen vicar, John Fenell, John
Snoth. [Probate 8 June 1524.] (A. Vol. 16, fol. 119.)

MAURICE AP JOHN, rector of the parish church of St George in
Exeter.

11 January 1498-9. Buried in the quire of Milton church.
To Christchurch Canterbury 12*d*. Residue of goods to Mr John
Walsh and Dom Richard Taylour my Ex'ors. Witnesses :—
William Petett, vicar of Milton, Hugh Howlett, John Clifford.
[Probate 4 June 1499.] (Con. Vol. 5, fol. 31.)

(To be continued.)