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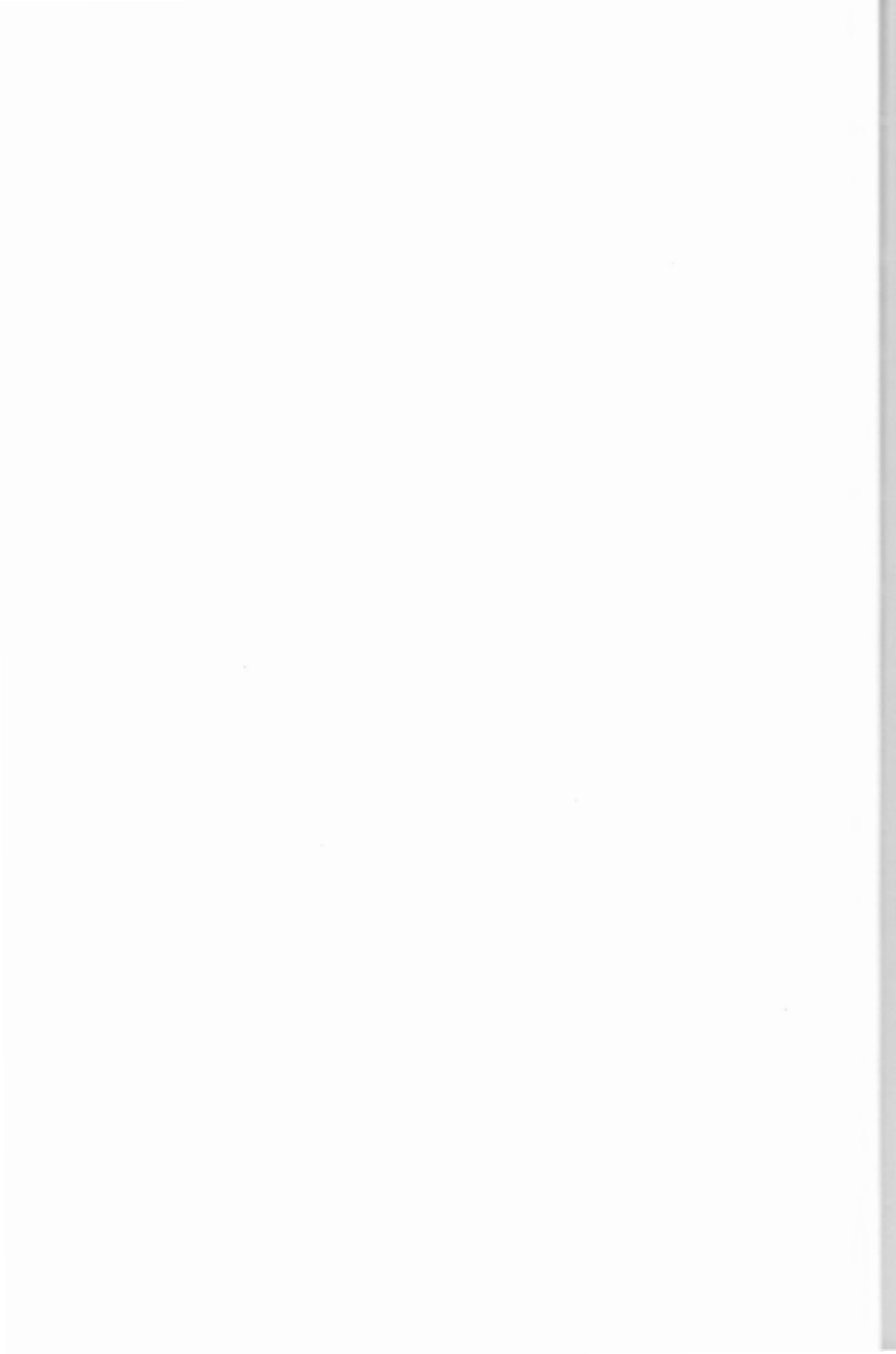
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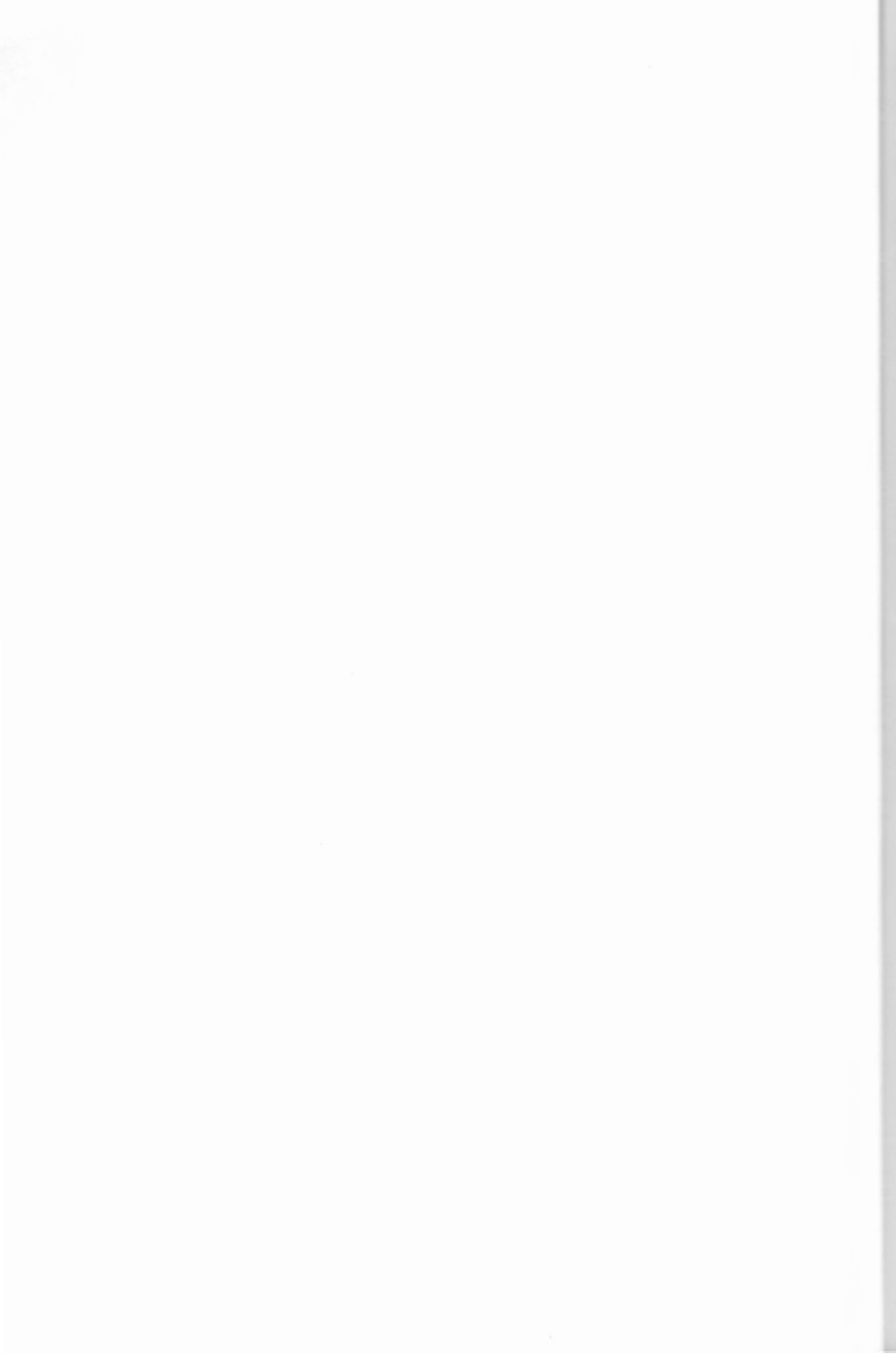
General Editor's Preface

This book contains over 400 wills proved in the court of the Archdeacon of Suffolk in the old-style years 1625 and 1626. It is the fourth in a series designed to publish all of Suffolk's seventeenth-century wills. In this work we owe much to the industry and expertise of our two editors, Mrs Marion Allen and Mrs Nesta Evans, and to the generosity of Mr J. B. Threlfall of Madison, Wisconsin, who financed the task of transcription and indexing. From the three earlier publications in this series (SRS, vols XXIX, XXXI and XXXV), readers will already be aware of the value and interest of these very personal documents, especially when extensively indexed. Fascinating details emerge from these pages, such as a widow's right to hang washing on bushes behind the house (p. 70), legacies ritually paid in the porches of local churches (e.g., p. 164), and an Ipswich dyer's conviction that he was 'one of the elect of heaven' (p. 209). More importantly, these wills throw light on major and much debated aspects of seventeenth-century society such as the wealth, standing and kinship-networks of yeomen (129 wills of local yeomen are included), and the careful and detailed provision often made by husbands for their widows.

This year it had been intended to publish John Webb's book on the accounts of the Corporation of Elizabethan Ipswich. However, for various technical reasons and to guarantee a volume for the AGM in November, we decided at a late stage to bring forward Marion Allen's transcription of wills which was completed several years ago and was immediately available on disk. In the meantime Mr Webb's work on Ipswich has been successfully concluded, and will appear as our next volume in November 1996.

Members of the Society may be interested to hear that at least ten books are now in preparation, and yet other titles are being discussed. This means that we have work in hand which will take us well into the twenty-first century. Transcriptions are being prepared on such varied sources as the Ecclesiastical Census of 1851, court-rolls of Walsham-le-Willows, late medieval wills of the Archdeaconry of Sudbury, churchwardens' accounts of Mildenhall, household and estate accounts of the de la Pole family, and chamberlains' accounts of Bury St Edmunds. In addition a dictionary of heraldic crests awaits publication. The order in which books appear naturally depends on individual editors and when they are able to complete their work, but, so far as it is possible, the Council will endeavour to vary titles according to period and type of source. Suggestions for new publications will always be welcome from members, other readers and potential editors. In particular, we need more editions for the modern period, from the 18th to 20th centuries inclusive.

David Dymond
Aug. 1995



Introduction

This is the fourth volume in a series dedicated to the publication of Suffolk's wills. It contains 424 wills proved in the court of the archdeacon of Suffolk during the old-style years 1625 and 1626 (that is, from 25 March 1625 to 24 March 1627 inclusive). The versions used are normally the official transcripts contained in two probate registers for the period, preserved in the Ipswich branch of the Suffolk Record Office (ref. nos IC/AA2/56 for 1625, and IC/AA2/57 for 1626). The volumes are generally in legible condition, though somewhat fragile. Fortunately, almost all the original wills for the period have also survived, so that in the few instances where a will has not been registered, it has been possible to quote the original. Occasionally it is only the registered copy which has survived. The omissions in both series have been noted where they occur. There are instances of wills having been made many years before the date of probate, notably that of Thomas Scrivener of Washbrook written on 8 January 1609/10 but not proved until 22 July 1625. On the other hand, many wills were made only a few weeks before probate. Fifty-three wills were nuncupative, declared by the testator on his or her deathbed but written down later.

Analysis of the volumes reveals the one for 1626 to be the better organised. In both registers the wills appear to be arranged in groups covering roughly two to three months, with the occasional stray from an earlier period. Within each section the arrangement is loosely alphabetical by testator's surname. For example, in 1625 the first fifty-two wills are arranged alphabetically from A to Y for the months of April and May; with the next fourteen the alphabetical arrangement is haphazard but they cover the month of June, with a few wills for April and May as well; the following thirty wills are in close alphabetical sequence and were proved in July and August. This pattern of rough order alternating with apparent confusion extends throughout the 1625 register. In contrast, the 1626 volume is altogether more orderly. Wills 254–277 run from A to T for the months of April and May; wills 278–286 from B to M for May; nos 287–297 from A to W for June; this more organised sequence continues throughout. A partial explanation of the disparity between the two volumes may be pressure of business. In 1625 the scribes registered 253 wills, but in 1626 they dealt with only 171.

Both registers are written mainly in secretary hand. The scribes were, of course, educated professional men, and few in number; there is therefore a certain degree of consistency in the handwriting and spelling. The scripts and orthography of the original wills are more varied; some testators appear to have written their own, but a third party was employed by many more including, obviously, 180 out of the 424 who were illiterate and made their marks. The writer was often a minister, churchwarden or some other educated parishioner. The wills also contain evidence of professional scribes at work: the name of a scribe is noted in thirty-three wills, and a public notary called George Catchpole wrote the text of wills 21 and 246, and authenticated nos 184 and 210. These wills were made by testators in Ipswich, Nacton, East Bergholt and Felixstowe. Thomas Laster figures as writer of three wills, all in Ipswich (nos 204, 231 and 396). Bailiff Atherton was also

responsible for three, at Brandeston, Easton and Helmingham (nos 139, 219 and 323).

Until 1858 three main levels of ecclesiastical court were responsible for the probate of wills. The lowest was the court of the local archdeacon; in the middle came the consistory court of a bishop; while the highest court belonged to the appropriate archbishop. In Suffolk there were two archdeacons: that of Sudbury coincided roughly with the old administrative county of West Suffolk, plus a few Cambridgeshire parishes in Fordham Deanery; and that of Suffolk which broadly coincided with the former county of East Suffolk. The map on the endpapers shows the area covered by the archdeaconry of Suffolk, with the names and boundaries of all its constituent parishes. Normally wills were proved in this lowest court if the testator owned property only in the archdeaconry concerned. If, however, property was held in more than one archdeaconry, probate fell within the jurisdiction of the bishop's court; for the inhabitants of Suffolk this was the consistory court of the bishop of Norwich. (For Norwich wills, see T. F. Barton and M. A. Farrow (eds), *Index of Wills Proved in the Consistory Court of Norwich, 1604–1686*, Norfolk Record Society, 1958.) The wills of testators with property in more than one diocese were normally proved in the archbishop's provincial court – that of York for the northern province and the Prerogative Court of Canterbury for the southern. (See R. H. E. Hill (ed.), *Index of Wills Proved in the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, 1620–1629*, British Record Soc., The Index Library, Vol. VI, 1912.)

These general guidelines were not rigidly adhered to for a number of reasons, including the social prestige of having a will proved in a higher court than was strictly necessary, or conversely the physical difficulty of reaching a particular place. Of the 424 wills of the Suffolk Archdeaconry proved in this period, the majority (133) were proved at Ipswich, but the officials of the court were also active elsewhere – at Beccles (88 wills), Yoxford (65), Wickham Market (57), Dallinghoo (18) and Stradbroke (11). Six wills were proved at Nettlestead, and two each at Blythburgh, Rendlesham, Wilby and Woodbridge. There are several other groups of parishes – Chelmondiston, Shotley, Tattingstone, Harkstead and East Bergholt; Bramford, Otley and Stonham Aspal; Hollesley, Walton and Trimley; and Benhall and Aldeburgh – where one will was proved in each place. In the north, a small cluster of grants of probate is found at Bungay, Barsham, Fritton, Lowestoft and South Elmham.

The testators represented in the two will registers are in the main from the lowest of the social classes which normally made wills, namely tradespeople and farmers. Only three wills are for gentlemen, whereas 129 belong to yeomen. Also associated with the land are forty-six husbandmen, four labourers, a ploughwright and a plough carpenter. Reflecting eastern Suffolk's links with the sea are six fishermen, three sailors, two mariners, two ship's carpenters, a shipwright and one waterman. Artisans who made wills include those connected with the clothing and weaving industry: two clothiers, two poldavis weavers, two linen weavers, two weavers, one cloth worker, one dyer, four tailors and a point-maker. There are also wills for haberdashers, ironmongers, pailmakers, grocers, shoemakers, bricklayers, thatchers, smiths, millers, locksmiths and even two surgeons. There are of course wills for widows – fifty-eight of them – with fourteen for single-women and seven for singlemen. The diversity of these occupations and

descriptions reflects the richness of the social and economic life of eastern Suffolk in this period, and reinforces the importance of wills as a primary source for the economic and social historian.

Of the 424 people whose wills were proved between 25 March 1625 and 24 March 1627, 229 described themselves as sick, weak, aged or ill, so it is not surprising that most wills were proved only a few weeks after their writing. However, some testators obviously survived the immediate threat of death. For instance Robert Aldhouse was sick when he made his will (no. 3) on 7 Dec. 1621, but it was not proved until 26 April 1625. Almost incredible is the case of Thomas Scrivener of Washbrook, who made his will (no. 98) on 8 Jan. 1609/10 when he was 'about the age of three score and ten years, and at this time visited with sickness'; it was eventually proved on 22 July 1625.

Most testators made a brief bequest of their souls to God; some, on the other hand, indulged in long pious preambles. For example, Anne Cole a widow of Walton (no. 13), referred to the saints in heaven; five testators included this phrase in 1625 but only one in 1626. While most testators made a bequest of a few pence or shillings to the poor of their parishes, four of them endowed sizeable charities. Thomas Blow of Tuddenham (no. 9) and Michael Blow of Felixstowe (no. 184) established a charity in Felixstowe; William Lynge of Tannington (no. 359) founded one at Tannington; and Robert Richman (no. 365) set up a town stock at Ellough.

Having dealt with spiritual matters, the testator's main preoccupation was the disposal of his or her 'worldly estate', to ensure the safe descent of lands to a son or sons (or, if there were no male heirs, to daughter/s). Provision was often made for a widow – in the form of lands, rooms in the house, wood, fruit, barley, hemp, rye, money, access to a well for water – but on condition that if she re-married, neither she nor her new husband should benefit from the estate, all of which would then descend to the testator's children. Such generous provision for the widow was usually intended to negate a claim for dower (usually one-third of the property), but it must also be based on other reasons which have to do with personal love and reliance. The widow was usually entrusted with the administration of the property (sometimes with the help of a friend appointed as supervisor) until a son was of age; she was often appointed executrix; and was always placed in charge of any under-age children, to educate them and bring them up well, and even to ensure that if a child was to be bound apprentice, the trade should be an appropriate one.

Some children were given an education, but there is no reference in these registers to any specific school or institution of higher learning. Most of the books mentioned are bibles or books on divinity. Calvin's *Institutio* is mentioned in the will of Edmund Duke of Ubbeston (no. 76). Other books referred to are the collected sermons of Henry Smith (no. 261), the works of William Perkins and a book entitled *Miscellanea* (no. 412). Although there are wills of two surgeons – Jeffery Rose of Melton (no. 207) and Thomas Rose of Beccles (no. 408) – neither refers to specific books; Jeffery does, however, bequeath his books and instruments to his son. Books on physic and surgery are left by Thomas Cullingham of Clopton, singleman (no. 117), to Mr Horne and Mr Anderson of Ipswich.

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Editorial Method

In abstracting the wills published in this volume, certain conventions have been followed, which are set out here to aid the reader. The spelling of place-names and Christian names has been modernised, but surnames have been left in their original form, even where one or more variants of the name occur in the same will. Where there is a discrepancy between the spelling in the register and that of the original will, the latter has been preferred. In indexing surnames, variant spellings have been brought together.

Unless otherwise noted, all places mentioned are in the county of Suffolk. Field-names are given with their original spelling. Archaic or dialect words are explained in a glossary to be found at the back of this volume (pp. 278–283). A list of abbreviations used by the editor appears below.

Bequests in the abstracts follow the order in which they appear in the wills. To economise on space and avoid tedious repetition, the words 'Item, I give and bequeath' have been omitted, and two short formulae have been introduced to summarise complicated verbiage. Thus the words 'benefit of survivorship' replace detailed clauses spelling out what was to happen if one or more legatees died before inheriting; and 'power to distrain' is used where legatees were given authority to enter property, or to distrain on property or goods, to secure the payment of a legacy.

Three other features of the text need explanation. All monetary payments specifying shillings and pence have been retained (20 shillings to the pound, and 12 pence to the shilling). Where money was specified in scores of pounds (sterling), the text gives, for example, '£4 score'. Phrases like 'in 3 months' or 'in 2 years' refer to the time when a bequest was to be made *after* the testator's decease.

A final comment is needed on dating. Until 1752 the year began on the feast of the Annunciation of the Virgin Mary or Lady Day (25 March). All dates between 1 Jan. and 24 March inclusive are therefore expressed in the form 1625/6, with 1626 being the modern style. The four quarter days are Michaelmas (29 Sep.), Lady Day (25 March), the Nativity of St John the Baptist (24 June) and Christmas (25 Dec.). Other saints' days mentioned are the Purification of Our Lady (2 Feb.), St Bartholomew (24 Aug.), Hallowmas, Holymas or All Saints' Day (1 Nov.) and All Souls' Day (2 Nov.).

Abbreviations

doz.	dozen
esq.	esquire
exor(s)	executors
exrix, extrices	executrix, executrices
gent.	gentleman/gentlewoman
husb.	husbandman
jnr	junior
Let. Ad.	letters of administration
(N)	nuncupative
not. pub.	notary public
Pr.	probate
R	register copy
R(W)	abstract made from registered will; original will available
script.	scribe
single	singleman, singlewoman
snr	senior
viz.	abbreviation of Latin <i>videlicet</i> , meaning 'namely'
W	original will used
(W)	original will available
Wit.	witnesses
(X)	personal mark, in lieu of a signature
yeo.	yeoman

WILL REGISTER FOR 1625

Suffolk Record Office, Ipswich: IC/AA2/56

This register measures some 8 in. by 12 in. by 2 in. The volume has parchment covers, and is generally in good condition. The corresponding bundle of original wills (reference number IC/AA1/61) also survives in good condition.

1 R(W) CHRISTOPHER ANDREWS of Harkstead, fisherman. (X)
20 April 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, who gave it. To poor of Harkstead 5s., to be paid on day of testator's burial, by extrix. To son John Andrews, house & tenement where testator now dwells, with yards, house & lands belonging, on the death of testator's wife Elizabeth; if said John dies before extrix, & if son Nicholas also dies without issue, then said house & lands to go to grandchild Christopher Andrews, son of son Christopher Andrews. To daughter Elizabeth £9, which sum remains in the hands of her husband, & is due to testator on speciality. To daughter Susan £10, in 6 months. To daughter Margaret, best bed in parlour as it is furnished. To son Thomas £10; son John to pay to his brother Thomas, £15 out of the said lands, in 6 months of the death of Elizabeth. If John refuse so to do, then Thomas to enter lands which testator purchased of one Kindersley, & he to enjoy the same till he be paid. If Thomas dies unmarried, without lawful issue, then daughter Margaret to inherit his share; if said Margaret dies unmarried, without lawful issue, then son Thomas to inherit her share. Wife Elizabeth to be extrix to perform will. To son Thomas, bed & bedstead in the chamber as it stands furnished.

Wit. John Havell, script. Nicholas Andrews *alias* Paynter (X). Anne Stegoll (X).
Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 27 May 1625

2 R(W) EDMUND ATKIN of Ipswich. 28 August 1624

Aged & sick. Considering the mortality of mankind & the approaching of death by course of nature to draw nigh at hand, now soul to hands of Almighty God who gave it, trusting assuredly by merits of his only son, lord & saviour Jesus Christ, to have pardon & forgiveness of sins & to have eternal salvation in everlasting kingdom of heaven, to live & reign with the saints & angels. To wife Anne, all goods & chattels whatever; she to be extrix, paying debts & funeral costs.

Wit. Thomas Barker.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 27 May 1625.

3 R(W) ROBERT ALDHOUSE the elder, of Fressingfield, yeo.
7 December 1621

Sick in body. Knowing there is nothing to man in this world more certain than death, the end of all flesh, & yet nothing is more uncertain to the knowledge of man than the time when God has appointed it, now soul to hands of Almighty God; body to be buried wherever daughter Elizabeth desires. To daughter Elizabeth Aldhouse, messuage where testator dwells, close called Dudrockes field with a little meadow thereto adjoining called Green's meadow, containing an acre; also close called Carlowe's now or lately set with hedges, & half acre called Walls slade, with appurtenances belonging, in Fressingfield. To kinsman Francis Aldhouse the elder, 20s. To daughter Elizabeth, all goods, chattels, debts, duties & household implements whatever. To children of son Robert Aldhouse, deceased, viz. to his eldest daughter Grace 10s., to his 2nd daughter Alice 10s., to his 3rd daughter Clemence 10s., to his eldest son Robert 10s., to his 2nd son William 10s., & to his 3rd son John 10s., all of which to be paid by Elizabeth, when they be 21 at the said messuage, they making lawful demand of the same. If any child dies before receipt of legacy then benefit of survivorship to apply. To poor of Fressingfield that shall come to funeral, they to have in a competent manner bread, cheese & beer at the said time, for their relief. Daughter Elizabeth to be extrix, to perform will.

Wit. Samuel Aldous. Francis Aldhouse.

Pr. granted to extrix at Stradbroke. 26 April 1625.

4 R(W) WILLIAM ALEXANDER of Battsiford, yeo. (X) 24 January 1624/25

Sick of body. Soul to Almighty God, maker, trusting to be saved through only merits of lord & saviour Jesus Christ. To eldest son William Alexsander, tenement in Needham Market where Joseph Hache dwells, after the deaths of Edward Gosse & his wife, who are to have said tenement during their lives, with free egress & regress to the same. Also to said William, £30 when 28 & that tenement in Needham Market with appurtenances, where the said Edward Gosse now lives, when he be 28. Until then Edmund Palmer to take profits & rents of the house where said Gosse lives, till William be 28. To son John Allexsander, £30 when he be 31; also to him, that tenement in Needham Market where Nathaniel Pye now dwells, when he be 29; until then Edmund Palmer to take profits & rents of the same, till John be 29. To son Thomas Alexsander, £40 when 29. To son Evered Alexsander, £40 when 32. Edmund Palmer of Battsiford to be exor, & for his pains arranging burial, he to have bedstead as it now stands furnished where he now lies. Rest of goods to go to 4 children, viz. William, Thomas, John & Evered Alexsander, & to sister Mary Gosse, & to daughter in law Alice Dryver, to be equally divided between them. If any child die before receipt of legacy, benefit of survivorship to apply.

Wit. John Pricke, clerk. Steven (?). Thomas Lawe.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 7 April 1625.

5 R(W) THOMAS BAGGOT of Dennington, thatcher. (X) 17 June 1619

Soul to hands of Almighty God who gave it, trusting to be saved only through merits of Jesus Christ, redeemer. To wife Margaret for life, her dwelling in tenement, with the use of houses now in testator's occupation, with pasture grounds where he now feeds 2 milk kine, & also half acre plough ground lying in the arable ground in testator's occupation; also such grass as shall grow on the headlands of the corn grounds now in tilth, & the feed of the said corn ground when the corn is had off; also to her, 40s. a year for life, paid at Michaelmas & Lady day, by equal portions. To son in law John Cowper & to Anne his wife, testator's daughter, tenement with all copyhold lands to the same belonging, with appurtenances, in Dennington, on condition they pay to testator's daughter Mary Sherewood £20, at the rate of £5 a year, till all be paid, 1st payment being made in 1 year after the death of said Margaret. Also they to pay to grandchildren John, Ann, Prudence, Robert, Joseph & Robert Baggot, to grandchildren Mary & Margery Tompson, & to grandchildren Mary, Francis & Susanna Reve, £4 each in this fashion, viz. in 1 year after the said Mary Sherewood be paid £4 to be paid to grandchild John Baggot, & so yearly to a grandchild, when 21, but if more than 1 grandchild be 21 in any 1 year, then eldest to be paid first & then so on till the youngest be paid. Grandchildren to demand their legacies as they grow due, & payment to be made in 1 month of demand. If any die before receipt of legacy, then benefit of survivorship to apply. Daughter Mary & each grandchild to make acquittance to John Cowper, or his wife, to discharge them of gift, & if they refuse, then whosoever refuses, shall lose gift. To wife Margaret, use of all movables for life. Son in law & daughter John & Anne Cowper to be exors; they to perform will.

Wit. Francis Browning. Edward Pelse.

Will confirmed by Thomas Baggot, & witnessed by Edward Pelse, Edward Moulton & Joan, wife of Oliver Jollie. (X) 21 February 1624/25.

Note of surrender of all copyhold land held of Dennington manor, by Thomas Baggot, into the hands of Francis Benning & in the presence of Edward Pelse. 17 June 1619.

Pr. granted to exors at Dallinghoo. 19 April 1625.

6 R(W) JOHN BARWICK of East Bergholt, cloth worker. (X)
21 March 1624/25

Sick in body. Soul to hands of God who gave it, trusting to be saved by only merits of son Jesus Christ, redeemer. All household stuff & goods to be equally divided into 3 parts; wife Dorothy to have 2 parts & daughter Elizabeth to have 1 part of the same. John Branstow & William Maxey to be exors.

Wit. Thomas Barker (X). Nicholas Mooted (X).

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 6 May 1625.

7 R(W) ROBERT BROONICHE. 22 January 1624/25

Sick in body. To wife Judith, all goods whatever, for life; the remainder thereof to be equally divided between son William & daughter Susan. Pightle called Pisie

Moore, now in lease to John Moore, when lease be expired, to go to wife Judith for life, she paying to son William 4s. a year out of the same. On death of said Judith, land to go to son William & daughter Susan.

Wit. John Herring. Giles Stancey.

Pr. granted to Judith Broonich at Stradbroke. 26 April 1625.

8 R(W) THOMAS BROWNE. (N) Before 20 February 1624/25

To son Thomas Browne £20, to be put out by exors to the best use for the said Thomas, at Michaelmas next. Also to him, 21 sheep now in master's flock, & Thomas to take the best profit of them, presently. To each of 4 daughters £10, to be put out at Michaelmas next, by exors, to the best use of daughters. Rest of unbequeathed goods & movables whatever, to go to wife Susan. Wife & master Robert Southwell to be exors.

Wit. George Seman (X). Nicholas Stallen (X).

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 7 April 1625.

9 R(W) THOMAS BLOWE of Tuddenham, yeo. 17 February 1624/25

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, creator & redeemer, hoping assuredly that by & through mercy, merits & passion of lord & saviour Jesus Christ will have free remission of sins, & after life's end, to have eternal life among the blessed saints in heaven; body to be buried in church or churchyard at Tuddenham. To brother Michael Blowe, lands, tenements, messuages & all hereditaments in Felixstowe. To kinsman William Cock £5, in 9 months. To kinsman John Cock, brother of the said William, £5 at the end of apprenticeship. To kinswoman Ann, wife of George Cooke late of Kesgrave, yeo., £4 in 1 year & 3 months. To kinswoman Joan, wife of one Cooke of Washbrook, 40s. in 6 months. To Felixstowe, for the use of the poor for ever, to be ruled by churchwardens, message or tenement called Squires, with lands belonging now occupied by Alexander Flint of Felixstowe, & 3 roods land lying near said message, now occupied by Mary Blowe, widow, which was given to testator by will of his father. The profits from these lands to be yearly employed by churchwardens, for the use of the poor. Further, 8 of the inhabitants being owners of lands or tenements in Felixstowe, or others that own lands & tenements in the town, though not living there, to be admitted tenants & feoffees to the lands to the uses aforesaid, & when 6 of them die, then 6 others to be admitted feoffees. If brother Michael Blowe, after he be 21 & being required, give assurance of these lands to the use of poor, then churchwardens shall have & take all that marsh in Felixstowe, & with profits from the marsh, shall bestow the same on the poor of Felixstowe, during the length of time which testator has in the said marsh. To kinsman Charles Yellopp, 40s. in 6 months. To kinsman Robert Yellopp of Ipswich, 40s. in 6 months. To aunt Charles' 3 daughters, viz. Alice, Mary & Judith, 20s. to be equally divided between them in 1 year. To Francis Scelie 6s. 8d., & to Mary Gostlyng, servant to uncle William Scelye, 20s. in 1 year. To Thomas Semmon of Tuddenham, 40s. in 6 months. To poor of Tuddenham, £5 paid to churchwardens by exor, viz. at testator's funeral, or 1 week of the same, 50s., & in 1 year thereafter 50s. to be paid to the needy poor. To poor of Trimley St. Mary & St. Martin, 10s. namely 5s. to each parish, to be

paid to the needy poor by churchwardens. To poor of Walton, 20s. to be paid by churchwardens to the needy poor, in 6 months. If brother Michael Blowe, who is exor, refuse to prove will & pay legacies, then William & John Cock to have all lease lands & tenements in Felixstowe, previously bequeathed to Michael, & they to hold the same till Michael proves this will & pays legacies. To sister in law Marian Blowe, 40s. a year, for 5 years, if she live so long. To Jeffery Thatcher, brother to sister in law, 10s. in 6 months. To poor of Felixstowe, 20s. to be paid to the neediest poor, by churchwardens where they think there be most need, in 1 month. Brother Michael Blowe to be exor; he to prove will, pay debts & legacies, & for his helper, with good & godly counsel, uncle William Seelye of Tuddenham, gent., to be supervisor, & he to have for his trouble 20s. to buy himself a gold ring.

Wit. Richard Hockett. John Roose.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 6 May 1625.

10 R(W) ROBERT BANNOCK *alias* BARBER of Stradbroke, yeo.
23 March 1624/25

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, creator, trusting & believing will be justified, saved & redeemed only by most precious merits, death & passion of lord Jesus Christ, only saviour, mediator & redeemer. Body to rest till day of the lord's 2nd appearing, in hope of joyful resurrection to eternal happiness. To Francis Bannock, one of the sons of brother John Bannock, late deceased, £20. To John Bannock, brother to the said Francis, £20. To Thomas, Mary, Anne & Elizabeth Bannock, children of the said John, £5 each to be paid by exors in 2 years & 6 months. To children of brother Edward Bannock, £65 to be paid by exors viz. to nephew Edward £30, to nephew William £10, to nephews John & Giles & to nieces Mary, Elizabeth & Margaret £5 each, in like time. To nephew John Crowfoot, son of brother in law John Crowfoote late deceased, £20. To nephews Henry & Richard Crowfoot & to Margaret, now wife of Anthony Borrett, being the children of said John Crowfoot deceased, £5 each, in like time. To the wife of brother Edward Bannock, & to sister Margaret Crowfoot, 40s. each in like time. To nephew Edward Algar, son of brother in law Edward Algar, £20 in like time. To Margaret Carsie, daughter of sister Elizabeth, £10 & to Elias Jones, son of the said Elizabeth, £10, both sums being paid in like time. To Thomas, Edward & Margaret Manthorpe, being the children of brother in law Edward Manthorpe, 40s. each in like time. To Margaret Aldrich, George, Nicholas & Elizabeth Loes, being the children of sister Frances, £5 each in like time. To Mr Bucke, minister of Stradbroke, 30s. in 3 months. To each godchild, 3s. 4d. in 3 months. To servant Mary Murrell, 6s. 8d. in 3 months. To servant Elizabeth Murrell, 3s. 4d. in 3 months. To poor of Stradbroke 40s., of Fressingfield 20s., of Wilby 10s., of Wingfield 10s., of Horham 5s. & of Athelington 5s., to be paid presently by ministers of said parishes, where there be most need. All lands, tenements & hereditaments with appurtenances, in Stradbroke, to be sold by exors in 2 years, for best best price to pay debts, legacies & to perform will. All goods, chattels, movables, immovables, household stuff, cattle, hay, corn, swine, implements & utensils, to be sold in 3 months. Exors to receive debts, & they to have all the money now in testator's possession, to the aforesaid uses; they to pay debts

& burial expenses. Surplus & overplus from sale of land & leases, & also profits from lands & lease till said sale, & the receipt of all debts & ready money, once debts, legacies, funeral & probate costs be discharged, are to go to children of Edward Bannock, in 3 years, to be equally divided between them. Brother Edward Bannock & brother in law Elias Jones to be exors; they to have for their pains, 40s. Richard Grenling to be supervisor; he to have 20s.
Wit. James Alldous. Francis Sandcroft. Richard Girling.
Pr. granted to exors at Stradbroke. 26 April 1625.

11 R(W) ABRIE BOTEMAN of Badingham, spinster. (X)
25 February 1624/25

Soul to hands of Almighty God, relying wholly on his mercy. To aunt Cicely Rowe of Worlingworth, all lands & tenements with appurtenances, both free & copyhold, in Badingham for life; she to maintain same in good repair & pay in 1 year £3 in this fashion, namely 40s. to churchwardens of Badingham to be distributed among the poor & needy according to the wisdom of the overseers of the poor, & to Philip Boteman of Dennington, kinsman, 20s. On death of the said Cicely, lands to go to cousin Richard Page, & if Cicely dies before payment of the £3, then said Richard to pay the same. Also to aunt Cicely, a bible. To aunt Page, cupboard with the pewter in it, as it stands, desk with its contents standing next the closet door in the parlour chamber. To aunt Packerall, all apparel in wool & the biggest kettle. Rest of brass to go to kinsman Francis Boteman, son of uncle George Boteman deceased, & also to him long table, livery table in the parlour, 4 buffet stools, all cushions, malt querns, bolting hutch & 2 pair sheets. To cousin John Booteman, son of said George, bedstead & bed furnished as they stand, with all belonging. To cousin Elizabeth, wife of Ralph Rabbet gent., middle desk with all things in the same as it stands on the parlour chamber & pair sheets. To cousin Mary Page, lesser coffer as it stands on parlour chamber, with linen & all other things therein, & the other desk with its contents as it now stands. To Anne Boteman, daughter of Philip Boteman, pair good sheets. To Anne Lyngwood, daughter of Anthony Lyngwood, for a small remembrance, new piece of lawn which was bought to make a ruff, now in one of the desks. All legacies to be delivered by exor in 1 month. All wood to be distributed among the poor of Badingham where overseers & churchwardens see most need. All unbequeathed goods & chattels, once debts & funeral costs be met, to go to kinsman Richard Page; he to be exor.

Wit. Francis Warde. Thomas Baldrye. Nicholas Calver. Edward Moulton.
Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 1 April 1625.

12 R(W) JOHN CHAPPELL of Bedingfield, husb. (X) 3 May 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, by whose death & passion, will have free pardon & forgiveness of sins. To sister Anne Farthing *alias* Boston of Needham Market, widow, 40s. in 1 month & to her sons John & Richard £3, viz. 40s. to John & 20s. to Richard in 3 months. To sister in law Joan Lanham, wife of Robert Lanham of Stradbroke glover, 6s. 8d. To Margaret, daughter of William & Margaret Rowe, £10 when 18, if she be

then living. Whereas testator is bound by written obligation, to George Chappell, son of brother Robert Chappell, deceased, in £5; now this £5 to be made up to £20, which is to be paid him according to the condition of the said bond, when 24. To the poor, 10s. paid by overseers on Sunday next after testator's death. Rest of unbequeathed goods & chattels whatever to go to wife Anne Chappell; she to be extrix.

Wit. John Cottesford. Robert Hill. Robert Gibson.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 20 May 1625.

13 R(W) ANNE COLE of Walton, widow. (X) 14 February 1624/25

Late the wife of Richard Cole, deceased. Considering the uncertainty of this life, according to the saying that nothing is more certain than death & more uncertain than the hour of death, now soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, redeemer & sanctifier who gave it of his infinite goodness when first he fashioned me in mother's womb, steadfastly & assuredly believing that through death & passion of Jesus Christ, redeemer, that after departure of the same out of this mortal, vile & corruptible body, shall be placed in heaven among his glorious saints & his elect, there to continue forever. To be buried near husband in Walton churchyard, hoping at the general resurrection, that corruptible body shall be made incorruptible like to the glorious body of saviour Jesus Christ. To poor of Walton 10s., of Felixstowe 5s., to be distributed at burial by extrix or churchwardens. To son Richard Cole, cow. To grandchild Ann, daughter of said Richard, 20s. to be paid to her father, to her use, in 1 year. To grandson Thomas, son of said Richard, 20s. to be paid to his father, to his use in 1 year. To grandson William, 2nd son of the said Richard, 20s. to be paid likewise. To grandson Roger, son of son Thomas Cole, 20s. to be paid to his father to his use, in 1 year. To Elizabeth Tookely, daughter of John Tookely & Alice his wife, testator's daughter, 20s. to be distributed in plate by extrix, & delivered to said Elizabeth's mother, in 1 year. To Richard Tookely, son of the said John & Alice, 20s. to be distributed in plate by extrix & delivered likewise. To Thomas Brandeston the younger of Chempton, son of Philip Brandeston late deceased, 10s. to be paid by extrix; he to assist her with this will. To daughter Margaret Cole, rest of goods, chattels, cattle, corn on the ground & in the barn, & all houses whatever, once debts, funeral costs & legacies be met; she to be extrix. Thomas Brandeston to be supervisor.

Wit. Simon Petteward. John Frost (X).

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 27 May 1625.

14 R(W) ANNE COOPER of Alderton, late of Badley, widow. (X)
31 January 1624/25

Aged & weak of body. Soul to merciful hands of God; body to be buried in the hope of a joyful resurrection. To son Robert Cooper £5, paid by exor in 2 years at the rate of 50s. a year. To John, Thomas & William, sons of daughter Joan Palmer, 10s. each, by exor, when 21; if any one dies before receipt of legacy, then benefit of survivorship to apply. To daughter Anne, wife of Richard Jacob, best waistcoat, best ruff or neckerchief presently. To John & William, sons of son Edmond Cooper, 6s. 8d. each, in 6 months. To Sara & Abigail, daughters of son

John Cooper, 6s. 8d. each when 21. To Thomas, Anne, Susan, Mary & Judith, children of Richard & Ann Jacob, 6d. each in 1 month. Rest of goods, cattle, bills, bonds & ready money unbequeathed, to go to Henry Palmer & Joan his wife, testator's daughter for life, & then the same to go to the children of the said Joan. Henry Palmer to be exor.

Wit. Henry Haughfen. Robert Cole (X). Daniel Clarke (X).

Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 2 May 1625.

15 R(W) ROBERT CAVER of Brandeston, yeo. (X) 27 March 1625

Sick. Soul to Almighty God who gave it. To poor of Framlingham 30s., of Kettleburgh 10s., of Earl Soham 10s., & of Brandeston 10s. To brother Edward Caver 20s., & to his son Thomas 30s. To the rest of the children of the said Edward, viz. John, William, Edward, Elizabeth, Anne, Frances & Alice Caver, 20s. each in 1 year. To brother Robert Geyton 20s., & to his children Thomas, Robert snr, Francis, Robert jnr, & Christian 20s. each in 1 year. To Robert Jacson of Kenton, £8 in 1 year. To Thomas Ladde of Framlingham 30s. To Thomas Maseson, 10s. To Katherine Dowsen, 10s.; all of which sums to be paid in 1 year. To sister Anne Dove, 5s., & to her children Anthony, Elizabeth, Anne, Thomas & Alice 5s. each in 1 year. To Francis Plumley of Kettleburgh 30s. To Edmond Stele of Kettleburgh 30s. All debts & demands due from brother Robert Geyton are to be satisfied & discharged. To brother William Warlitch snr. 10s., & to his son William 10s., & to his daughter Anne 10s., & to his sister Mary 10s. To servant Thomas Mullitt 10s. Rest of goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed, once funeral charges & 10s. to be paid to Mr Ward minister of Dennington, if he makes a sermon, & once probate costs be met, to go to wife Alice; she to be extrix. If she refuse to prove will in 1 month, then brothers Robert & Edward Caver to be exors & they to enter house & lands now in testator's possession, & perform will with said goods & chattels, paying any remainder to said Alice in 1 year.

Wit. Robert Garname. John Godfrey. Thomas Artis.

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 2 May 1625.

16 R(W) JOHN CROWFOOT of Stradbroke, yeo. 14 March 1624/25

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, creator, verily trusting & believing will be justified, saved & redeemed only by & through most precious merits, death & passion of lord Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer. Body to be buried till the day of the lord Jesus' coming to judgement, in hope then of a joyful resurrection to eternal happiness. To wife Margaret, all houses, lands & tenements for life, she paying to son John 40s. a year, & to son Henry 20s. a year, & to commit no strip nor waste thereon. On her death, son John to have all houses & buildings in Stradbroke with lands adjoining thereto on that side of the way leading from Buttelsall green to Stradbroke church. Rest of lands, whether free or copyhold, on other side of the said way, to go to son Henry. Son John to pay to his brother Richard £35, namely £10 in 2 years of said Margaret's death, £10 in 12 months thereafter, £10 in 12 months thereafter & £5 in 12 months thereafter. If he refuse, or default in payment of same, exors to enter lands devised to John, & take profits & commodities from the same till Richard be paid. Son Henry to pay to his brother

Richard £25, viz. £6 in 2 months of said Margaret's death, £6 in 12 months thereafter, £6 in 12 months thereafter, & £7 in 12 months thereafter. If he refuse, or if he default in payment of the same, exors to enter lands devised to Henry, & take profits & commodities from the same till Richard be paid. To daughter Margaret, wife of Anthony Borrett, £5 & a milk cow. To grandchild Margaret, daughter of said Anthony Borrett, 40s. To George Beetts 40s. & to his wife 20s. To poor of Stradbroke 20s. Rest of goods, household stuff & chattels unbequeathed, to go to wife Margaret. Wife, Robert Barber & son in law Anthony Borret to be exors.

Wit. William Grudgfield. Edward Barber jnr. Elias Jones.

Pr. granted to exors at Stradbroke. 26 April 1625.

17 R(W) MARK CATCHPOLE of Mickfield, yeo. 10 September 1624

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, heavenly father, hoping by merits of Jesus Christ to live with him in eternal happiness. To wife Elizabeth, all goods & chattels, she paying debts & legacies. To son Robert Catchpole 40s. in 2 years. To daughter Ann Catchpole £10, when 21, if she be then living. Wife Elizabeth to be extrix.

Wit. Francis Codd. Thomas Carr, clerk.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 6 May 1625

18 R(W) RICHARD CARVER of Shotley, husb. 11 March 1624/25

Weak. Soul to Almighty God, hoping to be saved by death & merits of Jesus Christ. To wife Elizabeth, all goods, movables & chattels for ever; she to have house, grounds & appurtenances thereto belonging for life, paying funeral charges, probate & debts. To son Richard, house & grounds & all belonging on the death of said Elizabeth, he paying his sister Anne £5 in 3 years of the death of said Elizabeth, if she be then living, or else to pay the same to her children equally divided between them. Wife to be extrix.

Wit. Thomas Carter. Robert Boyse. Thomas Fuller.

Pr. granted to extrix at Chelmondiston. 6 April 1625

19 R(W) JAMES CHAMBERS of Sibton, mason. (X) 1 September 1624

Soul to hands of Almighty God, hoping to be saved through merits of Jesus Christ. To wife Margery, house & lands in Dunwich for ever; also all goods & chattels, she paying all debts & funeral expenses; wife to be extrix.

Wit. George Gooch (X). Edmund Watlyng.

Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 20 May 1625.

20 R(W) NICHOLAS COALE of Framlingham, carpenter. (X)

7 February 1619/20

Spirit to hands of Almighty God. To wife Margaret, all household stuff as was hers before marriage, which is in testator's possession on the day of his death; also to her £5, paid by exor in 1 year, on condition said Margaret in 1 month of

testator's death & on request made by exor, shall seal & deliver a sufficient obligation in £20, with condition that neither she nor any other in her right, shall claim dower in a certain tenement with appurtenances, which was lately sold to Anthony Sherman of Framlingham, where George Cooke lives. If she refuse bond, then her gifts to be void. To daughter Margery Wyeth, cottage or tenement with appurtenances, in Framlingham where she dwells, for life; on her death, same to go to grandchild Thomas Chymbney & his heirs. Also to said Margery, £10 paid by exor in 1 year, if she be then living, & if she be dead, then this sum to be equally divided between her children then alive. Also to her, posted bedstead with feather bed, 2 feather bolsters, pillow & all thereto belonging, as it stands on the hall chamber. To grandchildren Grace & Anne Chymbney, £5 each in 1 year. To grandchildren Edward & Mary Wyeth, 50s. each, to be paid to Edward when 24 & to Mary when she be 21. To grandchild Thomas Chymbney, £10 & all unbequeathed movable goods. If any grandchild die before receipt of legacy, then benefit of survivorship to apply. If the money due by bond or bill to testator, amount to a greater sum than all gifts bequeathed, then the overplus to be equally divided between grandchildren then alive. Grandchild Thomas Chymbney to be exor; Henry Wyeth the elder, of Great Glemham to be supervisor.
Wit. Henry Wayth. Henry Wayth, jnr. Jonas Cooke. Robert Waythe.
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 23 May 1625.

21 R(W) ROBERT DENNEY of Ipswich, gent. 3 May 1625

Knowing the frailty of man's life, how subject to many infirmities & casualties, now soul to merciful hands of God, maker, & to Jesus Christ, his son, our redeemer, through whose innocent blood shedding, will have free remission of sins. All those lands, pastures & closes called Pamps & Shinglers, in Cotton & Mendlesham, whereof the greatest part be lease land & the remainder being free & copyhold, viz. Shinglers close & the pasture at the end thereof late occupied by John Reyneberd, to go to son John, he paying to testator's grandchild Robert Denney yearly, during the lifetime of said Robert's father Robert, £4; if said grandchild Robert dies before his father Robert Denney, then said £4 to go to his brother Henry. Rest of lands, being 4 closes – the greater part whereof were lately ploughed & are now laid to pasture – to go to son George & his heirs, for the number of years yet to come, he paying to exors £30, viz. £10 in 1 year after his entry to said lands, & so yearly till the full sum of £30 be paid. Sons John & George are not to take any benefit from lands till Michaelmas after testator's death; if they default in any payment, then exors to enter lands out of which said money is due, & they then to hold & enjoy the same till legacies be met. Pightle called Sponge, in Pettaugh, to go to son Richard the younger, according to the custom of the manor, immediately. Also to said Richard, messuage or tenement where Herne lives, in Ipswich, for the term of years yet to come. Exors to receive profits of lands now occupied by Bromeley, in Old Newton, till Michaelmas after testator's death, for them to pay debts & legacies. Whereas testator lent to son Richard the elder £100 for him to use during testator's lifetime, & then he is to repay the same as testator shall appoint, now said Richard is to pay to his brother Robert, at Michaelmas 12 months after testator's death, £40 in the church porch of Old Newton, & a further £40 in 12 months thereafter, & rest to be remitted &

not paid; but if he fail to pay the sums on the day appointed, then the full sum of £100 to be paid to the said Robert. To son Robert, gold ring with the seal, gilt salt, 2 great spits with the iron rack. To son Richard the elder, long white tipped pot, long table with the frame, gown, comb wheat. To son John, stone pot tipped with silver & 2 silver spoons. To son George, long table in the hall with a drawing table, basin & ewer & 2 silver spoons. To daughter Margery Fenn, silver cup after death of testator's wife & £5 in 1 year to be paid out of goods & chattels. To grandchildren William, Robert & Margaret Kidman, Robert & Anne Denney, Charles & Thomas Fenn & Mary Denney, 20s. each, to be paid to their mothers & employed in buying lambs for a stock for them, in 1 year. To grandchild Anne Kidman, white silver salt, after death of testator's wife; also to her, £3 at once. On the marriage of daughter Anne with Gregory Kidman, son of William Kidman, testator agreed to give the said Gregory £100, which sum has been paid & the acquittance of the said Gregory agrees; now to daughter Anne, £30 in 2 months of the death of said Gregory, & also she is to have 40s. a year at once after testator's death, to be paid at the rate of 10s. a quarter, till she receives the said £30. If Anne dies before her husband Gregory, then £30 to be equally divided between her children when they be 21, & also the 40s. payment is to be made to her children till they be 21. To wife Mary, house, messuage or tenement with appurtenances, where testator dwells, late purchased of Henry Mudd & his wife, lying in St Mary Elms, Ipswich, with yards, gardens & orchards belonging, for life; on her death, same to go to son Richard Denney the younger & his heirs. Also to wife Mary, rest of unbequeathed silver spoons. To son Robert, best suit of apparel & best hat, & to son Richard the younger, best cloak & £10 at Michaelmas after testator's death. All chattels, goods & household implements to be prized by honest neighbours indifferently, & wife Mary to have all linen, & 4 combs wheat. Rest of debts, corn & household implements whatever, once debts, legacies & funeral costs be met, to be equally divided between wife Mary, sons Robert, Richard snr, John, George, Richard jnr, & daughter Margery at Michaelmas after testator's death, provided always that wife Mary is to have the use of household stuff for life, she being unmarried. To poor of Old Newton 20s. Wife & son Robert to be exors; they to perform will. Son Richard the elder to be supervisor. Wit. George Catchpole, script. Thomas Markes. Judith Seelie. Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 27 May 1625.

22 R(W) EDMUND DANMARKE of Clopton, yeo. (X) 18 March 1624/25

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, heavenly father, who gave it. To wife Mary, all movable goods of what ever kind; she to be extrix.

Wit. William Mayhew. William Ellenger.

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 2 May 1625.

23 R(W) WILLIAM DOWSINGE *alias* SMITH of Peasenhall. 20 August 1624

Soul to hands of Almighty God, trusting will be saved by merits & passion of Jesus Christ, saviour. To son John Dowsing *alias* Smith, land called Woodfield, wood called Ashingewte, piece of land part of Ashingewte being 2 acres, & all closes & parcels of land called Ashingewte hoole, where the barn now stands,

& the other piece between the said close & testator's free lands on the south side, as also the said free lands, when 22. Also to him, 3 pieces of land with a hempland mortgaged to Henry Legget of Peasenhall, he paying to said Henry Legget when the mortgage expires, £100 due to him at Michaelmas 1629; John to have these said lands when 21. Wife to have & take profits from lands given to John, till he be of age to inherit; she to bring up said John at school & for learning, with sufficient allowance for meat, drink, clothes & other necessaries. If John dies without heir, then lands to go to William, son of eldest son Thomas Dowsing *alias* Smith, when he be 21 & 22 as aforesaid. If John dies before he inherits, then wife & 2 daughters Mary Woodward & Elizabeth Sparham, shall enjoy lands & profits till said William inherit; if William dies before he inherits, then wife & daughters aforesaid shall enjoy lands & profits till whomsoever inherits said lands be 21 & 22. To servant & kinsman Thomas Smith, 20s. to be paid by extrix when he be 24. To poor of Peasenhall, 40s. in 1 year. Wife Elizabeth to be extrix.

Wit. Edward Boothe. Nicholas Barfoote. Henry Legget.

Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 29 April 1625.

24 R(W) DANIEL ETHERITCH of Otley, yeo. 16 March 1624/25

Sick. Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, creator & maker, hoping assuredly through merits, death & passion of Jesus Christ, only son & saviour, to have free pardon & remission of sins. To wife Anne, all cattle whatever, all horses, kine & swine, all movables, household stuff & utensils, with the corn on ground which testator now has, & corn in the house, all hay about the house & other movable stuff whatever, except those goods as are bequeathed. To daughter Ann, £40 in 2 years. To son Daniel, £3 score in 3 years. To son John, £40 when 21; if any child dies before receipt of legacy, benefit of survivorship to apply. Wife Ann to bring up son John with such education as shall be fitting to make him an apprentice, & then at such time as shall be convenient, she is to bind him forth to some good & decent trade or occupation partly according to his own mind, & give with him a competent sum of money & double apparel well beseeming such a science as he shall be bound to. Rest of goods, chattels, household movables & implements to go to extrix; wife to be extrix. Having heard this will read & considered well, & having struck out the earlier date, the will is now dated 25 March 1625.

Wit. John Threlkeld. William Mepham.

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 2 May 1625.

25 R(W) ROBERT EBS of Capel, shoemaker. 12 April 1625

Sick. Soul to God who made it. Goods to be used to pay debts & burial costs. Remainder then to be distributed thus, viz. 1/3 to daughter Grace & 2/3 to be equally divided between 4 sons John, Robert, Richard & James. Edward Oliver of Boyton, clerk & Robert Blanchflower of Boyton to be exors; they to sell goods & pay debts & legacies.

Wit. Nicholas Ablett, (X) & Frances his wife. (X) Let. Ad. granted to John Ebs at Wickham Market, following the renunciation of Edward Oliver on 2 May 1625 & that of Robert Blanchflower. 13 September 1625

26 R(W) JOAN EDWARDS of Aldeburgh, widow. (N)
* Monday 28 March 1624

Sick. All goods to brother in law John Page of Aldeburgh, to bring up daughter Elizabeth.

Wit. John Pute snr. Margaret, wife of Thomas Curtis the younger of Aldeburgh.
Let. Ad. granted to John Page. 29 March 1625

* this is as it reads in register; the year should be 1625.

27 R(W) ROBERT GOODALE of Butley, yeo. 8 April 1624

Very sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & creator, & to Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, & to Holy Ghost, sanctifier & instructor. To wife Katherine, farm or tenement called Cooks, with appurtenances there belonging for life; if she die without issue of her body lawfully begotten by testator, then her son William Wells to have the same for life, & if he have issue, then same to go to his heirs; if he have none, then lands to go to Joseph Corball, testator's 1st wife's son, & to his heirs, & if he have none, then lands to go to John Wells, testator's 2nd wife's son, & to his heirs. To John Wells, £3 score when 24. To 1st wife's son Richard Corball, £10 in 2 years & livery bedstead with bed & furniture belonging & a coffer. To 1st wife's son Joseph Corball, £10 in 2 years & bed & bedstead where testator now lies, with the furniture to the same belonging & coffer. To sister Mary Baxter & to her 3 children, £10 equally divided between them in 1 year. To poor of Butley 15s. & of Capel 10s., paid soon by extrix at her discretion. Wife Katherine to be extrix, to perform will. Thomas Bawns to be supervisor, to assist her; she to bear his charges for his loving & careful pains taken about the same. Rest of goods whatever unbequeathed to go to wife.

Wit. Joseph Clarke. William Clarke. William Driver. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 2 May 1625.

28 R(W) JOHN GRANDE of Ipswich St Margaret. (N) 2 May 1625

All goods & chattels whatever to go to wife Agnes.

Wit. Hanamell Wardall. Thomas Bowle. Thomas Gray. Agnes Bowle.

Pr. granted to Agnes Grand at Ipswich. 6 May 1625

29 R(W) JAMES HARVEY of Kessingland, miller. (X) 19 April 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, heavenly father, believing will be saved by death & bloodshed of Jesus Christ, redeemer. Buried in Kessingland churchyard. To daughter Alice Harvey, £5 put out to her use in 3 years, till she be 21. To son John Harvey, £5 to be put out to his use when he be 12, till he be 21. To son James Harvey, £5 to be put out to his use as aforesaid. If any child die before 21, then benefit of survivorship to apply. Rest of unbequeathed movable goods to go to wife Mary, to bring up children & to pay debts; also £5 to go to that child she is now with, when that child be 12 to be put out to its use as aforesaid. Wife to be extrix.

Wit. William Capon. Thomas Payne.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 2 May 1625

30 R(W) EDMUND HAYWARD of Wherstead. (X) 2 May 1625

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, creator & to Jesus Christ, merciful redeemer & to Holy Ghost, sanctifier. Moiety of goods, to the value of 20s. overplus, to go to wife Elizabeth, for & during the education & upbringing of daughter Susan. Moiety of goods to go to friend Thomas Girling of Wherstead, to the value of 20s. overplus, for & during the education & upbringing of son John, which he has promised to keep. Goods to be prised by John Gooding of Wherstead & Thomas Fannings of Wherstead; if there be any difference between Thomas Girling & wife Elizabeth, this to be determined by Thomas Girling; he to be exor. Wit. Samuel Samways. Thomas Neale. (X)
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 6 May 1625.

31 R(W) WILLIAM HAYLES snr, of Sutton, yeo. (X) 10 March 1624/25

Sick & weak. Soul to hands of God. To be buried at Sutton. To wife Joan, parcel of land or meadow, being 1½ acres, bounded on the south by testator's orchard, with a head standing at north end of the same; also close called Calves close being 3 acres, close called Great Herecroft being 6 acres, as it lies on the west side of the said meadow & the south side of Calves close; these to her for life, she to commit no strip nor waste on the same. Wife to have her dwelling in the parlour, the use & occupation of the little buttery adjoining the said parlour & of the chamber over the cheese house. Wife to have liberty to bake & to do any other necessary business in the bake house; also she to have the use of the west end of the barn with the room over it, with free ingress, regress & egress from all bequeathed premises for her & her assigns, for life; she to have for life, all that part & piece of hempland lying between Calves close & Pleinetree row to a fallow growing where an oak did stand, containing 1/2 acre; also she to have 1/2 fruit grown on any lands for life, & 2 best cows or neat – she to take her choice. Wife to have posted bedstead in the parlour, with feather bed, 2 of best coverings, 2 blankets, 2 pillows & feather bolster belonging to same, table with frame, joined forms & 2 coffers being & belonging to the said parlour, other chest now being in the parlour chamber, 2 small chairs, all the brewing vessels & dairy vessels, all the brass & pewter except 3 pieces pewter hereafter given to Elizabeth, daughter of son Henry, now deceased. Also to wife, 2 parts of linen, being divided into 3 equal parts. If wife claim dower on lands, these legacies to be void. To William, son of son Henry now deceased, all lands, houses, orchards, gardens, meadows, pastures & feedings with all appurtenances, & also remainder of the lands before given to wife Joan, in Sutton for life, without impeachment of waste; then lands to go to his heirs male, & if none, then lands to go to his brother William & his heirs male, & if none, then lands to go to the right heir of testator. All testator's interest & title to the tithes of lands & tenements, to go & be an appendant to lands & tenements for ever. To wife Joan, £5 in 4 years, being lawfully demanded, & if exor fail to pay this, then Joan to enter meadow called Alleins yard & hold & have profits from the same till she be paid, together with any damages she shall sustain for any non payment. To William, son of son Robert, £10 when 26; he to discharge exor of all bonds taken to his use & deliver these bonds to exor, or else this gift to be void. To 2 daughters of son Robert, £5

each when 26. To William, son of son John, £20 when 26. To the 3 eldest daughters of son John, £5 each when 26. To George, son of son Henry now deceased, £5 when 26. To Elizabeth, daughter of said son Henry, £5 when 26. If that person that shall happen to be the owner of lands & tenements, by virtue of this will, fails to pay legacies, the same being lawfully demanded, in 6 months of the date when legacies be due, then gift of lands to be void. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed to go to William, son of son Henry now deceased. To poor of Sutton, 20s. paid by exor at the appointment of wife Joan. William Hailes, son of son Henry now deceased, to be exor; cousin Robert Borne to be supervisor & to receive 10s. for his pains.

Wit. Henry Haughfen. William Marsh. John Turner. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 2 May 1625.

32 R(W) WILLIAM JERVIS of Wilby, husb. (X) 11 April 1625

Soul to God that gave it, laying hold on passion of Jesus Christ, by a true & lively faith. Body to be buried in churchyard at Wilby. To wife Elizabeth, all estate for life; she to dispose of at her will on her death & she to be extrix.

Wit. Edmund Evans, clerk. John Catchpole.

Pr. granted to extrix at Stradbroke. 26 April 1625.

33 R(W) MARY KETTELL of Sutton, widow. (X) 3 May 1625

Late wife of John Kettell, deceased. Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, hoping through merits of Jesus Christ to obtain place among God's elect prepared for all such before the world was made. To son John Kettell, £8. To daughter Elizabeth Mascall, wife of John Mascall, £5; but if she shall challenge any of household stuff, now in testator's possession, then she to have but £4. Rest of unbequeathed goods to go to son Joseph Kettell. George Lyncolne of Sutton to be exor.

Wit. George Lyncolne. William Fenn. Richard Amon. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 6 May 1625

34 R(W) RICHARD LEASON of Mutford, husb. 24 March 1624/25

Soul to hands of Almighty God, hoping through merits of Jesus Christ, only saviour, to live with him in everlasting happiness. To Thomas, Humphrey & Daniel Leason, sons of brother Thomas, 10s. each in 4 years, delivered to hands of cousin James Barns of Rushmere, the elder; he to employ the same to the best profit & to pay the same when they be 21. If any die before 21, then benefit of survivorship to apply. To Francis & Emily Leason, children of brother Richard Leason, 10s. in 4 years, to be delivered to the hands of said James Barns of Rushmere, to be employed as aforesaid; if either dies before 21, survivor to inherit. To Mary, wife of Robert Sculpy, 20s. in 2 years. To cousin James Barnes, 20s. presently. To poor of Mutford, 5s. paid by extrix & supervisor. Rest of unbequeathed goods, once debts & legacies be met, to go to wife Margaret; she to be extrix. Cousin James Barnes to be supervisor.

Wit. William Hodgkins. Mary Johnson.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 14 May 1625.

35 R(W) JOHN LEWIS of Bawdsey, yeo. (X) 19 April 1625

Soul to merciful hands of God. To be buried at Hollesley in the hope of a joyful resurrection. To brother Edmund Lewes, messuage & lands with appurtenances, in Hollesley for life & then to go to his heirs; if he have no heir, lands to go to Robert & Thomas, sons of Thomas & Anne Haughfen, testator's sister, to be equally divided between them, & then to their heirs. To Robert & Thomas Haughfen, sons of the said Thomas & Anne, £10 each to be paid by brother Edmund in 2 years, namely £10 to Robert in 1 year & £10 to Thomas in 2 years. To John & Thomas, sons of John & Anne Cottingham, testator's sister, £10 each paid by brother Edmund, viz. £10 to John in 3 years & to Thomas in 4; if brother Edmund fail to pay these sums, they being lawfully demanded, then whosoever be unpaid, to enter lands & messuages in Hollesley & hold the same, till legacy & any arrears be met. To Mary, daughter of said Thomas & Anne Haughfen, £20 in 1 year. Brother Edmund shall let tenant Robert Battle have the occupation of messuage & lands from year to year, for life; the said Robert paying same rent as he now pays & he using all things well, as heretofore he has done, but this in the way of charity & not to extend to any manner of lease. Rest of goods, chattels, bonds, bills & ready money to go to exor; he to be accountable to supervisor for overplus of any goods & money, & that which remains after probate & funeral costs be met, to be equally divided between nephews Robert & Thomas Haughfen, John & Thomas Cottingham in 1 year. Henry Haughfen to be exor; brother in law John Cottingham to be supervisor.

Wit. Thomas Buttle. (X) Robert Buttle. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 23 May 1625.

36 R(W) MARTIN LILLY of Ipswich, cooper. 1 April 1625

Weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & redeemer. To be buried in St Peter's churchyard, Ipswich. All debts to be paid out of stock & movable goods. To wife Margaret, all goods & movables as were hers before marriage; also £20 in 1 year. Martin Lilly of Nayland, cooper, to be exor.

Wit. Jeremy Cateline. Nicholas Backhouse. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 6 May 1625

37 R(W) RICHARD LOVE of Kessingland, yeo. (X) 12 January 1624/25

Soul to hands of Almighty God, heavenly father, steadfastly believing by death & bloodshed of Jesus Christ, to have remission of sins. Buried in churchyard at Kessingland. To wife Margaret, chamber where we usually do lie, with free passage at all times to the well to fetch water, for life. To son William Love & his heirs, tenement & hempland belonging; also all those free lands bought of John Duke; he to pay to his mother 30s. a year quarterly, for life. To wife Margaret, 1½ acres free lands bought of Mr Campe for life; on her death, lands to go to son Thomas Love & his heirs. To son William, best posted bedstead, feather bed as it stands & all things belonging to the same, after the death of wife Margaret. To son Thomas, feather bed & coverlet belonging, after death of wife Margaret. To all grandchildren, 3s. 4d. each. To kinsman Richard Love, 20s. in 1 year. To poor

of Kessingland, 10s. Rest of movable goods unbequeathed to go to wife; she to be extrix.

Wit. John Duff. (X) Thomas Payne.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 4 May 1625

38 R(W) THOMAS MAYSANT of Brandeston, husb. 14 May 1622

Knowing that all men shall die & that the time when is most uncertain, now with all faith & reverence do commend soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, father, son & Holy Ghost, believing assuredly through precious bloodshed & merit of Jesus Christ, only saviour, to have full & free remission of all sins whatever. Body to be buried in the hope to receive the same again, a glorious body amongst the just in the general resurrection of the last day. To son Thomas Maysant, 2 milk cows the 1 called Homes & the other Feveryeere, presently; also best feather bed with bedstead, blankets, coverlet & other things to the same belonging as it stands, 2 pair sheets (excepting best pair), cupboard in hall, biggest brass pot with pothooks belonging, best cauldron, pair andirons, mathook, best spit, gridirons, 2 of best coffers, 4 hand towels, table napkin, best suit of apparel throughout as well hose as shoes & also a cloak. To daughter Anne Priour, wife of John Priour, 40s. at once; if she be dead before receipt of the same, then money to go to testator's daughter Joan Stevenson. Exor to carry legacies given to daughters to such several places & houses as daughters shall, for the time being, dwell in & discharge the same gifts. Rest of goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed to go to son in law John Carver, at once. Son Thomas to be exor; he to have all bills, bonds, obligations & debts, to pay debts & legacies; which bills & bonds are in full recompense & discharge of any promise by testator to him made, in consideration of his marriage. Son Thomas & the said John Carver shall, at equal costs & charges, bear funeral charges & probate costs & the exhibiting of inventories of goods & the prising of the same, & the said John Carver to be at no further charges about the execution of this will.

Wit. Bayliff Atherton. Anne Atherton.

Pr. granted to exor at Dallinghoo. 19 April 1625.

39 R(W) JOHN PODD the elder of Shotley, yeo. 20 January 1624/25

Soul to hands of Almighty God who gave it. To poor of Shotley, 13s. 4d. to be distributed at testator's burial. Rest of movable goods, household stuff & implements to go to wife Alice for life. On her death, the same to be equally divided between 4 children – Anne, Isaac, Thomasine & John part & part alike. Wife to be extrix.

Wit. Christopher Andrews. Thomas Campell. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 6 May 1625

40 R(W) SUSAN PURKAS of Bramford, widow. (N) 26 March 1625

Brother William Haymore to have disposing of all goods, at his discretion, to the use of testator's poor kindred.

Wit. William Haymore. Thomas Haymore. Elizabeth Johnson.
Pr. granted to William Haymore at Ipswich. 7 April 1625

41 R(W) JOHN SMITH of Cratfield, yeo. 24 January 1624/25

Soul to hands of Almighty God, hoping to have eternal life by the only means of Jesus Christ, redeemer & saviour. To son Robert Smyth, all lands & tenements whatever, to him & his heirs. To Margaret, Anne & Sarah Alldous, daughters of son in law Francis Alldus, £20 each when 21; if any one dies before 21, that share to be equally divided between surviving daughters & Martha Cornish, daughter of daughter Grace Cornish, when 21. To son Robert, horse mill, long table in the hall, all ladders & 1 of the brass cauldrons. To wife Margaret, £6 being part of the Lady day rent from tenant John Crisp, & all unbequeathed movable goods (except for the remainder of money which is to go to son Robert, he being exor). To Mr Gabriel Eland, minister of Cratfield, in consideration of his mortuary, 10s., & to Mr Skinner, minister of Laxfield, 10s., & to Mr Henry Brewster, minister of Ubbeston, 10s. to be paid in 3 months.

Wit. Henry Brewster. Francis Aldus.

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 26 May 1625.

42 R(W) THOMAS SMITH of Westhall, yeo. 1 June 1622

Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator & redeemer, by whose merits & passion hope assuredly to be saved & to be made an inheritor of the kingdom of heaven. To poor of Westhall, 40s. paid by exor thus – 20s. at burial & 20s. at the same time 12 months later. Whereas testator has granted to wife Joan that tenement where testator now dwells, called Gooches, with certain lands adjoining in Westhall, by deed of feoffment made at the time of marriage; now she is to have these lands for life, according to the contents of the said feoffment as by the same more plainly appears, she making neither strip nor waste on the same & keeping houses thereon built in good & sufficient repair during her life; on her death, lands called Gooches with all lands, meadows & pastures granted to her, in Westhall, & all other lands called Mallards, being 10 acres, meadows called Hennis meadow, being 4 acres, & lands called Hances, being 10 acres, piece of land bought of William Wullnough, late of Westhall deceased, containing 10 acres, all of which lands lie in Westhall, to go to son Thomas Smith & his heirs. Said Thomas to enter lands called Gooches on the death of the said Joan, & into the rest of the lands when he be 21; in the meantime wife Joan to have all other lands & tenements which are now devised to said Thomas, for 10 years after testator's death, towards raising £100, which lands are given her towards the raising of stock out of the same for son John, which testator hopes will amount to £100 more, which is to be given to John when 21, paid by said Joan. After the 10 year term be ended, son Thomas to take the profits from said lands till he be 21, towards his better maintenance. Tenement & lands in Dunwich to be sold by exors in 1 year, for best price & all money thereof arising to go to son John; also 40 marks to be paid to him by exors in 1 year for the lands which have already been sold from the said tenement, & exors to render all the profits thereof from that time of sale till John be 21, towards a stock to be raised for him. To son John, £200 paid

by exors, when 21; in the meantime, wife Joan to have use & occupation of the £200 for & towards the bringing up in good education of sons Thomas & John, & finding them to learning when they shall come to years of discretion. If either son die before 21, without lawful issue, then the £200 to go to the said Joan. To 3 sisters Margaret Fuller, Agnes Eade & Prudence Harman, 20s. each, in 1 year. To godson William Colteram, 10s. paid by exors in 6 months. To wife Joan, bedstead, best featherbed with the curtains to same, 2 bolsters, 2 pillows, pair blankets, best covering, 1/2 linen, all her apparel both linen & woollen, bald gelding, 2 of best milk neat, delivered in 1 month, not doubting that she will leave all the same, or the full value thereof, to our children. Also to her, £100 raised out of such lands previously granted to her for the 10 year term. If that shall not suffice for the raising of the said £100, then it shall be made up out of bills & bonds due for debts to the full, towards the payment of debts & legacies bequeathed in this will, & to pay gifts & legacies as are bequeathed by testator's father & mother as are yet unanswered, & also towards the payment of funeral & probate charges. To late servant Grace Bates, 10s. & 1 pair coarse sheets, 1 old trundle bedstead, 1 old mattress, 1 old blanket & 1 old green coverlet, to be delivered by exors in 1 month. To apprentice Ann Morsey, besides the money due to her at the end of her year, 6s. 8d. paid by exors in 6 months. To son John, all cattle whatsoever, to be prized by 3 or 4 honest persons, & he to have the full value thereof when he be 21; in the meantime wife Joan shall be accountable to son John for the same & there to be a true inventory taken of all other goods, bills & bonds due, by 3 or 4 honest persons in 1 month, to the intent that son John shall have the same, when 21: if either son Thomas or John dies before their mother Joan, without issue, then all goods to go to the said Joan. To son Thomas, 2 feather beds with bedsteads as they stand on the hall chamber, 4 pair sheets, 2 bolsters, 2 pillow cases, 2 coverings, pair blankets, long table in the hall, cupboard in the parlour, 2 livery cupboards in the parlour, 4 buffet stools, best brass pot, best cupboard, 1 doz. best pewter, cheese press, 6 bowls, the copper as it now stands, great pair of tongs & irons with the [blank] when 21. Wife Joan to have the use of them till he be 21. To son John, rest of household stuff unbequeathed, when 21; said Joan to have the use of the same till then. Wife Joan, in 1 month, to enter into written obligation in £400 to her kinsman William Gooch esq., to prove & perform will. Wife & son Thomas to be exors. William Gooch to be supervisor & he to have for his pains 20s. as a token of testator's poor good will. Wit. Thomas Wolwich. Robert Rixe. (X) Thomas Wolnoughe. Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 9 May 1625

43 R(W) JOHN SAYER of Bungay, linen weaver. 25 April 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. All houses, lands & tenements in Bungay, whether free or copyhold, to go to exors; they to sell the same for the best price, to pay debts & legacies, & overplus of the same to go thus – to the 4 children of brother Richard Sayer late of Bungay, deceased. Over & above the sum of £40, exors to pay to hands of the town reeve of Bungay for the time being & to the 2 churchwardens of St Mary's parish in Bungay likewise, being the overplus of all such money as said houses, lands & tenements shall & can be sold for, to the benefit & use of the said 4 children of brother Richard Sayer, over & above £40

of the sale thereof, which exors must have & pay towards the payment of legacies, debts & funeral expenses, in 1 month of the sale. Brother in law William Johnson & Thomasine his wife, & Elizabeth Barker, widow late the wife of Robert Barker deceased, to be exors.

Wit. Robert Baispoole. John Dowsing. John Birkingshawe. Thomas Bellward. (X)

Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 15 June 1625

44 R(W) EDMUND SMITH of Needham Market. 23 April 1625

Soul to Almighty God. £10 to be given thus – £5 to son Edmund Smith when 24, & the other £5, with the use of the £10, to other 3 children viz Robert, Thomas & Ann Smith when 24. Wife to pay into hands of brother John Smith the said £10, namely the £5 for Edmund & the £5 for the 3 other children & the use of the whole £10, when they be 24.

Wit. Thomas Chamberlyn. (X) John Smith.

Pr. granted to Elizabeth Smith at Ipswich. 6 May 1625

45 R(W) NICHOLAS SORRELL of Hemingstone, yeo. 29 September 1624

Knowing the condition & estate of all flesh to be mortal & the hour of death uncertain, now soul to Almighty God, father, son & Holy Ghost, 3 persons but 1 eternal majesty of the most glorious God, to whom be all laud, praise & glory now & forever more. Body to the earth, there to rest in the hope of the resurrection to eternal life which beseech the lord, in his infinite mercy, to grant. To wife Margery, messuage or tenement where testator dwells, with all lands, meadows & pastures belonging, with appurtenances, in Hemingstone now in testator's occupation, for life; she to keep houses wind & water tight. On her death, same to go to son John Sorrell, he paying the following sums to testator's other children & grandchildren; thus to son George, £10 in 1 year of Margery's death, if he be still living, & if he be dead then John to pay the £10 in the said year to his sisters then living, part & part alike. John also to pay to his sister Hester Sorrell £25, viz. £12 10s. in 2 years & £12 10s. in 3 years of the said Margery's death. John to pay to his sister Elizabeth Reynolds, now wife of Thomas Reynolds, £10 in 4 years, & to pay to his sister Rose Sorrell, 20s. in 5 years of said Margery's death & to pay her each year 20s. for her life. Further, John to pay to Thomas Sorrell, son of son George, & to pay to Edward & Rose Reynolds, being the children of Thomas & Elizabeth Reynolds, 20s. each when 21. John is also to pay to the 3 children of Edward Rose & Alice his wife, testator's daughter, 20s. each when 21. If John does not pay these sums at the time & day expressed, same being lawfully demanded, at the said messuage or tenement, then lands, after such default, to go to daughter Hester Sorrell, & she then to pay legacies. Wife Margery to be extrix; she to perform will. William Warner to be supervisor.

Wit. Lionel Cooke. John Church. William Warner. (X) Peter Cooke. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 6 May 1625.

46 R(W) EDWARD TUNMER of Helmingham, yeo. (X) 25 October 1624

Sick. Soul to merciful hands of God Almighty. Body to the earth, there to rest till the lord's second appearing, in hope then of joyful resurrection to eternal happiness. To son in law Robert Basse, £20 which he owes by bond; exor to discharge him presently, by delivering to him the obligation made to testator for the payment thereof. To grandchild Elizabeth Glover, £5 when 21 paid by exor in Helmingham church porch. To grandchildren Thomas, Edmond, Henry, John & Lionel Glover, £5 each when 21, as abovesaid. To grandchild Elizabeth Glover, feather bed on which testator now lies, with all that thereto belongs, presently. To grandchild Cicely Glover, other feather bed with all that thereto belongs. To all grandchildren, viz. the sons & daughters of son in law Thomas Glover, who are before nominated in this will, all brass & pewter to be equally divided between them by exor, save for a posnet pan which is to go to grandchild Elizabeth Glover. To grandchild John Glover, joined chest. To poor of Helmingham, 20s. paid by churchwardens & overseers in 1 month, where most need requires. To son in law Thomas Glover, all movable goods & chattels unbequeathed, all bills, bonds & debts due, except for £20 bond before given to Robert Basse. To Thomas Glover also, all ready money & other debts due to testator without speciality; he to prove will, perform legacies, pay funeral expenses & be exor.

Wit. Robert Allen. Thomas Neave. (X) Bartholomew Russell.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 27 May 1625

47 R(W) JAMES TURNER of Swilland, yeo. 21 March 1624/25

Weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, glorious creator, desiring him humbly in merits of Jesus Christ, to have mercy on it & receive it into his heavenly kingdom. Body to be buried in hope of a joyful resurrection. To exors, messuage lately built with appurtenances belonging where Daniel Bobbytt dwells in Swilland, with 3 closes therewith now occupied – 1 called Hughes, another Rush pigtle & the 3rd White close, with all the green way lying within & next to the said close, which with that way do contain about 27 acres. Exors, in 2 years & to the best advantage they can, to sell the same, & with the money thus coming, they are to pay debts; if there shall be any wanting of the said money to pay debts withal, then the remainder of the debts to be discharged out of stock & movables in the speediest manner which conveniently may be. To wife Mary, all that chief messuage where testator now dwells, with appurtenances, & all lands & tenements belonging, in Swilland (except such parts as be herein formerly bequeathed), for her life; she keeping houses in good repair, & to commit no strip nor waste on the same lands, & she to bring up children with good education. Also on condition that if she lives till son James Turner be 21 then she is to pay him yearly, besides his diet & convenient clothing, 40s. till he be 28, & that after that age during her lifetime, she shall yearly pay him, she being freed of further charge for boarding & clothing him, £20; also on condition, that wife shall in the meantime till James be 28, raise out of the revenues & profits of the lands before given her besides, for the upbringing of the children, £8 score & to pay the £160 to the 4 younger children, viz. to John, Ann, Elizabeth & Mary Turner in the following manner – to son John, £40 when 24 & to daughters Anne, Elizabeth & Mary, £40 each when 20;

if any 1 dies before receipt of legacy, benefit of survivorship to apply. All lands & tenements with appurtenances previously given to wife Mary for life, on her death to go to son James Turner & his heirs, on condition that he shall at the end of 1 year after he be 28 & till the death of the said Mary, pay to each of the 4 younger children £10 each a year, & after the death of said Mary, to pay to each of the 4 younger children £5 each a year, till each be paid £50; these sums to be paid by James out of his annuity of £20 or out of the lands given him on the death of his mother Mary. Further that so soon as James enters the lands given him, that then at the end of 1 year after his entry & so yearly each year after then, James is to pay to the said 4 younger children £5 each till they be fully paid £50 each, allowing part thereof so much as the said James shall have paid towards the same before he entered the said lands. If any of the said 4 younger children die before receipt of £50, then James to pay the legacy of whichever child so dying, or so much as shall be unpaid by him, to be by James paid yearly to survivors of the 4 children, to be equally divided between them at each year's end, as it should have been paid to the deceased. If James dies without issue, or if he make default in payment of legacies, then son John, after the death of his mother Mary, to have lands, tenements & hereditaments with appurtenances, on condition that said John, at the end of 1 year after said Mary's death, & so every year following, pays to each of his 3 sisters £5 till they receive their legacies of £50 each; if any daughter die before receipt of her legacy, then that portion, or so much as is unpaid at the time of death, to go to surviving sisters in every respect to be paid by John, as said James should have done. If wife Mary dies so as the 4 younger children shall or may not be paid their portions which the said Mary is appointed to pay them, then son James, immediately on her death, is to pay to each of the 4 younger children yearly & proportionately their legacies of £40 by £5 apiece yearly, which their mother should have paid them had she lived till James be 28; if James dies without paying legacies, then son John to have lands & then he is to pay £40 each to his sisters by £5 each a year & proportionately, as James should have done, the said Mary being dead. To wife Mary, 12 oaks of the best timber trees growing on the lands, to be taken & felled at her appointment. All other goods, chattels, household stuff & movables whatever, once debts, funeral & probate costs be met, to go to wife Mary; wife & brother Robert Pope to be exors. Brother to have 20s. for a remembrance.

Wit. Matthew Golding. (X) Mary Caston.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 6 May 1625

48 R(W) GEORGE THURSTON of Westleton, yeo. * 7 April 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, heavenly father, creator of all mankind, to Jesus Christ, his only son, redeemer, & to Holy Ghost, comforter of all the elect people of God, to whom be all honour & praise. To sister Margaret, wife of Edward Crowe of Wenhaston, weaver, annuity of £20, namely £10 at each half year during the lifetime of Edward Martyn of Uggeshall, yeo.; payments to be made in the south porch of Wenhaston church, to begin in half a year after testator's death, to be paid out of lands & tenements, being free & copyhold, in Wenhaston & Thorington. If there be default in payment, then Margaret to enter lands & tenements, & hold & enjoy the same, till she receive payment, together

with any arrears thereof. On death of said Edward Martyn, this annuity to cease. To Edward Crowe & Margaret his wife, all lands & tenements with appurtenances, being free & copyhold, in Uggeshall; they to enter the same after the death of testator & of Edward Martyn. To sister Margaret Crowe, annuity of £10 to be paid her by equal portions each half year at the place aforesaid, out of lands & tenements in Wenhaston & Thorington; 1st payment to be made in half year after her husband & herself enter & have lands in Uggeshall. If annuity be unpaid at the time before limited, then power to enter lands in Wenhaston & Thorington & enjoy the same, till she be satisfied, together with any arrears thereof. Also to sister Margaret & her husband, £10 to be paid by exor, in 2 months after the death of Edward Martyn, for & towards the payment of their fines on their taking up of lands & tenements in Uggeshall. To sister Anne Thurston, £10 annuity to be paid her every half year for life, out of lands & tenements in Wenhaston & Thorington; payment to be made in the south porch of Wenhaston church. If annuity be unpaid, power to her to enter lands & tenements in Wenhaston & Thorington, & hold the same till she be paid annuity, together with any arrears. To Thomas Clarke & his wife Mary, testator's sister, all lands & tenements, being free & copyhold, in Wenhaston & Thorington, with appurtenances belonging, to them & their heirs; they to enter the same presently, paying such annual sums as are before devised. To the 3 sons of Edward & Margaret Crowe, namely to Henry, William & Edward, £3 score to be equally divided between them by exor, when they be 21. To the 8 children of kinsman John Thurston of Wenhaston, £4 each by exor in 3 years. To children of Thomas Thurston of Covehithe, deceased, £4 each by exor in 3 years. To godson George Thurston, son of Thomas Thurston late of Halesworth, deceased, £10 & to the rest of the children of the said Thomas Thurston, 20s. each by exor when 21. To all other godchildren, 5s. each by exor in 3 months. To Henry Culham, 10s. by exor in 6 months. To the town of Wenhaston, £4 to be paid to the use of the town & parish by exor in 1 year. To exor, all ready money as well by bond or bill, presently to pay all debts & legacies. All other goods, chattels, household stuff & implements whatever & where ever unbequeathed, to go to Thomas Clark & Mary his wife, & to Edward Crowe & his wife, to be equally divided between them by exor. Thomas Clark to be exor. Hugh Symonds, now or late of Brampton, gent. to be supervisor & to receive for his pains 40s. in 3 months. To the children of John Homes of Palgrave, 46s. 8d. each when 21. To the children of Thomas Holmes of Palgrave, 46s. 8d. each when 21.

Wit. Edmund Watling. John Watling. John Reynolds.

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 16 April 1625.

* Original will dated 7 April 1625; register is dated 17 April 1625.

49 R(W) EDMUND WRIGHT of Chelmondiston, yeo. (X) 1 May 1625

Sick. Soul to God who gave it. To each of 5 children, £10 when 21; if any die before receipt of legacy, benefit of survivorship to apply. To wife Helen, all movable goods whatever till children be 21, she remaining a widow. If she remarries, then before her marriage, she to enter into an obligation of £200 with friends George Wright, John Dade, Samuel Fuller & Christopher Andrews, to pay

to each of the 5 children £30 when they be 21. If she refuse this bond, brother George Wright to be exor, & then wife to have such a portion as has been allotted before to each child. Wife to be extrix; she to have the use & benefit of goods during her life. Only £10 to go to each child when 21, unless wife remarries when each child's portion to be made up to £30.

Wit. William Leminge. William Good. Christopher Andrews. John Favell.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 28 May 1625

50 R(W) JOHN WOODROUGH of Eyke, husb. (X) 21 March 1624/25

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To mother Elizabeth Woodrough, 13s. 4d. paid by extrix in 1 month after probate. To Sara Hall, daughter of nephew William Hall, 13s. 4d. by extrix when she be 21; she giving an acquittance on receipt of the same. To Anne Sorrell, 3s. 4d. by extrix in 1 month after probate. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed, once legacies & funeral costs be met, to go to wife Frances & son John Woodrough, to be equally divided between them, & whatever the half of goods & chattels shall amount to, which shall be the legacy of son John, the same shall remain in the hands of wife Frances till son be 21, & then he is to be paid his legacy by extrix in ready money. If wife remarries before son be 21 or receives his legacy, then that man which shall be her husband, shall enter into bond with sufficient surety, in 1 month before marriage, with supervisor of this will, in 100 marks to perform will. If this bond is refused, then extrix to pay the half of goods & chattels, being son John's portion, in 1 month of the said marriage, to supervisor & this then to remain in his hands, till John be 21, he giving bond for the same & allowing the said John 16d. in the pound yearly. Wife Frances to be extrix; Henry Wayth of Eyke to be supervisor.

Wit. William Hall. Henry Waythe.

Pr. granted to extrix at Dallinghoo. 9 May 1625

51 R(W) JOHN WATLING of Henstead, labourer. (X) 15 April 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, heavenly father, trusting & faithfully assuring self, will be saved by only merits & blood shed of Jesus Christ, only saviour, mediator & redeemer. To wife Elizabeth, all goods & chattels whatever; she to pay debts & burial costs; she to be extrix.

Wit. James Allred. William Miles. William Bolson. Christopher Campe.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 30 April 1625.

52 R(W) ROBERT YONGE of Mendham. (N) 6 April 1625

Very sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, hoping to be saved in & by his mercy, through Jesus Christ, redeemer & saviour. To be buried at Mendham. All goods, chattels & household stuff to go to Richard Morrie; he to pay debts, burial & probate charges.

Wit. Bartline Skeete. (X) Edward Elslye. (X) William Farrow. (X)

Pr. granted to Richard Morrie at Beccles. 16 April 1625

53 R(W) AGNES CHURCH of Cretingham, widow. (X) 20 April 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, saviour & redeemer, trusting assuredly by his most precious death, to reap everlasting life & happiness. Tenement where testator late dwelt, with appurtenances, now occupied by Allen Catchpoole, in Cretingham, & a field, are to go to sons Christopher & Thomas Inge, on condition that they pay to their sister Elizabeth Inge £20, in 6 years; they also to pay their sister Anne Church, till she be 20, £5 a year by 2 equal portions, 1st payment being made at the Christmas after testator's death, & the other to be made at the feast of St John the Baptist, commonly called Midsummer day, & when she be 21, they to pay her £100. Payments to be made in the south porch of Cretingham church. If said Anne dies before receipt of her portion, then payments to cease. If said Christopher & Thomas refuse to pay legacies to Elizabeth & Anne, then tenement & profits therefrom to go to said Elizabeth Inge for 2 years after default of the £20 payment, & also for default made to the said Anne, she is to have the profits from the said lands for 10 years following such a breach. Sons Christopher & Thomas to pay all debts & funeral charges; they to prove will. To sons Christopher & Thomas, all goods & movables whatever; they to pay debts & all other charges & to be exors.

Wit. Allen Catchpoole. Samuel Lyng.

Pr. granted to exors at Wickham Market. 23 May 1625.

54 R(W) JAMES METCALF of Mendham. (N) 9 June 1625

All goods & chattels to go to sister Joan Cove, widow; no exor was named.

Wit. Robert Scarlet. Robert Coon. Nicholas Dawes.

Pr. granted to Joan Cove at Yoxford. 18 June 1625

55 R(W) THOMAS BLAKEY of Kettleburgh, glover. (X) 19 May 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & preserver, by whose mercies in merits of Jesus Christ, redeemer, trust to be saved. To be buried wherever it shall please God to take testator out of this wretched world. To wife Anne, house & tenement with lands belonging, now occupied by Edmund Steele, in Kettleburgh, for life; on her death, same to go to son Lawrence. To son Lawrence, £10 paid by extrix in 1 month, all leather & implements belonging to testator's trade. To daughter Dorothy, £40 in 2 years, by extrix. Rest of unbequeathed goods & chattels to go to wife Anne; she to be extrix.

Wit. Thomas Tye. Robert Stebbing. Daniel Pottle.

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 13 June 1625

56 R(W) AMBROSE JOHNUPE of Easton, husb. (X) 29 April 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God & Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, in whom trust through his death & passion & by his only merits, will be saved. Buried at Reydon. To son Ambrose Johnope, tenement in Easton with all lands, being free & copyhold, to the same belonging, when 21. In the meantime, wife Joan to have the use & peaceable occupation of the same. To brother Thomas Johnope of Rendlesham, coverlet & 20s. presently, or at the Michaelmas next

coming. To eldest daughter Elizabeth Johnope, £12 when 21; in the meantime, wife Joan to have the use of this legacy, till Elizabeth be 16. To youngest daughter Susan, £10 when 21 & in the meantime, wife Joan to have the use of this legacy, till Susan be 16. To middle son George, £10 when 21; in the meantime, wife Joan to have the use of this legacy, till George be 16. To youngest son Robert, £10 when 21; in the meantime, wife Joan to have the use of this legacy, till Robert be 16. If any child die before receipt of portion, benefit of survivorship to apply. Rest of goods, movables, bonds & specialities to go to wife Joan; she to be extrix & Robert Ecocke to be exor. Robert Ecocke, after testator's death, to have £42 of the said Joan, & she to have the use of the same at the rate of 40s. a year, to be paid each half year at Lady day & Michaelmas, namely 20s. at each feast. Wit. William Ecocke. Henry Green. Robert Hacock. Joan Johnup. Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 14 May 1625.

57 R(W) HENRY BALDRIE of Westleton, husb. (N) 19 April 1625

Soul to God. To John Baldrie of Toft (Nf.), 2s. Rest of household stuff & goods whatever, to go to wife Mary Baldrie; she to be extrix. Wit. Henry Wade, jnr. Richard Wade. Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 6 June 1625.

58 R(W) THOMAS SALLOWES of Westleton. 23 May 1625

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, hoping to have eternal life, through merits of Jesus Christ. To son Michael Sallowes, £10 in 1 year. To daughter Margaret, wife of William Spark, best long table with the frame & spinning wheel. To wife Anne, best posted bedstead with a tester, feather bed, feather bolster, 2 pillows, blanket, coverlet, bed line & mat & all testator's wearing apparel, except bedteeks, bolsters, pillows & sacks. Rest of goods, chattels & rights whatever unbequeathed, to go to son Thomas Sallowes; he to pay debts, legacies, funeral expenses & to pay 40s. a year for her life, to said Anne. Any overplus remaining, to go to said Thomas; he to be exor. In 1 month he is to be bound, with a surety, to said Anne, in an obligation of £10 to pay to the said Anne the forementioned annuity of 40s. at Westleton church porch; 1st payment to be made in 1 year. If Thomas will not be so bound, then goods, chattels & rights whatever to go to said Anne, & then she to be extrix. Wit. Oliver Chatburne. Thomas Eade. Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 9 June 1625.

59 R(W) MARGARET LOVE of Kessingland, widow. (X) 3 May 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, heavenly father, steadfastly believing will be saved by death & merits of Jesus Christ, redeemer. Buried in churchyard at Kessingland. To sister Mary Tompson, 10s. in 1 month. To son William Love, acre wheat growing in the east field in Kessingland. To son Thomas Love, dansk chest. To sons Thomas & William Love, all sums of money due on bond, to be equally divided between them. To grandchildren Margaret & Thomas Love, 2 pewter platters. Rest of movable goods to go to son William Love; he to be exor.

Wit. Katherine Mowlin. Thomas Payne.
Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 14 May 1625.

60 R(W) GILES RUST of Mettingham, yeo. 7 March 1624/25

Considering the uncertainty of this present life in this transitory world & vale of misery, soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, hoping assuredly through only merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to be made a partaker of life everlasting. Body to the earth from whence it came, nothing doubting but at the great day of the general resurrection, shall receive the same again by mighty power of God, not a corruptible, mortal, weak & frail body as it is now but an incorruptible, immortal, strong & perfect body in all points like to the body of lord & saviour Jesus Christ. To wife Joan, 2 feather beds with furniture belonging, as coverlets, blankets, 10 pair sheets such of all the said things as she will choose, with her apparel, both linen & woollen. Whereas testator has caused his son Giles Rust to enter into bond with his mother, the said Joan, in the penal sum of £100, to pay her £14 a year during her lifetime; now, do charge son that he has a care of the due payment thereof, & said Joan is to accept the same annuity in full recompense of her dower claims on lands which testator has sold to any person whatever. Whereas testator is seised of $\frac{1}{2}$ acre land in Lopham field (Nf.), held of the manor of Lopham, by copy of court roll, now eldest son Thomas Rust, to whom the same is like to descend, to sell the same for the best price he can get, in 1 year, & the money thus arising he is to pay to his brother Giles Rust to his use, deducting his reasonable charges about the fine & other charges which he shall be compelled to be at. Testator entreats the right worshipful Sir Edmund Bacon, knight, that he will be pleased to give his consent that the said Giles Rust may enjoy the lease, which it has pleased the said Sir Edmund to make to testator, of Mettingham castle & the lands thereto belonging, where testator now dwells. To son Giles Rust, all goods & chattels, real & personal estate, household stuff & utensils, plate, cattle whatsoever unbequeathed; he to be exor.

Wit. William Gooch. Nathaniel Shanke.
Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 10 June 1625

61 R(W) GREGORY BRIGHTWELL of Shottisham, plough carpenter.
23 May 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To Charles Allen of Shottisham, yeo., 2 pieces freeland, which testator has by free deed of William Hovell, gent., containing 2 acres. To wife Rose, tenement where testator dwells, with rest of lands whatever in Shottisham, with appurtenances belonging, for life, in satisfaction of her dower rights in lands above given to Charles Allen. On her death, said lands to go to children Robert, George, Mary, Ann, Margaret, Rose & Frances. All goods, chattels, once debts & funeral costs be met, to go to wife Rose; she to be extrix.

Wit. John Glover. Lawrence Tiers. Robert Fox. (X)
Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 13 June 1625

62 R(W) GEORGE BRIGHTWELL of Shottisham, wheelwright. (X)
11 June 1625

Weak. Soul to merciful hands of God. To be buried at Shottisham in the hope of joyful resurrection. To wife Margaret, all messuage, lands & tenements, both free & copyhold for life, lying in Shottisham, Hollesley & Ufford, till the Michaelmas next after her death, she keeping the houses & fences in good repair. Remainder to the same, after the said term, of the lands in Hollesley & Shottisham to go to Robert, Elizabeth, Mary, Ann, Margaret, Rose & Frances, being the children of son Gregory Brightwell, to be equally divided between them. Remainder, after said term, to the lands in Ufford, to go to George Brightwell, son of son Gregory Brightwell, viz. to 2 pieces of meadow or fen now occupied by John Tokelye the elder, of Yoxford. To George Brightwell the elder, son of son John Brightwell late of Hollesley deceased, messuage or tenement where John Cushion dwells, with all lands now in his occupation. To Katherine, wife of Robert Hall & daughter of said John Brightwell, £5 in 3 years of the death of the said Margaret, to be paid by George Brightwell the younger, out of lands now occupied by John Tokelye; if said George default in the payment to Katherine, then she is to have power to enter lands occupied by John Tokeley & hold the same till she be paid the £5, together with payment for any costs & damages she shall sustain for non payment. To Robert Brightwell, son of son Peter Brightwell now deceased, £6 paid by George, son of son Gregory Brightwell, in 6 years of death of the said Margaret; if George Brightwell the younger default in payment, then power to Robert to enter the 2 pieces of meadow or fen now occupied by John Tookeley & before bequeathed to the said George, & Robert to hold the same till he be paid the £6 & also to be paid any costs or damages as he shall sustain for non payment. To Rose, late the wife of son Gregory Brightwell, 20s. To Robert Dearing the elder, 5s. To Sarah, daughter of Robert Cooper of Bawdsey, 5s. To Anne, daughter of John Cooper of Ramsholt, 5s. Rest of goods, chattels, household stuff, bills, bonds, ready money whatever, to go to wife Margaret, once debts, legacies & funeral costs be met. Son in law John Cooper to be exor.

Wit. Henry Haughfen. Reynold Mann.

Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 13 June 1625.

63 R(W) ROBERT BENNETT of Northales *alias* Covehithe, yeo. (X)
13 June 1625

Sick. Soul & body to creator. As concerning house, household stuff, corn, cattle & movable goods, now house or houses in Covehithe to be sold by exor, for the best price that can be got for the same, as soon as may be in 1 year, & the money thus arising to be used to pay debts. There is to be an inventory made of all movable goods whatever, & of them the best should be made, according to the value thereof, to pay debts, funeral & probate costs. Any surplus then remaining to go thus – to exor 10s. for his pains, & then the remainder to go to wife Dorothy. John Haylock of Wrentham, yeo., to be exor.

Wit. John Fayrechild. Nicholas Gildwock. Let. Ad. granted, following the renunciation of John Haylock as exor at Beccles on 25 June 1625, to John King, one of the testator's creditors, at Yoxford. 28 June 1625.

64 R(W) RALPH MANN of Ipswich, grocer. 13 April 1625

Sick. Remembering & calling to mind the frailty of man's life & the sudden departure from the same, which our lord & saviour has put into mind, to settle this estate, so that thoughts shall be free to serve God in all holiness, righteousness & glory, till the breath be out of the body, now soul to hands of Almighty God, creator & maker, & to Jesus Christ, lord, saviour & redeemer, by whose blood shed confidently believe will be of the elect in heaven. Whereas uncle John Mann, late of Bramford gent., did give testator a messuage or tenement with appurtenances belonging, lying in Stoke next Ipswich, now occupied by Henry Haughfen, cooper, now this to go to exors, to be sold in 1 year for the best price, & the money thus arising shall be to the following uses, viz. to wife Alice, one third of the money in 1 month after the sale; to son Thomas, one third of the money when he be 24, & the money to be put out to the best advantage & the profits arising shall be towards the bringing up of the said Thomas & the putting him out to service, & the overplus then remaining shall be given him when he be 24, with exors making a true account of the same. If Thomas dies before 24, legacy to go to testator's son Edward Man when he be 24, on like terms, & if he die before 24, then legacy to go to the children male of testator's brother John Man, to be equally divided between them, they paying wife Alice £5 out of the same. To son Edward Man, one third of the money when he be 24, & the money to be put out to the best advantage & the profits arising shall be towards the bringing up of the said Edward & the putting him out to service, & the overplus then remaining shall be given him when he be 24, with exors making a true account of same. If Edward dies before 24, then legacy to go to his brother Thomas when he be 24, on like terms, & if he die before 24, then legacy to go to the children male of testator's brother John Man, to be equally divided between them, they paying wife Alice £5 out of same. To exors, all goods, chattels, jewels, plate, money, debts & all other things whatever, to be sold for ready money; this money then to be equally divided between wife Alice & sons Thomas & Edward, the said sons receiving their share when they be 24; those parts which are to go to sons, shall be put out to the best advantage & to be used towards their upbringing & putting them forth to service, & the overplus remaining to be paid on a true account made by exors, when sons be 24. If either son die before 24, surviving brother to inherit both parts; if both sons die before 24, then legacies to go to the children male of testator's brother John Mann, equally divided between them. Further, that uncle John Man did make testator a legacy of £20; now out of that sum wife Alice to have, notwithstanding the former absolute gift to her previously made, £6 6s. 8d. & sister Mary Johnson to have 15s., in 1 month. All legacies, gifts, funeral costs & debts to be paid by exors. Wife Alice & brother John Man to be exors. Wit. Richard Dawtrey. Edmund Fyrmin. Edmond Quinbowe. William Manfrey. Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 15 June 1625.

65 R(W) ANN SPENCER of Ipswich, widow. (X) 30 May 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To 3 brothers Anthony, Thomas & William, 5s. each. To Thomas Haggas, 5s. if he return home to live. To John & Thomas Spencer, 5s. each. To Thomas Butter, 1 of the biggest pewter dishes. To Thomasine

Scalye, 1 other pewter dish. To Katherine Parkyn, down pillow, pillow bere & a white fustian waistcoat. To son in law Richard Cutberd, tailor, rest of goods & chattels, debts, ready money & any other rights whatever, once debts, funeral charges & legacies be met & discharged; he to be exor.

Wit. Robert Clarke. Edward Dowyle. Christopher Tomlinson.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 15 June 1625.

66 R(W) ELIZABETH WOODROWE of Boulge, widow. (X) 28 March 1625

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, maker, saviour & redeemer, by whose death & merits hope to be saved. To son in law William Haule of Eyke, cloth gown. To daughter Margery Chambers, wife of John Chambers of Pettaugh, rest of wearing apparel. To grandchild John Catchpoole, cupboard. To daughter Sarah Haule, wife of William Haule, bedstead, feather bed, flock bed, bed bolster & all things furnished as it stands. To grandchild John Woodrow, brass pot, lead chaffing dish, lead candlestick, lead mortar & great chair when 21. To Frances Woodrow of Eyke, widow, malt querns. Rest of goods, chattels, household stuff & implements, once debts & funeral costs be met, to go to 2 daughters Sarah Hall, wife of William Hall, & to Ann Sorrell of Eyke, widow, to be equally divided between them. To grandchild Sarah Hall, casting sheet. Son in law William Hall exor.

Wit. John Smalledg. John Bale.

Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 13 June 1625.

67 R(W) THOMAS BARKER of Tattingstone, weaver. (X) 9 May 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, heavenly father. To wife Alice, all copyhold lands & profits therefrom, now occupied by Robert Barber of Drinkstone husb., for life; on her death, same to go to 2 eldest daughters, viz. Priscilla, wife of Stephen Chamberline of Woolverstone husb., & to Judith, wife of John Baly of Drinkstone husb., & to their heirs, according to the custom of the manor. Wife also to have freehold lands, with profits & commodities to the same belonging, in Drinkstone & Woolpit for life; on her death, same to go to 2 daughters Susan & Mary Barker & their heirs. If they should die, or if 1 should die before the said Alice, or die before marriage & have no issue, survivor to inherit. Rest of goods & chattels, once debts & funeral charges be met, to go to wife Alice, towards her own maintenance; she to dispose of the same in her lifetime, or at her death, as she shall think fitting. Wife to be extrix.

Wit. John Parson. Edward Podd.

Pr. granted to extrix at Tattingstone. 7 July 1625.

68 R(W) WILLIAM BROWNING of Fressingfield, yeo. (X) 7 May 1625

Knowing the uncertainty of life in this transitory world & vale of misery, & that it is the duty of every man, in time of health, to provide for death, end of all flesh, now soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, creator, verily trusting & believing, will be justified, saved & redeemed only by & through the most precious merits, death & passion of Jesus Christ, only saviour, mediator & redeemer. Body to the earth from whence it came, there to rest until the lord's 2nd second appearing, in

the hope then of a joyful resurrection to eternal happiness. To wife Mary, use & occupation of all that messuage & tenement, with appurtenances belonging, in Fressingfield, called Dowsetts, where testator dwells, with all lands, tenements, meadows, pastures & feedings, commons & common of pasture & all other hereditaments, freehold & copyhold, to the same belonging, for 6 months; she to commit no strip nor waste on the same, & to keep houses thereto belonging in good & sufficient repair, discharging all rents due. Wife to have & take in & upon the said premises, sufficient hedgebote for the maintenance of the premises with hedging & fencing, & also competent wood for her fuel to be spent & burnt in & on the same premises & not elsewhere, during the said time. Lands then to remain to son Thomas Browning & to his heirs. If said Thomas have no heir, lands to go to grandson Henry Browning, son of son John, & to his heirs; if he have none, then lands to go to grandson George Browning, son of son John, & to his heirs. Son Thomas to enter lands at the end of the aforesaid 6 months; he, said Thomas, or said Henry, or either of them or their heirs, or the said George or his heirs, to pay to wife Mary, if she continue a widow, for the term of her life, an annuity of £15, to be paid by equal portions at Michaelmas & Lady day, or within 15 days of them, with payment made in south porch of Fressingfield church, 1st payment being made on the 1st feast day which falls due in 9 months of testator's death, accounting the number of days of every of the said 9 months according to the computation of the almanac, in full satisfaction of her dower claims to said lands. If said Thomas or Henry or George, or their heirs, default in payment of the said annuity, Mary to enter into all lands & tenements, with appurtenances belonging, & hold, occupy & possess the same, & enjoy the issues & profits therefrom, & to take & convert the same to her own proper use, until the annuity be paid. To son William Browning, all lands, tenements & hereditaments with appurtenances, being in Fressingfield, Wingfield & Esham (Nf.), late Marshall's, being copyhold. Also to the said William, all such sums of money which he owes testator. All movable goods, utensils, household implements & stuff as now remain in the messuage or tenement in Wingfield, are to remain with the said messuage, to the issue of son William. To son John, best cloak & best hat presently. To daughter Mary, milk cow, heifer, bed furnished being the third in value, coffer, 2 pair sheets, joined chest standing in the parlour chamber & a counter table presently. To son Thomas, horse mill now standing at the messuage or tenement called Dowsetts, with the staves & furniture belonging, cart, tumbrel, harrows, plough with harness & furniture belonging, cupboard in the hall, table & form there also standing, to be delivered to him at the end of the 6 month term. Wife Mary, in the meantime, to have use & occupation thereof, doing always as little hurt or damage thereto as conveniently may be, but only by a reasonable using of them. Son Thomas to have all goods which are his own. To son Thomas, bedstead, feather bed with all the apparel & furniture to the same belonging that is the 4th in value, 2 pair sheets, milk cow, presently; also to him, debt of £12 which Sir Thomas Baker, knight, deceased, in his life time did owe testator. To kinsman Francis Browning of Dennington, debt of £10 which Thomas Valles, gent., owes; extrix, at the costs of the said Francis & Thomas, by best means she can or may, to obtain these debts. To children of kinsman Mr. Skynner, 6s. 8d. each. To poor of Wingfield, 20s., paid by extrix, presently, to be distributed amongst the poor, by churchwardens & chief inhabitants of the town, where most need shall happen to be, at their

discretion. Extrix to receive & pay all debts, & pay burial costs. Rest of goods, chattels, money, corn, cattle, household stuff, implements & utensils unbequeathed, to go to wife Mary; she to pay debts & legacies & to perform will & be extrix. Son William Browning to be supervisor, to assist extrix.

Wit. William Sandcroft. John Aldus. Richard Strelles. Anthony Aldous.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 19 August 1625

69 R(W) THOMAS BERRY of Southwold, yeo. 19 January 1624/25

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, creator, hoping & steadfastly believing will be saved, by sole & only merits of Jesus Christ, redeemer. Body to be buried in the church or chapel yard at Southwold. To wife Alice, messuage or tenement where testator dwells, with all houses, edifices, buildings, yards, gardens & grounds belonging, for life; she to pay the yearly rent of 40s. , during the life of Margaret Filby of Southwold, widow, in manner & form specified in a bond in which testator stands bound to said Filby. On death of wife Alice, tenement & premises to remain to son Thomas Berry, to his use. To wife Alice, all household implements, corn, cattle & chattels whatever as were hers in her widowhood & are now in testator's possession, wicker chair & one other chair in the hall of the said tenement. To son Thomas Berry, feather bed, feather bolster, blanket & coverlet now on the bedstead which stands in the kitchen of said tenement, with carpet, cupboard in the hall, basin, ewer, candlestick, 5 pewter platters now on the said cupboard, with 1 old chest standing by the bedstead which is in the hall, presently. To daughter Prudence Furbreach, 40s. in 3 months. Rest of goods, movables, corn, cattle & chattels whatever, once debts & legacies be met, to be sold by exors, to the best improvement they can, in 3 months, & the money thus arising to be equally divided between son Thomas Berry, daughter Susan Berry & grandchild Thomas Stympson. The part due to daughter Susan shall remain in the hands of wife Alice, towards the maintenance of the said Susan, till she be 21. Wife Alice & son Thomas to be exors. Memorandum; the portion given to said Thomas Stimpson shall be put into the hands of Daniel Jeggell of Southwold, merchant, till Thomas be 18. Daniel Jeggell to give security for the same.

Wit. Christopher Yonges. Richard Stannard. Nicholas Hayward. James Cunningham, script. Codicil added January 1625: that the 2 milk cows which wife Alice brought are to be exchanged, & 2 others to come in their stead, & thus Alice is to have the 2 milk cows which testator now has.

Wit. Christopher Yonges. John Herington. William Parishe. (X)

Pr. granted to Thomas Berry at Beccles on 9 July 1625, & to Alice Berry at Southwold. 8 August 1625.

70 R(W) THOMAS COLEMAN of Barking, husb. (X) 10 May 1625

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, maker, hoping & verily believing will be saved by only merits & mediation of Jesus Christ, saviour, & that soul & body, at the general resurrection, shall be again united & then made partaker of eternal bliss with the blessed Trinity. To wife Anne, all goods, cattle & household stuff, save £30 which Robert Baker of Badley owes: wife to pay debts owed, as well to her children as others, & she to bring up son Thomas, whom God gave to testator by

her, till Thomas be put out prentice to some honest trade. To son Thomas, £30 before excepted, to be taken by testator's brother William Coleman & brother in law John Revell, from the said Robert Baker when the sum be due, & then the same to be put out at their honest discretion, to the only profit & use of the said Thomas, until he be 21, or the ending of his apprenticeship, at the discretion of these his forenamed guardians William Coleman & John Revell; if the said Thomas dies before he ends his apprenticeship, then so many of testator's brother Samuel Coleman's children as are living at the time of said Thomas' death, to have £10 out of the £30, & the profit on the £10, to be parted between them. Rest of the said £30 to be equally divided between wife's other children. Wife Anne to be extrix & she to give 10s. To poor of the parish of Barking cum Needham, at funeral.

Wit. John Garneham. (X) James Garneham. (X) Robert French. (X) John Roe, script.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 22 July 1625.

71 R(W) ROGER CARLE of Bredfield, yeo. 21 February 1624/25

Soul to hands of Almighty God. Body to be buried in church or churchyard of Bredfield. To son John Carle, tenement, houses & lands in Barton, late testator's father John Carle's; also to son John yearly, during life of his grandmother, £5; also to him, all apparel. To grandson John Carle, £10 when 20 & further £10 when he be 30. To grandson Thomas Carle, son of son John, £10 when he be 20. To grandchildren Katherine & Mary Carle, daughters of son John, £10 each when 21. To grandson Erasmus Webber, 20s. when 21. To Margaret & Mary Webber & to the longer liver of them, 1 of the best beds with all furniture to the same belonging. To son Thomas Carle, tenement in Dallinghoo, with lands thereto belonging, late purchased of Robert Dove. If said Thomas dies without heir, then tenement, with lands belonging, to be equally divided between testator's sons John & Anthony Carle & their heirs. To son Thomas, cow delivered by Anthony Carle, in 3 years. To son Anthony Carle & his heirs, messuage, lands & tenements in Bredfield, Debach & Dallinghoo not before bequeathed; said Anthony shall sufficiently maintain & keep his mother during her lifetime. Anthony to pay all debts, & if he does not pay to Margaret, Rose & Mary Webber such sums as testator is bound to pay, then whosoever be unpaid shall enter lands bequeathed to the said Anthony, & take the profits therefrom till they be satisfied, they making no strip nor waste on the same. If Anthony dies without heir, then lands to go to testator's sons John & Thomas Carle & their heirs, to be equally divided between them, they paying any sums that the said Anthony should have paid. If any of 3 children shall not rest content with that which has been given & bequeathed, but shall trouble or sue either of the 2 other brothers to take away either of their portions, then he who so trouble shall loose his bequest, & then that portion to go to his brothers whom he troubled. Rest of movable goods, chattels unbequeathed to go to son Anthony; he to be exor.

Wit. Thomas Ricser. William Ricser. George Jury. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Dallinghoo. 11 July 1625.

72 R(W) RICHARD COCK of Trimley St Mary, husb. (N) 27 June 1625

Three days before death. All goods to go to Hanna Kisse & Samuel Lambe, children of sister Hannah Lambe, deceased, to be equally divided between them, but after the sale of goods, niece Hannah to have 20s. more than said Samuel, on the division of the goods.

Wit. Philip Bloyse. Nicholas Bettes of Trimley.

Let. Ad. granted to Samuel Lambe of Trimley. 13 July 1625.

73 R(W) MARGARET CAPON of Framlingham, widow. (N) n.d.

All goods to son Robert Capon, as have always intended the same to go to him, for daughter Mills has had her portion already; therefore let all goods be carefully locked up to be kept for him.

Wit. Martha, wife of Richard Baldrie. Thomas Driver of Framlingham. (X)

Let. Ad. granted to Robert Capon. 12 June 1625.

74 R(W) JOHN COOK of Fritton. (X) 27 June 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & preserver, trusting & steadfastly believing will be saved by merits & passion of Christ Jesus, saviour & redeemer. House & lands in Fritton, as well freehold as copyhold, to go to wife Finet, till son Richard be 21 when he to have said house & freehold lands; copyhold lands to go to son John Cooke when 21, & till then wife Finet to have use of copyhold. To son John Cooke, £10 when 21. To sister Ann Palmer, grimbled heifer in 1 year. Rest of unbequeathed goods to go to wife; she to be extrix, paying debts & burial costs.

Wit. John Underwood. Francis Rosington. Christopher Dickinson. James Wase. Pr. granted to extrix at Fritton. 15 July 1625.

75 R(W) RICHARD CANE of Shotley, yeo. (X) 4 April 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, only redeemer & saviour, trusting only by & through his merits, death & passion to be made an inheritor of heaven. Wife Alice & son John to be exors; they to perform will, paying debts with all convenient speed. Once debts be paid, all movable goods, corn, cattle, chattels, household stuff whatever are to remain to wife, towards the education of children, during her life. On her death, same to be parted between children, part & part alike. If wife remarries, then before such marriage, she to enter into bond in the penal sum of £100 to sons Richard & John, to perform this will & to part the said goods. If she refuse this bond, then son John, as exor, is to have goods & put in like bond to distribute the remainder of goods amongst his sister & brother, when 21.

Wit. John Havell, script. Mary Mason. (X) Kinborow Woods. (X)

Pr. granted to exors at Shotley. 7 July 1625.

76 R(W) EDWARD DUKE of Ubbeston. (N) May 1625

To brother Lionel Wyet, all those sheep which are in the keeping or pasture of Reynold Tye of Kenton, said Lionel paying for the keeping of them. Also to said Lionel, all such money as is in the hands of the said Reynold Tye, which he received for certain of testator's lambs which he sold. To sister Lydia Harrold of Dickleburgh (Nf.), £10 & coffer with the linen in the same. To brother in law John Harrold, colt which he has in his own keeping. To John Chambers, a debt of £3 8s. due from Master John Eybrooke of Southwold, for cloth & also all wearing apparel, fitch of bacon & all wheat & cheese, which testator has. To one Corbyn of Huntingfield, piece of broad cloth containing about 2 yards, 10s. & a little bible. To Phebe Styles, desk as it stands with the things therein & a bible. To Sarah Styles, 10s. To Thomasine Alded, book called Calvins Institutions. To Anne Gowen, 3 books. To Thomas Clarke, 6s. 8d. To Thomas Clark, Henry Seaman, Nicholas King & John Chambers, 4 new shirts, so as they pay for the making of them. Rest of unbequeathed goods to be equally divided between brothers William & Thomas Duke, by master Thomas Skynner, clerk, & the abovenamed Reynold Tye. Jeremy Gowen shall bestow 20s. on testator's funeral.
Wit. Jeremy Gowen. John Chambers of Ubbeston. Let. Ad. granted to Reginald Tye. 9 June 1625.

77 R(W) NICHOLAS DAVY of Otley, cooper. (X) 9 May 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & saviour. To son William, £3 & a coconut shell cup, tipped & footed with silver, when 24. To daughter Margaret, 40s. when 24. To daughter Frances, 40s. when 24. If any child die before 24, benefit of survivorship to apply. On death of wife Dorothy, all that which remains of movable goods, chattels, household stuff & implements or any money arising from the sale of the same, to be equally divided into 2 parts; 1 part to go to son William, & 1 part to go to daughters Margaret & Frances. If wife Dorothy remarries, then all goods, besides the said childrens' portions, to be sold by supervisor & the money thus raised, to be put out by him to the best use of said Dorothy for so long as she lives, & on her death, same to be equally divided as abovesaid. William Rowe of Otley to be overseer; wife Dorothy to be extrix.
Wit. Robert Woodside, script.
Pr. granted to extrix at Otley. 5 July 1625.

78 R(W) SUSAN FINCH. (N) n.d

Sick. To Mary Hutchinson, widow, all goods in respect of the pains she has taken wth testator in her sickness. If anything remain, once funeral costs be met, said Mary to distribute same among her 4 brothers, according to a good conscience.
Wit. William Rinolds. Daniel Peede.
Pr. granted to Mary Hutchinson at East Bergholt. 8 July 1625.

79 R(W) CECILIA FRENCH of Kelsale, widow. (X) 1 February 1624/25

Sick. Soul to God's mercy, trusting assuredly to have remission of sins & to be saved through merits, death & passion of Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer. To

be buried in the churchyard at Kelsale. To Francis French, £3 in 6 months. To son Reynold French, £3 in 6 months. To daughter Clemence, £3 in 1 year. To daughter Cicely, £3 in 1 year. To daughter Margery, £3 in 1 year. To son William, £3 in 1 year. To daughter Dorothy, £3 in 1 year. If either Margery, William or Dorothy die before receipt of legacy, then benefit of survivorship to apply. To son Francis, 2 pair sheets; to son Reynold, 2 pair sheets & to son William, 3 pair sheets. To daughter Clemence, 4 pair sheets, doz. diaper napkins, short broadcloth, 2 pillow beres & a long towel. To daughter Cicely, 5 pair sheets, best board cloth with napkins belonging, long towel, 2 pillow beres with a yard kerchief. To daughter Margery, 4 pair sheets, board cloth, doz. napkins, long towel & 3 pillow beres. To daughter Dorothy, 4 pair sheets, doz. napkins, 3 pillow beres, 2 short towels. To grandchild Mary French, pair sheets. To grandchild Francis French, pair sheets. To grandchild Dorothy Gosse, 40s. to be paid to the hands of Clemence French in 1 year. To grandchild Reynold French, 20s. in 1 year. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed, to go to Francis, Reynold, Clemence, Cicely, Margery, William & Dorothy French to be equally divided between them. Sons Thomas & Reynold French to be exors.

Wit. John Block. Robert Sorrell.

Pr. granted, following the renunciation of Thomas French at Yoxford on 9 June, to Reginald French at the same court. 28 June 1625.

80 R(W) JAMES GILNY of Mendham, yeo. 28 June 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & redeemer, trusting assuredly that through the death & passion of Jesus Christ, sins will be clearly done away & shall never be imputed to testator. Wife Isabell to be extrix. To each of sons James, John & Edward when 21, £20. To daughter £20, when 21. To wife Isabell, all unbequeathed goods.

Wit. Lawrence Adams. Edmund Neech. Thomas Uttinge.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. n.d.

81 R(W) ROBERT GAMES of Coddendam, yeo. 13 June 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & to hands of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, by whose death, merits & passion, hope assuredly to be saved. To sons Robert, Richard & Edmund Games, £10 each when 21. To daughters Judith & Anne Games, £10 each when 21. If any child die before receipt of legacy, then benefit of survivorship to apply. Mother Alice Games to have her dwelling with wife Mary, & also she is to have her meat, drink, apparel, lodging & all other necessaries fit for her maintenance, during her life. Goods to be prised after testator's death, & debts to be paid by extrix as soon as conveniently may be. To niece Elizabeth Games, £20 when 21, or on her marriage, whichever happens first. To poor of Coddendam, 20s. in 6 months, to be distributed at the discretion of extrix. To the minister that shall preach at funeral, 10s. to be paid by extrix. Wife Mary to enter into bond of £100 in 10 days of testator's death, with Alexander Mosell, gent., & Daniel Riches, yeo., not to meddle with, or sell, any goods without the consent of the said Alexander Mosell & Daniel Riches, or 1 of them, before she enters the said bond & then all other lands & goods to go

to wife Mary; she to be extrix, paying debts, legacies & funeral expenses. Daniel Riches to be supervisor.

Wit. Alexander Mossell. Daniel Riches. Philip Dayes. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 22 July 1625.

82 R(W) EDMUND HOLWIS of Sizewell, yeo. (X) 15 June 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & redeemer. To daughter Mary Holwis, all that piece of land called Everards pightle, Cookes pightle & the Old pightle, to her & her heirs. To daughter Katherine Holwis, tenement called Harmons & Wolnaugh close, in Sizewell, when 21. If either daughter dies, without issue, then survivor to inherit all lands. Movable goods to be equally prized presently, by the hands of Jonas Blomfield & Henry Bonefellow of Friston, & the price thereof set down in an inventory, to be equally divided between both daughters, saving only that daughter Mary shall have the use of all movable goods, till said Katherine be 21, & then Mary is to deliver to the said Katherine, half the movables; Katherine is then to pay to Mary, out of these goods, 40s. Daughter Mary to be extrix, taking & paying all debts & paying all funeral costs. Note of the surrender of all copyhold lands held of the manor, into the hands of Jonas Blomefield, in presence of Robert Sharp, bond tenant of the manor, to the use of this will.

Wit. Jonas Blomefield. Robert Sharp.

Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 8 July 1625.

83 R(W) EDWARD HARROLD of Ipswich, haberdasher. 8 July 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, hoping & believing will be saved by the blessed merits & mediation of Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer. House where testator now dwells, with appurtenances to same, in St Mary Elms, Ipswich, to go to wife Margery Harrold, for life. On her death, same to go to sons William & James Harrold & to their heirs, to the intent & purpose that they shall, or may, sell the same to pay legacies. To wife Margery, for life, best bedding & other furniture thereto belonging, square kettle, cauldron, 6 pieces best pewter, 1 of best candlesticks, Spanish candlestick, middle sized brass pot, best table, 6 stools; on her death, same to go to all children, except Robert Harrold, to be equally divided between them. To son James Harrold, press & all hats & hat bands therein. Rest of goods, chattels, household stuff whatever unbequeathed, once debts & funeral charges be met, to go to all children, except for son Robert, to be equally divided between them. To son Robert Harrold, £5 in 1 year of death of wife Margery. To daughter Eleanor, £5 likewise. To daughter Margery, £20 likewise. To son William, £30 likewise. To son James, £30 likewise. To daughter Patience, £5 likewise. To daughter Elizabeth, £20 likewise. To Mr Foster, the preacher, 30s. likewise. Sons William & James to be exors.

Wit. John Lany. Edward Garnon. Christopher Tomlinson.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 22 July 1625.

84 R(W) JOHN HEWELL of Bawdsey, husb. 28 May 1625

Sick & diseased. Soul to hands of Almighty God, father & creator, & to his son Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, & to the Holy Ghost, sanctifier, 3 persons & 1 eternal & everlasting God, assuredly trusting & faithfully believing will be saved, & have free pardon for all sins by the only merits, death & passion of saviour Jesus Christ. To be buried in Bawdsey churchyard, where testator is a parishioner, at discretion of exor hereafter named, by whom the just & true debts shall be truly & orderly taken & paid, within convenient time after testator's death. To wife Elizabeth, to be paid by son William who is to be exor, feather bed, feather bolster, 2 feather pillows, pair bedsteads with line & mat, 2 more blankets, linsey wolsey covering, 2 pillow beres, 2 stained cloths; more, lined hat, 2 pair sheets, sewn ruff, silk apron, 6 pieces pewter, 2 porringers, 2 saucers, 2 salts, posnet, chaffing dish, candlestick, brass pan, glass bottle, spit, bowl, little firkin, 10 keelers, 6 trenchers, coffer; also to her, 1 remble of carl hemp, 1 remble of fimble hemp, 1 comb wheat, 1 comb rye, 1 comb barley, 2 bushels rye; more, 1 comb barley, 2 bushels rye, 1 comb barley, 2 bushels rye, 2 bushels malt, to be delivered by son William, presently. Also, wife to have her free dwelling in testator's tenement till Michaelmas next ensuing the date hereof, without any trouble or molestation, but freely to enjoy the same; further, said Elizabeth is not to have comb of wheat, rye & barley, till the Christmas after the date of this will, to be delivered by son William. To son John, £35 to be paid on 2 February after this will, by said William; also son John to have the bay horse colt with a star on his forehead, & he is to have him go into a marsh of the said William, till Michaelmas next after the date hereof, in the marsh of the said John Hewell the elder. To son William, all other goods whatever in the house, or without, as corn, cattle & other movable goods whatever, he paying all debts, duties, demands & rents; he to be exor. John With to be supervisor.

Wit. John With. (X) Robert Cooper. Henry Gloward.
Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 4 July 1625.

85 R(W) JOHN HART of Rendlesham. 21 May 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of God, maker, hoping assuredly through only merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to be made partaker of everlasting life. To son Hunden Hart, messuage in Grundisburgh where testator late dwelt, with yards & orchards belonging & adjoining; also, close there called Badger close, being 4 acres, & messuage called Cateleys in Grundisburgh, where Anthony Yorke dwells, with houses & yards belonging, together with close of pasture called Bakers yard, containing in the whole 6 acres, excepting out thereof 2 small pieces of copyhold land, one held of Culpho hall & the other of Thorpe hall, & likewise all those several pieces of land in Grundisburgh field, excepting 1 piece bought of Thomas Archer, to have & hold these pieces, except the 2 pieces copyhold of Culpho hall & Thorpe hall & the land bought of Thomas Archer, to said Hunden Hart & his heirs, from & after the expiration of a lease, which testator formerly made to son in law with the licence of the lord first obtained, & to have the 2 pieces formerly excepted, held of Culpho hall & Thorpe hall, to him immediately. To daughters Anne & Alice, 2 closes land, bought of William Mixture, in Grundisburgh, lying

between lands of George Gooding on the south, & the lands late John Hunen's on the north, containing by estimation 9 acres, & 2 pieces of meadow in Grundisburgh called Wrights mill, the one whereof was bought from Richard Gosling & the other from William Mixtures, containing some 3 acres. To wife Anne, messuage or tenement, with lands & hereditaments belonging, bought from Thomas Archer, lying in Grundisburgh, Burgh & Hasketon, for life. On her death, same to go to son John Hart & his heirs. To son John, 3 pieces land in Grundisburgh, lying between the highway leading from Grundisburgh windmill towards Serpents bridge on the south, & lands of John Wheeler on the north, containing 2 & a half acres; he paying to his sisters Anne & Alice, £10 each when they be 21, & if he default in payment of the same, then these lands to go to the said Anne & Alice. To son Hunden, table & cupboard standing in the hall of the house where testator late dwelt, in Grundisburgh; also, bedstead standing there in the parlour, with feather bed & bolster, birded coverlet, 2 blankets & pair sheets. To son John, £20 when 21. To daughter Dorcas, £4 score when 21, by extrix. Son Hunden shall, in lieu & recompense of the aforesaid lands given to him in this will, pay to testator's grandchildren Anthony, Henry & Barbara Yorke, £3 6s. each, when 16. To servant & apprentice John Driver, £5 when 24, in lieu of such money as testator has heretofore had of him. Extrix to pay to Thomas Man of Grundisburgh, at next Michaelmas, £30 in lieu of all sums of money owed to him. Son Hunden to pay to the said Thomas Man each year for life, 20s. Rest of goods, chattels, debts & money whatever unbequeathed, to go to wife Anne; she to be extrix.

Wit. Thomas Atherold. Robert Twill. Anthony Yorke. John Bacon.

Pr. granted to extrix at Rendlesham. 11 June 1625.

86 R(W) ROBERT HART of Mickfield, yeo. 26 February 1617/18

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, hoping & steadfastly believing by & through the merits & blood shed of lord & saviour Jesus Christ, to have full & free remission of all sins, & to be made a partaker of those immortal joys which are prepared for the elect. All copyhold lands held of the manor of Barham hall, to be sold by John Catchpoole & William Styles, as soon as they can conveniently, & the money thus arising to go in the following fashion. To godson & nephew Robert Catchpoole, £10. To Anne Catchpoole, sister of the said Robert, 40s. & to rest of said Robert's brothers & sisters, 20s. each. To godchild, being the daughter of Robert Garnham of Gosbeck, £5. To Robert Scribe, £5. To godson, being the son of John Wilcheene, £5. To brother John Hart, £5. To John Catchpoole the elder, kinsman, of Aspal Stonham, 40s. To William Styles of Gosbeck, friend, 40s. Any overplus then remaining, to go to wife Sarah. Rest of goods, movables, household stuff, debts & ready money to go to wife Sarah; she to be extrix, on condition that she, on reasonable request to her made by the said John Catchpoole & William Styles or 1 of them, shall surrender & release her rights she may have in those lands before demised to be sold, to such person or persons as they, the said John Catchpoole & William Styles, shall appoint. If she refuse to do this, then gifts to her to be void, & then nephew Robert Catchpoole to be exor. John Catchpoole & William Styles to be supervisors.

Wit. Robert Cullington. William Read.
Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 6 July 1625.

87 R(W) JOHN LITTON of Wilby. (N) April 1625

All goods whatever to go to wife Elizabeth for life. On her death, same to be equally divided between son John & daughter Edonie.

Wit. Robert Borret, snr. Edmund Tooke.

Let. Ad. granted to Elizabeth Litton at Yoxford. 9 June 1625.

88 R(W) JOHN LIST of Earl Soham, glover. (X) 26 April 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, humbly craving pardon & forgiveness of all sins. To brother Richard List, all that messuage or tenement with appurtenances, in Soham, & all lands, meadows, yards, orchards & hereditaments, both free & copyold, to same belonging, to him & his male heirs lawfully begotten; he to pay to testator's wife Katherine, in lieu of her dower claims to the said lands, for so long as she be a widow & keeps & provides for daughter Mary, 16s. 8d. a year, to be paid each half year, & shall also yearly bestow on the houses, fences, pales, gates & stiles belonging to the said messuage, the sum of 10s. a year, during the life of the said Katherine, for so long as she be a widow; he shall also quietly & peaceably permit & suffer the said Katherine to have the hall, buttery & a low chamber by the buttery & the hall chamber for her dwelling, for so long as she be a widow, & shall also, during said term, suffer the said Katherine quietly to have yearly & every year, all the fruit yearly growing & being on the freehold belonging to the said messuage or tenement. Richard is also to pay to testator's daughter Mary, £30, namely £10 when she be 21, on lawful demand thereof being made by the said Mary she being then living, & on that day 12 months next ensuing £10 on demand as aforesaid, & on that day 12 months next ensuing £10 on demand as aforesaid. Richard shall, during the widowhood of said Katherine, have a room in the hall chamber before reserved to the said Katherine, to set his bed in, with free liberty of ingress, egress & regress into & from the same, together with like liberty for him to come & go continually during the foresaid term, to the fire in the hall, to do his necessary & needful business there, finding himself firewood. If said Katherine remarries, or refuses to sustain & provide & keep daughter Mary in such a manner as she ought, or shall molest, disturb or trouble the said Richard, then from thenceforth, all gifts to her to be void & she is to have nothing to do with the same; & in consideration whereof, said Richard shall pay her, if she go away from the house & keep educate & provide for the child in good & convenient sort, 16s. 8d., & not otherwise. If brother Richard dies without male heir, then lands to go to brother Robert & his heirs male, & then said Robert to fulfil & keep all gifts as the said Richard should have done. To father Richard List, cloak & best hat. To brother Richard, cloth suit, 2 shirts, pair russet stockings, presently. Cauldron, new birded coverlet, flock bed, bedstead, coverlet & blanket with the rest of the furniture to the same belonging, saddle, churn, all leather & gloves & all things belonging to testator's trade, in & out of the house, to be sold by exor, presently, for the most money as the same may raise; he to pay for the use of said

money to be raised by the sale of the foresaid goods, after the rate of 14d. in the pound, yearly to wife Katherine if she does provide & keep daughter Mary, till the said Mary be 21, & if she does not provide, then exor to pay the same to whoever shall keep the said Mary, in manner & form as aforesaid. When Mary be 21, then said money to go to exor for ever. Rest of movable goods, household stuff & implements to go to wife Katherine, except bedstead in the chamber below & the table in the hall with the hangings & a form, which said bedstead, table, hangings & form shall stand still in room where they now stand, till daughter Mary be 21, & then these items to be delivered to her. If wife Katherine claim dower, then all gifts to her to be void. Father Richard List to be exor.

Wit. Robert Girling. Lionel Girling.

Pr. granted to exor at Dallinghoo. 8 June 1625.

89 R(W) JANE MILLER of Southwold, widow. (N) 7 April 1625

All goods whatever to go to daughter Mary, wife of Thomas Greene.

Wit. John Foxlie. John Gislingham. Thomas Istis.

Let. Ad. granted to Thomas Green. 19 April 1625.

90 R(W) ROBERT MYLES of Waldringfield. (N) May 1625

All possessions now in the hands of late master Mr Dade of Dallinghoo, to go to brother Thomas Myles.

Wit. Reynold Gester of Waldringfield. Thomas Dillie.

Pr. granted to Thomas Myles at Ipswich. 15 June 1625.

91 R(W) ROBERT MILLES of Aldringham, yeo. 3 March 1624/25

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. Lands on the south side of Aldringham church to go to son John Milles; said John not to enter lands till Michaelmas after testator's death, & wife to have use & occupation of the same until then. John to pay to his 2 sisters £12, by 4 payments, namely on 25 March after he enters the said lands £3, & so every year thereafter £3 till the £12 be paid; payment to be made on 25 March each year, & if he refuse so to do, then either of his brothers to enter lands & pay the sum in manner & form as aforesaid; the eldest daughter to have her legacy paid first when she be 21, & the younger when she be 21. Lands in & about Booties, to go to son William; he to enter the same at Michaelmas 12 months after testator's death, & wife to have use & occupation of the same till then. William to pay to his 2 sisters £4 at 2 several payments, namely at Michaelmas at 2 several payments – [there is now repeated the name of testator, date of will & pious preamble in both the original will & in the registered copy.] Houses & rest of lands to go to youngest son Giles, & wife to have the use & occupation of the same till Giles be 21, she keeping the same in good repair. Giles to pay to his 2 sisters £4 each at Michaelmas, in 2 years after he enters the said lands, & if he refuse so to do, then either of his brothers to enter lands & pay the said legacies. If either the said John or William or Giles dies without issue, then surviving sons to have lands equally divided between them. All movable goods whatever to go to wife & children, to be equally divided

once debts be met. Son John to have his portion presently, & wife to have the use of the rest of the portions till each child be 21, she giving securities to each child for their several parts. Wife to see children brought up till each be 21. Wife Finet to be extrix. One Jenterer to be supervisor; he to have 10s. for his pains.

Wit. Robert Marsh. Henry Turner.

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 21 July 1625.

92 R(W) JOHN MEADOW the elder, of Washbrook, yeo. (X) 6 April 1622

Setting before eyes the great uncertainty & frailty of the human state & condition & that many & great mischiefs & inconveniences daily arise & happen, after the death of such who have not in their life time & in their best health made a timely, orderly & settled disposition of their estates, to the end & purpose therefore that the portion which it has pleased God of his undeserved favour to vouchsafe, may, without controversy remain & be divided amongst those persons hereafter named, in peaceable & good manner; now soul to hands of God Almighty, hoping & assuredly believing will be saved only by the blood & merits of blessed lord & saviour Jesus Christ, & by virtue thereof to be received into the fellowship of the elect at the last & dreadful day of judgement. To be buried in Washbrook church or churchyard. To daughter Anne Tillet, wife of Edmund Tillet, £10 to be paid in 1 year, at the church porch of Washbrook. To 2nd son John Meadow, £120 namely £3 score in 1 year, paid at Washbrook church porch, & £3 score in 1 year thereafter, paid at place aforesaid. To brothers Robert, Thomas & William Meadow, £5 each in 3 years, to be paid at Washbrook church porch. To daughter Elizabeth Charnoll, wife of John Charnoll of Lawford (Ess.), yeo., & to daughter Anne Tillet, £30 each in 1 month, payment being made at the place aforesaid; provided always, that if son Newman Meadows shall, in 1 month, by his deed sufficient in the law, grant to each of the said daughters, 1 rent charge of 40s. a year, to be paid out of his houses & lands in Capel, now occupied by Richard Damsell, to be paid to each of them half yearly during their lives, with clause of distress for non payment of the same, 1st payment being made 28 days after the 1st of the said usual feast days after testator's death, that then the legacy of £30 each to be void. Rest of goods, chattels, debts, credits & rights unbequeathed, to go to son Newman Meadow; he to be exor.

Wit. Frederick Johnson. Leonard Wolley. Arthur Bailie. Newman Meadow.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 23 July 1625.

93 R(W) ROBERT NOOTH of Easton, yeo. (X) 8 March 1624/25

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & redeemer. To 2 grandchildren John & Elizabeth Prentice, £5 each when 18, being lawfully demanded. Rest of movable goods whatever to go to wife Elizabeth; she to be extrix. If she be minded to marry again, she is to pay to daughter Frances Nooth £3 score 1 month before the said marriage.

Wit. John Fostar. (X) Simon Dawson.

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 4 July 1625

94 R(W) JOHN PALMER of Hasketon, yeo. (X) 3 July 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator & redeemer, trusting & being verily persuaded that through the merits, death & passion of lord & saviour Jesus Christ, to have remission of all sins & so to become 1 of the most blessed company of saints in heaven. To be buried at Hasketon. To wife Susan, all lands & tenements called Hume walls, lying between close of land of John Gooding of Hasketon, gent., on the west & the north head abuts on the way leading from Burgh to Woodbridge, to her for ever. To son John Palmer, all other lands, tenements & pastures, as well freehold as copyhold, excepting 1 piece copyhold land or pasture held of the manor of Thorpe hall in Hasketon; he to hold the same, provided he pays to testator's youngest son Thomas Palmer, £20, namely £10 in 1 month after the said Thomas be 21, & £10 in the year next following, both payments being made at, or in, the now mansion house of testator in Hasketon. If the said Thomas dies before he be 21, then John to pay to his sisters Mary, Elizabeth & Hannah Palmer, £15, being part of the said £20, to be equally divided between them, when they be 21, at the place aforesaid. If John defaults in payment of said sums, power to said Thomas, Mary, Elizabeth & Hannah to enter lands given to John, & hold the same to them & their heirs, for ever. To wife Susan, all movable goods, household stuff, corn, cattle & chattels, to pay debts & bring up children during their minorities, in the fear of God & in good nurture; she to be extrix.

Wit. William Farur. Henry Leake. George Petman. Richard Sewell.

Pr. granted to extrix at Dallinghoo. 21 July 1625.

95 R(W) ROBERT PECKE of Parham, yeo. (X) 25 June 1623

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, saviour & redeemer, assuredly trusting & believing will be saved by merits of his passion & blood shed, to be 1 of his elect & chosen. To godchild Jasper Peck, £5 when 21, if he live; if he dies before receipt of same, money to go to Alice Peck, 1 of his sisters, when she be 21. To wife's sister Susan Warner of Dickleburgh (Nf.), widow, 40s. in 1 year. To Susan Warner, 1 of the daughters of the said Susan, 40s. when she be 21. To the other children of the said Susan Warner, 20s. each when they be 21; if any die before receipt of legacy, then benefit of survivorship to apply. To brother Humphrey Peck of Ashfield, milk cow now in his possession. To godchild Elizabeth Green, £5 when 21; if she die before receipt of same, then money to be equally divided between her brothers & sisters, if any be then living. To servant John Fryer, 10s. when 21. To wife Alice & brother Thomas Peck, all movable goods whatever, as corn, cattle, household implements, bonds, bills, obligations, ready money or any other goods & chattels whatever, towards the performance of this will & payment of all debts; they to be exors.

Wit. Toby Sudbury. John Hunt.

Pr. granted to exors at Yoxford. 28 June 1625.

96 R(W) ROBERT REVE of Westleton, husb. 2 May 1625

Spirit to hands of Almighty God, which he of his mercy & fatherly goodness did give, when he fashioned testator in mother's womb, making a living creature,

trusting that he for his mercy's sake set forth in the blood of his dear son Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, will receive soul into everlasting glory. To son Robert Reve, houses, messuages & buildings where John Robson now dwells, with all lands & tenements belonging, late purchased of Robert Foulser. Also to him, those lands purchased of Mr Noller, called Cowhorns & the brick kiln pightle, & no others; he to pay to wife Frances Reve, yearly & every year for life, £8 at the 2 usual feasts, by equal portions; if he refuse or default in payment of same, then Frances to have all the said houses & lands, for life; on her death the same to go to son Robert. To son Francis Reve, all fens lying near to Nicholas Scotford's, & also ground lying towards Darsham, containing by estimation 5 acres, called the Hall ground; also pightle purchased of Mr Baldwin, being 2 acres, lying & adjoining the house where testator now dwells; also pightle bought of Mr Reve, lying near Darsham, & all houses & grounds bought of Mr Starling, to hold to him & his heirs forever, on condition that he pays to his mother Frances, yearly & every year for life, £5 at the 2 usual feasts, by equal portions, & if he refuse or default in payment of the same, then said Frances to have all lands for life, & on her death the same to revert to son Francis. All other messuages, lands & tenements whatever, both free & copyhold, unbequeathed & all movable goods & chattels whatever, to go to wife Frances for life, to pay debts & legacies. On her death, all lands & tenements, except those given to son Robert, to go to son Francis, if he be then living. If he be dead, without issue, then son Robert to have all lands, if he be then living; if he be dead, without issue, then lands to go to daughter Susan & her heirs. To daughter Susan Reve, £3 score when 21. Wife Frances to be extrix. If she dies before daughter Susan be paid her legacy, then the remainder of the £3 score that shall be left unpaid at time of said Frances' death is to be paid by sons Francis & Robert in this fashion, namely Francis to pay £16 & Robert to pay £8 each year at the 2 usual feasts in the year, by equal portions, till the £60 be paid; if they refuse so to do, or make default, then Susan to hold lands before given to Francis & Robert & hold till she be paid.

Wit. Thomas Farar.

Pr. missing on both registered copy & original will.

97 R(W) JOHN SEGOE of Oulton, husb. (X) 17 May 1625

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, maker, beseeching him, even for his son Jesus Christ's sake, to forgive all sins, by whose most precious death, do look for the resurrection of the body to everlasting rest. To son John Segoe, all that tenement or house, with appurtenances belonging, where testator now dwells, reserving to wife Margaret for life, her dwelling in some part of the said house in some convenient room, with free liberty of egress & regress at all times, & at her pleasure, to the fire, for so long as she shall keep herself unmarried. If she remarry, then son John shall have all the house, paying to the said Margaret 10s. for life each year, at the 2 usual feasts, by equal portions. To wife, best cow. To son John, the other cow, with the mare & foal, little cart with all things belonging to the same; also all working tools. Rest of goods unbequeathed to be equally divided between wife & son, by 2 indifferent men, to be chosen by them. Son John to be exor.

Wit. Ralph Hayward. (X) Richard Roe. (X) John Maplizen, script.
Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 26 May 1625.

98 R(W) THOMAS SCRYVENER of Much Belstead *alias* Washbrook.
8 January 1609/10

Being about the age of 3 score & 10 years & at this time visited with sickness. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, whenever it shall please him to take testator to his mercy, hoping & assuredly trusting that through the only merits, death & passion of lord Jesus Christ, poor soul, after this life is ended, shall enjoy life everlasting among God's elect people, praying for the continuance of his holy spirit to strengthen in all things to the end & at the end of this life, with the free forgiveness of all sins. To be buried at the discretion of wife Susan & 2 exors, being sons Gregory & Stephen Scryvener. Lands & tenements, whether free, charterhold, copy or customary hold, with appurtenances thereto belonging, lying in Washbrook & Little Belstead, to go in the following manner. Whereas wife Susan has & holds, by virtue of several feoffments, that capital messuage where testator now dwells, in Washbrook, & a close called Batelies, containing 5 acres, & 1 other messuage, tenement, orchard & garden in Copdock, for life with reversion thereof to testator & heirs; now all same lands & tenements with the reversion to the same, on death of the said Susan, & also a close called Newmans, now used as an orchard or garden, in Little Belstead, to go to sons Gregory & Stephen Scryvener & their heirs forever, namely one moiety or half to go to son Gregory & the other moiety or half to go to son Stephen, to pay debts & legacies. Further, whereas wife Susan was heretofore admitted tenant by copy of court roll, with testator, in & about the 19th year of the reign of Queen Elizabeth, to close of copyhold land, being 4 acres, called Bromeclose, to hold by virtue of the court roll of the manor of Much Belstead, now, after death of said Susan, said copyhold close, with appurtenances & the reversion to the same, to go to 2 sons Gregory & Stephen Scryvener, to have the same, according to the custom of the manor, towards the payment of debts, legacies, funeral & probate charges & the exhibiting of an inventory. To sons Gregory & Stephen Scryvener, all that lease which testator holds of Sir Percival Hart, of certain lands in Washbrook, & all estate & term of years therein to come, towards performance of this will. To son Gregory, lease of farm in Little Belstead, which testator holds by grant of Henry Reynolds, esq., where the said Gregory now dwells, for the term of years yet to come & unexpired. To wife Susan, out of movable goods & chattels, all her apparel & furniture & all testator's brass, pewter, linen, bedding, corn, butter, cheese, coffers, bedsteads & other movables, except heirlooms & such things that be nailed fast or made fast, being now set, placed, kept or bestowed in testator's dwelling house, backhouse & chambers thereto belonging. To sons, so they may give & provide for wife Susan all such bread, corn & beer corn, with firewood as she shall have occasion necessarily to expend more than she has to keep her & 2 servants till Michaelmas next ensuing, the rest of all goods, chattels, rights, credits, debts, corn, leases, apparel & ready money whatever; they to be exors, & to be bound in 100 marks each, by bond, to son in law Robert Chamberlyne to perform will. To daughter Anne, wife of Robert Chamberlyne, £9 in 1 year of the death of her mother Susan. To diverse grandchildren & other persons hereunder

death of her mother Susan. To diverse grandchildren & other persons hereunder named, their legacies, to be paid in 2 years of the death of the said Susan; after they be 21, they are to make acquittance for their legacy, to exors; thus to grandchild John Scryvener, 20s. & to his 3 brothers 10s. each, & to Susan their sister, 10s.; to each of daughter Anne's 11 children, 20s.; to grandchild Mary Wright, £5; to grandchild Henry Neale, £10 when he be 21, so as his father do repay to exors the £4 lent him & he releases exors in 1 year of all actions. To eldest son of son Gregory, best bedstead at Little Belstead; rest of movables there to be divided amongst son Gregory's other children. To the 4 children of son Stephen, £4, namely 20s. each when 21.

Wit. Leonard Custon. John Clarke. John Scryvener, snr. Thomas Mason. Richard Clark of Washbrook. John Smoyle.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 22 July 1625.

99 R(W) SUSAN SCRYVENER of Washbrook, widow. 14 September 1624

Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, hoping for salvation by the means & merits of Jesus Christ, redeemer. To son Gregory Scryvener, long table in the hall. To grandchild Gregory Scryvener, cupboard in parlour. To son Stephen Scryvener, great chest in parlour chamber. To Susan, eldest daughter of son Stephen, cow. To Mary & Martha, daughters of said Stephen, the other cow. To Ellen, daughter of son Stephen, trundle bed in the parlour with the feather bed & bolster & all that belongs to it as it now stands. To grandson John Scriver of Ipswich, posted bedstead in the parlour with the feather bed & bolster & all that belongs to it as it now stands, except the red rug. To grandchild Mary Painter, posted bed in the parlour chamber with the feather bed & bolster & all bedding belonging to it as it now stands, red rug, wicker chair; & to Mary, her daughter, great new platter. To grandson John Chamberlyne, livery bed in the hall chamber, with the flock bed & bolster & all things to the same belonging as it now stands, 1 of the great new platters. To grandchild Anne Church, pillow & deep kettle. To Mary Chamberlyne, gown, middle brass pot, pewter dish. To Alice Chamberlyne, petticoat cloth of stammel, 1 other petticoat cloth, little brass pot, little copper kettle & 2 pewter dishes. To Sarah Chamberline, milk kettle, platter & pewter dish. To Susan Gilbert, all wearing clothes, bushel of malt & the wood in the yard, & £3 to be paid her quarterly in 3 years, namely 5s. a quarter, to be paid her either in money or in corn as shall be thought fit, by exors. To son Gregory, great brass pot. To son Stephen, great copper kettle, settle in the parlour. To Henry Neale, pewter platter. Household stuff unbeckeathed to go to the children of son Thomas late of Little Belstead, to the children of daughter Ann Chamberline late of Copdock, to the children of son Gregory, children of son Stephen, that is to say to those of every of their children to whom testator has given nothing in this will, which goods shall be parted amongst them part & part alike. To Richard Gildersleeve & the widow Dearing, 12d. each & a bushel of apples. Sons Gregory & Stephen to be exors.

Wit. Joseph Clarke. Thomas Loffe.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 22 July 1625.

100 R(W) JOHN SMITH of Martlesham, joiner. 1 May 1620

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & creator, & to Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, & to the Holy Ghost, sanctifier & instructor; to be buried in the sure & certain hope of the resurrection to eternal life. To son John, house at Woodbridge, now in testator's occupation, with appurtenances, presently; also the long house which is built upon the wall. To daughter Elizabeth, house in Woodbridge, where Head now dwells, with appurtenances, presently. Rest of goods & chattels, household stuff to go to 6 children to be equally divided between them; they to pay debts & burial costs. If son John die without issue, then the 2 houses before given to him, to go to his 2 brothers William & Arnold & their heirs. If daughter Elizabeth die without issue, then her house to go to her 2 sisters Anne & Mary, to be equally divided between them. Son John & daughter Elizabeth to be exors, paying all debts & duties.

Wit. John Storke the younger. (X) John Smith, script.

Pr. granted to exors at Dallinghoo. 26 July 1625.

101 R(W) JOAN STORK of Yoxford, widow. (X) 11 April 1623

To Margaret Thorne widow, kinswoman, all goods, chattels, money, debts whatever; she to pay debts & burial costs.

Wit. William Buckenham, snr. William Buckenham, jnr.

Codicil; Margaret Thorne appointed extrix.

Wit. to codicil. William Buckenham, gent. John Hurrion.

Let. Ad. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 18 July 1625.

102 R(W) WILLIAM SNELLING of Blythburgh, yeo. 20 March 1624/25

Weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To be buried in Blythburgh churchyard. To Hugh Stacey & Elizabeth his wife, for life, or for lifetime of the longer liver of the two, all houses & lands with appurtenances, in Blythburgh; they to keep & maintain the same in good repair, allowing to Anne Waters, widow, during her life, sufficient meat, drink & firing. Further, the said Hugh to allow the said Anne Waters & [blank], a girl whom testator brought up, to have their dwelling in the chambers wherein the said Anne now dwells, with the use of the yard & water during their lives, or the survivor of them. Also to said Anne Waters, the use of those goods which be in her own possession during her life, but not to diminish the same, unless for necessity, to buy apparel; also to said Anne, herb garden & half the yard. To brother in law Chambers, to sister Joan Snelling's son, to Joan Hallibread & to Mr Seamer, clerk, 10s. each. To Thomas Wills, £3 to be paid him at the rate of 20s. a year, on condition that he shall disclaim to make any challenge to the tenement which testator bought of his brother William. To Hugh Stacey & Elizabeth his wife, for life, the use of all such household stuff as now stands in the parlour, where testator lies sick, so as they do not spoil & diminish the same. On their deaths, all items to be sold & the money thus arising, to be used to pay debts & legacies. Exors also to sell the reversion of tenements, in order to pay legacies. Valentine Coppin & [blank] to be exors. To each poor widow in Blythburgh, 12d. each to be paid next Lent. If Hugh Stacey & Elizabeth, or either

of them, do not perform the conditions of this will, then gifts to them to be void & then said gifts to go to Anne Waters. To Bellaman, the girl whom testator brought up, 40s. to be paid when exors have sold the tenement which testator holds of Blythburgh manor, in Blythburgh.

Note of the surrender of tenement held of Blythburgh manor, in the presence of Thomas Goodwyn & Theophilus Farrant.

Wit. Thomas Goodwyn. Theophilus Farrant.

Let. Ad. granted, following the renunciation of Valentine Copping as exor at Yoxford on 20 May 1625, to Hugh Stacey, at Yoxford. 28 June 1625.

103 R(W) WILLIAM TURNER of Bungay, yeo. (X) 16 July 1625

Sick. Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, maker, believing will be justified & redeemed by & through merits, death & passion of lord Jesus

Christ, only saviour & redeemer, & to have forgiveness of sins & to have life eternal in the kingdom of heaven. To poor of Bungay, £3, namely to Bungay Trinity, 30s. & to Bungay St Mary 30s., to be paid by the discretion of exors, in 3 days. To Christopher Smith, clerk, 15s. To kinsman Edmund Barber, 15s. who is to preach at funeral. To exors, all & singular messuages, lands, tenements & hereditaments, being free, copyhold & customary, & all tenements with appurtenances belonging for the term of years yet to come & unexpired, for & until son Richard Turner be 21; & part of the above mentioned messuages, lands & tenements with all things belonging hereafter devised to younger son William Turner, to exors until said William be 21, except such part as is devised to wife Anna, for so long as she be a widow; on condition that exors do pay to said Anna £15 a year to be paid every half year, by even & equal portions, in the porch of the parish church of Bungay St Mary, to be paid at Michaelmas & Lady day, for life, 1st payment being made on 1st feast which falls due after testator's death. Also exors to bring up & maintain all 4 children, namely Richard, William, Anne & Elizabeth Turner in good nurture & education, finding unto them all manner of necessaries such as meat, drink, linen, woollens & all other things whatever, fit for their sex & condition, till they be 21. Exors also to maintain & keep all said messuages, lands, tenements & hereditaments in good repair, during said term of years whilst exors have control of lands. To wife Anna, for her better maintenance, half messuage & house where testator now dwells, with half garden & orchard to same belonging, which part said Anna shall please to make choice of, together with free liberty of ingress, egress & regress into & from the same & every part thereof, for so long as she shall be a widow. To son Richard Turner, when he be 21 & not before, all that messuage or tenement where testator now dwells, with all orchards, gardens & all other commodities & appurtenances whatever to the said messuage or tenement belonging; also, that other messuage or tenement now occupied by Robert Kenning & John Nunne; also, all that land late purchased of father in law Richard Nunne, with all appurtenances to the same belonging, being in Bungay; he to hold these messuages when he be 21, according to the several customs of the manors of which the said messuages are held, on condition that the said Richard pays to his mother Anna Turner (if she be then living), £8 a year by equal portions at Michaelmas & Lady day, during her lifetime, at church porch of Bungay St Mary. To younger son William Turner, when he be 21, messuage

or tenement, with all meadows, lands & tenements & appurtenances, now occupied by Thomas Hacon, late purchased of Henry Stevenson, lying in Bungay Boiskott, & also all that lease & term of years to come in a certain lease, late purchased of Robert Gardiner, with all privileges & commodities mentioned therein; he to hold the same for the term of the said lease, & rest of the lands he is to hold for ever, according to the customs of the manors; he to hold these lands on condition that he pays to his mother Anna Turner (if she be then living), £7 a year by equal portions at Michaelmas & Lady day, during her lifetime, at the church porch of Bungay St Mary. If either the said Richard or William Turner default in payment of the said annuities to their mother Anna (if she be then living), at the day & times appointed, then Anna to re-enter lands & hold the same, till she be fully satisfied of annuities & any arrears thereof. To daughter Anna Turner, £120 to be paid by exors, when she be 21. To daughter Elizabeth Turner, £120 to be paid by exors, when she be 21. If either daughter die before receipt of legacy, then surviving daughter to inherit both portions. To wife Anna, for her better maintenance, half household implements & stuff whatever & plate (all silver spoons excepted & all ready money, bonds, bills, mortgages, leases, cattle & neat also excepted). The other half household implements, stuff & all silver spoons (excepting all ready money, bonds, bills, mortgages, leases, cattle & neat) to go to children, namely Richard, William, Anna & Elizabeth to be equally divided between them; these portions to be kept safely by exors, till children severally be of the age of discretion to keep & order their portions themselves. Rest of goods, chattels, leases, debts, bonds, bills & mortgages not before bequeathed, to go to exors to perform will; they to pay debts, bring up children in good nurture & education. Father in law Richard Nunne & his sons John & Richard Nunne, to be exors, to provide for children. Exors to have 40s. each year to be equally divided between them, until son Richard be 21.
Wit. George Gooch. Richard Smyth. Simon Snelling.
Pr. granted to exors at Bungay. 16 August 1625.

104 R(W) ELLEN SNELLING of Blythburgh. (X) 17 June 1625

Late wife of William Snelling of Blythburgh. To Hugh Stasye of Blythburgh, shoemaker, all right title & interest in all goods, chattels, cattle, household stuff & implements which were previously the said William Snelling's. Said Hugh to be admitted to receive letters of administration for the same, so he may peaceably enjoy the same to his own proper use & benefit, he having bought & paid for the same.

Wit. John Boulte, clerk. William Starling, script.
Pr. missing in both registered copy & original will.

105 R(W) JAMES THROWER of Southwold, shoemaker. (X) 21 July 1624

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God & Jesus Christ, only saviour. To be buried at Southwold. To son William Thrower in Wapping, London, all worldly goods, namely 17 herring nets, 11 pieces of mackerel nets, 7 herring deep sea nets, 5 mackerel deep sea nets, spurling deep sea net, 2 desks with all that is within them & all movable goods whatever, bedding, linen & woollen. William Godding of

Southwold, baker, to have 10s. for his pains. Philip Seaman of Southwold, clerk, to be supervisor & to have for his pains, 6s. 8d.
Wit. Francis Barker. Mary Colmer.
Pr. granted to William Gooding at Beccles. 9 July 1625.

106 R(W) WILLIAM WAGGER of Bramford, yeo. (N) 16 June 1625

Sick. To son John Wagger, all lands & tenements & movable goods whatever, on condition that he pays to his 2 sisters Abigail & Mary Wagger, £40 each, namely £10 to the said Abigail on her marriage, £10 the year following & so £10 yearly till all be paid; & to pay to sister Mary £10 in 6 months of testator's death & so £10 each year, till all be paid. To Abigail & Mary Wagger each, livery bed, flock bed, 2 pair sheets, 4 pieces pewter, covering & brass pot. Son John Wagger to be exor.

Wit. Lawrence Sharpe. John Collins.
Pr. granted to exor at Bramford. 9 July 1625.

107 R(W) THOMAS WHAYTE of Mettingham. 27 May 1625

Soul & body to the holy Trinity, father, son & Holy Ghost, creator, redeemer & sanctifier, 3 distinct persons & 1 God, whom humbly beseech & entreat to accept & receive the same, justified & saved by & through only merits & active & passive obedience of Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer. To wife, £3 score, feather bed, flock bed with bedstead & all bedding thereto, all linen except 4 pair sheets, half pewter, brass pot, kettle & table. To son Thomas, all unbequeathed goods; he to be exor. To daughter Sarah, £30 in 1 year.

Wit. Elizabeth Whyte. Thomas Whaite. Henry Hallam, script.
Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 29 June 1625.

108 R(W) ROGER CULHAM of Mettingham, yeo. 24 August 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, & to Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer through whose death & passion, hope to be saved, & to Holy Ghost, comforter, 3 persons & 1 God, in the glorious Trinity. To be buried Mettingham church or churchyard. To the poor, 40s. To daughter Thomasin, £30 paid by exors or such as shall have the use & occupation of lands & tenements in Mettingham. Also to her, bedstead which was testator's father Jollies, cupboard in the kitchen & all pewter that was hers at her baptising. To daughter Anne, £20. To daughter Susan, £20. To wife Elizabeth, all lands & tenements in Mettingham, for life, if she remain a widow; on condition she does yearly & every year during the said time, pay to son Roger £10 at Michaelmas & Lady day by equal portions; also she to pay to 3 daughters the foresaid legacies, namely to Thomasine £10 in 1 year, to Anne £10 in 2 years, to Thomasine £10 in 3 years, to Anne £10 in 4 years, to Susan £10 in 5 years, to Thomasine £10 in 6 years & to Susan £10 in 7 years. Wife to keep house in good repair, with no strip nor waste on lands; she to take reasonable wood for her necessary firing to be by her yearly expended on the premises. On her death, or remarriage, lands to go to son Roger, on condition that he pays to his sisters any legacy that is unpaid at the time of his entrance to the

said lands. If Roger does not suffer his mother Elizabeth to have the occupation of a copyhold pightle, held of the manor of Shipmeadow, during her widowhood, then said Elizabeth to abate out of the foresaid £10 annuity to be paid to Roger, the sum of 40s. in lieu thereof. To godson & grandchild William Hanner & to godson & grandchild Thomas Thueback, 20s. each when they be 21, paid by exors. Rest of goods & chattels whatever to go to wife Elizabeth & son Roger; they to be exors, taking & paying debts & paying funeral costs. Brother in law Robert London to be supervisor.

Wit. John Blande. (X) Thomas Firbanck. Robert London, script.

Pr. granted to exors by John Vaughan at Beccles. 16 September 1625

109 R(W) JOHN ALDRED of Wickham Market, merchant. (N)
16 September 1625

To wife Joan, all goods whatever, paying to Margaret & Benjamin Stebbing, the children of daughter Margaret Stebbing, £5 each in 1 year. To daughter Joan Girling, backhouse & half hempland belonging, with appurtenances, with free egress & regress thereto, after the death of wife Joan, for life. To Joan Girling, bed furnished as it now stands.

Wit. Robert Ward. Samuel Forde.

Pr. granted to Joan Aldred at Wickham Market. 3 October 1625.

110 R(W) ROBERT BURTON of Cratfield, yeo. (X) 10 June 1625

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, creator, trusting & believing will be justified, saved & redeemed only by & through most precious merits, death & passion of lord Jesus Christ, only saviour, mediator & redeemer. Body to the earth, till the day of the lord's second appearing, in hope then of a joyful resurrection to eternal happiness. To Anne Gilbert of Framlingham, widow, messuage or tenement with appurtenances, in Framlingham, where Francis Gilbert dwells, with all lands, tenements & hereditaments with appurtenances in Framlingham to the same belonging, now being in the farm or possession of the said Francis or his assigns, late Nicholas Gilbert's, deceased; said Anne to enter the same at Michaelmas next ensuing, to have the same to her & her heirs, paying to exors £50 at testator's mansion house at Cratfield at Michaelmas next. If she refuse this sum, then son Henry Burton to have all said lands, messuages & appurtenances when he be 21; provided always, that if the said Anne Gilbert refuse to pay the £50, & if son Henry dies without heir before he be 21, lands to go to testator's brother Edmund & his heirs. To wife Margaret, £160 as soon as it may be convenient, to be paid out of debts due, together with the whole profit & benefit thereof from the time of testator's death, she giving receipt for the same. Exors, with the advice of supervisors, in 2 years of testator's death, are to lay out £250, in case the said Anne Gilbert pays the £50 as aforesaid, otherwise £200, for the purchase of lands & tenements, whether free or copyhold, where they may & upon such terms as they shall think fit, in their discretion. These lands so purchased, then to be conveyed to such uses & under such conditions provided in this will, namely to the use of son Henry & his heirs, when he be 21, & if he die before 21, without heir, then lands to go to testator's brother Edmund; said

Edmund is then to pay £175 at the porch of Cratfield church in the following manner, thus to brother John Burton £50, to brother Thomas Burton £50 & to niece Elizabeth Point £5, all of which sums being paid in 1 year after the death of the said Henry; also to pay to nephew Robert Boudge £20 when he be 21, & to the children of brother in law John Manne, which he shall have by testator's sister his now wife, £50 when they be 21, to be equally divided between them. Wife Margaret to educate & bring up son Henry, in good & virtuous education & to learning, till he be 16, or till such time as he shall be fit to be bound apprentice, deducting & allowing to herself on her account, out of the issues, revenues & yearly profits hereafter appointed by her to be received, the yearly sum of £7, towards the maintenance of the said Henry, each year during the last recited term. Exors & supervisors, before or at such time when Henry be 16, shall bind Henry apprentice to some good & sufficient trade, as he shall like & shall be thought most fitting; such sums of money as shall be given & distributed for & towards his binding forth, shall be defrayed & paid out of the yearly profits arising out of lands & tenements before given to the said Henry, during the time of his minority. Exors to have the use of lands, tenements & messuages from the Michaelmas following testator's death, till the time Henry be 21 (in case the £50 be not paid by the said Anne Gilbert), as also of the said lands & tenements to be purchased as abovesaid, & after such purchase, till Henry be 21; the issues & profits yearly arising from the same, exors to have for the maintenance, education & bringing up of the said Henry during the time of his nonage till he be apprentice, towards keeping houses, edifices & buildings standing on the same lands in good repair & paying all rents due & for any other necessary charge & expense to be disbursed or laid out. Exors to do no manner of strip nor waste on the lands & only take sufficient timber for repair & competent hedgebote for the maintenance of the said premises; also to take necessary wood for fuel yearly, at their discretion, & the same wood to be yearly spent & burnt on the same premises & not to be taken else-where. Exors, in 10 days of Henry being 21, are to make a true account of all yearly profits touching the occupation & use of the said lands, during his nonage, & also of all receipts, profits & disbursements concerning this will; exors then, in 40 days of making this account, are to make a true payment of any overplus of the issues or profits in their hands, by virtue of this will & by reason of their executorship, once all debts, legacies, funeral & probate costs are met. If son Henry dies before the 2 years after testator's death & before the purchase of lands as aforesaid, then £175, part of the £250 in case the £50 be paid, or otherwise £200, to be paid by exors to such persons & at such days, times & places & in such manner & form as the said sum of £175 is before limited & appointed to be paid by brother Edmund Burton, if the said lands & tenements to be purchased as aforesaid shall come to the said Edmund, on the death of said Henry, & the remainder thereof to go to said Edmund. To wife Margaret, all goods & chattels, movables, household stuff, plate, corn, cattle, hay, swine, poultry, implements & utensils whatever. Exors to have ready money & debts not before appointed to be received, to pay debts & burial costs. Wife Margaret & brother Edmund to be exors; father in law Henry Fiske to be supervisor. Exors, in 1 month of testator's death, to be bound to supervisor, in a bond sufficient in the law in such penal sum that supervisor shall think fit, with several conditions there to be made, to perform will according to its true intent, as supervisor or his counsel learned in the law

will according to its true intent, as supervisor or his counsel learned in the law shall reasonably devise. If brother John Burton dies before he receive the £50 due to him, then said sum to be equally divided between his children, to be paid at the time the said £50 should have been paid to the said John. If brother Thomas Burton dies before he receive the £50 due to him, then said sum to be equally divided between his children, to be paid at the time the said £50 should have been paid to the said Thomas. If nephew Robert Boudge dies before he receive the £20 due to him, then said sum to go to testator's brothers John & Thomas, to be equally divided between them at the time when said £20 should have been paid to the said Robert.

Wit. Thomas Legat. Francis Sandcroft.

Pr. granted to Edmund Burton at Dallinghoo. 28 August 1625.

111 R(W) JAMES BOND the elder, of Debenham, glover. (X)
2 September 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God, hoping assuredly through only merits of Jesus Christ, only saviour, to be made partaker of everlasting life. Exors to pay all debts due. To wife Margaret, all such right title to tenement called Goods, with all lands, whether free or copyhold, to the same belonging, in Debenham, late purchased of one Frier & Reynold Morgan, for life; she to enter the same presently. Remainder of these lands to go to eldest son James & his heirs. To son James, copyhold land purchased of Corball, held of Sir Charles Gaudy, of his manor of Scotneits, in Debenham; also all such lands held of one Richard & held of Mr Bayliffe of Ipswich, as of the manor of Sackvilles, presently. To youngest son John, all lands as were Richard Moyses, late purchased of William Moilte, called Owlds, in Debenham, being freehold, presently. To wife Margaret, use of goods, cattle & household stuff for life; on her death, same to be equally divided into 3-son James to have 2 parts & son John to have 1. Said James to pay to his sister Margaret Webber 20s., & to testator's grandchild Margaret Webber £5, & to testator's sister Margaret Cady 10s., which sums of 10s. & 20s. to be paid in 3 months & the sum of £5 when Margaret be 18. Burial, probate & other necessary costs to be paid by wife Margaret & son James; they to be exors.

Wit. Thomas Bond. John Dobes.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 25 October 1625.

112 R(W) JOHN BROOKE of Eyke, yeo. 15 January 1620/21

Aged. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, saviour & redeemer, hoping in Jesus Christ, that through his death, merits & passion, shall remain & abide with him & his elect & that eternally in his everlasting kingdom of heaven. To be buried at Eyke. To wife Ursula, all movable goods, household stuff, implements & utensils which were hers before marriage, now in her possession or in testator's custody. To grandson John Brooke, son of son John Brooke late deceased, all that messuage or tenement in Grundisburgh, with all houses, edifices, yards, gardens, lands, messuages, pastures, feedings & hereditaments with appurtenances, now occupied by Robert Polly of Grundisburgh, when he be 24. Also to him, £20 when he be 24. These legacies given him to be in full satisfaction of all legacies given

to acquit & discharge exors of the same gifts & if he refuse, & being required to so discharge exors, then he to have no benefit from will till he so seal an acquittance for said legacies given him by his father to exors. To grandchild Mary Brooke, daughter of son John, deceased, £120 when 21 or on her marriage, in full satisfaction of all legacies given her by the will of her father John Brooke; she to give acquittance for legacies given her by her father before she receive legacy devised to her by this will, & if she so refuse then she is to wait for her gift till she has given such receipt. If grandchild John Brooke dies before 24, without male heir, lands given him to go instead to testator's son Thomas Brooke & to his heirs, & the legacy due to be paid to said grandchild Mary Brooke to be paid her in such a manner as the said John should have paid. If grandchild Mary die before 21 or her marriage, then said £120 to go instead to her brother John, when he be 24. To grandchild Thomas Brooke, son of son Thomas, £150 when 21; to grandchild John Brooke, son of son Thomas, £150 when 21; to grandchild Susan Brooke, daughter of son Thomas, 100 marks when 21 or on her marriage; if any grandchild die before receipt of legacy, then benefit of survivorship to apply. To daughter Margaret, wife of Richard Sumner, £40 in 6 months of the death of the said Richard, if she overlive him; if not & she dies before receipt of legacy, then that sum to be equally divided between her children Richard, John, Francis, Elizabeth, Anne & Margaret Sumner, when 21. To Richard Sumner, son of daughter Margaret, £20 when 21; to John, Elizabeth, Margaret & Anne Sumner, children of said Margaret, £40 to be equally divided between them when they be 21. If any grandchild dies before receipt of legacy, then benefit of survivorship to apply. To grandchild John Brooke, son of son John, biggest chest that was his father's & a writing desk. To grandchild Mary, daughter of son John, lesser chest both of which chests to be delivered to them presently, as they shall be then left standing. To son Thomas, all lands, tenements, houses & buildings whatever, whether free, charter, copyhold or customary in Eyke, Bromeswell, Ufford, Aldeburgh, Orford, Parham, Blaxhall & Framsdon not before given to grandchild John Brooke in this will, presently. Also to said Thomas rest of goods, chattels, household stuff, implements, utensils, bills, obligations, debts, money & plate unbequeathed, presently; he, in 20 days of testator's death, to be bound in £1000 to friends John Styles of Pettistree, Francis Hill of Pettistree, Richard Thurston of Ufford & John Brooke, son of son John Brooke deceased, or to 2 or 3 of them, with condition to perform this will; if 1 or 2 of them shall die, to whom the said Thomas be bound, then said Thomas to be bound in like sum, in 20 days, to perform this will, to 1 or 2 more. If Thomas refuse this bond, grandchild John Brooke, son of son John Brooke, to have all legacies given to the said Thomas, till Thomas willingly enters the said bond. To son Thomas, all lands, tenements & hereditaments formerly given to grandchild John Brooke, till said John be 24, he allowing no strip nor waste on the said lands. Thomas, at his own costs, shall nourish, educate & bring up & maintain with all things necessary, the said John & Mary Brooke till the said John be 24 & Mary be 21, or until her marriage. Thomas also to pay out of the profits of the lands in Grundisburgh, £120 to the said Mary Brooke when she be 21, or on her marriage, & also to pay to John Brooke 40s. a year from his age of 21 till he be 24, provided always that the said John, son of son John Brooke, shall when he be 24, release his right to lands given by this will to the said Thomas, which, if said John refuse to do, then Thomas to

have lands in Grundisburgh till John willingly releases his rights to lands, as aforesaid. To John Styles, Francis Hill, Richard Thurston & Thomas Styles for their pains, 10s. each. Son Thomas Brooke to be exor; he to pay debts, legacies & burial costs.

Wit. Alexander Druison. John Lyon. Thomas Seaman, script.

Pr. granted to exor at Dallinghoo. 10 October 1625.

113 R ANDREW BLOMES of Linstead Magna. (N) August 1625

All movable goods to sister Margaret, wife of Thomas Mendham of Peasenhall.

Wit. Mr Edwards. Elizabeth Loe.

Pr. granted to Margaret Mendham at Yoxford. 6 October 1625.

114 R HENRY BOYTON of Felixstowe, yeo. 4 February 1624/25

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, hoping through merits of Christ Jesus, to be saved. To wife Anne, all household stuff; also black cow & the dun cow, being twins, presently; also a couple of good ewes, half the hogs as they shall be at Michaelmas next; all the fowls, half the crop which is, or shall be between now & Michaelmas next, on the ground, not bearing testator's cost & charge for that part of the same crop, save only she shall bear half the charge for weeding, reaping & mowing the same. Wife also to have bread corn & beer corn for herself & 1 servant, till the feast of St Bartholomew the apostle next after the date of this will; also all hemp in the house, or which shall be sown on the ground at the charge of the exor. Exor shall carry the whole crop given to wife on condition that wife shall find the horses pasture during the time of the harvest. To Thomas, Robert, Giles & Anne Shave, children of sister Scofield, 20s. each in 3 months. To William, son of brother William Boyton, £5 in 1 year. To Margaret & Anne, daughters of brother William Boyton, 20s. each in 1 year. To sister Alice Neale & to her daughter Alice, 20s. each in 1 year. To Elizabeth, Joan, Susan & Sara, daughters of brother Thomas Boyton, 20s. each when they be 21. If any legatee dies before receipt of legacy, then benefit of survivorship to apply. To Thomas, son of exor Thomas Boyton, £13 when 21; if he dies before receipt of the same, then sum to be equally divided between his sisters then living. To poor of Felixstowe, 10s. in 3 months. To Mr Petteward of Walton, clerk, best ewe with all the profits of it, to be delivered at the feast of Pentecost commonly called Whitsuntide. Brother Thomas Boyton of Fen Ditton (Camb.) to be exor; he to pay debts & funeral costs; he to have all goods & chattels unbequeathed. Robert Mason to be supervisor. Exor to be bound in £40 to supervisor, in 1 month, to perform will.

Wit. Simon Petteward. Samuel Smith.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 16 September 1625.

115 R. WILLIAM BOISTON of Baylham, yeo. 18 August 1625

To Peter Turner, jnr, of Earl Stonham, all bills, debts due; he to pay debts & be exor.

Wit. John Stell, jnr. (X) Benjamin Man. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 6 September 1625.

116 R(W) THOMAS BROWNE of Benhall, yeo. 4 October 1614

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, maker & Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, through merits of whose most bitter death & passion, steadfastly believe will have free remission of sins & enjoy everlasting life. To be buried in Benhall on the south side of the church, right against the body of the said church. To wife Bridget, all messuages, lands, tenements & hereditaments whatever, being free or copyhold, to her till Michaelmas 11 years after testator's death; she to keep the same in good repair, doing no strip nor waste thereon. With the yearly profits therefrom, she to pay to daughter Alice £10 a year, & shall also bring up in good nurture & education rest of children. Wife also to pay out of said profits, to each of daughters (Alice & Anne only excepted) £100 when they be 21. Lands, after the said Michaelmas 11 years after testator's death, to go to daughter Alice & her heirs. Daughter Alice to pay to her sister Elizabeth £30 on the 12th feast of Michaelmas after testator's death; to pay sister Margaret £30 on the 13th Michaelmas; to pay sister Bridget £30 on the 14th feast; to pay sister Margery £30 on the 15th feast; all payments to be made in Benhall church porch. Further, she to pay her sister Anne £7 a year, to be paid on the feasts of Lady day & Michaelmas by equal portions; 1st payment to be made on the 1st feast day in the 12th year after testator's death. If Alice default in any payment of legacies, or shall die without lawful issue before she inherit lands, lands to go, after the 11th Michaelmas, to daughter Elizabeth, & she then is to pay to Anne the £7 yearly at Michaelmas & Lady day, by equal portions, 1st payment being made on the 1st feast day which falls due after Elizabeth has entered lands, if Anne be then living. Elizabeth also to pay her sister Margaret £30, at Benhall church porch, in 3 days next after the £30 aforesaid payable to her by the said Alice shall grow due by this will, in case the £30 payable by Alice be not paid. Also Elizabeth to pay her sister Bridget £30, at the place aforesaid, in 3 days next after the £30 aforesaid payable to her by the said Alice shall grow due by this will, in case the £30 payable by Alice be not paid. Also Elizabeth to pay her sister Margery £30, at the place aforesaid, in 3 days next after the £30 aforesaid payable to her by the said Alice shall grow due by this will, in case the £30 payable by Alice be not paid. If Elizabeth default in any payment of legacies, or shall die without lawful issue, then lands from Michaelmas 11 years after testator's death, to go to daughter Margaret; she then is to pay to Anne the £7 yearly, as aforesaid, 1st payment being made on the 1st feast which falls due after Margaret enters the said lands. Also Margaret to pay to her sister Bridget £30 at Benhall church porch, in 3 days next after the £30 aforesaid payable to her by the said Elizabeth shall grow due by this will, in case the £30 payable by Elizabeth be not paid. Also Margaret to pay to her sister Margery £30, at the place aforesaid, in 3 days next after the £30 aforesaid payable to her by the said Elizabeth shall grow due by this will, in case the £30 payable by Elizabeth be not paid. If Margaret default in any payment of legacies, or shall die without lawful issue, then lands from Michaelmas 11 years after testator's death, to go to daughter Bridget; she then is to pay to her sister Anne the £7 yearly, as aforesaid, & further she is to pay to her sister Margery the £30 legacy, as above specified. All these legacies to daughters, to be in full recompense of all legacies given them by will of their grandfather Thomas Syer, & in the will of Richard Syer of Eyke. Two tables with the frames, forms & benches belonging

to same & cupboard, all standing in the hall of the messuage where testator now dwells, 2 coppers in the backhouse & cheese house, best dansk chest & horse mill to remain at the messuage as heirlooms to the said messuage. Two penny doles to be distributed at funeral, by extrix. Rest of goods, cattle, chattels, debts, money, plate, jewels, household implements & stuff whatever unbequeathed to go to wife Bridget; she to be extrix. Friend & brother in law Gabriel Reve of Kelsale to be supervisor; he to receive 20s. for his pains.

Wit. Gabriel Reve. Richard Burward. Robert Driver.

Let. Ad. granted to Bridget Grimesby *alias* Brown, & to Elizabeth Brown, daughters of the testator owing to the decease of their mother Bridget Brown, at Yoxford. 10 October 1625.

117 R(W) THOMAS CULLINGTON the younger, of Clopton, single.
29 September 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of redeemer; body to the earth, trusting that God at the day of resurrection, will unite them both together & make them partaker of his everlasting kingdom. To Thomas Cullington, son of brother Robert of Bramford, copyhold & customary lands & tenements in Clopton, held of manor of Rous hall & Wascolies, when 16. In the meantime, till he be 16, said brother Robert is to have the disposing & the letting of the said lands & tenements, & the yearly profits thereof, on condition that Robert pays to Anne Filler of Burgh, £12 at All Saints called Hollomas day next ensuing, in discharge of £12 due to her by testator, as by bond appears; for want of payment, Anne to enter lands & take the profits therefrom till she be satisfied of the £12. To Thomas Goodall late of Debach, 5s. in 1 year. Books that concern physic & surgery to go to Mr Horne & Mr Anderson of Ipswich, to be equally divided between them. To mother, 40s. to be paid her by said Robert Cullington in 1 month of father's death. To brother in law Richard Garvin, best suit of apparel. Rest of goods whatever to go to brother Robert Cullington, to pay debts & perform will; he to be exor.

Wit. William Mayhew. John Ling.

Pr. granted to exor at Dallinghoo. 10 October 1625.

118 R(W) JOHN CURTIS of Framsdén, yeo. 22 February 1622/23

Soul to hands of that blessed & inseparable Trinity of heaven, God the father who gave life, God the son who redeemed mankind from death, & God the Holy Ghost who sanctifies mankind to everlasting & never dying life, trusting & believing assuredly in the faith of a regenerate Christian, that all sins, though infinite for their number & deadly for their measure, are in the most precious death & suffering of that holy & immaculate lamb of righteousness Christ Jesus the just, are freely pardoned & absolutely done away. To poor of Framsdén, 20s. in 4 months. To wife Alice, annuity of £20 paid by eldest son Ralph Curtis, out of lands & tenements hereby given him, to be paid quarterly at the feast of St John the Baptist, Michaelmas, Christmas & Lady day, by equal portions, in lieu of dower claims in said lands. First payment to be made at testator's dwelling house in Framsdén; if there be default in payment, power to wife to enter lands given to the said Ralph, & to distrain for the same & to take out of the lands by distress

20s. forfeited to her *in nomine pene*, for each default of payment. Also, wife to have new parlour & the new parlour chamber for her to dwell in, whilst she be a widow; also, all necessary wood for her firing there to be bestowed, made, brought home & set at the home close gate near the parlour, or in some convenient place at her appointment, by said Ralph, during her widowhood; also to her, free liberty of egress & regress to & from the backhouse belonging to the dwelling, with liberty to bake & brew there, & like liberty to fetch & take up water at the pond & watering & to dry linen at the bushes & fetch in wood & other necessaries at times convenient for her. Also to her, best cupboard, wine chest standing in the new parlour, posted bedstead as it now stands furnished in the old parlour, trundle bedstead, joined table, 2 joined forms, joined chair, turned chair, livery table, pair cobirons in the same chamber, brass kettle without a band, best brass pot except 1, 6 pewter platters to be chosen by her, 4 of the best silver spoons, great church bible, warming pan, table chair, fly keep, silver beaker, hale hanging in the parlour, candlestick (the best being excepted), little gridiron, firepan, pair tongs, 2 ale firkins, all linen, flock bed, feather bolster, 2 feather pillows, 2 blankets & a mattress to be chosen by her, spit, 3 of the new cushions, 2 bushels best wheat, quarter of best cheese, to be delivered immediately. If wife claims dower, however, all gifts to be void. To son Ralph Curtis, house, lands, tenements & hereditaments whatever, being free or copyhold, in Framsdon. To son Jeffery Curtis, message & tenement with all lands, meadows, & pastures belonging, in Clopton, purchased of John Bettes. To son John Curtis, £10. To daughter Elizabeth Aldred, £20; both of which sums to be paid in 2 months of testator's death, or in as short a time after the same may conveniently be raised. To son Ralph Curtis, horse mill as it stands, all boards & timbers, board planks & wood which shall be cut & be on lands & houses where testator dwells. To daughter Susan Nunn, bolting chest immediately. Other goods, chattels, debts, ready money, plate, jewels, household implements & stuff unbequeathed, to be indifferently valued & prised by 4 honest men, to be chosen by exors, & sum arising to be used to pay debts & legacies to children; after the £30 be paid to said John & Elizabeth out of the same, & debts, funeral & probate costs be met, surplus to be truly cast up & agreed upon by exors, & to be then equally divided by exors between children – John & Jeffery Curtis, Anne Benham, Alice Miles & Elizabeth Aldred, or so many of them as are then alive, or shall leave any issue that shall then be alive. Each legatee to give sufficient acquittance, on request, to discharge exors; if they refuse, then exors to detain legacy till an acquittance be made. Son Ralph & son in law William Benham to be exors.

Wit. Nathaniel Bowman. James Wythe, jnr.

Pr. granted to exors at Dallinghoo. 17 October 1625.

119 R(W) ANNE CRISPE of Boyton, widow. (X) 22 June 1625

Weighing the uncertainty of life in this world & that it is the duty of every Christian to dispose of worldly goods in this life in the time of perfect memory; soul to most merciful hands of Almighty God, creator & saviour. To son Ralph Gildersleeve, 40s. namely 20s. in 2 years, & 20s. in 1 year after the 1st payment; also to him, flock bed with all things belonging to the same, to be delivered in 1 month. To daughter Alice Fosdick, 2 ewes in 1 week. To daughter Frances

Stebbing, 30s. namely 10s. in 1 year & so 10s. each year, till all be paid. To son William Crispe, 10s. in 2 & half years. To daughter Alice Crispe, 10s. when 15. Rest of movable goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed, to go to daughter Anne Crispe; she to pay debts & discharge legacies & be extrix. John Knights of Capel to be supervisor; he to have 20s. for his pains in half a year.

Wit. Richard Wellum. Francis Crane. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 13 September 1625.

120 R(W) ANNE CROSBIE of Homersfield, single. (X) 16 September 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, who made man, & to Jesus Christ, who redeemed mankind, & to Holy Ghost, sanctifier, 3 persons & 1 God, by whom & through whom, hope to be saved. To be buried in Homersfield churchyard. To sister Margaret Wright, wife of Peter Wright, house where Francis Goddard dwells; also, close called the Conyfer, for life. On her death, same to go to Winifred Crosby, daughter of brother John Crosby. To Olive Wright, daughter of the said Peter & Margaret Wright, red petticoat & pewter platter. Rest of goods & movables to go to sister Margaret Wright; she to be extrix.

Wit. Richard Bunning. Peter Bemont. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 8 October 1625.

121 R(W) JAMES CULHAM of Framsdon, yeo. (X) 15 April 1625

Considering the frailty of man's nature & the uncertainty of life, soul to hands of Almighty God, trusting & assuredly believing, that after this life be ended, through & by the merits of Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, will obtain life everlasting. To son John Culham, messuage or tenement, orchard with lands belonging, bought of John Abell, but wife Marian to have for her life, the parlour & little yard before the door, & convenient room to set up wood in the yard & ground, with liberty to brew, bake, wash & do any other kind of business in the backhouse, to have & use the mill & the copper, which mill & copper is always to be repaired at the cost of son John; also to wife, third of fruit yearly growing on the land. Further, in case that Alice, now wife of the said John, shall happen to outlive him, she is to have her dwelling in the said tenement, namely in the hall with the rooms over the same & little chamber & the buttry & room to set wood, with free ingress, egress & regress to & from the same. Alice also to have annuity of £10 for her life. If wife Marian be hindered or disturbed in the quiet enjoyment & occupation of the bequests, by either John or his heirs, or any other claiming under this will, that then Marian is to have tenement & all lands to the same belonging, for life, on condition that she pays to son John & to Alice his wife, & the longer liver of them, £10 a year; & that Marian shall suffer the said Alice, if she outlive John, to dwell in the said house as aforesaid. And further, if Alice, wife of son John, shall, after the deaths of the said Marian & John, be disturbed & denied her dwelling before mentioned, by the said John's heirs, or shall not be truly paid the foresaid annuity of £10, that then said Alice is to enter said lands & tenements & enjoy the same for life, on condition that she yearly pay to the heirs of the said John, £10 a year. To son John Culham, cow or milk beast, at his choice, joined cupboard standing in the parlour, table & best chair

there, bedstead with a feather bed, bolster, 2 pillows, 2 blankets, coverlet, pair sheets. To daughter Anne Culham, lands & tenements in Kenton whatever, both free & copyhold, to her & her heirs; also to her, milk cow or beast, she to choose next after her brother; also trundle bed with feather bed, bolster, pillows, sheets, blankets, coverlet & joined chest which has her name on it. To daughter Marian, £100 to be employed to the best use & benefit for her, in 6 months; but the same sum is not to be paid into her hands till extrix & William Culham, son of brother William Culham, & Thomas Corbould of Furnivall's Inn, London, or 1 of them, shall think fit. If she marry without consent of extrix or the above named men, or 1 of them, then this legacy to be void. To wife Marian, all freehold lands & tenements had from Lawrence Grimsey, for life. All other goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed, to go to wife Marian; she to be extrix, & to receive debts & to pay debts & legacies whatever. William Culham & Thomas Corbould to be supervisors.

Wit. Thomas Corbould. Richard Girling.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 11 October 1625.

122 R(W) THOMAS FORD of St Clement's Ipswich, sailor. (X)
14 October 1624

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God who gave it, assuredly trusting by his mercy & the merits of lord & only saviour Jesus Christ, to have free pardon & remission of all sins, & to be made partaker of everlasting felicity in the kingdom of heaven, with the saints & angels there. To wife Dorothy, tenement where testator now dwells; also tenement next adjoining, occupied by Barnaby Holdin, both being newly erected & built, together with the yards, orchards & gardens with all appurtenances to the same, for life. On her death, tenement where testator dwells to go to eldest son Thomas Ford, together with half the yard & orchard, to be divided, & the whole garden adjoining to the same, on condition that he pay the following legacies, namely to his sister Dorothy, in 1 year of the death of wife Dorothy, £20; he to pay to his sister Joan, £20 in 2 years & to pay to his sister Mary, £15 in 3 years. If said Thomas refuse or neglect to pay these sums, by the space of 40 days after the time when the sums are due to be paid, then son John to have said tenement with appurtenances belonging, & then he to pay the sums as his brother Thomas should have done. To son John, tenement occupied by Barnaby Holden, & half the yard & orchard, to be indifferently divided, on condition that he pays the following legacies, namely to his sister Alice, in 1 year of the death of wife Dorothy, £20; also to pay to his sister Cicely, now the wife of Thomas Low, £10 in 2 years, to pay to his brother Henry, £6 in 3 years, to pay to brother William, £6 in 4 years, & to brother Robert, £6 in 5 years. If said John refuse or neglect to pay these sums, by the space of 40 days after the time when the sums are due to be paid, then son Henry to have said tenement with appurtenances belonging, & then said Henry to pay the sums as his brother John should have done. Rest of goods, cattle & chattels whatever to go to wife Dorothy, in respect of her pains & loving kind care towards testator during this long time of living together; she to pay debts & burial costs & to be extrix. Wife carefully & discreetly hereafter to dispose of the estate given her, amongst children as shall seem best to herself & their deserts towards her.

Wit. Thomas Baker. Thomas Wright. Sophy Ford.
Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 4 October 1625.

122a R(W) THOMAS FACON of Shelley, yeo. 4 August 1625

Soul to God who gave it, assuredly believing that through the merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to have free pardon & forgiveness of sins; body to be buried in Christian burial. To son John Facon, after the death of testator's sister Martha Tyrcock, house where testator now dwells, being freehold, with yards, orchards, gardens, pasture lands, and meadow late Martha Tyrcock's, to hold to the said John & to his heirs. Also to the said John, piece of land, being copyhold, called Browning & Southfield, being some 20 acres, lying in Layham, on the death of the said Martha Tyrcock. Also to said John, land called Grennells, with all appurtenances to the same lying in Layham, bought of Mr Edward Doyle; also to said John, land with appurtenances to the same belonging lying in Layham, bought of Jasper Huggen, called Fayerstand, now divided into two. To son Thomas Facon, tenement called Lyllies, with appurtenances to the same belonging, bought of Robert Abbot, lying in Layham. That tenement called Reches and Parishhull in Bucktree lying in Hadleigh, to go to sister Martha Tyrcock, until such time as testator's daughter Elizabeth Facon be 21, towards the education of the said Elizabeth; when said Elizabeth be 21, she to inherit the same, but if she dies before then, without issue, then said lands to go to son Thomas. Also to daughter Elizabeth, £3 score, to be paid her at the discretion of the said Martha Tyrcock. To Mr Webster, minister, 20s. To the poor of Shelley, 20s. Rest of all goods whatsoever, once debts & funeral costs be paid, to go to sister Martha Tyrcock, she to employ the same for the good of testator's children. Sister Martha Tyrcock to be extrix, and she to have 40s. for her pains.

Wit. Francis Andrews snr. Francis Andrews jnr. Nathaniel Gale.

Memo; certain words inserted before the sealing of the will, witnessed by John Winthrop & Edward Glandfield. 6 September 1625.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 4 October 1625.

123 R(W) JOHN FATHER of Pettistree, yeo. (X) 24 August 1625

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, maker & creator, with full trust & confidence will be saved only by merits, death & passion of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer. To Thomas Cowper, son of James Cowper late of Ufford deceased, all that tenement with lands belonging, late John Scotchmere's, in Ufford, piece of fen, now occupied by Henry Groome of Ufford excepted; he to pay to exors such money as is due to testator on account to be shown forth. To wife's niece Margaret Groome, wife of Henry Groome, £20 & to her husband Henry Groome, £10. To servant Anne Browne, £20. To Edmund Browne, son of Nicholas Browne of Worlingworth, £20 & to the rest of the children of said Nicholas Browne, £5 each. To children of sister's son Oliver Browne, £20 to be equally divided between them. To the children of sister's daughter Widow Allam, £20 equally divided between them. To kinsman Samuel Meene, £10. To children of sister's son John Browne, £20 equally divided between them. To John Styles, son of Thomas Styles of Ufford, £5 & to Anne Styles, wife of the said Thomas,

£5. To godson John Burnell, son of Edmond Burnell of Woodbridge, £10 & to Mary Burnell, wife of said Edmond, £5. To servant John Man, £10 & to servant Joan Jowrye, £5. To wife's kinswoman Joan Till, £5. Whereas a certain marsh, or part thereof, in Bromeswell, with a piece of meadow, is mortgaged to testator, by Thomas Styles the elder & Thomas Styles the younger & is forfeited; now if they, or 1 of them, pays to exors, or 1 of them, £100 at Michaelmas next, then lands to revert to Thomas Styles the elder & his son, but if this sum be not paid, then lands to go to exors. To wife Margaret, all movable goods, plate, household stuff, ready money & all other movables of household whatever. To wife's nephew Edward Hammond, all houses, lands & tenements in Woodbridge, Ufford & Bromeswell, both bond & free. Wife Margaret & Edward Hammond to be exors; they to pay legacies out of bonds due, or other debts due by reason of the mortgage above mentioned. Note of the interlining of certain words before the sealing of will. Also added; to Robert Gayton the younger £5, to Anne Gayton £5 & to John Sayer £10.

Wit. John Warren. John Beale. William Longe.

Pr. granted to exors at Dallinghoo. 15 September 1625.

124 R(W) JOHN FROST of Wissett, ploughwright. (N) 1 September 1625

Sick. To John Dowsing & Mary his wife, all goods within house where testator dwells. To brother's children Sara, Rachel & Anne Frost, £100 to be equally divided between them, which sum is due from Richard Baspoole, gent.

Wit. Richard Baspoole. Robert Gooche. Nicholas Gooch.

Let. Ad. granted to John Dowsing at Beccles. 24 September 1625.

125 R(W) WILLIAM FOLD of Hollesley, yeo. (X) 24 March 1624/25

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & redeemer. To be buried in the church or churchyard at Hollesley. To daughter Anne the elder, £23 when 21; also to her, bed which was the best testator had on marriage with last wife, with 2 pair sheets & bolster, covering & blanket, to be delivered to her when 21, by extrix. Also to her, 4 pieces pewter-2 of the biggest which were testator's on his said marriage & 2 of a lesser size; also small brown pot, which was testator's in his first wife's day, likewise delivered when she be 21; also to her, £10 to be paid her by exors or assigns of wife Sarah, on demand in 20 days of the death of the said Sarah. To son John, £15 when 21; also best bedstead as it stands furnished on the parlour chamber, with 2 pair sheets, but wife Sarah to have the use of the same during her life; also to son John, 2 good horses & 2 good cows when 21. To wife Sarah, house in Bredfield, house in Woodbridge Hasketon, for life, she keeping the same in good repair. On her death, reversion to the same to go to son John. To daughter Anne the younger, £20 when 21; also to her, livery bed as it stands in the buttry chamber, with 2 pair sheets, covering, blanket & bolster when she be 21; in the meantime wife Sarah to have the use of the same. To daughter Lidia, £20 when 21. Rest of goods, chattels, bonds, bills & ready money unbeckeathed, to go to wife Sarah; she to be extrix, to provide for children & to bring them up. If she refuse to prove this will, then daughter Anne the elder to be extrix. Henry Haighton to be supervisor. Wife Sarah to enter into bond of £40 to supervisor to

perform this will in 1 month; if she refuse bond, then gifts to her to be void.
 Wit. Henry Reileison. Robert Hall. William Cutberd.
 Pr. granted to extrix at Hollesley. 15 July 1625.

126 R(W) JOHN GLANFIELD of Offton, husb. 31 August 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, that gave it. Body to the earth from whence it came, trusting through merits of Christ Jesus, saviour, to have free remission of all sins. To poor of Offton, 10s. in 1 month, to be distributed to the poor of the parish, as the chief inhabitants shall think fit. To wife Joan, message or tenement in Hintlesham, with lands thereto belonging, where Thomas Dashe lives, for 13 years after testator's death, or till daughter Joan be 21; wife to commit no strip nor waste thereon. Lands then, after said term, to go to daughter Joan, but if she die before she be 21, then lands after said years before given to wife, to go to kinsman Glanfield, the 2nd son of kinsman Richard Glanfield of Hintlesham, to him & his heirs. When daughter Joan be 21, she is to enjoy the said lands, & then she is to pay out of the same to her mother Joan, an annuity of 40s. for life, to be paid each half year; first payment to be made in 6 months of the said Joan reaching 21, & so forth every half year 20s., on lawful demand being made by wife; the 40s. annuity is likewise to be paid out of the said lands by kinsman Glanfield, if the same shall fall to him, to be paid as aforesaid. If annuity be behind & unpaid by the space of 6 days after the time aforesaid, then it is to be lawful for wife to enter lands, & distrain for the same & take distress away till full payment of the annuity be made. To daughter Joan, best bedstead whereon testator now lies, 2 of the best feather beds with feather bolsters, pillows, sheets, blankets & coverlets to the same belonging & now used; also 4 of the best silver spoons & to wife the other 6. To daughter Joan, all silver & gold jewels in a certain box now in testator's hutch, which were late sister Joan's, being in number 10 or 11 parcels or pieces; all these goods to be delivered into the hands of brother Edmund Glanfield, to be kept by him, to the use of daughter Joan & to be delivered to her when she be 19, he making a true inventory & to deliver the same into the hands of friend & neighbour John Grymwade of Offton, to the use of daughter Joan, & the said John to deliver the same at any time convenient, upon demand accordingly, to the said Edmund Glanfield, to the intent they should not be wasted nor embezzled away, nor any part of them. Rest of movables, goods, chattels, cattle, household stuff & implements whatever unbequeathed, to be presently inventoried & prised by 3 or 4 indifferent persons as friend & neighbour John Grimwade will choose, & the same being truly prised & sold by him & exor, or either of the same, to pay debts, legacies & burial costs; & then the remainder of the same, at the discretion of exor, shall be indifferently parted & half to go to wife towards the education & bringing up of daughter Joan, & the other half to be delivered into the hands of wife Joan, she giving sufficient security to brother Edmund, for the redelivering of the same goods, or the value thereof, to daughter Joan, when she be 19; if daughter Joan dies before then, then the said goods to go to wife Joan. As concerning the other goods & household stuff such as bedding, plate & such like before given to daughter Joan, if wife Joan do give sufficient security to neighbour John Grimwade, by sufficient bond in a reasonable sum of money, for the well using & delivery of the same goods to daughter Joan when she be 19 & not

impairing the same in the meantime, that she shall have the keeping of the same, during that time. If wife, at the prising of the said goods, do not give such security as the said John Grimwade shall well like, then said John shall keep & take into his possession all the goods & plate given to daughter Joan, & keep them to the use of the said daughter, till she be 19, he giving a true inventory to brother Edmund Glanfield & to wife Joan, of the particulars of the same goods, household stuff, plate & jewels whatever. To kinsman Richard Vyncent 10s. in 3 months. Brother Edmund Glanfield to be exor; he to have for his pains, the best horse which he will choose. Friend & neighbour John Grimwade to be supervisor; he to be well satisfied for his pains.

Wit. Thomas Pinswen. Henry Baldwin. Elizabeth Grimwade.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 16 September 1625.

127 R(W) NICHOLAS GOOCH of South Elmham St Peter, yeo. (X)
8 October 1625

Weak. Soul to hands of God, maker, hoping assuredly, through only merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to be made partaker of life everlasting. To Robert Gooch of St Peter's aforesaid, son of brother William Gooch deceased, all that messuage or tenement where Elizabeth Arton dwells, called Uncles, with all & singular lands, meadows & pastures belonging with appurtenances, in St Peter's & St Michael's South Elmham, presently; he to pay the following sums – to his mother Mary Gooch, widow, of St Peter's, £10 in 1 year, to his sister Mary Spatchett, wife of James Spatchett, £40 in the 2nd & 3rd years after testator's death at the rate of £20 a year, & if the said Mary die before the £40 be paid without issue, then this legacy to be void; he is also to pay to his sister Margaret Gooch, £40 in the 4th & 5th years at the rate of £20 a year. To Thomas Gooch of Southwold, grocer, son of brother William Gooch, deceased, copyhold messuage or tenement held by copy of court roll of the manors of Wissett & Rumburgh, where William Garrould dwells, called Odierns, being in Wissett, with all lands, meadows & pastures belonging, presently. If he make any claim to messuage or tenement given to his brother Robert Gooch in this will, whereby the said Robert may be in any way molested & troubled by the said Thomas & shall not peaceably & quietly enjoy that messuage called Uncles, then that tenement called Odierns, given to Thomas, to be frustrate & void, & to go instead to the said Robert. To Abraham Godbould, son of George Godbould late of Beccles, £5 when 24. To Thomas Gooch, son of Thomas Gooch of Southwold, £10 when 24. To Ann Pantry of St Peter's South Elmham, 10s. presently. To poor of the parishes of Bungay & of St Peter's South Elmham, 20s. to each parish, to be paid to the overseers of the poor for each parish, presently. To poor of Wissett & St Michael's South Elmham, 10s. to each parish, to be paid to the overseers for each parish, presently. To Robert Gooch, son of brother William, deceased, all debts, duties, sums of money due; he to pay debts & be exor.

Wit. William Bennett. John Bennett.

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 15 October 1625.

128 R(W) THOMAS HAYLOCK of Bramford, poldavis weaver. (X)
28 July 1625

Weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To son Thomas Haylock, house where testator dwells, together with Gladins pightle, lying at the south end of the house, & the garden place on the east & the back yard on the west side of the house, reserving always to son John Haylock & his heirs, free ingress, egress & regress to the same pightle & backyard, with all necessaries, for thatching, daubing, splinting, repairing & redesigning & to thatch, daub or do any necessary work to be done towards the repairing or redesigning of the back house, standing on the backside of the said house, or any part thereof. Son Thomas to pay to his brother John, £6 when he be 24, & also Thomas to pay to his sister Elizabeth, £10 when she be 22. If Thomas default in either payment, then power to John or Elizabeth to enter house, pightle & backyard, & enjoy the same till legacies be paid. If either John or Elizabeth die before receipt of legacy, then that portion to be equally divided between all surviving children. To son John, backhouse where William Richmond & Elizabeth Cook dwell & in part whereof testator's wood now lies, together with the hempland on the north end of the said backhouse towards Bramford street reserving always to son Thomas & his heirs, free ingress, egress & regress to the said hempland, with all necessaries for thatching, daubing, splinting, repairing & redesigning & to thatch, daub or do any necessary work to be done towards the repair or redesigning of that house where testator now dwells, or any part thereof. Also reserving to son Thomas, free ingress, regress & egress to the well in the same hempland, for drawing, fetching & carrying away any water from the said well, towards his necessary uses, or doing any other necessary work there to be done, as washing of clothes & the like. All movable goods whatever, to be sold in 1 month, by exor, with the advice & discretion of good neighbours & friends Roger Rafe, John Tanner & Thomas Sorrell of Bramford, & the money thus arising to be used to pay debts, funeral & probate expenses. Then, sums of money shall be taken out of the remainder of the sum, as may well & conveniently suit & apparel son John, & likewise serve to the putting of the said John forth as apprentice to some honest trade or occupation, with the advice & discretion of said friends, or 2 of them. Money due to testator for rent next quarter year, namely at Michaelmas next coming, together with the money remaining after the aforesaid payments be made, to be equally divided between children Thomas, Elizabeth & John. Son Thomas to be exor.

Wit. Daniel Heron. John Tan. Thomas Sorrell.

Pr. granted to exor at Dallinghoo. 3 August 1625.

129 R(W) THOMAS HARMAN of Earl Soham, yeo. 19 August 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To wife Mary, if she remain a widow, all houses, edifices, barns, stables, yards, gardens, orchards, lands, tenements, meadows, pastures, feedings & hereditaments, whether free or copyhold, to her, for 7 years after testator's death; she to pay debts & also to pay to son Thomas £40, namely £13 6s. 8d. in 5 years of testator's death, & so forth £13 6s. 8d. each year, till all be paid. If wife marries, or they in whose hands said lands happen to be, make default in payment of said £40, or any part thereof when the same be

due, then Thomas to enter lands, & hold the same & take the profits therefrom till he be paid. If wife Mary marries at any time in the 7 years after testator's death, then immediately after such marriage, son Robert to have said lands, & he to hold the same, & to pay so much of the said £40 to his brother Thomas, as is unpaid, in manner & form as abovesaid, as Mary should have done. If wife does not marry, then she to hold the said lands whatever, for 7 years & after the end of that term, lands to go to son Robert; he then is to pay £140 to testator's children in the following manner, namely to his brother William, £20 when 21 & £20 when 22; to sister Mary, £15 when 21 & £15 when 22; to sister Margery, £15 when 21 & £15 when 22; all payments to be made in the church porch of Earl Soham. If said Robert default in payment of sums, then son William to have all said lands, & then he is to pay the said Robert, £40 & to pay all other sums as abovesaid. He, to whom houses, lands, tenements, edifices & feedings whatever shall come, shall pay £10 annuity to wife Mary, for life, to be paid her each half year, by equal portions; first payment to be made in 1 year after the first day when the said Mary leaves said lands. If default made in payment of annuity, then power to Mary to enter lands & distrain & carry away distress & hold the same, till she be satisfied. If wife shall challenge & claim dower in any lands, then annuity & gift of lands to her for the 7 years shall cease. Wife, during her 7 year term, shall not at any 1 time, plough or convert into tillage, any more lands than 6 acres, & shall stow, fell & cut down but only 10 cart loads of wood in any 1 year for her fuel; she to keep houses in good repair, wind tight & water tight, for so long as she occupy the same. To daughter Susan, £30 to be paid by wife Mary, when she be 21; wife Mary, in 3 months, to be bound in £3 score, to pay the same sum to daughter Susan, when she be 21. If any child die, without issue lawfully begotten, before receipt of legacy, then benefit of survivorship to apply. To son Robert, horse mill as it stands, pair of looms with all slayes. To son Thomas, 2 milk cows to be delivered to him when he be 22, by said Mary; also to him, bed in the parlour. To daughter Mary, bed in the parlour whereon testator now lies, fully furnished. To brother Lionel Harman, best cloak. Rest of goods unbequeathed to go to wife Mary; she to pay debts & educate children. Wife Mary & son Robert to be exors; they to perform this will, pay debts, legacies & burial costs.
Wit. Oliver Deve. Nicholas Hayward. Thomas Smythe.
Pr. granted to exors at Dallinghoo. 31 August 1625.

130 R(W) JOHN HOLLAND of Lowestoft, single, cooper. (N)
14 October 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of blessed redeemer. To be buried in the churchyard at Lowestoft. To mother Cicely Holland, all goods, cattle, debts, rights & chattels whatever; she to be extrix.

Wit. Mary Holland. Hester Holland.

Let. Ad. granted to Cicely Holland at Beccles. 18 October 1625.

131 R(W) HENRY HAZELL of Stonham Aspell, yeo. 21 March 1624/25

Sick. Soul to God, assuredly believing by merits, death & intercession of saviour Jesus Christ, to have free pardon of all sins & everlasting happiness in the

kingdom of heaven. To be buried in churchyard of Stonham Aspell. To poor of Stonham Aspell, 10s. to be paid at burial, at discretion of extrix. All debts to be paid; extrix to sell so much of lands & tenements as shall be sufficient to pay debts, so that the same exceed not the quantity of 20 acres, in 6 months. To wife Anne, all lands & tenements, other than such as shall be sold for payment of debts, for as long as she be a widow & no longer; she to pay each year to son Robert, from & after the death of Joan Hasell, testator's stepmother, to whom an annuity is paid during her lifetime, the sum of 40s. for so long as wife Anne enjoys the said lands. After her death, or remarriage, all lands, other than those sold, shall remain to son Robert & his heirs, & for want of such heirs, lands to go to son Miles & his heirs. Son Robert, or whoever inherits lands, other than those not sold, shall pay out of the same the following sums-to his brother Richard, £10 in 1 year after he enters lands, & Richard, on receipt thereof & on reasonable request, to give general release of all demands to son Robert or else this gift to be void. Robert also to pay to his brother John, £20 in 2 years after he has the lands, as aforesaid. Robert also to pay to his sister Anne, £20 in 4 years & to his sister Alice, £20 in 5 years, to his brother Thomas, £20 in 6 years & to his brother Miles, £30 in 7 years. Robert also to pay to testator's wife Anne, if she marry & leaves the lands, an annuity of £10 for life, according to a grant thereof made to her use by deed dated 21 September 1604. If there be default made in any legacy, then wife, child or children, who be unpaid, shall enter lands & distrain, & take away distress from the same, till payment be made. To son Robert, long table, sealed bedstead in the parlour chamber corded with the mattress, curtains, rods, best feather bed & bolster, birded covering lying upon the same bed, pair best blankets, bass viol, copper as it hangs, horse mill, all nets, bows, guns & other engines of fowling & fishing. To son Miles, livery bedstead in the parlour corded with mattress, feather bed & bolster thereon lying, blanket thereon now lying & smallest stone pot tipped with silver. Rest of goods to go to extrix, for the education of children & to pay charges of funeral & probate. Wife Anne to be extrix.

Wit. Robert Sheppard, snr. John Catchpoole. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Stonham Aspell. 10 July 1625.

132 R(W) FRANCES JACKSON of Ipswich, widow. (X) 15 March 1624/25

Sick. Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God. To daughters Joan Cocke, wife of Philip Cocke, sailor, to Alice Brooke, wife of Edward Brooke, ships' carpenter, & to Jane Mace, wife of John Mace, sailor, all that tenement & houses with appurtenances belonging, where testator now dwells, in St Clement's parish in Ipswich, for ever. To daughter Mace, feather bed & bolster whereon testator now lies. To daughter Brooke, long table & form & a great joined chest. To daughter Cock, cupboard & cloth gown. Rest of goods, chattels, household implements & stuff whatever, equally divided between daughters. Debts to be paid by daughters, or by their husbands, namely to William Dameron, butcher, £4 & to John Mace & Philip Cocke, £3. Sons in law Philip Cock, Edward Brooke & John Mace to be exors.

Wit. Robert Clarke. William Dameron of Ipswich, butcher. (X) Susan Swateman.

(X) Thomasine Dameron, wife of William Dameron. (X)
Pr. granted to Philip Cock at Ipswich. 4 October 1625.

133 R(W) ROBERT HEDDY of Felixstowe, husb. (X) 21 July 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, hoping through merits of Jesus Christ, to be saved. To William & Elizabeth Harris, children of son in law John Harris & his wife Mary, testator's daughter, £5 each when 21; if either child die before 21, surviving child to inherit both portions. Son in law John Harris to be exor; he to pay Simon Petteward of Walton, clerk, in the house of the said Simon, £10 in 1 year, to this use, namely that the £10 may be for the special use & benefit of the said William & Elizabeth Harris, & the whole capital sum of £10 & the profits thereof, to be paid by said Simon Petteward to said William & Elizabeth Harris, or the longer liver of them. If both die before 21, then sum to go to any other child or children of said John & Mary Harris, when 21, & if there be no issue, then sum to go to the said Mary Harris, wife of John Harris. To sister Katherine Card, widow, 40s. paid on Lady day & Michaelmas at the rate of 20s. a feast; 1st payment to be made in 1 year following this will, on Lady day. If she challenge any gift before given, or claim any household stuff, then legacy to be void. To Elizabeth Cooper of Felixstowe, 10s. in 1 year. To Elizabeth Beddall, 2s. 6d. in 1 month. To Edward Petteward, son of Simon Petteward of Walton, clerk, 3s. 4d. in 6 months. Rest of goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed, to go to son in law John Harris of Iken; he to be exor, paying debts, legacies & funeral costs. Simon Petteward of Walton, clerk, to be supervisor; he to receive 10s. for his pains, in 6 months. John Harris to enter into bond of £20 with Simon Petteward in 10 days, to perform will.

Wit. Anthony Fall. (X) Richard Tanne. (X) Elizabeth Beddall. (X)
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 16 September 1625.

134 R(W) STEPHEN JOBSON of East Bergholt, smith. 21 March 1624/25

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, blessed redeemer by whose merits hope only to be saved. To be buried in East Bergholt churchyard. To wife Anne Jobson, house & tenement with all appurtenances belonging, with all other houses, shops & tenements adjoining same house, where testator now dwells (except the house & shop where James Mitchell lately did dwell; which said house & shop is to go presently to son Stephen Jobson & his heirs). Wife to have the same for life; on her death, same to go to son Stephen. To son Stephen Jobson, house & tenement with appurtenances where Edmond Cukoe dwells, on condition said Stephen pays to his 2 sisters Susan & Ann Jobson, £30 each when they be 20; if either die before 20, then surviving child to have her sister's portion. If wife Anne dies before daughters be 20, Stephen shall yearly pay to sister Susan £3 till she be 20, & to pay to sister Ann £4 a year till she be 20. Son Stephen, when 21, to be bound in £3 score to his sisters Susan & Anne, or to both of them, to pay these portions of £30 each as aforesaid & for the payment of the sums of £3 & £4 as aforesaid. To son Stephen, all coppers & other brewing vessels & all other things, for the payment of the said sums of £3 & £4; wife Anne to have the use of the same, for life. Also to son Stephen, bedstead where testator now lies,

with great hutch & cupboard standing in the hall. If Stephen refuse bond expressed above, then gifts to him to be void, & then gifts to go instead to wife Anne & to daughters Susan & Anne. Rest of goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed, to go to wife Anne; she to be extrix.

Wit. Richard Ellyett. John Stephenson.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 15 June 1625.

135 R(W) WILLIAM LEVETT of Pettistree, husb. (X) 16 September 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God, trusting in mercy of Jesus Christ, maker, saviour & redeemer. To wife Helen, all houses, lands & tenements in Pettistree or elsewhere, for life, towards upbringing of children. On her death house & lands to go to eldest son William Levett & his heirs; he to bring up children till they be 16, so far as the profits from lands will extend. Also William to pay to all testator's children then living, 40s. each; 1st child to be paid in 1 year after the children are brought up, as before expressed, & so yearly to pay to the elder of them till they have all received their portions. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed to go to wife Helen; she to be extrix, paying debts & funeral costs.

Wit. John Beale. Francis Hill. Cicely Feveryere.

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 3 October 1625.

136 R(W) HENRY MILLS of St James South Elmham, yeo. 18 April 1624

Visited with sickness by the hands of the Almighty. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, most assuredly hoping & steadfastly believing, through death & passion of Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, & to have free remission of all sins, to be made a most happy partaker of the joys eternal. Debts to be paid by exors, towards the satisfying thereof, all personal estate whatever (except certain goods hereafter named & given) to go to exors; they also to have the profits of all messuages & lands in Cookley till Michaelmas 2 years after testator's death; also exors to sell all that fen meadow in Cookley containing 2 acres, lying next to the lands of Henry More called Crowe hall, all that meadow in Cookley containing 2 acres lying next the meadow of Joan Dowsing, widow, & also that pightle of 3 acres of pasture late Thomas Gray's lying next the lands of Buckenham in Cookley. The money thereof coming from sale of these lands, exors to use to pay debts; once debts be satisfied, any overplus of money then to be equally divided between wife & 4 children. If exors shall not, in 1 month or other convenient time, prove will & take upon themselves the execution of the will, then supervisors to take profits from lands till Michaelmas 2 years hence & sell the lands above mentioned to be sold, & with the money thus arising, pay creditors as are unsatisfied; the overplus thereof, if any remain, to be equally divided between 3 children, namely Henry, Anne & Jane. To wife Joan, messuage & lands in Cookley, except those appointed to be sold, from Michaelmas 2 years after testator's death, for & during the natural lives of John Markant & Joan his wife, natural father & mother of wife Joan, or the longer liver of the 2, towards their maintenance, & for the education & bringing up of children Henry, Anne & Jane; on condition notwithstanding, that wife pays yearly to son Francis, towards his maintenance, £3 at Midsummer & at Christmas, by equal portions, payment being

made at Cookley church porch. After the deaths of the said John & Joan Markant, wife Joan to have for life, the use & occupation of the parlour & closet, part of the said messuage, & 3 loads of wood to be yearly laid by him or them who shall enjoy the copyhold lands, in some convenient place near the said parlour for her necessary fuel, there to be expended. Wife also to have free liberty of access, ingress, egress & regress for her, into, from, over & through any lands for the usage of the said parlour, & like liberty to take up water at the ponds & ditches, & to hang cloths upon the bushes in the yards of the messuage, as for any other reasonable cause, intent or purpose whatever. Also to wife Joan, all free lands in Cookley, in full satisfaction of dower claims. To son Francis, copyhold lands & tenements in Cookley, remaining unsold, after the deaths of wife Joan's parents, to him & his heirs, on condition that he shall pay in Cookley church porch, to his sister Anne £20, namely £5 on the Monday 12 months next & immediately after the death of the surviving parent of wife Joan, & so forth yearly £5 till the full sum of £20 be met. Further Francis to pay to his sister Jane £20, namely £5 in & on the Monday 5 years immediately after, as aforesaid. Also he to pay to his brother Henry £20, namely £5 in & on the Monday 9 years as aforesaid, till all be paid. To daughter Anne, £20 to be paid at the rate of £5 a year, 1st payment being made on the Monday 13 years next & immediately after the death of wife's surviving parent. To daughter Jane, £20 to be paid at the rate of £5 a year, 1st payment being made on the Monday 17 years next & immediately after the death of wife's surviving parent. To son Henry, £20 to be paid at the rate of £5 a year, 1st payment being made on the Monday 21 years next & immediately after the death of wife's surviving parent. If wife Joan dies before the time of payment of the 3 last sums of £20 each, then the payments thereof shall be hastened & paid by £10 a year, successively after another in place of the £5 payment aforesaid. If any child die before receipt of legacy, without heir, then surviving children to inherit sum. If son Francis default in payment of any of the sums of £40 each given to said Anne & Jane, then freehold lands given to wife Joan, to go to daughters. To wife Joan, bedstead, feather bed & other furniture thereto belonging as it now stands in the kitchen chamber, 2 milk kine or neat. To son Francis, bedstead, feather bed & other furniture belonging whereon testator now lies, & 2 milk kine. To daughter Anne, other bedstead in the kitchen chamber with the bedding & furniture thereto used, & 2 milk kine. To daughter Jane, best bedstead on the hall chamber, with bedding & other furniture thereto belonging & 2 milk kine. To son Henry, other bedstead on the hall chamber, with all thereto belonging & 2 milk kine or neat. Wife Joan & son Francis to be exors. Friends John Smyth of Topcroft & William Smith of Linstead Parva to be supervisors; they to receive 6s. 8d. each for their pains.

Wit. John Pulham. John Pulham, jnr.

Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 1 October 1625.

137 R(W) THOMAS PATRIDGE the elder, of Creeting St Mary.
20 September 1625

Sick. Goods to be divided between wife Elizabeth, eldest son Thomas & youngest son John Patridge. To mother Edeny Patridge, widow, 10s. Wife to be extrix.

Wit. John Baldry. Thomas Rose. (X)
Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 4 October 1625.

138 R(W) EDWARD PELSE of Dennington, yeo. 20 August 1625

Weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, relying wholly on his mercy in Jesus Christ, for salvation. To wife Elizabeth, 2 neat, horse & all hay in the barn; she is not to claim dower in tenement sold to John Balles. To nephew Francis Gates, £10 in full satisfaction of promise made him on his marriage with niece Mary Feveryere, in 3 months. To Mary & Ursula Hovell, daughters of Richard Hovell, late deceased, 50s. each, in 6 months; if either die before receipt of legacy, survivor to inherit. If their mother will, their legacy to be in the hands of exors till they be 21, or married, allowing reasonable consideration for the same, from the time above appointed till they be 21. To nephew John Feveryere, £5 in 6 months. To nephews Robert, Edward & Lawrence Pelse, 10s. each in gold. To godchildren John Pelse & Edward Aldred each, a spur royal in gold. To godson Thomas Crispe, 10s. To servant Mary Rowe, bed & bedstead where she now lies, furnished as it stands with a pillow, pillow bere & pair sheets. Wife to have the use of iron stock for life, she resting content with her own estate & with that which she has received formerly from testator. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed, once debts, legacies & funeral costs be met, to go to nephew John Aldred to perform will; he to be exor.

Wit. John Ward. Edward Moulton. Philip Crispe. (X)
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 16 September 1625.

139 R(W) ROGER PAYNE of Easton, yeo. 1 May 1624

Sick. Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, believing through faith in Christ Jesus, to have remission of sins. To kinswoman Ann Quinsey, all that message or tenement where testator dwells, in Easton, with all lands, tenements & hereditaments with appurtenances, being free & bond, now occupied by Charles Leake, for life; she to pay her sister Elizabeth Quinsey, in 1 year, £100 in the church porch at Easton. Also to the said Ann, on the same condition, 1 acre of land called Brooke, now enclosed, lately belonging to the tenement called Kingspittle *alias* Pitmans, which is also in the possession of the said Charles Leake. If Ann dies before she enjoys these lands, without living issue, then on her death said lands to go to her sister Elizabeth Quinsey, without paying any sum of money out of the same to anyone. If both die without issue, before their entry into lands, lands to go to Robert & Katherine Butler, children of kinswoman Alice Butler & of Thomas Butler, her husband; they to have the said lands, to them & their heirs, when 21 & in the meantime their father, or mother if their father be dead, to take the profits from the same lands. Also to Robert & Katherine Butler, message called Kingspittle *alias* Pitmans, with all houses, lands & tenements thereto belonging (except the close called Brooke now enclosed & hereby formerly bequeathed aforesaid); they to have the same, after testator's death, when they be 21 & in the meantime, their father, or mother if their father be dead, to take the profits from the same lands, towards their bringing up & education. If both die before 21, without issue, message to go to their parents Thomas & Alice

Butler, or the longer liver of them, & on their deaths (their children being dead as aforesaid) the messuage called Kingspittle to go to the foresaid Ann & Elizabeth Quinsey. As William Tompson of Kelsale, gent., has surrendered into the hands of the lord of the manor of Virlies, 2 pieces of bond land held by copy of court roll of the manor, the 1 piece called Clampe close being 16 acres & the other piece called Cribb close containing 10 acres, to testator's use, on condition for the payment of £93 6s. 8d. to testator at Michaelmas next, at Easton church porch; now if the money is paid, & testator is already dead, then Ann Quinsey to have the said money & to pay the foresaid sum of £100 to her sister Elizabeth out of the same. If the money be not paid, & the lands are then forfeit, these lands to go to the said Elizabeth Quinsey & the £100 legacy then to be void. Extrix to have all goods & chattels unbequeathed, to her own use (except for the money which Tompson is to pay). Ann Quinsey to be extrix.

Wit. Bayliff Atherton, script. Richard Amyson. Charles Leake.

Added; testator reserves the right of egress & regress to fetch such goods & implements in the pightle called King's pightle *alias* Pitmans, now occupied by Thomas Butler; if Thomas Butler foreholds any thing which is above mentioned, then said Thomas & his heirs to loose all benefit from this will.

Pr. granted to extrix at Dallinghoo. 16 July 1625.

140 R(W) WILLIAM RICHARDSON of Great Blakenham. (N) August 1625

To wife Alice, all goods whatever; she to pay debts & dispose of goods amongst children, according to her discretion.

Wit. John Dey. (X) Edward Godward. (X)

Pr. granted to Alice Richardson at Ipswich. 16 September 1625.

141 R(W) RALPH SNELLING of Sibton. 2 March 1624/25

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, maker, & Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, through merits of whose bitter death & bloody passion, believe will have free remission of all sins & will enjoy everlasting life. All lands & tenements in Heveningham, to be sold by extrix, to discharge a mortgage made by testator to William Robson of Dunwich, merchant, of 1 close called Millmount close, with a meadow there adjoining, in Sibton, near to capital messuage where testator now dwells, to pay debts. To wife Bridget, towards the discharge of the said mortgage, payment of debts & to educate children, all lands & tenements in Yoxford, till son William be 28; also all other lands, tenements & messuages not before devised to her, till son Ralph Snelling be 28; she to keep houses in good repair, doing no strip nor waste, & on condition that she shall, in 6 months, be bound to supervisor in a bond sufficient in the law, in the penal sum of £300, to pay to daughter Bridget, 100 marks at Michaelmas 1633 & to pay to daughter Elizabeth, 100 marks at Lady day 1636 & to pay to daughter Mary, 100 marks at Christmas 1638; all payments to be made at Sibton church porch. Also these lands to her on condition that if she remarries before son William be 28, the sum of 40s. a year is to be paid him on Lady day & on Michaelmas, by equal portions, in Sibton church porch; also to her, on further condition, that if she were to remarry, then that person with whom she shall marry, before his marriage with the said

Bridget, together with 1 sufficient security, is to be bound to daughter Bridget in £100 to pay the 100 marks, at Michaelmas 1633, & also he is to be bound to daughter Elizabeth, in like bond, to pay her 100 marks at Lady day 1636, & also he is to be bound in like bond to daughter Mary, to pay her 100 marks at Christmas 1638. These 3 bonds to daughters shall then be in lieu & recompense of the said obligation entered into by wife Bridget to supervisor, & that therefore the previous bond is then to be cancelled. All lands & tenements in Yoxford, after son William be 28, or from or after the breach of any of the foresaid conditions which ever shall happen first, to go to son William. All the rest of lands & messuages given to wife Bridget from the time of testator's death till son Ralph be 28, shall when Ralph be 28, or on breach of any of the foresaid conditions whichever shall happen first, to go to son Ralph. Ralph shall, out of the profits of these lands, pay his sister Thomasine, 100 marks in 1 year after he be 28; if he fail in this payment, then power to the said Thomsine to enter lands & occupy the same, till she be satisfied. Horse mill as it now stands, copper as it hangs in the backhouse, copper in the kitchen, bed in the parlour as it now stands with all the usual furniture thereto, backed chair, little cupboard table in the parlour, long table in the hall & the great hutch in the parlour chamber, shall remain at testator's dwelling house, as heirlooms. To William Snelling, son of uncle William Snelling, deceased, 40s. To each of wife's daughters, by her former husband, 20s. To servant Ralph Hart, 10s. Rest of goods, chattels, debts, jewels, plate, household implements & stuff unbequeathed, once debts & legacies be met, to go to wife Bridget; she to be extrix. Kinsman Robert Morse of Tivetshall (Nf.), gent., to be supervisor, & to have for his pains, 40s.

Wit. Gabriel Reve. Thomas Skoulding. Ralph Hart. (X) George Sterling.
Pr. granted to extrix at Dallinghoo. 29 July 1625.

142 R(W) JOHN SMYTH of Laxfield, tailor. 3 November 1621

Soul to hands of Almighty God, believing & steadfastly assured, through merits, death & passion of Jesus Christ, saviour, sins will be pardoned & forgiven. To sister Mary Smith, all lands & tenements in Laxfield, for so long as she be single, & also for so long as she maintain lands in good repair & pays the lord's rent which is due. As soon as she marries, or on her death, lands to go to John Smith, son of brother John; he to keep & maintain lands in good repair & pay the said rent. He is also to pay out of the lands, to the children of brothers John & Robert Smith & Robert Baker, & to the children of sisters Martha, wife of Thomas Fermy, & Anne, late wife of John Durrant, deceased, £12 each year, to be equally divided between them; payment to be made at testator's mansion house at Laxfield, with 1st payment being made on Michaelmas, 1 year after the said John enters lands. Sister Mary Smith to be extrix.

Wit. Robert Helgate. John Cocke. Jeremy Fiske.
Pr. granted to extrix at Dallinghoo. 10 October 1625

143 R(W) WILLIAM SMYTH of Battsford. (X) 12 September 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of God, maker, hoping assuredly through only merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to be made partaker of eternal life. To wife Elizabeth, for life, if

she remain a widow, copyhold tenement in Wattisham. On her death, lands to go to daughters Elizabeth & Mary & their heirs. Wife Elizabeth to pay out of said tenement, to either of daughters Elizabeth & Mary, 20s. each every year, for as long as she be a widow, after they be 18. On wife's remarriage, 2 daughters to enter tenement & possess the same for their own, paying out of it yearly during the lifetime of said wife Elizabeth, £3 by equal portions, namely 30s. each, for so long as wife shall live. To wife Elizabeth, freehold tenement in Capel, for life, if she be a widow. On her death, same to go to daughter Margaret. Wife to pay out of the said land, for so long as she be a widow, to daughter Margaret, 20s. a year, after Margaret be 18. On wife's remarriage, Margaret to enter tenement & possess the same for her own, paying out of it yearly, during the lifetime of the said Elizabeth, 30s. for so long as wife shall live. To daughter Rose, copyhold tenement in Capel, after the death of wife Elizabeth, yielding & paying out of the said tenement to her sister Susan, £10 namely £5 in 1 year after she enters tenement & £5 in 2 years of the same. Also to daughter Rose, £10 when 18. To daughter Susan, £30 paid by daughters Elizabeth, Margaret & Mary, so that each daughter pays £10, in 2 years after they enter & enjoy their lands, at the rate of £5 a year. If any daughter neglect in these payments to the said Susan, then power to Susan to enter lands of whichever of her sisters so neglects to pay, & she to hold the same till she be paid. Also to daughter Susan, 20s. a year, during the lifetime of her mother Elizabeth, whilst said Elizabeth be a widow & after Susan be 18. To wife Elizabeth, all movable goods & chattels whatever, if she be unmarried. If she remarries, then she is to pay out of these goods, 50s. to each daughter-to Elizabeth, Mary, Rose, Margaret & Susan when they be 18. If any daughter die before receipt of her legacy, then benefit of survivorship to apply. Rest of unbequeathed goods to go to wife Elizabeth; she to be extrix. Wit. Thomas Kettle. Richard Manning. Daniel Pulford. Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 4 October 1625.

144 R(W) JOHN THATCHER of Felixstowe, single. 14 March 1624/25

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, & to Jesus Christ, redeemer, hoping through his merits, to be saved. To brother Matthew Thatcher, lands & tenements in Felixstowe & Walton, due to descend to testator by the will of George Blowe of Felixstowe, after the death of Henry Borne of Felixstowe, yeo., now occupied by John Edwards of Felixstowe. If Matthew have no male heir, then lands to go to brothers Jeffery, Thomas & Henry & to sister Marion Blow, widow, or to so many of them as are living, to be equally divided between them; on condition that brothers, & sister, or so many of them as are living, shall in 1 year after they shall enjoy the said lands, are to pay £20 to each of the daughters of brother Matthew, as are then living. Exors to receive such sums of money, which testator is due to receive as supervisor to the will of John Symonds of Felixstowe, carpenter, on the behalf of William Woody, & shall pay to the said William Woody, such sums of money as are liable to be paid out at such times as the will of John Symonds states. If there be default in payment, then power to said William to enter lands given to said brother Matthew, & hold the same till all sums be discharged. Brother Matthew to be exor. Father in law Henry Dunstone of Felixstowe to be supervisor; he to have 5s. for his pains. Brother Matthew to enter into bond with

Henry Dunstone, in 1 month, to perform will.
 Wit. Simon Petteward. William Dunstone.
 Pr. granted to exor at Walton. 14 June 1625.

145 R(W) ROBERT WEBB of Walton, mariner. (X) 18 June 1623

Soul to hands of Almighty God. To wife Joan, house & tenement where testator now dwells, & all goods & chattels whatever, so that daughter Susan Webb is to have that tenement now occupied by Margery Board, when she be 20, if she be then living. If she be dead, tenement to go to wife Joan & her heirs. Wife to keep tenements in good repair; she to be extrix.

Wit. John Frost. (X) John Scott.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 4 October 1625.

146 R(W) LIONEL WYTHE of Cretingham, yeo. 26 July 1624

Sick. Soul to hands of that holy & inseparable Trinity of heaven, God the father that gave life, God the son that hath redeemed man from death, & God the Holy Ghost that sanctifies to everlasting & never dying life, trusting assuredly in the faith of a regenerate Christian, that all sins, though infinite in number & deadly for their measure, are in the most precious death & suffering of holy & immaculate lamb of righteousness Christ Jesus the just, absolutely pardoned & freely done away with. To poor of Debenham, 6s., of Cretingham 3s. & of Framsdon 3s. to be distributed at discretion of exor. To wife Rose, for life, annuity of £12 to be paid by eldest son Lionel, out of certain lands & tenements now in his occupation in Helmingham, Gosbeck & Ashbocking, which annuity to be paid by him to Rose, each year by equal portions, at Lady day & Michaelmas; payment to be made at Cretingham church porch. Also to wife Rose, annuity of £4, to be paid out of lands in Cretingham, which testator now inhabits, to be paid at such times, by son Richard, as the said Lionel is to pay; first payment to be made on the first feast after testator's death. Both these annuities being in recompense of her dower claims in lands. Also to wife, 2 feather beds, 2 feather bolsters with the coverlet & blankets belonging in the parlour chamber, 6 pair sheets, 4 pillow beres with 2 bedsteads, 2 kettles, 1 great & the other lesser, hale & pot hook, 4 beer vessels, 2 spits, fire pan, pair tongs, pair cob irons, pair bellows in the hall, 2 posnets, 2 dripping pans, 6 platters, 6 pewter dishes, 2 candlesticks – the 1 lead & the other pewter, little pot tipped with silver, 2 tubs, 2 keelers, 4 milk bowls, cheese vat, cheese bread, 2 cushions & a table cloth; these goods to her on condition that she shall, in 1 month of testator's death & before the forementioned goods be delivered into her possession & on demand made, seal & deliver as her deed, to sons Lionel & Richard, a bond in the penal sum of £100, with condition that she shall not claim dower in any lands given to sons Lionel & Richard, other than the 2 annuities already devised; if she refuse this bond, then gift of goods to be void. To son Richard, freehold tenement where testator now dwells, with all lands thereto belonging; also all copyhold lands & tenements in Cretingham. To Susan Wythe, daughter of George Wythe deceased, £5 when 20. To daughter Susan Wall, to son Lionel's wife, to daughters Dorothy Jackson, Frances Fen & Ann Barbor, to Ann daughter of son Lionel, to godsons & grandchildren Jeffery & James

Barbor, to Mary wife of son Richard, to Mary daughter of son Richard, & to grandchild George Jackson, 10s. each. To Richard & Lionel Withe, sons of son Richard, 20s. each. To the 3 maids dwelling with son Richard, 2s. 6d. each. To son Richard & to his daughter Mary Wythe, 3 milk cows bought at Hoxne fair. To grandchild Richard Wythe, son of son Richard, brass pot now in testator's possession & likewise to grandchild Lionel, son of son Richard, brass pot with 2 ears. To grandchild Jeffery Barbor, milk cow. To son Lionel With, & to his eldest son Richard, horse mill at Helmingham, where son Lionel dwells & cupboard & table standing there in the hall, on condition that 1 of them pays 20s. to testator's daughter Ann Barbor in 1 year. To godchild Elizabeth List, cupboard now in the possession of her father Thomas List. To grandchild Susan List, table & form now in the possession of her father Thomas List. To son Lionel, gold ring. To Robert Withe's wife, of Framsdén, 2s. 6d. immediately. Rest of goods, chattels, cattle, household stuff & implements whatever unbequeathed, to go to son Richard, to pay legacies, probate & funeral costs; he to be exor & cousin James Withe the younger of Framsdén, gent., to be supervisor, to aid exor.

Wit. James Wythe. Samuel Yorke.

Pr. granted to exor at Dallinghoo. 17 October 1625.

147 R(W) KATHERINE FALE of Yoxford, spinster. (X) 3 October 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & creator, by whose mercy through faith in Christ Jesus, believe sins are forgiven & everlasting to be saved in his heavenly kingdom. To Anne Hall, daughter of John Hall of Yoxford, £10 when 21. To Katherine Hall, daughter of the said John, £10 when 21. To Robert, Francis & John Hall, sons of the said John, 40s. each when 21; all payments to be made by exor. If either the said Anne or Katherine dies before 21, then surviving daughter to inherit; if both die, then their legacies to go to their 3 brothers namely Robert, Francis & John to be equally divided between them & if any of these 3 die before 21, then survivors to inherit. Exor shall yearly & every year for so long as he shall have in his hands the said sums of money given in this will, to the said 5 children of John Hall, or any part of the said money, pay for the use of the same, to Emme Hall, their mother & wife of John Hall, after the rate of 12d. in the pound for & towards the keeping & upbringing of the said children. To Emme Hall, wife of John Hall, best coverlet & all apparel & linen whatever. To Anne Hall, feather bed to be kept for her by her mother, till she be 21. To Katherine Hall, flock bed to be kept for her by her mother, till she be 21. All brass & pewter to be equally divided between the said Anne & Katherine; they to have their shares when 21, & in the meantime said Emme to keep the same & have the use thereof. Rest of household stuff & movable goods, chattels, except money, to go to Emme Hall, wife of John. William Block of Yoxford to be exor; he to have all money, whether ready or due on bond or otherwise, to pay debts, legacies, probate & funeral costs. Wit. Thomas Blocke. William Bacey.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 27 October 1625.

148 R(W) GEORGE HILL of Dallinghoo, mariner. (X) 31 May 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & Jesus Christ, redeemer, through

whose bitter passion hope to be saved. To 3 sons George, John & Thomas Hill, £10 each when 21. To 5 daughters Margaret, Mary, Margery, Rose & Elizabeth, £10 when 21; if any marry before 21, then whoever marries shall receive her £10 in 1 year of marriage. If any child, whether son or daughter, dies before 21, then benefit of survivorship to apply. If wife Mary marries, she to pay to children 50s. each when they be 21, & he that shall marry her, is to enter into bond of £200, before marriage, to perform this will unto supervisor; if he refuse bond, then sons John & George to have all goods & be exors, paying debts & legacies as wife Mary should have done. To wife Mary, all movable goods & mortgages; she to pay debts, legacies & perform will & be extrix. Kinsman Francis Hill to be supervisor.

Wit. Gregory Nicholls. Alice Robesby. (X) Mary Randall. (X)
Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 15 November 1625.

149 R(W) ROBERT MEADOW of Rushmere, yeo. 19 September 1625

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, creator & redeemer. To be buried in the church or churchyard at Rushmere. To wife Susan, £16 a year in lands, out of lands, messuages, tenements & hereditaments belonging to the messuage where testator now dwells, in Rushmere, & all that messuage or tenement called Boxbush in Rushmere, where Robert Turner & John Muttytt now dwell, with 1 smith's shop thereto belonging; also all that arable close called Rose close in Rushmere, containing 4 acres; also 2 loads of wood, to be taken yearly & every year out of lands, meadows, pastures, feedings & hereditaments belonging to that messuage where testator now dwells; she to have these lands till son Joseph be 21, if she live so long. To son John Meadow, all that messuage or tenement where testator now dwells in Rushmere, & all lands, meadows, pastures, feedings & hereditaments belonging, except that close called Rose close & also excepting the £16 a year as aforesaid given to wife Susan, to have & hold the same to him & his heirs. To son Joseph Meadow, all that messuage or tenement called Boxbush, the smith's shop & Rose close, when 21. If son John dies without heir male, then lands to go to his brother Robert Meadow & his heirs male; if he die without heir male, lands to go to his brother Joseph Meadow & his heirs male; if he die without heir male, lands to go to his sisters Margery, Susan & Frances Meadow, or to so many of them as are living. To son Robert Meadow, £50 to be paid him by John, in 2 years after he enters lands. To daughter Margery, £40 when 24, paid by John. If Robert dies before receipt of legacy, then that share to be equally divided between all testator's children then living; if any daughter die before receipt of legacy, then that share to be equally divided between all her sisters then living. To son John, towards his maintenance, £4 a year till he enters lands above given him, which sum is to be paid at the 2 usual feasts of Lady day & Michaelmas. To daughter Margery Meadow, for life [sum left out], paid by exors, for so long as they hold messuage, tenement & lands given to son John & afterwards to be paid by said John yearly, by 2 equal portions, at the 2 usual feasts of Lady day & Michaelmas. To exors, use of all lands, messuages & tenements whatever given to son John, till he be 24, to pay debts, legacies & perform will, with the yearly profits from said lands. To daughter Margery, posted bedstead, feather bed thereon now being, coverlet, bolster & all other things belonging as it stands on the parlour chamber,

presently. To exors, all goods, cattle, chattels, household stuff & implements whatever unbequeathed, presently, to pay debts & legacies & to perform will. If son John default, either wilfully or negligently, in the payment of legacies to Robert, Margery, Susan & Frances Meadow then all lands given him, to go to his brother Robert presently, on breach of payment & then Robert to pay such legacies. If Robert default in payment of the same, lands to go to his brother Joseph, & then Joseph to hold lands & pay legacies as aforesaid; if he default, lands to go to his sisters Margery, Susan & Frances & their heirs. To son John & heirs male, £16 previously devised to wife Susan, on the death of the said Susan. Wife Susan shall, till Joseph be 21, provide for, maintain, keep & sustain Robert, Joseph, Susan & Frances Meadow, with sufficient meat, drink, apparel & other necessaries meet & decent for such children to have. To exors, close in St Margaret's, Ipswich, called Dovesland, being 6 acres, to sell the same to such as will give most for it, with all convenient speed they may, after testator's death; with the money thus arising, they to pay debts & legacies. To son Robert, £10 in 1 year, to be put out by exors to best use, for his use, & to be paid him when 21. To daughter Frances, £40 to be put out by exors to best use, for her use, to be paid her when 21. If there be any overplus of profits from sale of Dovesland, once debts & legacies be paid, then this overplus to go to daughter Margery, to be paid by exors. Wife Susan & friend & brother John Mickelfield to be exors; they to pay debts & legacies. John Mickelfield to have £5 for his pains.

Wit. Robert Turner. Thomas Seaman.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 25 October 1625

150 R(W) NICHOLAS MITCHELL of Framlingham, cordwainer. (X)
22 August 1625

Hoping through the death of Christ, to be freed & pardoned of all sins. To sons Nicholas & Thomas Michell, daughter Jane Spink widow of George Spink, & son in law Richard Brown, messuage or tenement in Framlingham; this messuage to be sold, & the money thus arising, once debts be paid, to be equally divided between them. Also to them, all movable goods & chattels to be equally divided between them. To eldest son Richard Mitchell, 40s. if he be living; if he be dead, the 40s. to be paid to his son Samuel Mitchell, by the said Nicholas, Thomas, Jane & Richard in 1 year, if it be lawfully demanded.

Wit. William Cannon, script. Michael Cannon. John Locke. (X) Henry Leuiston. Let. Ad. granted to Nicholas Mitchell & Jane Spinke at Wickham Market. 24 October 1625.

151 R(W) EDWARD BROWN of St Mary Elms, Ipswich, single. (N)
Midsummer 1624

Having an intent, purpose & meaning to confer & bestow all movable estate & goods to Richard Leech of Sproughton, who married kinswoman & niece Elizabeth Wood, in respect of the natural love & affection which testator bears them, & also in consideration of a promise made by testator to give said Richard £20, in consideration of that marriage. If testator dies a bachelor & unmarried, then said Richard to have all movable goods & estate, & he should only have these

after testator's death, if testator dies a bachelor; goods not to go to any other body whatever; that this was testator's will & that he would never make any other.

Wit. Samuel Sayer. Robert Russells.

Let. Ad. granted to Richard Leech at the court of Henry Dade at Ipswich. 8 April 1625.

152 R(W) ROBERT PIXTON the elder, of Bungay, tanner. 7 November 1625

Unprofitable servant of Jesus Christ, being weak of body; soul & spirit to hands of most merciful protection of Almighty God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, most dear & well beloved son, through whose most precious death & bloodshed once suffered & performed on the cross for the ransom of all sins, trust & most assuredly am persuaded of salvation. To sons Robert, John & Daniel Pixton & to son in law Robert Loveday, all messuage, houses, lands, tenements, yards, orchards, gardens & hereditaments with appurtenances, being free, copyhold or leasehold for the term of years to come; all of which were late bought of one Richman, Henry Fleet, Richard Hamond & Clement Woulfull, in Bungay near adjoining & abutting on the street called Brigg street, now occupied by Thomas Bradley; they to pay out of said lands to wife Sibyl, yearly for her life, sum of £4 a year by the quarterly payment of 20s. each quarter, or in 6 days of each quarter, first payment being made in quarter of a year after testator's death, in the porch of the parish church of our lady St Mary in Bungay, she demanding the same. If they refuse, or neglect to make this payment, then power to wife to enter lands, hold & enjoy the same & the profits thereof, till she be paid. To wife Sibyl, as well as those goods of household stuff, implements & utensils which were hers on marriage, she to have all such cheese & other victuals & firewood in testator's possession at the time of death; also milk cow to be delivered in 6 days. If wife, at any time, refuse & not make to sons & son in law, or to their heirs, a general release of her dower claims to lands in Suffolk & Norfolk, she being reasonably required for the doing thereof, then her annuity & all other goods given her, to be void. To daughter Christian Pixton, now the wife of John Hill, £10 to be paid out of lands, in 3 years – namely Robert Loveday to pay £5 & sons Robert, John & Daniel to pay proportionably by 3 equal portions £5, in 3 years, at the church porch aforesaid. Rest of other goods, household stuff, implements, cattle, chattels, credits, debts whatever in Bungay, or elsewhere, unbequeathed, once debts, legacies & funeral costs be met, to go to said Robert, John & Daniel Pixton & Robert Loveday; they to see to burial, be exors & perform will & prove the same in 1 month, at the court in Beccles or Norwich.

Note on the insertion of some words before the signing of the will.

Wit. Christopher Smith. Henry Jay. John Warde. John Peirson. Thomas Francklyn.

Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 22 November 1625.

153 R(W) TIMOTHY WAKE of Darsham, yeo. (X) 29 December 1623

Sick. Soul to God, maker, & to Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, by whose merits, hope to be saved. To son Timothy, all books. All other goods, chattels, cattle, household stuff & implements whatever, to go to wife Bridget; she to be extrix.

Wit. Oliver Chatburne. George Denny.
Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 27 October 1625.

154 R(W) LIONEL WYETT of Ilketshall St Andrew, shoemaker.
10 September 1624

Sick. Soul to merciful hands of lord & saviour Jesus Christ, hoping & steadfastly believing, that through merits, death & passion of saviour Jesus Christ, to be saved & made partaker of those heavenly joys prepared for his elect. Buried in churchyard at St Andrew. To wife Martha, all goods, cattle, plate, household stuff, ready money, debts due whatever; she to bring up child testator has by her; if she remarry, then before she marry, she is to pay to the use of the said child, £5 out of goods before given to her. To son Lionel Wyett, bible presently. Wife Martha to be extrix.

Wit. Anne Starse. Thomas Southalls, snr. script.
Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 17 September 1625.

155 R(W) ROGER ACTON of South Elmham St Peter. (X) 23 August 1625

Sick. Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, trusting by death & merits of Jesus Christ, redeemer & saviour to have free remission of sins. To poor of Bungay, 40s. immediately; of Hoxne & Harleston, 40s. each in quarter of a year; to St Peter 6s. 8d. immediately & to all the other parishes in South Elmham, 3s. 4d. to each parish, immediately. To Roger Acton, son of brother Thomas, £20 in 1 year. To Richard Acton, son of the said Thomas, £20 when 21. To the 4 other children of brother Thomas, whose names testator does not know, £5 each when 21, all payments being made by extrix. If any child die before receipt of legacy, then benefit of survivorship to apply. To Elizabeth Ilingworth, daughter of brother in law John Ilingworth, £5 when 21. To Henry Robinsonne, son of brother in law William Robinsonne, £5 whereof he owes 40s., so extrix to pay but £3 in 1 year. To sister's children John & Joan Robinson, £5 each in 1 year. To sister Alice Brinmer, wife of Robert Brinmer, 40s. in 1 year. To daughter Elizabeth Acton, £500 when 21, or in 4 months of marriage, by extrix. Extrix to have power to sell tenement & lands in Norfolk, to pay legacies & other charges expressed in this will. Whereas Thomas Ellmy of St Michael's & Robert Mote of St Margaret's South Elmham, have mortgaged certain lands to testator, extrix to receive the said sums, to pay legacies & charges; if there be default in payment of sums, then she to have power to sell lands to perform will. To extrix, all movable goods whatever, to pay legacies & charges; wife Elizabeth to be extrix. Friend John Segar, clerk, to be supervisor & to have £10 for his pains.

Wit. William Norman. Edward Keable. (X) Nicholas Gooch.
Pr. granted to extrix at South Elmham St Peter. 9 September 1625.

156 R(W) JOHN ALLEN of Orford. (X) n.d.

Soul to hands of Almighty God; to be buried Orford churchyard. To brother Thomas Allen, mill with appurtenances belonging; all movable goods & chattels whatever; he to be exor.

Wit. Thomas Fiske. Mary Allen.
Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 21 November 1625.

157 R(W) ELIZABETH BOOTH of Southwold, widow. (N) 23 June 1625

To children of sister Margaret Turner, all goods whatever.

Wit. Elizabeth Cockerell. Audry Hatchett.

Pr. granted to Margaret Turner at Yoxford. 27 October 1625.

158 R(W) GEORGE BLOMFIELD of Mickfield, yeo. (X) 21 May 1625

Sick & aged. Soul to God, hoping by his mercy & merits of saviour Christ Jesus, to have forgiveness of all sins & everlasting happiness. To poor at burial, 10s. To wife Priscilla, for life, tenement called Margeries, being freehold & all freehold lands bought of William Blomfield. On her death, same to go to grandchild Mark Blomfield & heirs. Also to wife, for life, tenement where testator dwells, called Stubbins, being copyhold, & all other copyhold lands whatever. On her death, same to go to son John, for life; on his death, same to go to grandchild Mark & his heirs, according to the custom of the manor whereof the same is held, provided these copyhold lands be charged with payment of legacies given in will. Wife also to have for life, tenement where son John Blomfield lives, called Grayes in Stonham Aspall; on her death, remainder to go to son in law Robert Hart, till his son testator's grandchild, be 18 when said grandchild to have the same. To grandchild Elizabeth Blomfield, daughter of daughter Elizabeth, £5 out of copyhold lands, in 2 years. Also out of said lands, £30 to be paid to 5 other grandchildren not before mentioned, when they be 18, namely to Mary Hart £5, to Richard Clark £10, to John, Elizabeth & Robert the 3 younger children of son John Blomfield £5 each. If default made in payment to any of 6 grandchildren, power to whomsoever suffers default, to enter said copyhold lands & have the profits therefrom, in the name of a pawn, till payment be made. If any grandchild die before receipt of legacy, then the portion of whomsoever dies, is likewise to die & be not paid. Wife Priscilla to have all movable goods, to pay debts, burial & probate costs, requesting her to leave after her death, such goods as may be spared to son John, for the better enabling him to perform this will & meet legacies. Wife & Robert Blomfield the elder of Stonham Aspall & Robert Sheppard the elder of Little Stonham to be exors.

Wit. Robert Younge. Rebecca Younge. (X) Elizabeth Kallowe. (X)

Note of the surrender of all copyhold lands held of the manor of Stonham Aspall, by the hands of William Scott, in the presence of Thomas Blomfield, both copyhold tenants of the said manor, to the use of this will.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 1 [missing] 1625.

159 R(W) THOMAS BIXBIE of Ringshall. (N) 27 September 1625

Soul to God. To wife Elizabeth, all goods whatever, except for lease of house & certain lands in Ringshall, which he willed to wife for life, & on her death, remainder of lease & term of years to come, to go to son William Bixbie, he paying to Thomas, Elizabeth, John, Joseph & Jeremy Bixbie, to each of them

£10, namely to son Thomas £5 in 1 year, to daughter Elizabeth £5 in 2 years, to son John £5 in 3 years, to son Joseph £5 in 4 years, to son Jeremy £5 in 5 years, to son Thomas £5 in 6 years, to daughter Elizabeth £5 in 7 years, to son John £5 in 8 years, to son Joseph £5 in 9 years & to son Jeremy £5 in 10 years of wife's death.

Wit. none given.

Let. Ad. granted to Elizabeth Bixbie at Ipswich. 25 October 1625.

160 R(W) ELIZABETH BARTLETT of Thorington, widow. (X)
20 January 1624/25

Sick & weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, hoping for eternal life through Jesus Christ, redeemer. To John Bellamy, son of Robert Bellamy of Dunwich, after he be 21, if he live so long, house & tenement in Thorington, with all lands to the same belonging. If he die before 21, lands to go to said Robert Bellamy; John, or Robert, shall pay to Lawrence Bellamy, son of Reginald Bellamy late of Blythburgh deceased, 40s. in 1 year after John be 21, if he live, or else in 1 year after John should have accomplished the said age had he lived. Robert, father of said John Bellamy, to have the disposing of the profits from the house & tenements till John be 21. If either John, or Robert, defaults in payment of sum to Lawrence Bellamy, then Lawrence to have house & tenement aforesaid. Daughterin law Frances Bartlett to have & enjoy the chamber, during her life, with free egress & ingress into & through the said grounds & lower house, to the said chamber. To Margaret Taylor of Dunwich, 20s., if she outlive testator. To Margaret Bellamy, daughter of Robert Bellamy, 2 pair sheets, 1 smock & 1 pillow bere. To Bartholomew & Philip Whitred, sons of Bartholomew Whitred deceased, 10s. each when they be 21. Robert Bellamy & Frances Bartlett to be exors; they to have all goods & chattels unbequeathed.

Wit. George Page. Katherine Niccols. Augustine Ward.

Pr. granted to Robert Bellamy at Yoxford. 2 December 1625.

161 R(W) JONAS BLOSS of Copdock, yeo. (X) 14 September 1625

Soul to Almighty God; to be buried in Copdock churchyard. To the 2 sons & 2 daughters of Richard Blossse deceased, 5s. each in 1 year. To wife Alice, all goods & chattels, movables, debts & sums of money due; she to be extrix.

Wit. Samuel Ward. Hugh Pallmer.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 7 November 1625.

162 R(W) JOHN BERTE of Harkstead, husb. (X) 12 April 1624

To John Thorne, son of John Thorne the younger of Harkstead, husb., all such gifts, legacies & bequests whatever, such as were given by will of Benjamin Wythe of Harkstead, mariner, deceased, & also by will of father Nicholas Bert deceased. To Joseph Thorne, son of John Thorne the elder, all debts & duties & all wearing apparel, cloak & other things whatever. John Thorne, son of John Thorne the elder of Harkstead, to be exor.

Wit. John Cocks. John Thorne the elder. Thomas Campell. (X)
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 1 December 1625.

163 R(W) NICHOLAS BATTELY of Rumburgh, yeo. 4 August 1625

Knowing that death is certain to all, but the time & place is uncertain; soul to hands of Almighty God, trusting through merits of Jesus Christ to be saved. To be buried in Rumburgh churchyard. To wife Anne & 2 eldest daughters Mary & Anne, all lands called Sutheris, in Halesworth & Spexhall & the profits thereof to be equally divided between them, during the life of wife Anne. On her death, said land to go to son Robert Battely, he paying to testator's 5 daughters Mary, Anne, Abra, Elizabeth & Catherine, £26 13s. 4d. each in 3 years, after the death of the said Anne. If it happen that the said portion of 40 marks each be unpaid, then daughters to enter & enjoy lands for ever. If any daughter dies before she receive legacy, without heir, then benefit of survivorship to apply. To wife Anne, all goods, cattle, chattels, household implements & stuff whatever unbequeathed in father Robert Battely's will, to pay debts, burial costs & legacies & to perform will. Wife & eldest daughter Mary to be extrices, & daughter Mary to have for her pains, £5; they to perform will. John Pigeon of Holton to be supervisor, to aid in the performance of this will; he to have for his pains 40s.

Wit. John Neetch. (X) Robert Codd. John Pigeon.
Pr. granted to extrices at Beccles. 17 September 1625.

164 R(W) GEORGE BROWN of Dennington, millwright. 12 September 1625

Weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, who gave it, relying on his mercy in Jesus Christ. To wife Katherine, tenement & lands with appurtenances in Saxtead, for life, towards the maintenance & bringing up of children, till they be 15. On her death, lands to go to son Thomas & his heirs, he paying out of the same to testator's children, 40s. each, namely to George, Robert, Mary, Richard, Alice, Rose & William Brown, each year till all legacies be paid; first payment being made to George in 2 years next after the youngest of children that shall be then living reach 15, or within 2 years next after the death of wife Katherine if she happen to live till youngest child be 15, & then to each of them successively as they be in years, to the eldest first & so to the next, 40s. at 1 entire payment. If wife die before all of the children be 15, then profit, or the most part of same, from lands & tenements shall be towards the maintenance & bringing up of so many of the children as are under 15 at the time of said Katherine's death, till they be 15. To son Thomas, all working tools. Wife Katherine to have use & occupation of all goods, chattels, household stuff & implements whatever unbequeathed, once debts & burial costs be met, for life. On her death, same goods to be equally divided between all children. Wife Katherine & son Thomas to be exors; they to perform will.

Wit. John Ward. John Mullinner. Edward Moulton.
Pr. granted to Thomas Brown at Stradbroke. 23 September 1625.

165 R(W) WILLIAM BATEMAN of Wrentham, yeo. (X) 16 July 1625

Soul & body to Almighty God. To brother Robert Bateman, house & lands in Wrentham, from the church westwards called West end lands, on condition he make good assurance of his lands which he now has, in Wrentham & Benacre, all of them, to William Bateman son of brother Gabriel Bateman, when he be 21, so that William may by these lands, which Robert shall assure him, be the better enabled to pay those legacies which hereafter in this will, he is enjoined to pay, the which legacies testator's own lands are to pay, & for the better keeping of the West lands together; to brother Robert, so much of West end lands, more than otherwise testator would have done, that is even all of them, on condition Robert makes such assurance, & also performs & pays such legacies as are enjoined by testator in this will, which, if he shall do, then all houses & lands in the west end shall be to the said Robert & his heirs forever. If he fail in such assurance of all his lands to the said William, when William be 21, then gift of lands & houses in the west end of Wrentham to be void, & then the same to go to William & his heirs, & William is then to pay legacies. If William dies before 21, then all his gifts to go to his brother Gabriel Bateman, when he be 21 & he then is to meet legacies. To William Bateman, all lands in the field called Haverland field & whatever lands & houses in Wrentham being from the church east, called East end lands, that he may pay to the rest of the children of brother Gabriel Bateman, £10 each when 21, & if there be default of payment, then whomsoever be unpaid is to enter lands & quietly enjoy the same, till payment be received. If William die before 21, then his brother Gabriel to inherit. To brother John Bateman, £4 score to be paid by brother Robert out of the West end lands, the first £20 being paid in 2 years of testator's death, & so £20 a year, till all be paid. To sister Margaret, wife of John Jackson, £5 to be paid by brother Robert out of the West end lands in 1 year. Brothers Robert & Gabriel Bateman to be exors. To brother Gabriel Bateman, £15 paid by said Robert out of the West end lands in 4 years. Brother Robert Bateman to have the use of the East end, till William be 21.

Wit. Susan Catchpoole. Nicholas Goldworth.

Pr. granted to exors at Yoxford. 6 October 1625.

166 R(W) ROBERT COOKE of Bedfield, yeo. (X) 6 September 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To daughter Joan, lands & tenements in Ipswich, & all sums of money due from any person whatever, either by speciality or mortgage of any lands or tenements; she to pay debts & to pay to her sister Susan £100 in 1 year, in the porch of the parish church of Bedfield. Also, daughter Joan shall, in 2 months, seal & deliver as her deed, to the use of the said Susan, a bond in the penal sum of £200, to pay £100 to said Susan in 1 year, at the place abovesaid; if Joan does not enter said bond to Susan, then gifts to Joan to go instead to the said Susan, & then Susan is to pay £100 to sister Joan, as above stated. To grandchildren Reynold, Miles, Robert, Margaret & Mary Mayhew, children of son in law Reynold Mayhew, £5 each to be paid by extrix in 1 year; said Reynold Mayhew to discharge extrix for the payment of the said portions. To [missing] Studd, kinswoman, £5 over & above the debt which testator owes her, paid by extrix in 3 years. Extrix to give 2d. each to every poor body that

comes to burial. Rest of goods & household implements & stuff to be equally divided between 3 daughters Margaret, Susan & Joan immediately. Daughter Joan to be extrix.

Wit. William Watling. Nicholas Heyward.

Pr. granted to extrix at Stradbroke. 23 September 1625.

167 R(W) NICHOLAS CALVER of Dennington, yeo. (X) 6 September 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God, relying wholly on his mercy in Jesus Christ, for salvation. To son William Calver, 12d. for a small remembrance. All other goods & chattels whatever, plate, household stuff & implements, once debts & burial costs be met, to go to wife Christian; if she remarry, son Nicholas Calver to have £20 out of that part given to wife; she to be extrix.

Wit. John Culham. Robert Calver. Edward Moulton.

Pr. granted to extrix at Stradbroke. 23 September 1625.

168 R(W) JANE CHETLEBURROUGH of Bredfield, widow. (X)
15 August 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God. Lands called Ravensmere in Melton, to go to son Henry Chetleburrough, he paying out of the same the following sums, namely to Mary, William & Susan Broome, 3 children of William Broome the elder, 50s. each, when they be 15; if any die before 15, survivors to inherit that portion equally. Henry also to pay to grandchild Alice Partridge, daughter of son John Partridge, 50s. when she be 15, & if she die before then, her portion to be equally divided between other grandchildren then living. To grandchildren Mary, Ann & Robert Barnes, 50s. each when they be 15; if any die before receipt of legacy, surviving grandchildren to inherit the same equally. To grandchild Mary Chetleborough, 50s. when 15; if she die before receipt of legacy, then her share to be equally divided between surviving grandchildren. To daughter Alice Partridge, wife of John Partridge, £20 in 2 years. All these sums son Henry is to pay at times specified, out of said lands. To son Robert Chetleburgh, £10 due by bill, from John Peirce the elder, in 1 month after exor receives the same; if he dies before money be received, then sum to be equally divided between surviving children. Exor shall use all lawful means to recover the said £10. To son Henry, daughter Susan & daughter Alice Partridge, £10 due from son in law William Broome, to be equally divided between them. Son Henry to be exor.

Wit. Peter Bunter. Bridget Curtis. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 13 September 1625.

169 R(W) JEFFERY CROSSE of Erwarton, yeo. 18 August 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator & maker, & to Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, trusting through his merits to be made an inheritor of the kingdom of heaven. To poor of Erwarton, 40s. to be paid by exors, namely 20s. at Christmas after testator's death, & 20s. at Christmas 2 years after, where most need require. To wife Judith, £24 in 4 months; also a speciality containing the full debt of £21 10s. due to testator from Edmond Cample of Erwarton, & for her recovery thereof

exor to deliver the said speciality & such good strength as exor can make to her for & concerning the recovery of the same. Also to her, feather bed, feather bolster, dornix covering, little dansk chest. To daughter Mary Crosse, £40 in 1 year; also to her, trundle bedstead with flock bed & all other bedding & appurtenances to it belonging, as it now stands in the entry parlour & half the linen whatever. To daughter in law Martha Day, wife of Jacob Day, 40s. in 6 months. Rest of goods, cattle, chattels, household stuff & implements whatever unbequeathed, to go to son Francis Cross. John Cross of East Bergholt to be exor; he to perform will. Note with regard to the insertion of words before sealing.

Wit. Robert Wickes. Michael Scott.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 4 October 1625.

170 R(W) THOMAS DEERING of Loudham, in Pettistree, yeo. (X)
22 September 1625

Sick. Soul to Almighty God. To Thomas Deering, son of brother Christopher Deering, £30 when 20. To John Deering, son of said brother Thomas, £30 when 20. To Christopher Deering, son of said Thomas, £30 when 20. To Alice Gardner, daughter of Thomas Gardner of Pettistree, £20 when 21. To godson Thomas Deering aforesaid, best bed & bedstead with all things thereto belonging, best table & 2 forms. Rest of goods, chattels, household stuff & money whatever to go to brother Christopher Deering. If any of brother's 3 sons, viz. Thomas, Christopher & John Deering dies before receipt of their legacy, then surviving brothers to inherit that portion; if the said Alice Gardner dies before she be 21, then her portion to go to the 3 sons of brother Christopher Deering. Brother Christopher Deering to be exor.

Wit. Robert Bond. (X) John Bate.

Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 24 October 1625.

171 R(W) HUMPHREY DRAPER of Brantham, yeo. 19 October 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, blessed redeemer by whose merits hope to be saved. To children of brother John Draper, viz. John, Dorothy & Mary, £6 13s. 4d. each, so that the sum of £20 is to be equally divided between them, to be paid in 3 years; their father John Draper, shall put in sufficient security to exor, to discharge exor of these said portions. To Elizabeth Harmon, daughter of Thomas Harmon of Little Oakley, (Ess.), £6 13s. 4d. when she be 21. To sister Elizabeth Lebbis, wife of Christopher Lebbis of Capel, 20s. a year for life, to be paid by exor, quarterly at the rate of 5s. each payment. To Elizabeth Lebbis, daughter of the said Elizabeth, 40s. when she be 21. To Edward Cardinall of Stratford, 40s. in 4 months. To poor of Brantham, 20s. to be distributed by exor. Exor in 3 months to sell tenement with appurtenances belonging called Harflites, in Stutton, now occupied by William Lyncoln. To brother John Draper of Brantham, all wearing apparel. Rest of lands & houses with appurtenances, in Capel, both free & copyhold, to go to wife Anne Draper; she from time to time during her life, to keep the same in repair. On her death, same lands to go to the 3 children of brother John Draper, viz. John, Dorothy & Mary to be equally divided between them. Rest of goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed, once

debts, funeral & probate costs be met, to go to wife Anne Draper; she to be extrix, & prove will in 4 months; if she refuse to prove will, then Edward Cardinall of Stratford to be exor, & then gifts to the said Anne to be void. Samuel Courtnall of Brantham to be supervisor; he to have for his pains, 40s.

Wit. William Harmon. John Steavenson.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 1 December 1625.

172 R(W) MARGARET FELTHAM of Frostenden, widow. (X) 6 April 1625

Knowing the uncertainty of this transitory life, now soul to hands of Almighty God, trusting through the only merits, death & pasion of lord & saviour Jesus Christ, to have the full fruition of eternal life. To grandchild John Rix, son of son John Rix, deceased, £15 when 21. To grandchild Margaret Rix, daughter of son John, deceased, £10 when she be 21, or on her marriage. To grandchild Elizabeth Lord, daughter of son in law Thomas Lord, brass pot in 1 year. To sons in law Thomas Lord, Tobias Downing & John George, all household stuff, bedding, linen, woollen, brass, pewter & other household utensils whatever, except the said brass pot, to be equally divided between them in 3 months; but if any of them shall vary or wrangle amongst themselves about the division of said stuff, then they are to loose their portion & then that share is to go to him or them, that shall not vary or wrangle. To son in law Thomas Lord, all sums of money as are owing to testator, by bill or bond, & all other goods & annuities, unbequeathed; he to perform will & to be exor.

Wit. John George. Benjamin Girling.

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 24 September 1625.

173 R(W) ROBERT GRENLING of Stradbroke, yeo. (X) 18 July 1625

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, creator, trusting & believing to be justified, saved & redeemed, only by & through most precious merits, death & passion of Jesus Christ, only saviour, mediator & redeemer. Body to the earth from whence it came, there to rest till the day of the lord's second appearing in hope then of a joyful resurrection. Exors, or 1 of them, & supervisors, or 1 of them, in 2 years, to sell all lands, tenements & hereditaments, with appurtenances in Stradbroke, being free & copyhold, to the best price & uttermost value, to pay debts, legacies & perform this will. To wife Alice, annuity of £8, to be paid her yearly for life, at the usual feast days of Michaelmas & Lady day by equal portions; 1st payment to be made on the 1st feast day after testator's death, in full satisfaction of her dower claims. Also to her, 2 of the best milk neat, bedstead & feather bed with all the furniture thereto belonging, to be taken at her choice; also 2 pair sheets, kettle, 6 pewter dishes presently, in full satisfaction of dower. Rest of goods & chattels, movables, household stuff, corn, cattle, hay, swine, poultry, butter, cheese, implements & utensils whatever unbequeathed, to be sold by exor & supervisor for best price to pay debts, legacies & perform will. To son William Grenling, £53 6s. 8d. to be paid out of lands, to his use in 1 year after sale of lands. To sons John & Abraham Girling, £53 6s. 8d. likewise. To daughter Mary, wife of Ambrose Lumlye, £10 likewise. To daughter Debora Grenling, £30 likewise. To son William, £33 6s. 8d. out of the said sale, in 3 months of the death

of wife Alice. To sons John & Abraham, & to daughters Mary & Debora, £86 13s. 4d. to them in 3 months likewise, viz. to sons John & Abraham £33 6s. 8d. each & to Mary & Debora, £10 each. Whereas there is issuing out of lands & tenements the sum of £12 due to kinsman Roger Grenling, exors to keep in their hands £180 arising out of sale of lands, to pay this £12 to Roger for life. On his death, exors to pay £130, part of £180, thus, viz. to sons John & Abraham £50 each, & to daughter Mary, £10 & to daughter Debora £20. Remainder of the sum to go to son William. Surplus, once debts, legacies, funeral & probate costs be paid, together with the charges of exors, to go to sons William, John & Abraham to be equally divided between them. Exors to receive all debts due & to pay all debts. Nephew Richard Grenling & son William Grenling to be exors; they to receive 40s. each for their pains. Francis Sandcroft the younger to be supervisor; he to have 20s. for his pains. To apprentice Margaret Grenling, 40s. in 6 months of sale.

Wit. Richard Andrews. John Booth.

Pr. granted to exors at Stradbroke. 23 September 1625.

174 R(W) RICHARD KNOTT of Akenham, yeo. (X) 16 October 1625

Soul to hands of God, maker, trusting through faith in merits of his son Jesus Christ, saviour, to have eternal life in his heavenly kingdom. House with lands adjoining to go to daughters Mary & Margaret Knott for 1 year, to enjoy the profits & benefits therefrom equally between them. After that time profits to be equally divided between rest of testator's children. To Margaret Knott, best posted bedstead as it now stands with all furniture & appurtenances to the same belonging, with bedding, blankets, pillows, sheets & bolster; also to her, cupboard which stands in the hall, biggest brass kettle. To daughter Mary Knott, other bed & bedstead with things to the same belonging as it now stands in the hall; also great chest in the same room. To wife's daughter Thomasine Rindge, other cupboard in the parlour, with flock bed. To daughter Elizabeth Segar, flock bed. Rest of goods, chattels, household stuff unbequeathed to go to daughters Mary & Margaret Knott to be equally divided between them; they to be extrices.

Wit. John Suckerman. James Tillott. Thomas Fenn.

Pr. granted to extrices at Ipswich. 1 December 1625.

175 R(W) JOHN MANN of Hoo, yeo. (X) 30 September 1625

With a free will, render & give again spirit to God Almighty, lord God, creator, nothing doubting but of his infinite mercy set forth in the precious blood of his beloved son, Jesus Christ, redeemer, he will receive the same into his glory. To wife Susan, messuage or tenement in Hoo, called Fraze, with all houses, lands, tenements & hereditaments thereto belonging, for life. On her death, same to go to Arthur Newman, in 2 years of the death of the said Susan. Also to wife, use & profit of all houses & lease lands where testator now dwells & enjoys from Sir Anthony Wingfield, knight, deceased, to pay debts, legacies due in this will. If wife die before lease be expired, residue of said lease & the said lands, with all profits thereto belonging, to go to nephew Walter Mann, for the term of years to come. Said Walter, out of the profits of the same lands, to pay such debts &

legacies as are unsatisfied at the time of the death of the said Susan; if he so refuse, then supervisor to enter lands immediately on such refusal, or neglect, & sell the same & with the money arising pay debts & legacies & then any remaining overplus to be equally divided between sister's children John & Anthony Newman, or the survivor of them. To brother's daughter Anne Man, £5 in 1 year. To nephew Walter Mann, £5 in 2 years. To kinswoman Elizabeth Newman, £5 in 3 years. To nephew Anthony Newman, £10 in 4 years; also to him feather bed, bolster, coverlet, pair blankets, livery bedstead, mat & line, all of them of the middle sort & neither of the worst of them, presently. All payments in this will, to be made at day & time so specified, in testator's dwelling place at Hoo. All parties to whom any legacy be given in this will, shall on receipt thereof, make & deliver to wife an acquittance sufficient in the law, testifying the receipt & discharge of the said legacy, or else the legacy shall be deemed as money lent, or goods to be redelivered, by everyone so refusing to acquit & discharge. To poor of Hoo, 10s., of Letheringham, 10s. & of Charsfield, 10s. & of Easton, 10s. to be paid at the discretion of extrix, in 1 month. Rest of goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed to go to wife Susan; she to be extrix, to see to funeral & to perform this will. Brother in law Daniel Medow to be supervisor; he to have 10s. for his pains.

Wit. Thomas Payne the elder. Thomas Payne, jnr. Henry Lebbis. Thomas Artis.
Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 24 October 1625.

176 R(W) JOHN ROWE of Laxfield, tailor. 20 November 1620

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, being assured of a better life in the world to come, through merits of Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer. To wife Frances, all lands, tenements & hereditaments with edifices now built on the same, called Deeryards, held by copy of court roll of the manor of Laxfield, for life. On her death, same to go to John Rowe, son of William Rowe late of Ubbeston; if wife Frances die before John be 21, then exor to be guardian to the said John, during his minority, & exor to have rent from lands, to the only use of said John Rowe. This gift of lands to wife Frances, to be in full satisfaction of dower claims in all testator's lands whatsoever, whereof testator is now seised of since their marriage, & on her acceptance of these gifts, wife shall bar herself of any right or title to the said lands. If she refuse, then all gifts to her to be void, & then exor to have said lands & the profits therefrom arising to his own use, during the lifetime of the said Frances, & after her death, to the use of the said John, during his minority. To Henry Rowe, son of brother Philip Rowe, late deceased, tenement with appurtenances belonging, held of the manor of Laxfield rectory. To John Cornish of Nettlestead, exor, all lands, tenements & hereditaments held of the manor of Carlton Colville, piece of ground called Coulsell pightle in Laxfield, which abuts on a green called Banyard green towards the east head thereof, to be sold by exor in half year for best price, to pay debts & legacies. Also to exor John Cornish, £15; he to pay to John Rowe, 1 of the sons of brother Philip Rowe, during his life, 30s. yearly at the 2 usual feasts of Lady day & Michaelmas, by even portions, at the church porch in Laxfield; 1st payment being made on the 1st feast after testator's death, & for default of payment said John to have the £15, to be paid him by exor in 1 month of default. If however, said John Rowe sells this annuity,

or any part thereof, then gift to be void. To Roger Rowe, son of brother Philip, £10 when 24. To George Rowe, son of brother Philip, £10 when 24. To sister's son William Payn, £5 in 3 years. To Elizabeth Rowe, daughter of brother Philip, £5 when 22; all of which sums to be paid in Laxfield church porch. To apprentice Able Rowe, £6 when 24 to be paid at place aforesaid, in full satisfaction & discharge of the sum to be paid him by virtue of the indenture in which he is bound to testator. To John Rowe, son of William Rowe late of Ubbeston, 2 chests in the shop now in the possession of John Smyth, table in the hall, cupboard at the east end of the chimney fixed in the said house, best chest standing on the parlour chamber, best sealed bedstead, best trundle bedstead, best feather bed, bolster & great bible. To Anthony Rowe, son of brother Philip, £3 in 1 year at the place aforesaid. To wife Frances, all the following household implements, viz. all bedsteads & bedding unbequeathed, great cupboard in the hall, 5 joined forms, buffet stool, all brass & pewter, linen & woollen, all trimming household implements, cobirons & firepans, tongs, hales, spits, dripping pan, roasting iron, malt quern & chest not before given; also pot tipped with silver, which pot to her for life & then on her death said pot to go to John Rowe son of said William & also to wife 2 tables in the parlour & parlour chamber & all firewood. To Thomas Skinner, preacher of God's word at Laxfield, for his pains to preach at funeral, 20s. To John Cornish, for his pains as exor, £5. To Henry Rowe, all bricks & tar. To Edmund Smith, half hundred lead weight. John Cornish, exor, has lately bought to himself & his heirs, all those lands & tenements whereof testator was lately seised, in Carlton & Pakefield, on the which sale, all testator's true debts are satisfied, except the legacies given in this will, & there remains in the said John Cornish's hands, £6 score to pay these legacies, as appears by the said John's account. All overplus, stock & sums of money, either arising out of the sale of said lands or of any other lands, to be used to discharge legacies & satisfy the charges of this will; any money then remaining to go to John Rowe, son of the said William. Exor to give a true & just account of any overplus, to Christopher Smith of Laxfield, in 6 months, & exor to lay in his own sufficient bond to the said Christopher Smith, to pay the overplus to John Rowe, son of William when 24. Until John be 24, profits from sum to be employed wholly each year, towards the education of the said John, son of William Rowe late of Ubbeston. Rest of goods, cattle & movables whatever unbequeathed to go to the said John Cornish of Nettlestead, to pay debts, legacies & to augment & increase the overplus of stock & money given to the said John Rowe, son of the said William. John Cornish to be exor; Christopher Smith of Laxfield to be supervisor & he to have for his pains 40s. in 1 month.

Wit. Edmund Smyth. John Fleet. (X) Thomas Burrow. (X) Thomas Cornish. Christopher Smith, script.

Note of the surrender of all lands held of the manor of Laxfield, into the hands of Christopher Smith & in the presence of John Fleet & Thomas Burrow. 20 November 1620. Also, note of the surrender of all lands held of the manor of Laxfield rectory, into the hands of Christopher Smith, & in the presence of Edmund Smith & John Lane. 20 November 1620.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 21 November 1625.

177 R(W) JOHN TAYLOR of Knodishall. (X) 30 September 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. Exor to be John Taylor. To son John Taylor, all copyhold messuage or tenement where testator now dwells, held of Knodishall manor, with appurtenances; he to allow to testator's wife Elizabeth, for life, half said messuage & for default thereof to the said Elizabeth, son John to pay her £3 a year, by equal portions, at Lady day & Michaelmas. All movable goods & chattels, once debts, legacies, burial & probate costs be met, to go to wife Elizabeth, son John & daughter Frances, viz. wife to have one third part for her life & on her death, the sum of money which these goods shall be prised at by indifferent men to be proportionably divided; remaining two parts of goods to be equally divided between son John & daughter Frances. To wife's children Ann, Mark, Edmund, William & Francis Blowers, 20s. each out of goods, in 2 years. Wife Elizabeth, son John & daughter Frances shall this year & so for the years following, if they may, occupy & use those lands which testator now occupies, of Arthur Jenney, esq., together without any division of stock.

Wit. George Jermy. Stephen Alcock.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 27 October 1625.

178 R(W) GEORGE TAYLOR of Hacheston, yeo. 1 September 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & redeemer. To wife Dorothy, occupation & profits of all lands & tenements in Hacheston, till son George be 21, on condition that she shall, out of profits, pay debts which shall remain unsatisfied, besides such money as goods & chattels shall amount to, being prised & sold by extrix; if sale of goods, chattels & the profits from said lands do not amount to payment of debts & bringing up of children, then extrix, with assistance of supervisors, shall sell such of lands as lie furthest from house where testator now dwells, for the best price that will be given for the same, & with the money thereof arising, pay debts which said goods & chattels & profits from lands besides bringing up children will not cover. When all goods & chattels are prised after testator's death, wife shall take out of the same, to her own proper use, such of them as she likes best, to the value of £40 & she to keep the same to her own proper use. Rest of goods & chattels, besides the portion that wife shall claim to the value of £40, to be sold for the best price by extrix, to pay debts. If wife Dorothy be living, when son George be 21, then she is to have the use of the parlour in the house where testator now dwells, for life, & 1 bushel of hemp seed sowing every year in hempland belonging to said house. Also wife, for life, to take in & on such lands, such necessary wood for firing, to be spent in the said parlour to & for the necessary uses of the said Dorothy. To son George & his heirs, all that house & lands in Hacheston, when 21. Extrix, with aid of supervisor, as soon as she can conveniently after testator's death, sell house in Wickham Market, with its appurtenances, which is forfeit to testator on a mortgage made to him by brother John Taylor, for the best price; then such money as the same shall be sold for more than the money which testator lent thereon & the interest, shall be paid to brother John Taylor, & all such money as shall be received for the house besides the overplus paid to the said John, shall be equally divided between testator's children Thomas & Elizabeth when they be 21; extrix to have use &

profit therefrom towards their education & upbringing. Extrix shall, towards the payment of debts, sell all lands in Ufford & Melton, by virtue of a lease made to testator by Robert Dunne, deceased, unto whom testator is exor. Wife Dorothy to be extrix; she to perform will & brother in law Robert Wade to be supervisor to aid her.

Wit. Thomas Dawson. Henry Scotchmere. Thomas Alexander.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 29 November 1625.

179 R(W) WILLIAM WOOD of Hacheston, carpenter. 20 May 1617

Whereas testator has 2 sons Adam & Simon by wife Margaret, & whereas £10 was given to Simon, £10 to Adam & £10 to daughter Mary by their uncle Robert Lawrence, out of the goods of his brother William Lawrence, deceased; & whereas testator has laid out £20 of the said sums on the house where he now lives, which house son Adam is to have on the death of wife Margaret, so that son Simon is without any assurance of his £10, because the £10 which is due to testator, is said Mary's money, to be paid her on the death of her mother Margaret; for all the sum of £30 was given to the said Margaret during her lifetime, now therefore, to satisfy son Simon of his £10 on the death of the said Margaret, give to wife Margaret the use of bedstead & bed on which testator lies & all other goods & chattels whatever & the use of the £10 due to daughter Mary, for her life; on her death, all these items to go to son Simon & the £10 to go to daughter Mary. Wife to be careful to perform will, as in all honesty she is bound so to do.

Wit. Augustine Underwood. William Scotchmere. Thomas Scotchmere.

Let. Ad. granted to Margaret Taylor. 9 November 1625.

180 R(W) WILLIAM WYTH of Brandeston, tailor. (X) 16 October 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator & redeemer; to be buried Brandeston churchyard, believing that the same shall rise again, & being joined with soul, shall inherit kingdom of heaven, through the passion & merits of saviour Jesus Christ. To wife Sarah, little tenement in Monk Soham, with appurtenances, for life. On her death, same to be sold by exors for best price, & the money thus arising to be equally divided between children then living. To children, £6 6s. 8d. each, out of goods & chattels, when they be 21. After debts be paid, wife Sarah to have all movable goods, chattels & household utensils, except those before excepted. Wife, in 20 days, to lay in sufficient bond to exors, to perform legacies; if she refuse, on reasonable request, then so much of goods & chattels are to be sold, as shall amount to childrens' legacies & the money therefrom arising to remain in exors' hands, to the use of children. Sarah to arrange burial. Brothers Henry & Edward Wyth to be exors, & each to have 40s. for their pains.

Wit. John Lower, clerk. Thomas Mann. (X)

Let. Ad. granted to Sarah Wyth, on the refusal of the above named exors to act, at Wickham Market. 15 November 1625.

181 R(W) WILLIAM SMYTH of Northales *alias* Covehithe. (X)
30 October 1625

Sick & weak. Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, father, son & Holy Ghost, trusting & assuredly believing all sins & offences whatever are remitted, freely pardoned & forgiven by & through the only mercy of lord & saviour Jesus Christ, & that shall, by his means, inherit everlasting life in joy & endless happiness. Body to be buried, there to rest till the resurrection thereof, with all the elect to possess everlasting & endless happiness. To wife Alice, all houses, lands & tenements, both free & copyhold, with appurtenances, for 6 years, to pay debts & perform will; she to keep houses & lands in good repair, paying rents due. Also to her, house where testator now dwells, with lands & appurtenances to the same belonging, for life, she to keep the same in good repair, & pay all rents due; on her death, these lands to go to son William. To son William, house & lands now occupied by Stephen Sampson & Mary Woodie, widow, to enter the same after 6 years. To servant Ann Botswayne, 2 year old heifer, by extrix in 2 years. Rest of goods, chattels, movables unbequeathed to go to wife Alice; she to pay debts & perform will & be extrix.

Wit. John Thrower, clerk. Robert Blyethe. (X) Thomas Hill. (X)
Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 5 November 1625.

182 R(W) CHRISTOPHER TOMLINSON of Ipswich, point maker. (X)
24 October 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To wife, tenement now in testator's occupation or the occupation of Richard Cutberde, tailor, for life, without waste. On her death, same to go to daughter Elizabeth & her heirs, lawfully begotten; if she have no heir, then lands to go to brother Richard Tomlinson, for life. On his death, same to go to nephew Thomas Tomlinson, son of brother Richard, & to his lawful heirs; if he have no heir, then lands to go to the right heir of testator. All goods & chattels whatever to go to wife, to pay debts carefully. Wife & friend Christopher Algate, gent., to be exors.

Wit. Robert Clark. Arthur Egerton. William Caror.

Pr. granted to Katherine Tomlinson, testator's widow, at Ipswich. 1 December 1625.

183 R(W) WILLIAM ALDOUS of Linstead Magna, yeo. 11 November 1625

Knowing the uncertainty of this transitory world & vale of misery, & that it is the duty of every man in time of health, to provide for death, the end of all flesh; now soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, creator, verily trusting & believing, will be justified, saved & redeemed only by & through the most precious merits, death & passion of lord Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer. Body to the earth to rest till the lord's second appearing, in hope then of a joyful resurrection to eternal happiness. To son Richard Aldous, annuity of £6 out of freehold lands, tenements & hereditaments with appurtenances, in Cratfield; he to have the said annuity each year during the lifetime of testator's wife Susan, to be paid at Lady day & Michaelmas by equal portions, 1st payment to be made on the 1st feast day after

testator's death. Also to him, annuity of £4, paid out of lands & tenements each year, yearly during the lifetime of the said Susan, at Michaelmas & Lady day by equal portions, 1st payment being made on the 1st feast day after the death of testator's mother Anne Aldous; if either of these annuities of £6 & £4 be unpaid at any feast day, then Richard, during the lifetime of said Susan, is to enter lands & tenements above devised, & distraint there & take away & detain such distress, till annuities be paid, together with any arrears thereof. Wife Susan to have all messuage, tenement with appurtenances in Cratfield called Smythes where William Newman lives, & all lands, tenements, meadows, pastures, feedings & hereditaments with appurtenances, both free & copyhold, belonging now occupied by the said William Newman, for life, towards the bringing up of children William, Francis, Anne & Susan Aldous in good & virtuous education till they be 21, in full satisfaction of her dower claims she may have in the lands which testator has been seised of, since marriage; she to allow no strip nor waste on the same, & to keep lands in good repair with competent hedgebote, to maintain the premises & also to have necessary wood for fuel yearly during her life, to be burnt & spent on the same lands & not elsewhere. To son Richard, enclosure with appurtenances in Cratfield, being some 10 acres, part of lands called Haughfield adjoining a meadow of William Dowsing's called Hall meadow on the west, on the death of the said Susan, for 3 score years, on condition that he pays his brother William, at the south porch of Cratfield church, £100, namely £50 in 1 year after the death of the said Susan, or when he be 22, whichever shall last happen, & £50 in 2 years, or when he be 23, whichever shall last happen. If Richard refuse, or fails to pay this legacy, then said enclosure to go to said William, but if Richard pays legacy then he is to have the said enclosure as above limited. To son Richard, messuage or tenement & rest of lands, being free & copyhold, with hereditaments, on the death of said Susan. To son Francis, all that messuage, lands & tenements, being free & copyhold, with appurtenances, in Sweffling & Cransford for ever, when 24; if he die before then, without lawful issue, then lands to go to testator's sons William & Thomas; they to enter said lands at such time as Francis should have done, had he lived. To son Thomas, messuage or tenement in Kelsale, where John Burlingham dwells, & all lands, tenements & appurtenances in Kelsale & Carlton belonging, now occupied by the said John Burlingham, when 24; if he dies before then, without lawful issue, then lands to go to his 2 brothers William & Francis; they to enter said lands at such time as Thomas should have done, had he lived. ExtriX to have use of lands, tenements, hereditaments & appurtenances devised to sons Francis & Thomas, from time of testator's death till sons be 24, & the issues & profits coming from these lands to convert the same for & towards the binding forth of said Francis & Thomas as apprentice, & to perform will, keeping all houses, edifices & buildings in good repair, for the said term, paying rent to those lords of whom the same lands be held; extrix to commit no strip nor waste thereon, & only take sufficient timber for repair & competent hedgebote to maintain said premises in reasonable repair. Extrix shall, in reasonable time after testator's death, as convenient may be, bind forth Francis & Thomas apprentice to some good & sufficient trade as they, the said Francis & Thomas, shall like & be thought most fitting for them, by extrix. Wife to educate & bring up 5 younger children in good & virtuous education, & with all things necessary, till they be 21. To wife Susan, all goods & chattels, movables, plate, household

stuff, cattle, household implements & utensils whatever, on condition she pays, at the place aforesaid, £200, namely to daughter Anne £50 when 24, & £50 more when she be 25; to daughter Susan £50 when 24, & £50 more when she be 25. Extrix to receive all debts & pay all debts & burial costs; she, in 20 days, to be bound to brother in law Simon Barbor & to brother Francis Aldous, in a bond sufficient in the law, in such penal sums as the said Simon & Francis shall think fit, with condition to perform this will, as the said Simon & Francis, or their counsel learned in the law shall devise. Wife to be extrix.

Wit. Simon Barbor. Francis Aldous. Francis Sandcroft.

Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 15 December 1625.

184 R(W) MICHAEL BLOWE of Felixstowe, single. 2 December 1625

Sick. Soul to God that gave it, trusting through the merits of only saviour Jesus Christ. To aunts Judith Seelye, wife of William Seelye of Tuddenham, gent., & Sarah Charles of Winesham, widow, all that messuage or tenement called Mares head, with all houses, edifices, buildings, lands, meadows & pastures to the same belonging, being copyhold, occupied now by Nicholas Durrant, in Felixstowe. To aunt Judith Seelye, all such term as testator has by lease, in all lands & chattels namely, 1 close called Long Dole, close called Ould Abby, mill close with a wind mill with all appurtenances, & a marsh, being 8 acres, lying by the East end, all occupied by the said Nicholas Durrant, in Felixstowe, to pay all debts & legacies. Also to the said Judith, all such time to come in marsh, being 14 acres, in Felixstowe, given to testator & his brother Thomas Blowe, deceased, by the will of brother William Blowe late of Felixstowe, deceased; she to pay out of the same to kinsman William Cocke of Walton, husb., £10 in 1 year, & to kinsman John Cocke of Walton, baker, £10 when he has accomplished his time of apprenticeship; if either die before receipt of legacy, survivor to inherit both portions. Whereas brother Thomas Blowe, by his will, did give to the town of Felixstowe, as specified in his will, copyhold tenement with appurtenances belonging, called Squeers, in Felixstowe; now the towns people of Felixstowe to enjoy the same to the purposes expressed in the said will of Thomas Blowe. To sister in law Marian Durrant, wife of Nicholas Durrant, £5 in half a year. To Elizabeth Sale, 10s. in 6 months. To poor of Felixstowe, 10s. to be distributed by churchwardens in 1 week, by extrix. To Margaret Dunstan of Felixstowe, 10s. to buy a pair of gloves, in 6 months. To Jeffery Thatcher, 10s. in 6 months. To Matthew Thatcher of Walton, 20s. in 6 months. To kinswoman Mary Burton, wife of John Burton, 10s. in 6 months. To aunt Denny of Ipswich, widow, 10s. to buy her a ring, in 6 months. To Robert Yellopp of Ipswich, 20s. in 6 months. To kinswoman Cooke of Washbrook, 20s. in 6 months. To kinswoman Cossye of Mendlesham, 10s. in 6 months. To Frances Seelye, singlewoman, 10s. to buy her a ring, in 6 months. To Mary Gosling, maid servant to uncle William Seelye, 20s. in 6 months. To Anne Borrett, 5s. in 6 months. To the poor of Tuddenham, 20s. in 1 week, by extrix. Rest of goods, chattels, cattle, rent arrears, annuities, rent charges & debts due, once debts, legacies, funeral & probate costs be met, to go to aunt Judith Seelye; she to be extrix. Uncle William Seelye of Tuddenham, gent., to be supervisor; he to have 20s. for his pains, to buy himself a ring.

Wit. Robert Mann. Thomas Rose. John Rose. George Catchpole, not. pub.
Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 13 December 1625.

185 R(W) THOMAS PRICK of East Bergholt, husb. (X) 18 November 1625

Sick & weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator & maker, & to Jesus Christ, only redeemer & saviour, hoping to be saved, through faith in him, & to Holy Ghost, sanctifier & preserver. To wife Barbara, half movable goods & household stuff, for her use. The other half of said goods to go to daughter Anne Prick, except her linen & woollen apparel. Household stuff & goods to be viewed, estimated & prised by 4 honest neighbours, after testator's death, & then wife Barbara shall deliver into court, that part of goods given to said Anne, to her use in 1 year & then brother in law John Dawes shall take into his hands the said Anne's legacy, & put in his security by bond, to pay the same to the said Anne when she be 21; the use & profit from that portion to go to wife Barbara each year, towards the maintenance & bringing up of daughter Anne, till she be 16, & then the use & profit of that portion is to be left to the increase & augmentation of her portion, to be paid her together with the portion already bequeathed, when she be 21. John Dawes shall pay for the use of that portion, 10s. in the year, less the common use by law allowed, & also he to have out of the said use, when Anne be 16, the sum of 20s. for his care & love in the guidance of the said Anne. If daughter Anne dies before she be 21, then £15 of her portion to be equally divided between nephews, namely the children of testator's brothers & sisters, when they be 21, & 40s. of the same to be paid to John Dawes, & then the rest of that portion then to go to wife Barbara; if Barbara be dead, then the rest of that portion, together with the £15 already given, to be equally divided between nephews, as above stated. Wife Barbara to be extrix; brother in law Henry Allen to be supervisor.

Wit. Thomas Dawes. (X) Philip Cole. (X) John Cooke. (X) John Phillipps.
Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 13 December 1625.

186 R(W) JOHN SAVAGE *alias* SAVERNE of Bramfield, yeo. (X)
21 November 1625

Visited with sickness by the hand of Almighty God. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, most assuredly hoping through merits, death & precious blood shed of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, to have free remission & pardon of all sins & to be made most happy partaker of joys eternal. All lands & tenements in Framlingham to be sold by exor, in convenient time after testator's death, & with money thus arising, debts to be paid, except the debt of £62 to William Fella, for which testator has mortgaged certain lands for payment thereof. To each of the sons & daughters of son John Savage, £15 to be paid on the Monday month next after they be 21, if they live. If daughter Katherine, now the wife of John Belward, dies before grandchildren receive their portions, then gift to grandchildren to be void. To daughter Katherine, wife of John Belward, messuage, lands & tenements in Bramfield, but if she die without issue, these lands to be sold by friends William Fella & John Pulham, or 1 of them, & the money thus arising, once all charges & expenses by them laid out be paid, to be equally divided between children of son John Savage, then living. Rest of goods, cattle, chattels, household

implements & stuff, money, plate & debts due, to go to son in law John Belward, to pay all debts, except that due to William Fella, & to pay funeral & probate costs; he to be exor.

Wit. John Pulham. William Fella. Edmund Watlyng. Anne Vesey.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 15 December 1625.

187 R(W) JOHN JACKSON of Aldeburgh, fisherman. (X) 21 September 1625

Sick in body. Soul to hands of Almighty God. All houses, tenements & appurtenances to the same, in Aldeburgh, to go to Mary Jackson, late wife of James Jackson; also all goods & chattels to her, she to be extrix.

Wit. Robert Rippin. Richard Pootye. Richard Marten. (X)

Note of the surrender of all copyhold land held of the manor of Aldeburgh, into the hands of Richard Pootye, in the presence of Robert Ripine & Richard Martyn, copyhold tenants of the said manor. 21 September 1625.

Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 15 December 1625.

188 R(W) JOHN GOOD of Baylham, yeo. 12 June 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, trusting in the merits of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, by him only & his blood shed, to be saved. To son John Good, £15 to be paid into the hands of testator's uncle Edward Tarver, in 1 & half years, if he be living, or to his exor. To daughter Anne, £10 to be paid as abovesaid. Wife Anna shall yearly have the use of the said money, till son John be 21 & daughter Anne be 18, towards the upbringing of children. Rest of goods, chattels, cattle, debts, ready money, household stuff whatever to go to wife Anna to bring up children, pay debts & burial costs. Wife Anna & uncle Edward Tarver to be exors.

Wit. John Fastolf. Francis Camplyn. (X) Margaret Sanders. (X)

Pr. granted to Edward Tarver at Ipswich. 6 July 1625

189 R(W) ANTHONY ALDEN of Stradbroke, yeo. 26 November 1625

Being not ignorant that man is naturally born to depart out of this transitory life & desiring in this uncertain life to dispose of estate, to prevent many inconveniences, controversies & suits; soul to Almighty God, hoping steadfastly by the merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to have remission of sins & to enjoy everlasting life. To son Anthony, annuity of £12 payable out of lands & tenements, being freehold, in Stradbroke, on the north side of the king's highway leading from Ashfield green to Barlowe green, belonging to the messuage or tenement where testator now dwells, for life; payment to be made at the feasts of Lady day & Michaelmas by equal portions, 1st payment being made on the 1st feast after testator's death. If annuity be unpaid at any feast, then it shall be lawful for Anthony to enter lands, distrain & take away distress therefrom, till he be paid his annuity & any arrears thereof. To daughter Mary Gooderham, annuity of £5 yearly, payable out of lands aforesaid, to be paid yearly for life, at the feasts of Lady day & Michaelmas by equal portions, 1st payment being made on the first feast after testator's death. If annuity be unpaid at any feast, then it shall be lawful

for Mary to enter lands, distrain & take away distress therefrom, till she be paid her annuity & any arrears thereof. To son John Alden, messuage or tenement with appurtenances belonging, in Stradbroke where testator now dwells, & all lands, tenements & hereditaments, with appurtenances, in Stradbroke, being free & copyhold, lying on the north side of the same way to the messuage or tenement; he paying to his sister Isabel, £100, namely £20 in 1 year of testator's death, £20 in 2 years, £20 in 3 years, £20 in 4 years & £20 in 5 years, payment being likewise made in the south porch of Stradbroke church. If Isabel die, without issue, before all or any of these sums be paid, then John to retain & keep all sums as he should have paid to his sister Isabel, if she had lived. To son Edmund Alden, piece of land or pasture, being copyhold, being 5 acres, in Stradbroke, lately divided with doles, & bounded from 1 piece of land containing 1 acre, belonging to tenement Boothes now occupied by the said Edmund, & it lies between the way leading from Barlowe's bridge to Ashfield green on the south & a meadow of Francis Sandcroft in part & lands of the manor of Barlow hall in part on the north, 1 head abuts on said Anthony's lands now occupied by said Edmund & bounded with doles as aforesaid on the east, & the other head abuts on a meadow late Jeffery Clowting's & now of Giles Borrett on the west, with all appurtenances to the same belonging, to hold the said 5 acres to Edmund & his heirs for ever. To poor of Stradbroke, 20s. in 1 month. To wife Margaret, bedstead in the parlour & feather bed, bolster & all things thereto belonging, 2 pair sheets, 2 pillow beres as it now stands in the parlour, presently. To sons John, Edmund & Martin Alden rest of goods, cattle, chattels, household implements & stuff whatever; they to be exors. Wit. Richard Girling. Henry Harvey. Francis Beart. Henry Booty.
Pr. granted to Martin Alden, following the renunciation of John & Edmund Alden, at Yoxford. 18 January 1625/26.

190 R(W) WILLIAM ALDRED of Blythburgh, husb. (X) 15 December 1625

Sick & weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator. To wife Rhoda, best feather bed, 2 best bolsters, 2 best pillows, 2 best coverlets, all linen, brass pot, 2 of the least of the 4 biggest kettles, skillet, 8 pieces pewter, 3 milk cows, all corn & hemp. To son Thomas, biggest kettle, trundle bedstead, worst feather bed, feather bolster & coverlet. To son Matthew, all working tools, 2 smallest kettles, skillet, flock bed, 2 worst feather pillows, white doublet & holiday breeches. To son Edward, biggest kettle save 1, livery bedstead & biggest chest. To each of 3 sons, 40s. to be paid by extrix in this fashion, viz. to son Thomas in 1 year, to son Matthew in 2 years, & to son Edward in 3 years; also to each of said sons, 1 chair. Rest of goods & chattels to go to wife Rhoda; she to be extrix.
Wit. Thomas Oddman. Elizabeth Welles. (X) Augustin Ward.
Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 18 January 1625/26.

191 R(W) SAMUEL BLANCHFLOWER of East Bergholt. 23 October 1625

Weak of body. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator & maker, & to Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, hoping to be saved through faith in him, & to the Holy Ghost, sanctifier & preserver. To wife Elizabeth, all that house or messuage & 4 pieces land, containing by estimation 10 acres with appurtenances to the same

belonging, called White's, in East Bergholt, now occupied by Richard Baker, to her & her heirs. Also to her, house or tenement which is freehold, with the shop yard & other appurtenances, called Sparrows or a part of Sparrows now occupied by Anthony Bunne, to her & her heirs. To brother John Blanchflower, £10 viz. 40s. in 1 year, £3 in 2 years & £5 in 3 years, by extrix. To nephew Samuel Baker, son of Richard Baker, 20s. in 2 years. To Anthony Bunne, 25s. in 10 months. All debts, funeral & other charges paid & legacies to be met, then rest of goods whatsoever to go to wife Elizabeth; she to be extrix.
 Wit. John Phillippes. Richard Baker. Anthony Bunne. (X)
 Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 20 January 1625/26

192 R(W) THOMAS COTTON of Horham, yeo. 4 November 1625

Sick in body. Soul to hands of Almighty God, in assurance of everlasting peace & happiness, through faith in the all sufficient merits of Jesus Christ, only saviour. To be buried in Horham churchyard. To son John, all butter, cheese, wheat & wife's gown that was her petticoat to pay debts. Goods to be divided by 2 honest men into 4 parts, & son John to have 3 of these parts. Richard Clark of Horham to be exor.
 Wit. Richard Ferian. John Nicholls. Timothy Youngman. John Pack. (X)
 Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 18 January 1625/26.

193 R(W) SUSAN CHAPLIN of Capel, widow. (N) 2 November 1625

To son Henry Chaplin, £10 now in his possession; also brass pot & a kettle which stands at Thomas Garrod's. To son Abraham Chaplin, silver salt & the bed now in his possession. To daughter Susan Chaplin, all linen that was in her chest & best stammel stuff petticoat. To daughter Alice Chaplin, all linen in her chest, best hat, 2 best ruffs, best gown & 2 best petticoats. Rest of goods & chattels whatsoever unbequeathed, to go to son John Chaplin; he to be exor.
 Wit. Sara Garrodd. Ann Wright.
 Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 20 January 1625/26.

194 R(W) JOHN GILDERSLEEVE of Crowfield, yeo. (X) 28 November 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God, hoping assuredly through merits of Jesus Christ to be made partaker of everlasting life. To wife Grace, tenement in Debenham, with yards & orchards belonging, till son John be 15; the remainder to these lands to go to son John. To son John, £20 to be paid to him by extrix when he be 21 or on his marriage, whichever happens 1st. To daughters Ellen & Alice, £30 each likewise; if either daughter die before receipt of their legacy, then that sum to be equally divided between surviving children, to be paid at such time & place as the same should have been paid. To Mary Gildersleeve, daughter of brother Robert, 20s. To Simon, Grace & Sara Gardner, being wife's 3 children, 20s. each, to be paid them in 3 years. To servant John Goddard, 5s. Rest of movables, debts, goods & chattels whatsoever unbequeathed, to go to wife Grace; she to be extrix, to educate children till they be 21 or marry, whichever happens 1st. William Blomfield of Little Stonham to be supervisor. If son John shall not allow wife

Grace to receive & take the revenues & profits of the said tenement, yards & orchards in Debenham, till he be 15 & without yielding any account for the same, then Grace is to demand & take of the said John, for his education & upbringing till he be 15, the yearly sum of 26s. 8d.

Wit. George Tovell. Robert Gildersleeve. William Blomfield.

Pr. granted to extrix at Nettlestead. 28 December 1625.

195 R(W) THOMAS HARVEY of Rushmere, yeo. 22 September 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God. To be buried in the church or chancel of Rushmere. To wife Susan, in full discharge of dower claims on lands, all that messuage or lands or tenements in Rushmere, together with all meadows, alder carr, fen grounds & osier yards to the tenements belonging, in Henstead with all appurtenances now in testator's occupation, for life; she keeping & maintaining all houses & buildings upon the said premises in good & sufficient repair, taking timber of the said lands for the necessary repair thereof; she shall stow & cut down yearly & every year during her life, in convenient time of the year, 6 loads of bond wood for her necessary fuel to burn upon the premises. Wife not to fell, stow or cut down any other wood or timber now growing or hereafter growing upon any part of the said lands other than before expressed. If wife be with child, & it be a man child, then he shall have & enjoy all lands & tenements in Westhall occupied by Thomas Heyward, with all appurtenances belonging, & also all lands & tenements in Frostenden & Wangford now occupied by Francis Garrard with appurtenances, to him & his heirs. To daughters Susan & Mary, all other lands & tenements unbequeathed, to them & their heirs, & also all other lands & tenements before given to wife Susan for her life. If that issue which testator has, or shall have, dies without issue before 21, then lands & tenements with appurtenances formerly given to wife, to go to Thomas Harvey, son of brother William Harvey. To wife Susan, all household stuff & implements whatever, except the best bed in the parlour chamber fully furnished as it stands, & a long table in the parlour, to go to daughters to be equally divided between them, on the death of wife Susan, & also all plate to be equally divided between them, on the death of the said Susan. To wife Susan, £20. If testator's issue die before 21, without issue, then another tenement, with all lands being free & copyhold thereto belonging in Rushmere, now occupied by William Gilham, to go to Thomas Harvey son of brother William Harvey. Also if children die, as aforesaid, then messuage & tenement with appurtenances, being free & copyhold, in Westhall now occupied by Thomas Heyward, to go to Edmund Harvey son of brother William. To Margaret Stowger, daughter of brother William Harvey, £40 to be paid to her or her husband William Stowger. To Elizabeth Baker, daughter of brother William Harvey, £40, now being the wife of Robert Baker, to be paid to her & no other, at the rate of £4 a year, till the £40 be met; 1st payment being made in 1 year of testator's death, she giving acquittance for the yearly receipt thereof. To William Harvey, son of nephew William Harvey, £20 when he be 21. To Mary Harvey, daughter of said William & Mary his 1st wife, £50 when 21. To the repair of the church at Rushmere, 30s. To poor of Rushmere, 20s. to be distributed by exors every Christmas at the rate of 6s. 8d. until all the said sum be paid. To Anne Judeth, daughter of John Manthrop, £10. To 1st wife's son John Mortlock, £5 in 1 year. To godson Thomas

Mortlock, 20s. when 21. To Mary Barnes, daughter of James Barnes & Elizabeth his 1st wife, £25 when 21. To William Yonges, son of Robert Yongs & wife Margaret late of Bulcamp, deceased, £5 in 2 years. To Edmund Harvey, son of deceased brother William Harvey, £12 in 1 year. To Thomas Harvey, son of said brother William, £12 in 1 year. To William Hodgkins, minister of Rushmere, £6 in 1 year. To tenant William Gilham, £5 in 1 year. To each servant dwelling with testator at time of his death, 10s. each. If all testator's children die before 21, without lawful issue, then messuage & tenement in Frostenden & all lands, being free & copyhold, belonging to the same in Frostenden, Wangford & Wrentham which belonged to testator's brother Edmund Harvey, deceased, to go to William Harvey, son of William Harvey & Mary his 1st wife; & if all children die as abovesaid, then 1 other tenement in Henstead, late Lymes & now occupied by Nicholas Judeth, with all lands, being free & copyhold, with appurtenances belonging, to go to the said William. Exors, in 3 years, yield & deliver to supervisors, true account of all sums of money, bills, bonds, debts & other profits as they have had, or shall have as exors which were due to testator & have not yet been paid. On such an account, with all debts, legacies & charges allowed to exors being covered, rest of sums in exors hands shall, with the consent of supervisors, be bestowed on lands, in 3 years, to be purchased for testator's heir, or heirs; which money so disbursed of by exors, exors are to be discharged of, but the rest of the money then remaining in their hands, they are to account for the same to supervisors. Rest of lands & tenements ungiven & bequeathed to wife, to be let by exors, to the use of children till they be 21, & then exors to yield up a true account to said children, of all sums received. If children be dead before they be 21, without lawful issue, then such account to be made to wife Susan, to the children of William Stowger, Robert Baker, James Barnes, & Nicholas Judeth, & then the same to be equally divided between them. Nephew Edmund Harvey & father in law Robert Baker & Anthony Baker his son to be exors. John Randall, gent., Daniel Deane the elder & William Harvey to be supervisors; they to receive 40s. each for their pains.

Wit. Thomas Clarke. James Barnes. (X) John Beart. (X)

Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 12 January 1625/26.

196 R(W) JOHN HEDGE of Sutton, yeo. (X) 3 December 1625

Sick & weak. Soul to merciful hands of God. To be buried at Sutton in the hope of joyful resurrection. To exors, messuage with lands & tenements, being free & copyhold in Sutton, till son Geoffrey be 21; they paying yearly to daughter Mary, £5 till she be 15. Exor also to pay to daughter Elizabeth, 40s. a year till she be 20, & to pay to son Geoffery, £3 a year till he be 22. To son Geoffrey, posted bedstead in the parlour, best cupboard, 2 coppers, 1 brass pot, worst kettle, musket, chaffing dish, third of linen, doz. pewter pieces & a dansk chest. To daughter Elizabeth, 2nd brass pot in value, great kettle, warming pan, coffer in the parlour, bed as it stands furnished except for the bedstead, third of linen, doz. pewter. To daughter Mary, 2 brass pots, 1 kettle next in value, candle plate, best candlestick, third of linen & doz. pewter pieces. To sister Margaret, wife of John Hart, 10s. a year, for life. To daughter Elizabeth, £10 to be paid by son Geoffery in 2 years after he be 22, & to daughter Mary, £10 to be paid by son Geoffery

in 4 years after he be 22; if either daughter die before receipt of legacy, then surviving daughter to have 3 parts of the said £10 & Geoffery to have the 4th. To sisters Martha & Rose Pinswyn of Sutton, 5s. each. To Anne, daughter of brother in-law Humphrey Ling, 5s. To Anne, daughter of brother Geoffery Hedge, 10s. Exor to pay these said sums in 2 years. To brother Geoffery Hedge, 10s. in 1 year. To John, son of brother Geoffery, 20s. to be paid by son Geoffery out of lands given him, in 5 years after he enter said lands. Exor to bestow the 1st year profits from lands, after testator's death, upon finding all testator's children to school. Rest of goods & chattels whatsoever unbequeathed, to go to exor; he to make the best profit he can from these goods, for the benefit of testator's daughters, & the money arising from these goods, to be equally divided between daughters & Elizabeth to receive her share when she be 20 & Mary when she be 18. Exor to yield up a true account to daughters of the overplus & remainder of the profits, when son Geoffery be 22; & the money that then remain, once debts & all necessary charges be allowed, to be equally divided between 2 daughters, or the survivor of them, at the times before expressed. Brother in law Thomas Waylond the younger to be exor; he to be a good steward for children & to have 20s. a year, until son Geoffery be 22. If he refuse to act, then friend Robert Borne of Sutton to be exor, & he to have all powers expressed in this will. If son Geoffery fail to make any payment given in this will, in 40 days after the same shall be due, being lawfully demanded, then whosoever be unpaid shall enter into any part of lands & hold & enjoy the same till payment be made.

Wit. Thomas Myles. Henry Haughfen. Francis Camplyn. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 19 January 1625/25.

197 R(W) ANNE NEAVE of Needham Market, widow. (X)

26 September 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, hoping & believing by Jesus Christ to obtain eternal life, with the Holy Trinity. Buried in Barking churchyard by the side of husband. To son Thomas, posted bedstead in the further parlour, with feather bed, flock bed, all furniture thereof as it now stands, best chest on the kitchen chamber, table, 2 joined forms at Josiah Spring's, trundle bedstead on the backhouse chamber, table chair, pair cobirons on the kitchen chamber, livery cupboard with cushion & carpet thereon, joined chest on the same chamber, silver spoon, half brewing vessels, back chair & second best chair in the great parlour. To son Edmond, silver spoon, posted bedstead in the little parlour with feather bed & flock bed & all the furniture thereon, trundle bedstead running under the same, cupboard & chest there, long table in the hall & a form by it & joined chest in the further parlour. To son William, silver spoon, best posted bedstead on the kitchen chamber with the feather bed, flock bed, feather bolster & all furniture thereto belonging as it stands, best 'drawen' table, 6 joined buffet stools in the great parlour & 1 pair holland sheets. All these gifts given to sons William & Edmond, to remain with son John, till sons be 21. To daughter Anne, trundle bedstead with feather bed thereon & the rest of the furniture as it now stands on the kitchen chamber, best cupboard in the hall, flock bed coverlet & bolster & blanket in the little parlour, box with all wearing linen, 2 little hutches in the further parlour, livery table with the carpet on the great parlour, silver spoon, pair

of holland sheets, best grogan gown & kirtle, cloak, safeguard, pillion & pillion cloth; all of which goods are to remain with son Thomas, until Anne be 21 or till her marriage. If either William, Edmond or Anne die before 21, then benefit of survivorship to apply. All brass & pewter to be equally divided between 5 children, namely John, Thomas, Edmond, William & Anne & all linen & 6 pillows unbequeathed to be equally divided between said 5 children & grandchild Anne Spring. To daughter Joan Spring, still & best cloth gown & serge kirtle. To sister Ward, old cloth gown. To Grace Coleman, serge gown & an old ruff. To servant Sarah Mortymer, serge petticoat. To Mary Wellock, azure cloth petticoat. To the wife of Jeremy Neaves, rest of apparel. To poor of Needham, 40s., to poor of Barking & Darmsden, 10s. Rest of goods & chattels whatsoever unbequeathed to go to eldest son John Neave; he to be exor, to take & pay debts, pay probate & burial costs. If he refuse to act, he to have no part in this will, & then son Thomas to be exor & have all goods.

Wit. John Weston. John Row. John Russell.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 20 January 1625/26.

198 R(W) HENRY PALMER of Rendham, yeo. 7 December 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, believing through death, merits & passion of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, to have remission & forgiveness of sins. To son Henry, 1 stone pot tipped with silver, 4 silver spoons, cupboard, bedstead with a bed as it stands where testator now lies on with curtains thereto belonging, settle belonging to the said bed, 'drawen' table, joined chest standing in the parlour, 4 joined stools & 1 glass keep. Rest of goods to be equally divided between wife Susan & son Henry. Wife Susan to have the use of the goods before given to son Henry, till he be 21. Wife to have her dwelling place in the parlour & have the use of the vance roof over the parlour of the messuage where testator dwells, together with third of the fruit, free ingress, egress & regress into & from the backhouse there, to brew, bake & do other necessary business there; also she to have 1 load of wood & liberty to put the same near to the said house, & liberty to take water at the pond there, during her widowhood, & no longer. Brother Thomas Palmer to have profits of all houses, lands, meadows & pastures in Rendham & Sweffling, till son Henry be 22; he paying to wife Susan each year £8 till son Henry be 22, for her dower claims to lands, & paying all funeral charges. Also wife Susan to have £8 a year until son Henry be 22, for his upbringing & so as she keep him to school & bring him up to learning till he be 15, & then she is to be careful to bind the said Henry to some trade, which she, & the said Henry, shall think fittest. Payment of sums to be made at the 2 usual feast days of Lady day & Michaelmas, 1st payment being made on the 1st feast day after testator's death. Wife also to pay all legacies & keep houses in good repair; she to commit no strip nor waste on lands. When son Henry be 22, he to have all houses & lands. If wife Susan dies before Henry be 22, then brother Thomas Palmer to have the custody of the said Henry till he be 22, & then Thomas to have the sums of £8 & £8 before given to Susan, for her dower & for the upbringing of son Henry. If Susan remarries, or if son Henry be not brought up in accordance with the terms of this will, then brother Thomas to take Henry away from said Susan & bring him up as aforesaid, & then Thomas to have the £8 given

for the maintenance of son Henry. To Henry May, £3 score in consideration of a certain sum of money which testator received for certain sheep, which were sold for the said Henry, to be paid by brother Thomas, when he be 21. Also to the said Henry May, 40s. more in satisfaction of a certain sum of money to be paid by testator, according to a pair of indentures made between him & the said Henry May, to be paid by brother Thomas, when the said Henry May be 24. To Thomas Palmer, son of brother Richard Palmer, £10 to be paid by brother Thomas, in 6 years. To Edmond Palmer, son of the said Richard, £10 to be likewise paid in 8 years. To Edmond Fuller, £5 to be paid by brother Thomas in 9 years; if said Edmond be dead, then his mother Margaret to have the said £5. To each of the children of Anthony Sheming of Framlingham, 10s. To Robert, Elizabeth & Edmond May, 20s. each. To the poor of Thorpe, 6s. 8d.; of Saxmundham, 5s.; of of Rendham, 5s.; Sweffling, 3s. 4d. If son Henry die, without lawful issue, then house, lands & meadows whatsoever to go to brother Thomas Palmer; he to pay legacies & to be exor.

Wit. Nicholas Browne. Thomas Palmer. (X) Lawrence Pells. Edmond Palmer, script.

Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 12 December 1625.

199 R(W) FRANCES REYNOLDS of Little Belstead, widow. (X) 1 June 1620

Soul to God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, only son, redeemer. To be buried in Little Belstead churchyard by the side of husband. To son Anthony Reynolds, white backed cow, flock bed lying on the boarded bedstead in the east chamber & the bed blanket thereon, 2 pair [*missing*] sheets, copper kettle, little brass kettle, brass pot, 2 feather pillows, pillow bere, chest standing on the east chamber, the form & small chair both standing in the hall, latten candlestick & the lesser of 2 hogs. To son Matthew Reynolds, 2 flock beds, best fustian pillow with a holland pillow bere to it, new bed blanket, latten candlestick, 6 white trenchers, 2 pair good sheets, good table cloth, table & buffet stool both standing in the west chamber, great chair standing in the hall, trammel & fire pan, little cupboard in the backhouse, best hog & 5 open seamed holland sheets; on condition he pays to the lord of the manor where copyhold land is held, the heriot due to the lord on death of testator, & if he fail in this payment then he to loose these gifts & have no benefit from will, & then all his legacies to go to exor. To daughter, now the wife of Richard Girling, trundle bedstead with a stained cloth over it, standing on the west chamber, pair best sheets, 2 old pillow beres, new pillow bere, gown, best cloak, best hat lined with velvet, red petticoat, green petticoat, taffety apron, best waistcoat, all cheese press, vats, & all dairy vessels & shelves in the dairy, all tubs & bowls, bolting tun, warming pan, latten chaffing dish, malt querns, cupboard with the wrought cupboard cloth thereon. To grandchild John Girling, brown cow, trundle bedstead in the west chamber, new pair hemp sheets, feather bed on which testator usually lies, feather pillow used with the same trundle bedstead, best covering lying on best bed in the west chamber, bed blanket, long table standing in the hall house. All pewter to be equally divided between children, & all corn, cheese, butter, hay, apples & table napkins likewise. To Wolnett's wife, gray petticoat & waistcoat. Son John Reynolds to be exor.

Wit. John Deering. Gregory Scryvener. (X)
Pr. granted to exor at Aldeburgh. 19 December 1625.

200 R(W) CHRISTOPHER ROE of Debach, yeo. 4 November 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God that gave it. To wife Anne, 30s. in 6 months. All copyhold land in Debach, held of the manors of Kingshall & Roushall, to go to eldest son Christopher Roe & his heirs. To son Edmond Roe, £100 in 3 years. To daughter Mary, wife of Nathaniel Wilkinson, £6 13s. 4d. in 3 & a half years, if she be living; if she be dead, then this sum to be equally divided between her children then living, in the said time. To son William Roe, posted bedstead in the parlour chamber where testator now dwells on which he lies, with feather bolster, coverlet, blanket, mat & bed line as now they be there & 2 pair sheets. To eldest son Christopher, all goods, chattels, plate, corn, ready money, household stuff & movables to the performance of this will; he to take & pay debts & to be exor. Cousin George Starling of Charsfield to be supervisor, & to have 10s. for his pains.

Wit. Thomas English. John Luffe. Jeffery Browen.
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 20 January 1625/26.

201 R(W) WILLIAM RUSSELL of Witnesham, thatcher. (X) 4 April 1624

Aged. Being heartily sorry & penitent of former life, with an undoubted hope & trust to have forgiveness of sins, through tender mercies of lord & saviour Jesus Christ, now soul to Almighty God, father, son & Holy Ghost hoping to become a member of the most blessed company of saints in heaven. To be buried at Witnesham. To wife Anne, all those implements of household & household stuff which were her own proper goods at the time of her widowhood, before she married testator; also all other movable goods whatever, corn, cattle & chattels to pay burial, debts & to perform will. To daughter Margaret Russell, £5 when she be 14 or on her marriage, whichever happens 1st, on demand thereof. To son Thomas Russell, £5 in 6 months, on demand thereof; he, at the receipt thereof & at his own costs & charges, shall seal & deliver deed to extrix of a personal acquittance for her discharge regarding the said sum & also of any other cause or matter, from the beginning of the world till the date of the said acquittance; if he refuse this, then gift of £5 to be void. To godson John Thurkettle, 10s. in 12 months, on demand thereof; he to give an acquittance of the same to extrix, at her own costs. If wife remarry, then he whom she shall contract to marry, shall before marriage, enter into sufficient bond with supervisor of this will, to pay gifts in will to be paid by extrix. If wife shall enter bond of £20 with condition annexed to pay & discharge all things in this will, or on her marriage then she shall enter the foresaid bond with supervisor, then wife to have & enjoy all movables formerly bequeathed to her, but if she refuse bond, then Edmond Gibbing to be exor & perform all things as the said Anne should have done. Wife to be extrix; supervisor to be Edmond Gibbing of Swiland, to help with good advice; he to receive 2s. for his pains.

Wit. Henry Blackett. Lionel Yorke. Robert Palmer, script.
Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 21 January 1625/26

202 R(W) PETER STASEY of Kelsale, painter. (X) 29 December 1625

Sick in body. Soul to God Almighty, trusting in his mercies, through the merits of his only son Jesus Christ, blessed redeemer & saviour, that all sins shall be gratuitously pardoned, & that soul shall be admitted to his most glorious presence & there, with his holy angels, to remain. To brother John Stasey of Kelsale, best hat, new shirt now made of testator's own homespun cloth, together with all colours, brushes & implements & things that appertain & belong to the trade of painting, in 1 month. To sister Isabel Clark of Kelsale, widow, suit of apparel, namely coat, doublet, pair of breeches that testator usually wears on working days, in 1 month. To wife Bridget, all money, debts, goods & chattels, movables, household implements, except those before bequeathed, to her for life. Wife & the other exor shall sell any part of these, if need require, towards the putting forth of apprentice Daniel Canceler to some honest man to be brought up orderly till he be 24. Whatever remains of goods after the death of Bridget to be given thus, viz. to nephew Robert Stasey, 10s.; to Prudence the wife of Thomas Ruben & daughter of Simon Devoris, 10s.; to Mary Burgis, 5s; the rest & remainder then to go to James Stasey & Isabel Clark. If wife Bridget remarries, then before such marriage, money, debts, movables, chattels, household implements & stuff before given her, to be equally divided into 2 parts, 1 of which shall be delivered, before the said marriage, to the said James Stasey & Isabel Clarke, to be equally divided between them; the other part to go to wife Bridget. Wife Bridget & Robert Reeve the elder of Kelsale, yeo., to be exors.

Wit. John Saunders, clerk. Thomas Blocke.

Pr. granted to Bridget Stasey at Yoxford. 18 January 1625/26.

203 R(W) JANE WOLLNAUGH of Fressingfield, widow. (N) 1 August 1625

To daughter Agnes, £30 & the bed on which testator now lies as it stands, chest & half linen. To son Cornelius Wolnaugh, 12d. piece. Rest of goods whatsoever to go to 3 other daughters.

Wit. Henry Spendlore. James Tuttell. (X)

Let. Ad. granted to Lea Girling *alias* Wolnaugh at Yoxford. 18 January 1625/26.

204 R(W) EDWARD WALLYS of Ipswich, ironmonger. 17 December 1625

Sick in body. Soul to hands of Almighty God that gave it, being assuredly persuaded of the free pardon & forgiveness of all sins, by death & merits of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer. To poor of St Mary Tower, Ipswich, 10s. to be given out in bread, at funeral or soon after. To poor of St Mary Elms & in the Lady lane in St Matthew's, Ipswich, 10s. to be given out in bread, at funeral or soon after. To poor of St Peter's, Ipswich, 10s. to be given out in bread, at funeral or soon after. To wife Christian, all lands, tenements & hereditaments now in Chelmondiston & Shotley, for life. To son Miles Wallis, messuage or tenement where testator dwells, in St Mary Tower, Ipswich, with houses, buildings, yards, gardens & easements belonging; on condition that if he, after testator's death, sell any part of same, he to offer it 1st to his brother Edward Wallys, unto whom the same land shall be conveyed & assured £40 cheaper than the same shall be worth,

or £40 better cheaper than any other who would have the same. Edward shall pay to his brother Miles the purchase sum in half a year after the same lands shall be conveyed in fee from the said Miles to Edward. If Miles do otherwise, contrary to this will, then said lands & appurtenances to go to said Edward. To son Edward, 2 tenements in St Peter's, Ipswich, occupied by Thomas Rowe & Edward Wylve, with the smith's shop. If the said Edward be minded to sell any part of the same, then he is to offer the same 1st to his brother Miles at £40 under the selling price. If Edward do the contrary, then he is to forfeit lands, & the said lands to go to Miles Wallys. To daughter Elizabeth Wallys, £200 when 21; also to her, on death of wife Christian, silver & gilt salt cellar weighing about 23 ounces, & 2 silver wine cups. To son John Wallys, £5 when 21; the reason he has no more is that he hath a good estate in lands already assured to him. If daughter Elizabeth dies before she be 21 then that sum to remain with her brothers Miles, Edward & John, or to such of them as shall be 21, part & part alike. To wife Christian, bedstead, bed, bolster, blanket all standing & being in the little chamber of testator's now dwelling house, with all the furniture to the same bed belonging & all linen whatsoever. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed, once debts, funeral & probate costs be met, to go to wife; she to be extrix.
 Wit. Robert Cowper. Thomas Laster, script. Thomas Deve.
 Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 20 January 1625/26

205 R(W) ELIZABETH DAVY of Beccles, widow. (X) 4 February 1622/23

Sick in body. Soul to Almighty God, creator, hoping by death & passion of Jesus Christ, saviour, to have free pardon of sins. To son Stephen, great joined chest standing in the hall chamber. To son Augustine Davy, great ship chest standing in the parlour & feather bed. Rest of goods to go to son Jeremy Davy; he to be exor.

Wit. Thomas Marshall. Matthew Fisher.

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 19 May 1625.

206 R(W) NATHANIEL DALE of Burstall, yeo. 21 November 1625

Sick in body. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & loving father, in & through Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, all sins are forgiven; trusting will be an inheritor of everlasting glory prepared for all the saints. Before marriage with wife, testator did propound it to her choice in case she should overlive testator, whether she would stand to take her third of land or else have £100 in lieu & recompense of dower; at which time she did choose to accept the £100 whereupon testator became bound to pay the same to her; now exor to make this said payment to wife & she is also to have all her wearing apparel both linen & woollen & all household stuff & implements as remain in the house which were hers before marriage, to be delivered to her, by exor, in 1 week. Wife shall also have during the time of the lease which testator has of the house in which he now dwells, if she remain a widow, the chamber over the parlour now called the little new chamber, for her to set & place her things in, & for herself to abide & dwell in, or otherwise to resort to as she think fittest, with ingress, egress & regress for her, & her servants, into & from the same; with such reasonable easement of some other rooms for

her own necessary uses of washing, baking & such like as shall be fitting for her, in which testator requires exor to be kind & loving with her, as she has been a kind & loving wife to testator & mother in law to children. Whereas testator is seised of certain lands & tenements called Brockold in Bramfield [*recte* Bramford], being some 3 score & 10 acres, of land, pasture & wood with a barn thereon exors to have the use of the same only to feed as pasture & not plough & shall take the profits thereof, till Michaelmas which shall be next after son Robert Dale be 21, to pay debts & legacies bequeathed; during which time, exors shall not fell any wood other than for necessary fencing & other than such as testator shall by some writing have licensed him or given leave to him to fell & and after that term be ended, all lands then to go to son Robert to him & his heirs, on condition he pays at, or in, the porch of Burstall church, £140 thus – on Michaelmas after testator's son Daniel Dale be 21, if he be living, £40 & if he be dead, then said sum to go to testator's other children Samuel, Hester, Elizabeth & Mary to be equally divided between them. Also to pay to the said Daniel Dale at the Michaelmas 3 years after, £100, if he be living & if he be dead, then money to be divided as abovesaid. If Robert die, without lawful issue, or if there be default in payment of the £140, then lands to go to son Samuel & his heirs; he to pay £140 or so much as is unpaid by the said Robert, to such persons, other than himself, as is appointed, namely if Samuel enters lands on his brother Robert's death, without issue, then he is to pay the sums at the times above appointed, but if he enters lands on default made by the said Robert, then he is to pay those sums of which the said Robert made default, in 3 months of his entry & the residue of sums at the times appointed. Samuel to pay the whole money to the rest & keep none for himself, because he has the land itself. Further, Samuel to be paid, at the place aforesaid, at Michaelmas 4 years after the said Daniel be 21, £60, if he be then living & if he be dead, then this sum to go to such of testator's daughters as shall then be living part & part alike. Further to be paid at the Michaelmas next following, the sums of £20 each to such of testator's 3 daughters as are then living, at the place aforesaid, & to pay to them, as are still living, the further sum of £20 each at the Michaelmas next thereafter following, part & part alike. If son Samuel dies without issue, or defaults in payment of these legacies, then said lands to go to son Daniel, on condition that he pays, on the Michaelmas after he has lands, £100 to testator's 3 daughters then living. Exors to pay to 2 sons Robert & Daniel, each year from time of testator's death till they be 21, 40s. each half year, as a means to provide apparel & other necessaries. To daughter Elizabeth, £60 in 1 year, if she be then living; if she be dead, then £20 of this sum to go to her sister Hester, wife of John Cole, at the time when the said Elizabeth should have received the same, the said Hester being then living; the remaining £40 to be equally divided between surviving children. To daughter Mary, £60 when she be 19, if she live. If she dies, then £20 of this sum to go to her sister Hester in 1 year of the death of the said Mary, if Hester be alive, & the remainder of the same sum to be equally divided between surviving children as are 21 at the time of the death of the said Mary, in 1 year of her death, or if they be under 21 at the time of Mary's death then they to receive their share, when they be 21; exor to have a child's share in the remaining sum, with the rest of the children. As Mary is, by reason of an infirmity which it has pleased God to visit upon her, so that she is not able to provide for herself nor is she fit to be disposed of in service abroad, exor is to

take care of her both for the healing of her infirmity, & for her education, & the disposing of her to be at his costs & charges, till Mary be 19 when she shall receive her £60. To the poor of Burstall, 40s. namely 20s. on burial & 20s. in 1 year thereafter, to be distributed by exor & 3 or 4 of the chief inhabitants, as they think fit. To maid servant, £5 when she be 20, if she live. Son Samuel Dale to be exor; he to pay debts, legacies, educate his sister Mary, & towards his own preferment he is to have all leases, cattle, corn, household stuff & implements & husbandry implements whatsoever unbequeathed; he to perform will. In 10 days he is to be bound in a bond of £500 to friends William Cage & Daniel Medow of Chattisham, to perform will, pay debts & legacies; if he fail in this bond, then he to cease to be exor & all legacies to him of goods & chattels to be void; sons Robert & Daniel then to be exors & they to have said goods. William Cage & Daniel Meadow to be supervisors; they to receive 30s. each for their pains.
Wit. William Bun. Stephen Frelowe. John Cole.
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 9 February 1625/26.

207 R(W) JEFFERY ROSE of Melton, surgeon. 1 February 1625/26

Aged & sick. Being heartily sorry for grievous sins, for which humbly pray Almighty God for forgiveness & pardon. To be buried at Melton. To the poor widows in Melton, 2s. each, & to each poor man there, 12d. each, paid in 1 month. To son Edward Rose, all lands & tenements, being free & copyhold, in Henley or Ipswich. To son Bartholomew Rose, £40 in 1 year & bedstead & bed in the parlour where testator now dwells, & all things belonging to the same, & all goods & chattels in same room, except glasses, in half a year. To maid servant Elizabeth Wilton, £5 in 3 weeks. To grandchild Elizabeth Rose, £10 when 18, if she live. Exor shall not sell lands, or give away or otherwise convey away, any books or instruments of whatever kind or nature so ever they be, or to what purpose they or either of them serve, but shall keep them wholly together to the use of his son, if God shall send him one, & this said son is then to have books & instruments. If exor has no son, then books & instruments to go to son Bartholomew Rose, presently. To son Edward, rest of goods & chattels whatever presently; he to be exor, paying debts, legacies & burial costs.
Wit. Thomas Seaman. Peter Brome.
Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 8 February 1625/26.

208 R(W) ROBERT SKEETE of Pakefield, baker. (X) 24 June 1624

Weak in body. Being ignorant of the day & time of departure from this world & uncertain of the hour of death, now soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, heavenly father, hoping through merits of Christ Jesus to live with him in everlasting happiness. To be buried churchyard at Pakefield. To wife Anne, house in Pakefield, where testator now dwells, with all appurtenances to the same belonging, for life; also to her, house in Kirkley, bought of Mr Lyng with all appurtenances belonging, & all other lands, both free & copyhold, in Pakefield & Kirkley, for life. To wife's daughter Susan Browne, on death of the said Anne, house in Pakefield where testator now dwells, for life; on her death, same to go to the heirs male of said Susan, they paying £5 to godchild Margaret Browne,

daughter of wife Anne, when she be 20. On the death of wife Anne, lands which were bought of the widow Collins in Kirkley, being free & copyhold, with appurtenances, to go to wife's son Stephen Porter, for life; on his death, same lands to go to his son Stephen, but if the son Stephen dies before the father Stephen, then lands to go to the father Stephen & his heirs for ever. To son in law Henry Strowed & heirs, piece of ground which Alexander Richardson had in his occupation, paying to Elizabeth Porter, his wife's sister, £4 due to the said Elizabeth in a bond from testator, which £4 is to be paid to the said Elizabeth in quarter of a year of testator's death, & she then to deliver this bond to Henry Strowed, or to testator's son in law Robert Porter, or to 1 of them, which said Robert Porter has likewise £4 to pay on that bond, being the whole sum of the bond where with testator is bound. To wife's son Robert Porter, on death of the said Anne, Fen close for life; he to pay to his sister Elizabeth Porter £4 in quarter of a year as abovesaid, & she then is to deliver the said bond to him. On the death of the said Robert, the 2 acres bought of Mr Hubert, with little meadow adjoining bought of John & Richard Paine, to go to William Porter & his heirs, being the son of the said Robert. To Matthew Porter, son of the said Robert, on the death of his father Robert, little pightle which lies next the king's highway, which is at the east end of the said close. To Thomas Porter, son of the said Robert, on the death of his father, the other parcel of ground which lies between the little pightle next the king's highway on the south, & 2 acres with little meadow to them adjoining, to the north. All goods & chattels & movables, to go to wife Anne, for life; on her death, these to be equally divided between her children then living. Each of them, on receipt of the same, shall enter into bond to exors, if they be so demanded, to save & bear harmless exors from all charges which may arise either by this will, or otherwise. To poor of Pakefield, 40s. in 2 months, & a further 20s. on the burial of wife Anne; the which £3 & all other charges for mortuaries, probate & inventory, to be taken out of movable goods, before they be divided, in 1 month. Wife's children Stephen Porter & Susan Browne to be exors. Wit. William Colby. William Church. Matthew Fulwood. Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 18 February 1625/26.

209 R(W) THOMAS AMYS of Woolverstone. (N) December 1625

3 days before he died, being sick in body. To brother £10, in the hands of uncle Tye of Kenton. To Abigail Man, cow now in the possession of uncle Tye; also bed with all things to the same belonging, cloak now in uncle's possession & certain implements now in aunt Tye's possession. Apparel to be disposed of at discretion of testator's master Philip Cattlyn. The 40s. in the hands of William Worlicke of Wherstead due to testator for wages, to be bestowed on burial costs. Wit. Timothy Dalton, clerk. Philip Cattlyn. Francis Filkyn.

Let. Ad. granted to Abigail Man at Ipswich. 23 February 1625/26.

210 R(W) WILLIAM COLE of East Bergholt, yeo. 8 December 1624

Sick in body. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator & maker, & to Jesus Christ, merciful & only saviour & redeemer, hoping to be saved by faith in his name, & to the Holy Ghost, sanctifier & preserver. To poor of East Bergholt, £5 in 1 year.

To brother Robert Day's 4 children, viz. Margaret, Robert, Ann & Richard Day, £3 each when 21. To brother Richard Day's 4 children, viz. Ellen, Richard, Mary & John, £4 each when 21. To sister Ellen Cage, wife of John Cage, £20 in 2 years. To sister Edwards' children viz. Richard, Mary, John, Anne, Margaret, Francis & the child she is now withal, £4 each when 21; if any child die before 21, then benefit of survivorship to apply. To sister Edwards, widow, £5 in 1 year. To sister Bendish's 2 children viz. Mary & John, £5 each when they be 21; if either die, then survivor to inherit. To brother in law John Bendish, £5 in 3 years. To sister Margaret, wife of John Bendish, £20 in 3 years & a gown that was testator's mother's, 5 casting sheets, casting kerchief, half linen & household stuff in testator's house called the Maiers, that used to be testator's mother's, except 2 pans in the backhouse & such like things as are nailed fast & ground fast in the house. Other half of linen & household stuff to go to sister Elizabeth Cole. To sister Elizabeth Cole, £10 in 4 years. To sister Edith Clerk, wife of Solomon Clerk, 40s. in 3 years. To brother in law Richard Barker, £5 in 4 years, if he be then living. To William Fenn of Holton, 40s. in 4 years, if he be living. To Francis Bretten, son of Thomas Bretten, 40s. in 4 years, if he be living. To sister Edwards' maid Edith Seriant, 10s. To brother Francis Cole, £5. To brother Robert Cole, house & messuage called the Maiers, with all barns, stables, edifices & buildings belonging, with all yards, gardens & orchards thereto appertaining, in East Bergholt, occupied by Benjamin Catleyne & Thomas Deane, to him & his heirs male. If Robert die without heir male, lands to go to his brother Francis Cole & his heirs male, & if he have none, then lands to go to sister Edwards, widow, & sister Margaret, wife of John Bendish, & to sister Elizabeth Cole & to their heirs. Brother Robert shall not have lands & rents & profits from the same, till he be 30, & also on condition that in the meantime, he shall be apprentice for 7 years, or less as exor think meet & fitting, so he may learn & be brought up in the knowledge of some trade or calling. If Robert shall wilfully & stubbornly refuse to serve as apprentice & to learn some trade, contrary to this will & well liking of exor, then although he be 30, yet the benefit & profits from lands shall be to the exor, to be equally divided between 3 sisters Mary, Margaret & Elizabeth for term of Robert's life, excepting out of the same rents enough to repair houses & to discharge the lord's rent. All other goods, debts, plate, money, household stuff unbequeathed, & all profits from lands till Robert be 30, to go to exor, to maintain & keep houses in good repair, pay funeral & other charges of this will, debts & legacies. Brother Francis Cole to be exor; brother Richard Day to be supervisor. If any legacy shall grow due before debts & fines be paid & houses repaired, then legatee shall forbear until legacy can be raised by the rents arising from lands. Exor to enter into bond of £300 to supervisor, if the same shall be demanded, in 1 year, to pay legacies & perform will. Overplus of rents, till brother Robert be 30, to be used to make him a stock whereby he may use & follow his trade, if so be he has yielded himself to be an apprentice to learn some trade or calling to the well liking of exor.

Wit. John Hayward. William Maxey. Robert Chamberlyn. John Phillips.

Copy of will examined by Matthew Scott & George Catchpoole, not. pub.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 16 November 1625.

- 211 R(W) ELIZABETH CREASYE of Framsdon, widow. (N) About the start of September 1625

At the start of her sickness of which she died. To son James Creasie, down bed with the furniture & all things belonging, 2 pair best & finest sheets, doz. napkins & 2 silver spoons which he did buy. To daughter Catchpole, 4 pair sheets. Rest of goods to be equally divided between sons Lionel, James & John & daughter Anne Creasey.

Wit. Tobias Whitacre, doctor of physic. James Withe, snr. Mary, wife of Robert Withe.

Let. Ad. granted to James Creasey. 14 January 1625/26

- 212 R(W) EDWARD DAWES of Brantham, yeo. (N) 21 December 1625

To mother Agnes Mason, chest which belonged to testator's father, which did stand where testator did lie, with all the money & goods in the same & 1 black mourning cloak. Rest of goods & chattels whatsoever & wheresoever, to go to brother Robert Dawes; also to him, house at Naughton with appurtenances to the same belonging, on condition said Robert pays to mother Agnes, 40s. a year for life.

Wit. Mary Offord. Elizabeth Hovell & others of the servants of Mr John Winkefield, esq., of Brantham.

Let. Ad. granted to Robert Dawes. 20 January 1625/26

- 213 R(W) WILLIAM DRAPER of Brantham. (X) 28 January 1625/26

Very sick in body. Soul to God, maker, & to Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer. To wife Frances, house & lands in Brantham in Catteway Street, called the Swan, with gardens, yards & orchards belonging, till son William be 25, keeping the same in good repair & paying out of the same £3 to sister Susan's 2 children, according to testator's mother's will. To daughter Joan Draper, £40 when 21. Son to come to house & lands when 25. If either child die before the ages abovesaid, then benefit of survivorship to apply. Wife Frances to be extrix; she to have all goods & money whatever to see children brought up & paying debts & legacies.

Wit. Robert Wyllis. John Burrowe. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 23 February 1625/26.

- 214 R(W) THOMAS FLOWERDEW of Blundeston, yeo. 29 November 1624

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & redeemer. To son Thomas Flowerdew, £10 in 1 year & £10 in 2 years. To godson Thomas Smyth, son of William Smyth & Elizabeth his wife testator's daughter, 30s. when 15, if he live, but if he die then this payment to cease & to remain with exor. To grandchild John Smyth, son of the said William & Elizabeth, 10s. when 15, if he live, but if he die payment to cease & to remain with exor. Rest of goods, chattels, credits, debts, household implements & stuff to go to son John Flowerdew; he to be exor.

Wit. William Underwood. William Rookinges. John Sporle. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 18 February 1625/26.

215 R(W) ROBERT GARWOOD of Blundeston, fisherman. (X)
3 October 1624

To wife Alice presently, all goods, chattels & debts whatever due, except she shall have but half nets, boats & trunks whatever; the other half to go to son Edmond Garwood for as long as Alice lives. On her death, said Edmond to have all nets, boats & trunks.

Wit. William Underwood. John Sporle. (X) Thomas Newbrigg. (X)

Let. Ad. granted to Alice Garwood at Beccles. 11 February 1625/26.

216 R(W) EDMOND KEMPE of Chediston, yeo. 19 December 1625

Sick in body. Soul to infinite mercy of Almighty God, by whose exceeding mercy & by & through merits, death & passion of blessed Lord & saviour Jesus Christ, trust to be saved. To 2 sisters Christian Smyth, late the wife of Christopher Smyth, deceased, & Elizabeth Bush, wife of Robert Bush, all those lands & tenements in Chediston with all appurtenances belonging; they to hold the same for their lives, or the longer liver of them, & to pay to Mary Davy, now the wife of Robert Davy of Harleston (Nf.), tailor, 20s. a year as an annuity for life. Sisters to pay to Edmond Smyth, eldest sister's son, the like sum of 20s. as annuity for life, & to pay to Anne Smyth, daughter of eldest sister Christian Smith, 20s. a year for her life. On the deaths of the said Christian Smith & Elizabeth Bush, lands & tenements to go to John Kempe, son of uncle Henry Kempe, & his heirs, on condition that he pays to Edmond Smith aforesaid, £20 in 1 year of the deaths of testator's sisters, & to pay to Robert Bush, son of brother in law Robert Bush, £40, namely £20 in 1 & a half years & £20 in 2 years. Further, said John to pay Christian Sego, wife of kinsman Thomas Sego, £20 in 2 years, & to pay to Anne Smyth, daughter of Christian Smith, £20 in 2 years, & to pay to Thomas Smith of Halesworth, son of the said Christian, £20 in 3 years, & to pay to Margaret Warne, wife of Thomas Warne, £20 in 3 years. Tenant Philip Chrisp, to have for 12 years after testator's death, all those houses & lands now in his occupation, paying yearly for the farm thereof £12 10s. viz. at every half year the sum of £6 5s., if the said Philip Chrispe think it good to occupy the same; he is not to plough nor break up any part thereof, nor fell nor cut down any timber, wood nor bushes, but for necessary fencing stuff. To 4 of the children of the said Philip Chrisp, 20s. each when 21. To 2 of the children of Robert Bush, 20s. each when 21. Rest of movable goods & household stuff whatsoever, to be equally divided between sisters Christian & Elizabeth, immediately. John Kemp & Elizabeth Bush to be exors; they to perform will & pay burial costs. To poor of Chediston, 20s., & of Halesworth, 20s., to be distributed by exors where there be most need.

Note with regard to the insertion of certain words before sealing of the will.

Wit. Robert Artis. Thomas Fella.

Memorandum that sisters Christian Smith & Elizabeth Bush are to have free ingress, egress and regress to all lands now occupied by Philip Chrispe, to repair & take away any wood with horse & cart out of the same, & to take their water at the dyke or dykes, & so to do all other necessary things as they used & had in the lifetime of the testator.

Wit. Robert Artis. Thomas Fella, script.

Pr. granted to exors at Yoxford. 18 January 1625/26.

217 R(W) JOHN KING of Stratford, labourer. (X) 29 May 1625

Sick in body. Soul to hands of God that gave it, hoping Jesus Christ, only saviour, that he for his mercy's sake will receive it. Body to the earth from whence it came, in sure & certain hope that at general resurrection of all flesh that God will join together, both body & soul & receive them to his mercy to reign with him for ever. To son John & his heirs, house in Bergholt called Illeries, where Thomas Laman dwells, with all yards & orchards in the occupation of said Laman. Other house in Bergholt called Illeries, with all thereto belonging, where Lionel Stephens dwells, to go to eldest daughter Elizabeth & her heirs; if she have none, then lands to go to son John & his heirs. To son Humphrey, 2 joint tenements in Stratford, the 1 where son John dwells now & the other where Edward Bragg dwells, with the yard & orchard belonging to them, purchased of John Frost. Son Humphrey to pay out of the lands £10 to testator's daughter Ann, in 5 years, & if he refuse to pay this, then daughter to have these lands to her & her heirs. If he die before the £10 be paid, then son John to have the 2 joint tenements, with appurtenances, paying so much of the £10 to the said Ann as was left unpaid by Humphrey. To daughter Elizabeth, bed in the chamber furnished as it stands. To son John King, bed on the upper chamber as it stands. To son Humphrey, bed on the stairs head as it stands. To daughter Ann, the other bed in the upper chamber as it stands. Rest of goods unbequeathed, except cows, corn on the ground & all the wood in the yard except 2 loads, to go to sons John & Humphrey; son Humphrey to be exor. Memorandum, if son Humphrey dies without issue so as the 2 joint tenements come to son John, then he is to pay to either of daughters £10 each, as was agreed upon by testator before the sealing of this will.

Wit. John Bragg. Thomas Maning. William King. (X) Thomas Clifford. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 23 February 1625/26.

218 R(W) MARY MUDD of Ipswich, widow. (X) 2 January 1625/26

Sick in body. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To son Henry Mudd, £20 in 1 year. To sons Robert & Lionel Mudd, £20 each in 6 months; but if said son Robert dies before his return from the sea to Ipswich, then his £20 to go to his brother Lionel. To daughter Mary, wife of Robert Hockett, shoemaker, £20 in 3 years. To daughter Anne Mudd, £20 in 6 months. To daughter Elizabeth Mudd, £20 in 1 year; if either die before receipt of legacy, then surviving sister to inherit. To son Thomas Mudd, posted bedstead standing in the parlour, part of the house now occupied by said Thomas. To son Robert Mudd, feather bed, flock bed, 2 blankets, feather bolster, 2 feather pillows, pair sheets & coverlet. To son Lionel Mudd, feather bed, flock bed, 2 blankets, feather bolster, 2 feather pillows, pair sheets & coverlet. To daughter Anne, feather bed, flock bed, 2 blankets, feather bolster, 2 feather pillows, pair sheets & coverlet. To daughter Elizabeth, feather bed & flock bed, 2 blankets, feather bolster, 2 feather pillows, pair sheets & coverlet. To daughter Ann Mudd, set work chest. To son Robert Mudd, dansk chest. To son Lionel Mudd, dansk chest. All gifts & legacies to be paid by son Lionel & daughter Anne; they to be exors. Exors to have rest of goods, chattels, ready money, debts, jewels & plate whatever unbequeathed.

Wit. Robert Clark. John Dade.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 23 February 1625/26

219 R(W) EDWARD PINBOROWE of Helmingham, yeo. 3 February 1625/26

Sick of body. Soul to hands of Almighty God, hoping assuredly through faith in merits & mercies of Christ Jesus, saviour, to have free remission of sins. Body to be buried, believing will receive the same again, a glorious body amongst the just in the general resurrection of the last day. To each of sons, viz. Thomas & James, £60 each when 21, & to each of daughters, £40 when 21, to be paid out of chattels hereafter appointed in this will. Wife Mary to have the use of all lands & grounds which testator is partner in jointly with Lionel Wyeth of Helmingham, of Sir Lionel Tallemach, knight & baronet, till fortnight after Hallomass next after this will, & also in like manner, the profits from all corn, cattle, grass & other commodities out of the said lands, jointly held, till the time aforesaid, to said Mary; wife to pay the rent to Sir Lionel Tallemach, as testator should have done. From & after the fortnight after Hollowmass, wife to leave & yield up corn & other goods to exors, together with a true account of all profits raised, having deducted the rent due to Sir Lionel. Partner Lionel Wyeth to deal equally & indifferently with wife in the partition & occupation of lands, goods & chattels, as he would have done with testator. If any of the cattle held in partnership shall casually die, or perish before the said account be rendered, then wife shall not stand chargeable therefor. After the receipt of goods, chattels, corn & cattle by exors from wife, or the just value of the same as they shall be prised, then exors, or 1 of them, shall have & retain the same, or the value thereof, in their custody till such time as is hereafter limited, & then to pay the same as testator shall appoint, namely to each of testator's children Thomas, James, Elizabeth, Susan, Alice, Katherine & Mary, an equal part, when they be 21, at Helmingham church porch, towards the payment of legacies given to said children in will. If either son Thomas or James dies before 21, then surviving son to inherit both portions; if both these sons die, then their legacies to go to son Edward, if he be then living, at such time when the said Thomas & James should have received the same. If any daughter dies before 21, then her share to be equally divided between surviving 4 sisters; if all daughters die before 21, then their portions to be equally divided between surviving sons, at such times as the said daughters should have received their portions. If all sons die before they receive their legacies, then so much as is unpaid, to go instead to as many daughters as are then living, at such times as they are to receive their other legacies herein given. If daughter Katherine dies before receipt of her gift, then that legacy to remain to wife Mary. Household stuff shall be equally divided between children, or so many as shall live, at such time as they are to receive their other legacies. After exors have received said goods, or the value of them as they shall be prised, viz. the fortnight after Hollowmass next, exors then shall yearly pay to wife Mary, towards the education & bringing up of such children as shall be in her custody, which shall be for as long a time as she shall have use & occupation of goods in her keeping, according to this will, the sum of 12d. in the pound for the use the goods, & so after this rate, for as long a time as the same shall remain in the care & custody of exors. After exors receive said goods, or the value of them, they shall in 2 weeks next after, pay to wife Mary to her use £20, at the place aforesaid. To wife Mary, all such household stuff whatever as testator had with her, on marriage. To son Edward, freehold lands & tenements in Helmingham, late bought of Edmond

Gibbon, when 21; in the meantime, wife, or exors if she be dead, to have the profits therefrom arising & shall yearly make an account of the same, to Edward, towards his maintenance, which testator entreats those whom it shall concern to do, as there is no bond to make them do so. Edward to help wife the best he may about the farming of those grounds in her possession, till he be 21, except he depart before, with her consent. Wife to have use of all goods, chattels, household stuff, corn & cattle, which testator has belonging to those grounds, which are held alone of the said Sir Lionel Tallemach, till the time when lease of those lands be ended; at the end of the lease, then stock to be sold by exors, & the money thus coming to go to exors, for them to pay children their legacies at such time as mentioned in this will. When exors have received this money, they to allow for the use thereof 12d. in the pound as aforesaid, towards the education of children as shall have need of maintenance towards their bringing up. If any overplus then remain, exors to equally divide the same between children at such times as they are to receive their legacies before given. Exors, presently, to sell so many cattle as they shall think needful, towards the stocking of those grounds which testator holds jointly of Sir Lionel Tallemach. Exors to have all such money as is due to testator, to pay legacies. If there be any overplus of all the foresaid money, goods & chattels given to pay legacies, then the overplus, once legacies be paid, to be equally divided between those children as shall be living, at such time when they should receive such legacies. Wife Mary to have so much household stuff, goods & chattels as shall stock the farm where testator now dwells, towards the upbringing of children, as it shall be needful to have the same in such manner as testator has appointed by this will, as children shall attain their several ages, to be paid to them as is before expressed. If wife Mary remarries, or dies before children be paid their legacies, or if she shall waste or impair those goods & chattels which by virtue of this will are in her possession, so as exors shall stand in doubt that the foresaid legacies given to children may be hindered or not truly paid, after such, exors to take into their custody as much goods & chattels whatever, as shall then remain & be in her custody, except her own legacy of £20 & the portion of daughter Katherine if she be dead, & the household stuff given to wife, to pay legacies to children, & then to keep such of children as shall be unpaid, allowing towards the keeping of them 12d. in the pound yearly for so much money as shall so remain in their hands, & so after that rate for a more or less sum or a more or less time whatsoever that the same shall so remain in their possession, & when time shall be to pay them their several legacies. If, before marriage, he whom wife intends to marry, shall in 1 month lay in sufficient bond to the liking of exors, for the true delivery of goods & chattels, or their true value, towards the satisfying of gifts at such time as the same shall be due, then goods shall continue in the possession of wife & him whom she shall marry, towards the bringing up of children as shall continue with them, to be delivered to exors, or the value thereof, to pay legacies as before specified. Wife to render yearly to son Edward, towards his maintenance, a true account of half the profits that shall arise of those lands in her occupation, till Edward be 21, the farm thereof & the education of children having been deducted. Stephen Downing & Robert Allen of Helmingham to be exors. They shall pay to so many householders of the poor of Helmingham, as they shall think fitting, 12d. a household, in 2 weeks; & to so many poor people as shall be at burial & will receive the same, 3 half penny doles.

To Alexander Girling of Helmingham & his wife Helen & his son Thomas, 10s. each, immediately. To servants Anne Wyeth & Francis Cheney, 5s. each, immediately.

Wit. Bayliff Atherton, script. Thomas Neve. (X) Alexander Girling.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 24 February 1625/26

220 R(W) SAMUEL RICCARD of Ilketshall St Andrew, yeo. 3 October 1624

Sick in body. Soul to hands of Almighty God, trusting & believing, by & through merits, death & passion of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, to have remission of sins & everlasting life. To son James Riccard & his heirs, house where testator dwells, called Pitman, with all houses, buildings, yards & orchards therto belonging, being $3\frac{1}{2}$ acres, but wife Anne to have use & occupation of house & lands for as long as she thinks fit, paying therefore to the said James £4 a year, for as long as she shall dwell there & in the meantime son James is not to intermeddle with the same. To son James, £20 viz. £10 in 1 year & £10 in 2 years. To son Samuel Riccard, house with all lands, being free & copyhold, in South Elmham St Nicholas, occupied by one Carter; also pigthle called Ladyes pigthle in South Elmham St James, to him & his heirs when he be 24; when he be 24 he to have the same, paying out of these lands to testator's wife Anne, for her life, 40s. a year, paid by equal portions of 20s. at the 2 usual feasts of Lady day & Michaelmas, 1st payment being made on the first feast after Samuel be 24. To son William Riccard, house & tenement with appurtenances, being free & copyhold, to the same belonging, in South Elmham St Nicholas, now occupied by one Ward; also piece of land in South Elmham All Saints, lying between lands belonging to Rumburgh abbey on the west, when 24. When he enters same lands, William to pay to the said Anne, for her life, out of these lands, 40s. a year, to be paid by equal portions of 20s. at the 2 usual feasts of Lady day & Michaelmas, 1st payment being made on the 1st feast day after William be 24. If either son William or son Samuel die before reaching 24, then surviving son to inherit his brother's portion, when 24. Then whichever of these 2 sons inherits, shall pay out of these lands, to testator's other children, then living, £5 in 1 year after he takes possession of these lands, & further he is to pay to the said Anne, the said annuity of 40s. as above specified, which his brother, so dying, should have paid. If both these sons die before 24, then lands given to son Samuel to go instead to son Peter when he be 24, & those lands given to son William to go instead to son John when he be 24; then sons Peter & John shall pay those sums abovesaid to wife Anne & to the rest of testator's children, then living, as said Samuel & William should have done, had they lived. If said Samuel or William, or any other to whom these lands shall descend by virtue of this will, default in payment of any sums bequeathed to wife Anne or any other children, then power to whoever suffers default, to enter lands before devised to Samuel & William, & quietly & peaceably to enjoy them till they be satisfied for default, any arrears of payment & any other charges they shall be necessarily driven to lay out & expend, to recover their money. To sons Peter & John, £40 each when 24. To daughters Anne & Elizabeth, £40 each when 21. Wife Anne shall, when these 4 children reach their appointed ages, or sooner if she think it good if these children be dutiful & obedient to her & that her estate at that time will bear the same, shall give each child £10 over &

above the portions already given them. If any of these 4 children die before receipt of their legacy, then that portion to be equally divided between surviving children, at such time as the same should have been paid to whomsoever dies. To son Timothy, house or tenement in Ilketshall St Andrew & certain copyhold lands thereto belonging, called Skeetes grove, being 4 acres, when he be 24. If he die before he be 24, then said lands to go to son Samuel when he be 24, if he be not then of that age, & then Samuel to pay to each of his brothers & sisters, then living, 40s. each in 1 year after he shall possess the said lands. To wife Anne, all lands, tenements & hereditaments, being free & copyhold, aforegiven to sons Samuel, William & Timothy with the profits therefrom, from the time of testator's death, until such time as sons be 24; she to keep houses in good & sufficient repair, nor is she to commit any waste nor strip thereon. To poor families of Ilketshall St Andrews, 12d each. Rest of goods, chattels, household stuff & debts whatsoever to go to wife Anne; she to be extrix, & if she remarries, then before such marriage, she shall with 1 sufficient surety, enter into bond of £200 to 2 eldest sons James & Samuel, to perform will & pay legacies as she is due to. Friend Edward Trott of Beccles to be supervisor; he to receive 40s. for his pains. Wit. Edward Trott. Nicholas Pulham.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 4 February 1625/26.

221 R(W) MARY ROOKE of Badingham, widow. (X) 10 February 1625/26

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, relying wholly on his mercy in Jesus Christ for salvation. To son Thomas, posted bedstead in the parlour as it now stands, with feather bed & bolster, 2 pillows, coverlet, 3 blankets with mat & bed line & hangings about the same, pair pillow beres, good pair sheets, cupboard in the hall, bible, little brass pot & great kettle, in 10 days. To grandchild Martha Rooke, pair good sheets when 21. Exor shall, the next spring after testator's death, wean & bring up a cow calf, to the use of the said Martha. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed to go to son Reginald Rooke; he to be exor.

Wit. Edward Moulton. John Leverich. Robert Rooke.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 21 February 1625/26.

222 R(W) ROSE SALLOWES of Earl Soham, widow. (X)

14 February 1625/26

Soul to hands of God, redeemer, by whose mercies hope to be saved. To poor of Earl Soham, 5s. in 2 weeks. To eldest daughter Rose Sallowes, 4 cows which testator has received & brought up since the death of husband; also to her, feather bed, bolster, 2 pillows & 1 blanket received by testator on the death of husband, 4 other cows which are the oldest, & all other household goods late testator's husband's, to be equally divided between daughters Rose & Margaret, now the wife of John James in Southwold. To daughter Rose, corn growing on the ground, all cheese & butter; daughter Rose to pay the rent of the farm. All apparel to be equally divided between daughters Rose & Margaret. To daughter Rose, 3 pair hemp sheets, newly made; she to be extrix. Randal Wyard of Earl Soham to be supervisor.

Wit. Thomas Fawlkes. Rose Facebroune. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 22 February 1625/26.

223 R(W) THOMASINE SPINEY of Great Bealings, spinster.
25 November 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, hoping assuredly through merits of Jesus Christ, his son, only saviour, to inherit eternal life. To Henry Spiney of Witenesham, bill wherein Francis Smyth late of Ipswich, is bound to testator in £20 to pay £10 13s., & all money due by this bill, to be delivered to said Henry in 3 months. Exor is not to be troubled or in any way molested for the suing of the said bill, or recovery of the money, but the same to be at the only costs & charges of the said Henry. To Henry, son of the said Henry Spiney, £4 when he be 21. To Mary, daughter of the said Henry Spiney, £5 when 21. To Lawrence Spiney, son of Lawrence Spiney of Great Bealings, bladesmith, £4 when 21. To Mary, daughter of said Lawrence Spiney, £5 when 21. Rest of goods whatsoever to go to said Lawrence Spiney, bladesmith; he to be exor.

Wit. William Manning. Thomas Cracknell. John Barrett.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 23 February 1625/26.

224 R(W) FRANCIS SYMONDS of Woolverstone. 4 February 1625/26

Sick of body. Soul to hands of Almighty God, trusting to be saved by the only merits of Jesus Christ. To Sara Stegoll, little kettle. To Priscilla Stegoll, 2nd hat & a posnet. To Katherine Toulson, piece of pewter & 1s. To John Lord, Mr Dalton's man, gown, chest, stool, sheets, a maund & a cupboard. To Ann Bishopp, blue petticoat, linsey wolsey apron. To Richard Symonds of Ipswich St Clement, 3 pieces pewter, pewter beaker, salt, little pewter bottle, table, roast iron, fire pan, trammel & chest. To Richard Symond's wife, red petticoat, best waistcoat, green say apron & rest of wearing linen. To Joan Symonds, servant to the widow Sewell, bed as it stands with the worst coverlet. To Margaret Brandiston, rug petticoat & linsey wolsey apron. To Susan Peirse, best coverlet. To the wife of Richard Evered, wheel, reel, cards, chair & bowl. To Widow Deex, 2 worst petticoats & 2 worst waistcoats. Timothy Dalton, clerk, to be exor.

Wit. Richard Evered. John Lord. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 23 February 1625/26.

225 R(W) JOHN VINYARD of Gorleston. 1 January 1625/26

Sick in body. Soul to Almighty God, maker, & to Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer; to be buried in Gorleston churchyard. To 2 daughters Ruth & Mary Vinyard, all movables whatsoever, to pay debts & burial costs; they to take all debts, bills, bonds, notes in writing or any other contracts to the uses aforesaid; they to be extrices, proving this will & paying debts. Overplus then remaining, to be equally divided between 5 daughters, namely, Susan the wife of John Yongeman, Elizabeth the wife of William Woods, Ruth, Frances & Mary Vinyard. To grandchild William Woods, 5s. when 21. To grandchildren Thomas & Francis Youngeman, 5s. each when 21.

Wit. Henry Girling. Henry Lawrence.

Let. Ad. granted, following the renunciation of Ruth & Mary Vinyard on 10 February 1625/26, to Edward Pollard at Beccles. 11 February 1625/26.

226 R(W) THOMAS BETTS of Bucklesham, yeo. (X) 6 February 1625/26

Sick of body. Soul to hands of blessed Trinity. To sons Thomas, Benjamin & Nicholas Betts, £5 each in 6 weeks, towards the binding forth of sons as apprentices to a trade in which they shall have masters provided to bring them up in, & in meantime wife to bring them up. To daughters Anne & Faith Betts, £5 each in 1 year. To daughters Elizabeth & Joan, £5 each & to sons John & Jeremy, £5 each; which sums to be paid to daughters when they be 21 & in the meantime extrix to bring them up, & to be paid to sons when they be 21 & in the meantime extrix to bring them up. If wife be with child at time of testator's death, then that child, whether male or female, to have £5 when 21, & wife to bring it up until then. Rest of goods & chattels, debts & legacies having been paid, to go to wife Anna; she to be extrix, & in 2 months, she to enter into bond of £100 with Thomas Armond of Bucklesham, yeo., to perform will, pay debts & probate costs. James Armond of Bucklesham, clerk, & Thomas Armond his son, to be supervisors; they to make peace & quietness between wife & children, & to see that each has their own portion; they to have 5s. for their pains.

Wit. Thomas Cocke. James Armond, clerk. John Gibson. (X) Nicholas Rose. (X) Further, wife shall apparel 3 eldest sons with double apparel when they are bound apprentice.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 16 March 1625/26.

227 R(W) WILLIAM CLARKE of Wherstead. (X) 22 January 1625/26

Sick in body. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & merciful redeemer. To brother George, £8, half of which is to be paid at the feast of St John the Baptist next following, & half at the feast of the Nativity of our lord next following. To brother Heyward, £3 to be paid at the feast of our lord's nativity next following. To brother John £8, half of which to be paid at the feast of St John the Baptist, & half at the feast of our lord's nativity next following. To brother James, £8 to be paid at the 2 feasts abovesaid. To sister Anne Lewis, £4 to be paid at next Christmas. To sister Elizabeth, £4 paid at Christmas. To Samuel Samwaye of Wherstead, the elder, 20s. House & lands in Raydon shall be sold with as much speed as possible, by master Thomas Jennings, to pay debts & legacies. If exor shall not get in all debts due, so that those debts which shall not be recovered shall prove nought, then every one who is to receive legacy shall have their part abated in proportion by exor. Thomas Jennings to be exor.

Wit. Samuel Samwaye. Nicholas Dwile. (X) Edward Wright. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 16 March 1625/26.

228 R(W) ROBERT CURTAYNE of Nacton, husb. (X) 17 January 1624/25

Sickly. Soul to hands of eternal God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer. To be buried Nacton churchyard. With all convenient speed, after

testator's death, goods, household stuff & implements to be inventoried & prised, & the moiety thereof to go to Thomas Rouse, son of Henry Rouse of Nacton, when he be 21; other moiety to go to John Curtayne, son of brother John Curtayne, when 21. If either die before 21, then survivor to inherit both shares. William Leminge of Chelmondiston, clerk, & William Leming his son to be exors; they to pay to the poor of Nacton, 20s. in 1 month. Whatever charges exors be at, with regard to probate of will & burial, shall be allowed to them. Any thing then remaining to be equally divided between the foresaid Thomas Rouse & John Curtayne, when 21.

Wit. Margaret Mynett. (X) John Brownesmith. Henry Mynett. (X)
Pr. granted to William Leming at Ipswich. 16 March 1625/26.

229 R(W) WILLIAM FULLER of Ubbeston. (X) 22 October 1625

Soul to hands of God, maker, hoping assuredly through only merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to be partaker of life everlasting. To be buried Ubbeston churchyard. To wife Mary, all goods & chattels, household implements & stuff, money, bonds, bills & other debts due; she to be extrix.

Wit. John Ellys. John Newton.

Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 14 March 1625/26.

230 R(W) WILLIAM HALL of Stratford. 20 February 1624/25

To sons William & John, 40s. each, & if William come not again, the sum to be paid to his child when 21, & if that child die before 21, then said sum to go to testator's daughter Ann. If son John come not again in 7 years, then that sum to be paid to testator's son Joseph. To 3 children James, Joseph & Susan 40s. each & 4 silver spoons each; sons to be paid when they be 24 & daughter when she be 21. If there be not enough left to pay each one their portion, then it is to be deducted out of all the portions equally. Overplus of all goods to be equally divided between them all. Thomas Collin to be exor.

Wit. Robert Baines. Edward Bragg. Robert Hall.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 16 March 1625/26.

231 R(W) RICHARD LEWES of Ipswich, merchant. 14 October 1625

Aged in body. Soul to hands of Almighty God that gave it, being assuredly persuaded of free pardon & forgiveness of all sins, by death & merits of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer. To daughter Ann, wife of Isaac Basill, clerk, £40. To daughter Mary Lewes, £80. To sons Thomas, Richard & Edmond Lewes, £40 each, with the said sums being paid in 6 months; with regard to Edmond's legacy, this sum is to go in 6 months, to son in law William Crowford of Ipswich, mariner, if he be living & if not then to his wife Rebecca, testator's daughter; he, or she, giving an acquittance of the same to exors to discharge them; & then he, or she, to keep said sum in his, or her, hands & to give the same to Edmond as he shall have need & as the said William or Rebecca think fitting & not otherwise, & when they think fitting then they shall give Edmond the principal. If any child die, unmarried, before receipt of legacy, then that portion of him so dying, to go

to surviving sons. Son in law William Crowford or his wife, shall yearly pay to Luke Fisher of Ipswich, ropemaker, with whom testator has bound son Edmond apprentice, 20s. according to the covenant. To Isaac Basill & John Carnaby of Ipswich, mariner, £3 each. For as much as legacies given to children are in money abroad, lent out on bonds to different people, if any debt prove to be desperate & unrecoverable, & exors cannot get the same & therefore cannot pay said legacies, then that loss shall thereupon be borne proportionately by each of the children, to whom exors are to pay legacies, according to the quantity of their gift, so that the greater the gift the greater their part of the loss. If more debts shall be coming, than will pay legacies & funeral costs, then surplus to be equally divided between sons. All apparel to go to son in law William Crowford & wife Rebecca, for them to give to testator's children, on whom they shall please to give the same. Household stuff whatever, which testator possessed at the time of death, to go to daughter Anne, wife of Isaac Basill. Isaac Basill & John Carnaby to be exors. Wit. Isaac Daye. Thomas Laster, script.
Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 16 March 1625/26.

232 R(W) WILLIAM NEWMAN of Higham, clothier 1 November 1624

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, to Jesus Christ, redeemer, & to Holy Ghost, who sanctifies all the elect people of God. To wife Joan, house where testator dwells, with orchards, gardens, lands, meadows & all thereto belonging, for life; all household stuff in said house, all linen & woollen, all wood in the yard & 4 cows – she to choose those which she likes best, & all butter & cheese; all the corn in the barns & in the house, & all corn that shall be growing on the ground, all hay & straw that shall be in the barns & on the grounds; all hogs & poultry. She to have annuity of £3 score in 3 years, paid by exor at the rate of £5 a quarter till all be paid; wife to give acquittance. To grandchild Mary Newman, £40 when 21. To grandchild Joan Newman, £40 when 21; if either child die before 21, then daughter in law Mary Newman to have £10, surviving grandchild to have £10 & exor to have £20. To kinsman William Sharpe, 40s. when 24; if he die before 24, the 40s. to go to exor. To poor of Higham, 20s. at burial. To son John, on death of the said Joan, all houses, edifices, buildings, lands, meadows, orchards, gardens & appurtenances, in Higham; also all wool, yarn, cloths, loom with all tackle, debts & specialities & all unbequeathed goods; son John to be exor.

Wit. John Havers. John Barwicke.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 16 March 1625/26.

233 R(W) ALICE PODD of Shotley, widow. (X) 15 December 1625

Sick & weak. Soul to Almighty God, creator & maker, to Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, & to Holy Ghost, sanctifier & preserver. To son John Podd, £20. To son Isaac Podd, £35. To daughter Thomasine, wife of Francis Baldro, £35. To daughter Ann Andrews, widow, £35. Exors to pay the said sums in 6 months. The £100 sum due to be paid by son John next Michaelmas, to be used to pay said legatees, according to their several portions before given, in 5 weeks next after the same be due from the said John. Whereas certain sums of money & amounts

of corn are now in the hands of son John Podd, if he will not deliver the same to exor, all his gifts to be void, & then to be divided equally between other legatees. If John pays the same, then remainder & overplus of the rest of the goods, to be equally divided between the 4 above mentioned legatees. To grandchild & godchild Mary Podd, 5s. To grandchild Stephen, son of Isaac Podd, 5s. To grandchild & godchild Mary Baldro, 5s. To grandchild Anne Andrews, 5s.; all these sums to be paid immediately. Nicholas Gladden, snr, of East Bergholt & son Isaac Podd to be exors.

Wit. William Rifum. (X) Thomas Lodge. (X) John Phillipps. (X)

Pr. granted to Nicholas Gladden at Ipswich. 16 March 1625/26.

234 R(W) HENRY SMYTH of Brandeston. 3 February 1625/26

Sick. Soul to hands of God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, redeemer. All movable goods whatsoever to wife. On her death, same to go to children of Bartholomew Bloss then living, part & part alike. Wife Joan to be extrix.

Wit. Samuel Lever. Thomas Roblett. Robert Wyls. John Rand.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 16 March 1625/26.

235 R(W) THOMAS WILKINSON of Clopton. (N) 2 February 1625/26

To wife Anne, all goods whatsoever, to pay debts & bring up children.

Wit. Robert Stebbing. Richard Biles.

Pr. granted to Anne Wilkinson at Wickham Market. 15 March 1625/26.

236 R(W) ROBERT BRUNAGG of Tattingstone, gent. n.d.

Weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God; to be buried at Tattingstone. Land which wife Elizabeth has as estate & jointure, to be equally divided between 2 daughters Elizabeth & Anna. Rest of lands bought of Mr Bland & Henry Shelly, now occupied by Ambrose Wood & his son in law & Gregory Goodwyn, to be sold by exors, to pay debts; the remainder thereof to be equally divided between said 2 daughters. To mother Joan, 4 score acres of wood, late bought of the said Mr Bland & Henry Shelley, now in testator's occupation. To wife Elizabeth, 10 acres bought of the same parties. Perpetual patronage & donation of the rectory or parsonage of Tattingstone to go to Mr Robert Snelling of Ipswich, gent. To wife Elizabeth, all goods & chattels whatever, both within & without the house. House in St Peter's Ipswich, where father now dwells, on his death, together with St Augustine's green & the tenement thereto belonging, to go to mother Joan, for life & on her death, same to be equally divided between daughters Elizabeth & Anna. Robert Snelling of Ipswich & mother Joan, to be exors.

Wit. none.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 25 October 1625.

237 R(W) WILLIAM BLOBOLD of Mendham. 10 October 1625

Soul to mercy of Almighty God, trusting & assuredly believing, that by & through merits, death & passion of son Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, that the

same shall be saved & shall enjoy & be a partaker of those unspeakable joys prepared for his elect, in his glorious kingdom of heaven. To poor of Mendham, £5 10s. paid by exors viz. 30s. immediately, 30s. in 1 year next following, 20s. in 1 year next thereafter & so at the rate of 20s. each year, till all be paid. To poor of Metfield, 40s. viz. 20s. at once, & 20s. in 1 year after. To poor of Fressingfield & Weybread, 20s. each at once; to poor of Sandcroft & Homersfield, 10s. each. To poor of Harleston, Redenhall & Wortwell (Nf.), 30s. to be distributed at once. To daughter Ann Francklyn & heirs, close in Metfield, called Kingshall close, being 25 acres, lying between lands of Thomas Aldous & the testator on the west, lands of Metfield Jermye called Bunting on the east, 1 head abuts on the Tunnere dividing Elmham & Metfield on the north, & the other head abuts on the tenement late Grene's in part & lands of the testator on the south. Provided that if son Thomas Blobold pays his sister Ann £200, namely in 1 year after next Michaelmas £100, & at the end of 1 year next following, £100, then the gift of Kingshall close to the said Ann shall be void. Whereas testator is indebted to son in law Thomas Godbold, in £37, now exors to pay to him, or to Elizabeth his wife, in 1 year after the Michaelmas next after testator's death, £50, if the said £37 be not paid before testator's death. To Philip Stiles, £20 in 2 years. To Grace Fox, who used to be testator's servant, £10 in 1 year. To grandchildren Elizabeth, Anthony, Henry & Lidia Freston, £10 each when 21. To grandchildren John, William & Ann Francklyn, £10 each when 21. To grandchild William Godbold, £10 when 21. To servant Esau Watlyn, if he remain with testator till his death, 40s. To servant William Burward likewise, 40s. To servants Anne White, Margaret Sharpe, Elizabeth Warner & Susan Chapman, 20s. each, provided they be with testator at the time of his death. To daughter Elizabeth Godbold, 3 pair sheets of the better sort, 1 long table cloth, doz. table napkins of the better sort, except damask or diaper; also new drawing table now standing in the little parlour. To daughter Lidia Freston, 3 pair sheets of the better sort, long table cloth, doz. table napkins of the better sort, except damask & diaper; also new drawing table in the kitchen chamber. To daughter Ann Francklyn, 3 pair sheets of the better sort, long table cloth, doz. table napkins of the better sort, except damask & diaper. Son in law Thomas Godbold & Elizabeth his wife, to have use of house where testator now dwells, & benefit of all lands now in testator's occupation, except lands late James Styles', till Michaelmas after testator's death, they to commit no strip nor waste; likewise they to have all movables & goods to maintain same, till said Michaelmas. Rest of houses, lands & tenements with appurtenances belonging, to go to son Thomas Blobbold & his heirs; if he have none, then lands to be equally divided between said 3 daughters & their heirs. Rest of movables, goods, chattels, plate, jewels, debts & ready money whatever to go to son Thomas Blobbold to pay legacies, debts & to perform will; he to be exor with son in law Thomas Godbold. Son in law John Francklyn to be supervisor; he to have £10. Wit. Anthony Freston. Thomas Godbold. John Franckline. Philip Stiles. Esau Watling. (X)

Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 22 March 1625/26

238 R(W) GEORGE GOOSE of Melton, collar maker. 12 February 1625/26
Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, saviour & redeemer. Body to earth from

whence it came, hoping through promises of Christ Jesus, as the same dies in corruption, so it shall rise again in incorruption & be united to the same soul in joy everlasting in the kingdom of God. To wife Elizabeth, lands in North Glemham for life, for & towards the education & upbringing of children; she to keep house in good repair, & to allow no strip nor waste on lands. On her death, eldest son John Goose, if he outlive his mother Elizabeth, to sell lands, & the money thus arising he is to equally divide between all of testator's children. If John dies before said Elizabeth, then eldest daughter Katherine to sell those said lands in North Glemham, except those lands in Melton which are given to the said Elizabeth & her heirs for ever, & then said Katherine to divide money equally between all children then living. Revenues from lands, after death of wife, to be employed to the education & upbringing of said children. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed to go to wife Elizabeth; she to be extrix. Brother in law George Man of Hasketon & Francis Mayhew of Ipswich to be supervisors.
 Wit. William Pratt. Robert Harrison. Robert Webber.
 Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 16 March 1625/26.

239 R(W) RICHARD GILDERSLEVE the elder of Aldeburgh, sailor.
 5 August 1622

Soul to hands of Almighty God, heavenly father, creator of mankind, & to Jesus Christ, only son, redeemer, & to Holy Ghost, comforter of all the elect people of God. Buried St Peter's churchyard in Aldeburgh. To son Richard Gildersleve, all that half cottage, with lands belonging, in Aldeburgh, for ever & half of fisher called 'Harry', with half anchors & cables, half its furniture, munitions & apparel; also to him, £20 in 1 year. To son Robert Gildersleeve, £20 when 21. To son John Gildersleeve, £20 when 21. If either of these sons dies, then survivor to inherit. If both sons die, then legacies to go to said son Richard. Robert Jemson to have the benefit of the £40 above devised to sons Robert & John, till they be 21; he to pay to wife Elizabeth £3 a year, as it shall come to his hand, for & towards the bringing up of children. To wife Elizabeth, £20 in 1 year. To daughter Mary, wife of Thomas Blomfield, £10 in 1 & a half years. To son Richard Gildersleeve, all wearing apparel. The 2 boats, with oars, to be sold for best profit, & the money thus arising to be used to pay debts. To grandchild Burton Gildersleve, £5 to be paid to the hands of his father Richard, presently. To each grandchild, silver spoon. To wife Elizabeth, pot tipped with silver; one other pot tipped with silver to go to son Richard, & to daughter Mary, pot tipped with silver & gilt, all of which are to be delivered presently. To wife Elizabeth, all movable goods as they now stand in the parlour where testator lies, except the linen. Linen in the parlour & the brass & pewter to be equally divided into 3 parts – 1 part to go to wife Elizabeth, 1 to son Richard & 1 to daughter Mary. Rest of goods & chattels to be divided into 3 parts, & 1 part each to go to the said Elizabeth, Richard & Mary. To Burton Gildersleve, lamb. To sons Robert & John Gildersleve, 4 lambs to be equally divided between them. All firing, whether coal or wood, to be equally divided into 3 parts, & 1 part each to go to the said Elizabeth, Richard & Mary.
 Wit. Robert Foreman. John Blowers. Edward Reynolds.
 Let. Ad. granted, following the renunciation of Elizabeth Gildersleve on 10 October 1625, to Richard Gildersleve at Yoxford. 3 December 1625.

same shall be saved & shall enjoy & be a partaker of those unspeakable joys prepared for his elect, in his glorious kingdom of heaven. To poor of Mendham, £5 10s. paid by exors viz. 30s. immediately, 30s. in 1 year next following, 20s. in 1 year next thereafter & so at the rate of 20s. each year, till all be paid. To poor of Metfield, 40s. viz. 20s. at once, & 20s. in 1 year after. To poor of Fressingfield & Weybread, 20s. each at once; to poor of Sandcroft & Homersfield, 10s. each. To poor of Harleston, Redenhall & Wortwell (Nf.), 30s. to be distributed at once. To daughter Ann Francklyn & heirs, close in Metfield, called Kingshall close, being 25 acres, lying between lands of Thomas Aldous & the testator on the west, lands of Metfield Jermye called Bunting on the east, 1 head abuts on the Tunmere dividing Elmham & Metfield on the north, & the other head abuts on the tenement late Grene's in part & lands of the testator on the south. Provided that if son Thomas Blobold pays his sister Ann £200, namely in 1 year after next Michaelmas £100, & at the end of 1 year next following, £100, then the gift of Kingshall close to the said Ann shall be void. Whereas testator is indebted to son in law Thomas Godbold, in £37, now exors to pay to him, or to Elizabeth his wife, in 1 year after the Michaelmas next after testator's death, £50, if the said £37 be not paid before testator's death. To Philip Stiles, £20 in 2 years. To Grace Fox, who used to be testator's servant, £10 in 1 year. To grandchildren Elizabeth, Anthony, Henry & Lidia Freston, £10 each when 21. To grandchildren John, William & Ann Francklyn, £10 each when 21. To grandchild William Godbold, £10 when 21. To servant Esau Watlyn, if he remain with testator till his death, 40s. To servant William Burward likewise, 40s. To servants Anne White, Margaret Sharpe, Elizabeth Warner & Susan Chapman, 20s. each, provided they be with testator at the time of his death. To daughter Elizabeth Godbold, 3 pair sheets of the better sort, 1 long table cloth, doz. table napkins of the better sort, except damask or diaper; also new drawing table now standing in the little parlour. To daughter Lidia Freston, 3 pair sheets of the better sort, long table cloth, doz. table napkins of the better sort, except damask & diaper; also new drawing table in the kitchen chamber. To daughter Ann Francklyn, 3 pair sheets of the better sort, long table cloth, doz. table napkins of the better sort, except damask & diaper. Son in law Thomas Godbold & Elizabeth his wife, to have use of house where testator now dwells, & benefit of all lands now in testator's occupation, except lands late James Styles', till Michaelmas after testator's death, they to commit no strip nor waste; likewise they to have all movables & goods to maintain same, till said Michaelmas. Rest of houses, lands & tenements with appurtenances belonging, to go to son Thomas Blobbold & his heirs; if he have none, then lands to be equally divided between said 3 daughters & their heirs. Rest of movables, goods, chattels, plate, jewels, debts & ready money whatever to go to son Thomas Blobbold to pay legacies, debts & to perform will; he to be exor with son in law Thomas Godbold. Son in law John Francklyn to be supervisor; he to have £10. Wit. Anthony Freston. Thomas Godbold. John Franckline. Philip Stiles. Esau Watling. (X)

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whence it came, hoping through promises of Christ Jesus, as the same dies in corruption, so it shall rise again in incorruption & be united to the same soul in joy everlasting in the kingdom of God. To wife Elizabeth, lands in North Glemham for life, for & towards the education & upbringing of children; she to keep house in good repair, & to allow no strip nor waste on lands. On her death, eldest son John Goose, if he outlive his mother Elizabeth, to sell lands, & the money thus arising he is to equally divide between all of testator's children. If John dies before said Elizabeth, then eldest daughter Katherine to sell those said lands in North Glemham, except those lands in Melton which are given to the said Elizabeth & her heirs for ever, & then said Katherine to divide money equally between all children then living. Revenues from lands, after death of wife, to be employed to the education & upbringing of said children. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed to go to wife Elizabeth; she to be extrix. Brother in law George Man of Hasketon & Francis Mayhew of Ipswich to be supervisors.
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 Wit. Robert Foreman. John Blowers. Edward Reynolds.
 Let. Ad. granted, following the renunciation of Elizabeth Gildersleve on 10 October 1625, to Richard Gildersleve at Yoxford. 3 December 1625.

240 R(W) BENJAMIN HADNAM of Hemley. (N) 26 February 1625/26

To brother Abraham Hadnam of Falkenham, 2 sheep. Rest of goods whatever, to go to son in law William Shale; he to pay debts, rents & servants wages.

Wit. Henry Upston. Elizabeth Driver.

Let. Ad. granted to William Shale at Ipswich. 16 March 1625/26.

241 R(W) JOHN MEERES of Sotterly, labourer. 20 February 1624/25

To wife Barbara, all goods, chattels, household stuff, debts; she to pay debts & burial costs, & to be extrix.

Wit. Gilbert Corke, clerk of Sotterly. Wiliam Newson, yeo.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 26 November 1625.

242 R(W) THOMAS PAYNE of Hemingstone. (N) 16 February 1625/26

To brothers John & Edmond Payne, £5 each at next Lady day. Other brothers shall have none of goods, nor trouble wife who is to have rest of estate whatever.

Wit. William Payne, testator's brother. Anne Payne, testator's wife.

Let. Ad. granted to Anne Payne. 20 February 1625/26.

243 R(W) ROBERT PEIRSE of South Cove, yeo. (X) 27 February 1625/26

Sick. Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, father, son & Holy Ghost, trusting & believing all sins, iniquities are remitted & freely pardoned & forgiven in, by & through merits of painful passion of lord & saviour Jesus Christ, who is continual mediator to God the father, & by whose means, hope to inherit everlasting life in joy & endless happiness. Body where soul is now enclosed, as from the earth it came so, according to God's decree & at his appointed time, to the earth it shall return again to rest in hope of the resurrection of all the elect. To wife Annis, little house or tenement with hempland adjoining thereto, meadow at the end of the hempland, pightle called Mildonne pightle, piece of marsh called Oldencarre & half rood land in the south field, for life. On her death, tenement, hempland & meadow with all other grounds before specified, to go to 2nd son John Peirse; if he die before 21, lands to go to son Andrew. To wife Annis, posted bed in the hall with all things belonging, brass kettle, brass pot, skillet, 2 small chairs, 2 little tubs, churn, 2 pewter platters, 2 saucers, 3 bowls, chest with all the linen, all hemp, red cow & the keeping of the same upon the lands till next Michaelmas; also annuity of 40s. to be paid by son Robert each year, for life; payment to be made each quarter by equal portions, first payment being made 1 year after testator's death. Wife to bring up son Andrew. To eldest son Robert, house & tenement called Walles, with all unbequeathed lands. To youngest son Andrew, £30 to be paid at the rate of 40s. a year, beginning 1 year after the death of said Annis, paid him by the said Robert; if he make default in said payment, then Andrew to have lands in the north field of South Cove. If Andrew dies before 21, then Robert to pay to son John, £15 at the rate of 40s. a year, starting in 1 year after the death of the said Annis. To son Robert, all movable goods, chattels, cattle & implements unbequeathed; he to be exor & pay all burial costs & debts.

Wit. Josias Pepper. Philip Peirse. (X) William Peirse.
 Note; Philip Peirse to be supervisor.
 Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 18 March 1625/26.

244 R(W) WILLIAM SEGAR of All Saints, South Elmham, single.
 30 August 1625

Sick. Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, trusting by merits & death of saviour Jesus Christ, to have remission of sins. To mother Elizabeth Sagar, £5 at Michaelmas 1626. To sister Frances Buller, wife of Benjamin Buller, £5 in 1 year. To the 4 children of sister Elizabeth Parrys, wife of Edward Parrys, £14 when they be 21; this sum to be put out by exor, during the nonage of the children, & profit thereof arising to be paid to the said Elizabeth each year, during the said time, & godchild Anne Parris to have 40s. more than the others. To sister Mary Buller, wife of Samuel Buller, 40s. in 1 year. To sister Anne Skoulding, wife of John Skoulding, 40s. in 1 year. To brother Richard Segar, £5 when 21. To children of sisters Frances, Mary & Ann, to each of them 3s. 4d. when 21. To brother John Sagar, 40s. in 1 year. To cousin John Seversonne, 20s. in 1 year. Exor to have full power to sell tenement & orchards thereto belonging in Chediston, for the best price. Father John Segar, clerk, to be exor; he to have all movables, goods & chattels.

Wit. James Brame. Thomas Spatchett. (X)
 Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 26 November 1625.

245 R MARGERY WILSON of Reydon, widow. 18 February 1625/26

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, creator, trusting to be saved by death & passion of Jesus Christ, redeemer. To be buried Reydon churchyard. All movable goods whatever (except 1 red heifer which is already given to Mary Watson daughter of Thomas Watson, gardener, with certain other things delivered by hand to Joan George & Francis Sheldrake of Reydon, husb.) to be sold for best price, & the money thus arising, once debts & funeral costs be met, to be equally divided between Margaret Bunnett, wife of Thomas Bunnett of Walberswick, mariner, & Mary Watson. Said Margaret Bunnett & Mary Watson to be extrices.

Wit. Michael Sallowes. Francis Sheldrake. James Coningham.
 Pr. granted to extrices at Yoxford. 14 March 1625/26

246 R(W) JOHN BRAND of Nacton, fisherman. (X) 24 June 1624

Soul to God that gave it, trusting only through the merits of Jesus Christ, redeemer, to be saved. To wife Judith, messuage or tenement with all thereto belonging, gardens, orchards, yards, easements & hereditaments, now in testator's occupation, in Nacton for life, whilst she be a widow, to bring up 3 children, viz. John, James & Margaret Brand, till they be able to shift for themselves. If she remarries lands to go to son John. To wife Judith, all goods & household stuff whatever for life; on her death, same to be equally divided between children John, James & Margaret. If wife remarries, then goods to be equally divided into 4 parts, 1 part to go to wife & the other 3 to be equally divided between said 3 children. To son

John, message or tenement above bequeathed to the said Judith, on her death or marriage. If he dies, without male issue, or shall alienate or sell the same, contrary to this will, then lands to go to son James & his heirs; if he dies without male issue or attempts to sell or alienate said lands, then lands to go to said Margaret. If she dies without issue, or shall attempt to sell or alienate lands, then lands to go to next heir of testator, then living. To son James Brand, £10 in 2 years of death or marriage of the said Judith, whichever happens 1st, to be paid by son John. To daughter Margaret Brand, £5 in 2 years as abovesaid. If son John refuse to pay either of these said legacies, then he to lose his bequest & then son James to have land, & he then to pay legacies. Brother Robert Brand to be exor; he to have 10s. for his pains & all his costs & charges, he paying all debts, probate & funeral costs.

Wit. Andrew Sorrell. George Catchpole, script.

Let. Ad. granted, on the renunciation of the said Robert Brand, to Judith Brand. 17 November 1625.

247 R(W) GEORGE CLARK of Henstead, husb. 20 January 1625/26

Sick & weak. Soul & body to Almighty God. To son Robert Clark, 5s. To son Thomas Clark, 5s. To daughter Prudence, 2s. 6d. To daughter Katherine, 2s. 6d; all of these sums to be paid in 1 year. Rest of goods, chattels, movables, household goods & debts whatever to go to wife Mary; she to be extrix, & to bring up son George & daughter Anne Clark.

Wit. Thomas Utting, clerk. Thomas Clark. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 11 February 1625/26.

248 R(W) THOMAS FOX. n.d.

To daughter, £5 of which £3 is in the house, & the rest to be made up by wife, unto whom is given all hemp, reserving to son William half a remble of femble & furrow. To wife, all hemp seed, reserving to son William 1 bushel. To son William, cloak. To wife, bed on which testator lies. To daughter, bed in the same room, with bedshead & coverlet; sheets, blanket & pillow to be equally divided between wife & daughter. Wife to have the choice of 2 great kettles. To daughter, warming pan, other great kettle, with a brass pot & all books. Rest of goods to be prised; if they amount to a value greater than the value of those things given to wife & daughter, then overplus to be divided between wife & daughter, & then the rest to be equally divided between 2 sons; if value be equal, or under, then 2 sons to divide the whole equally between themselves.

Wit. Henry Rolleison.

Let. Ad. granted to Margaret Fox, daughter of testator, at Wickham Market. 4 April 1625.

249 R ANNE MORSE of Weybread, singlewoman. 26 January 1625/26

Sick. Soul to hands of God, maker, hoping by only merits of Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, to be made partaker of life everlasting. To be buried Weybread churchyard. To brother Edward Morse, £20 in 1 year; if he die before he receive

same, then £20 to remain with mother Ann Morse. To John Thurlby, clerk, 6s. 8d. in 1 month. To poor of Weybread, 10s. at discretion of extrix. Rest of goods whatever unbequeathed to go to mother Ann Morse; she to be extrix.

Wit. James Meene. John Browne.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 31 January 1625/26.

250 R(W) THOMAS POOLE of Carlton Colville. (N) Two weeks before Whitsun feast

Sick in body. Soul to God. To wife Joan, all goods whatsoever.

Wit. William Kempe. The wife of Mr Philip Hayward.

Let. Ad. granted to Joan Poole. 20 September 1625.

Whitsun in 1625 fell on 5 June; testator made his will therefore in May 1625.

251 R THOMAS WILD of Wrentham, husb. 19 December 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & redeemer, trusting through his merits, to be an heir of the kingdom of heaven. To wife Margaret, all movable goods, household stuff, cattle & chattels whatsoever for life, if she be not with child. If she be with child, then that child to have £25 out of the estate given to wife, when 21 or on the death of wife, whichever happens 1st. If child does not survive to 21, then on death of wife Margaret, the £25 to go thus-to wife's sister Annis Chapman £10, to 2 sisters Percy & Faith Wild, £4 each, & to the 5 children of wife's brother Philip Chapman, 20s. each, & to the 2 children of wife's brother Thomas Chapman, 20s. each; all these sums to be paid in 6 months of the death of the said Margaret. If wife be not with child, then the £25 to remain as it is already bequeathed. Wife to be extrix; Henry Chickerine of Wrentham to be supervisor.

Wit. Thomas Slathe. Francis Smyth.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 14 January 1625/26.

252 R JOAN GOOCH of Bungay, widow. (X) 23 March 1624/25

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, creator & saviour, believing that by the death & blood shed of Jesus Christ, only lord & saviour, will have remission of all sins, & to be 1 of the number of them that shall be saved & justified, in the kingdom of heaven. To daughter Temperance Lockwood, 20s. in quarter of a year; white bolster, pillow, pillow bere, sheet, murry coloured petticoat, an old petticoat, 2 old waistcoats, 2 smocks, 2 fustian coifs, 3 squares, neck cloth, best apron, old white apron, hat, salt cellar, iron candlestick, little table, little box, frying pan & mortar. To daughter Margery Mosse, 20s in quarter of year; flock bed, pillow, pillow bere, sheet, new russet petticoat, old petticoat, best waistcoat, 2 linsey wolsey aprons, great coffer, 3 best squares, 2 coifs, neck cloth, 2 neckerchiefs, little table, little pewter platter, best smock, grid iron, fire pan, sieve & pair sheets. Rest of goods, movables & household implements whatever unbequeathed, to go to son John Gooch; he to see to burial, paying legacies & debts & to be exor.

Wit. John Younges. Henry Jaye.

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 14 May 1625.

253 W FRANCES MARSHALL of Beccles, single. 1 August 1625

Soul to Almighty God. Close at Rigborne hill, given to testator by will of father Thomas Marshall, deceased, to be sold by exor, for best price, in 1 year. Whereas testator, under the terms of same will, is to pay to sister Elizabeth £20, when she be 21, said sum is to be paid her by exor, out of the money raised by the foresaid sale, at the same time as testator should have paid the same. Remainder of the money arising from said sale, to go thus - 10s. to mother to buy her a ring; to brother Thomas & sisters Anne, Elizabeth, Mary, Jane & Margaret gold ring each to the value of 10s. each. Rest of the money from sale to be divided, & half to go to brother Thomas & the other half to go to sisters Alice & Elizabeth, to be equally divided between them; Alice to have her share immediately on receipt of money from lands & Elizabeth when she be 21, & in the meantime the money to be put out to her use, by exor, for her best profit & to be paid her, with the capital sum, when she be 21. To mother, waistcoat that testator had begun to work, before sickness. To sister Mary Trott, gold coif & forehead cloth. To sister Alice Marshall, gown newly made up, ruff with a lace called a spangled lace & a coif begun to be made up & also 1 smock. Rest of apparel to go to sister Elizabeth Marshall. Father in law Matthew Trott to be exor. If sister Alice desires a piece of linen, then she to have it. To brother Thomas, 2 handkerchiefs. To father in law Mr Matthew Trott, a ring of gold of the value of 10s. To uncle Edward Trott, [missing]. All rings to be made with a death's head in each. To sister Alice, silver spoon.

Wit. John Dade. Thomas Marshall. Edward Frost.

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 21 September 1625.

WILL REGISTER FOR 1626

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This register measures some 7 in. by 2 in. by 2 in. The volume has parchment covers and is generally in good condition. The corresponding bundle of original wills (reference number IC/AA1/62) also survives in good condition.

254 R(W) DIANE ASKEWE of Beccles, widow. (X) 1 February 1625/26

Sick. Soul to hands of God. To daughter Ann Marven, widow, & to her children, 40s. in 3 months; also to her, great joined chest & sheet. To daughter Diana Askew, £6 to be paid on the 1st Michaelmas next ensuing; also all bed & bedding as it stands (except 1 of the bolsters, which bolster shall be to the use of Alice, wife of John Hatch). Also to daughter Diana, little cupboard table, back chair, mortar, pestle, spreading sheet, pewter platter & looking glass. To son in law John Hatch & Alice his wife, 40s. in 1 year. To the 3 children of the said John Hatch, namely Thomas, Elizabeth & Mary, 40s., thus to Thomas 20s. & to Elizabeth & Mary 10s. each, to be paid towards the binding of them forth as apprentice, by the good discretion of exor, when they be 12 years old. To daughter Alice, the chest next to bedside, joined cupboard & 2 kettles. Rest of goods, once funeral & probate charges be paid, to be equally divided between children Diana & Alice, by exor. Abraham Todd the younger of Beccles, butcher, to be exor.

Wit. Robert Cobbe. Abraham Todd, snr. John Hatch.

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 8 May 1626.

255 R(W) HENRY BOUGHTON of Barking. 7 March 1625/26

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, trusting in the merits & passion of his son Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, to have free remission of all sins. To be buried in churchyard of Barking. To poor of Barking, 10s. & of Ringshall, £3 which sum is to be paid to Mr William Keble, minister of the said town, Mr Anthony Flick & William Sparrow, inhabitants of the same town, to be disposed of at their discretion as they shall think most fit, in half a year; the 10s. given to Barking to be disposed of at the discretion of overseers. To kinsman Thomas Goodwyn of Great Bricett, close called Blampins in Bricett part & part in Ringshall, to him & his heirs, presently, on condition he pays to his brother Walter Goodwyn £10 at 2 several payments, namely £5 in 1 year of testator's death & £5 in 2 years, if the said Walter comes in person to demand the same; likewise Thomas to pay to his sister Alice Goodwyn £5 in 3 years, & to pay Ann Barnes, wife of William Barnes, £5 in 4 years. If Thomas Goodwyn fails in payment of any of sums, then the party or parties, who be not paid, shall enter into said close & hold & possess the same, till they be fully satisfied. To kinsman John Cage & wife Elizabeth, close called Tarr Close in Ringshall, to them during their natural lives, & to the longer liver of them, & then to go to the said John Cage's heirs,

on condition that the said John & Elizabeth pay to testator's sister Alice Boughton for term of her life, the sum of £4 13s. 4d. at 2 several times, namely in half a year of testator's death 46s. 8d. & so to continue every half year during her life; on the death of the said Alice, they to pay to sister's son John King 50s. in 1 year of said Alice's death, & the 2nd year after her death they are to pay to Ann Ives the sum of £3 6s. 8d., & the 3rd year thereafter they to pay 50s. to said John King, & the 4th year thereafter to pay £3 6s. 8d. to Ann Ives, & the 5th year thereafter to pay 40s. to John King, & the 6th year thereafter to pay £3 6s. 8d. to Ann Ives, & the 7th year thereafter to pay 40s. to John King, & the 8th year thereafter to pay 40s. to John King, & the 9th year thereafter to pay 40s. to John King, & the 10th year thereafter to pay 40s. to John King. Provided always, that if the said John Cage, or wife Elizabeth, fail in any payment, then the party or parties being unpaid, to enter into the close before given to John Cage & wife Elizabeth, & hold the same till they be paid in full. Also to the said John & Elizabeth Cage, little meadow late bought of William Blomfield for their lives. To John King of Great Finborough, £30 namely £5 in 1 year. To Julian Stevens, £18 namely £10 in 2 years. To Elizabeth King, £3 in 3 years. To John Colman, son of Abraham Coulman, 33s. 4d in 4 years & 33s. 4d. in 5 years. To Robert Jacob of Willisham, 12s. in 6 years. To Ann Ives, red cow late bought of Goodchild & 26s. 8d. to be paid at Michaelmas next following. To Ann Brock of Darmsden, black cow which had a calf, the 1st of all testator's neat, on Michaelmas next following. To Mirable Ives, £9 in 7 years. To Samuel Coulman, £5 in 7 & half years. To John King, £5 in 8 years, being part of the £30 abovesaid. To Julian Stevens, £8 in 9 years. To Julian Stevens' 4 daughters now living, 40s. each when 21. To Ann Ives, £5 when 21. To Mirable Ives, £7 in 10 years. To John King, £6 13s. 4d. in 11 years, being part of the abovesaid sum. To John King, son of George King, 40s. when 21. To Elizabeth King, £3 in 12 years. To Daniel Coulman, 10s. in 2 years. To John King, £13 6s. 8d. in 13 years, being part of the said £30. To sister Alice Boughton, £10 on Michaelmas next following; also to her, coffer. To Samuel Colman, £5 in 1 year. Sister Alice Boughton, the widow Ives & Ann Ives her daughter, to remain in testator's house & take profits from lands & neat now in testator's occupation, but to take but the half of the corn growing upon the ground till 29 September next after testator's death, except the parlour chamber which Robert Boughton *alias* Crosse, kinsman, shall have during the said time. To widow Ives & her daughter Ann Ives, all household stuff unbequeathed, 1 coverlet only excepted which is given to the wife of Thomas Goodwyn, presently. To Robert Boughton *alias* Crosse, all bills, bonds, debts & demands whatever, & all free lands whatever & wherever, to him & his heirs, presently; he to pay all legacies (the legacies to be paid by Thomas Goodwyn for his lands & which are to be paid by John Cage only excepted). To godson Thomas Coulman, son of widow Colman, 40s. to be paid him on 29 September next following, to be paid out of the 3 swine in the yard, by sister Alice Boughton & the widow Ives. Whereas Thomas Goodwyn has been given the close called Blampins, he is to pay to exor 20s. towards burial costs, over & besides the legacies before given. To Mr William Keble, clerk, £4 in 3 years. To Thomas Kyrry, clerk, 20s. in 3 years. Rest of goods unbequeathed to go to Robert Boughton, son of brother William Boughton; he to be exor. Mr William Keble to be supervisor.

Wit. Simon Collchester. Robert Coulchester. (X) William Sparrowe.
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 21 April 1626.

256 R(W) JOAN BUCK of Shotley, widow. 24 January 1614/15

Weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To son Richard Tomson, bed in the entry chamber as it stands with all furniture thereto now used, & a dansk chest standing by it, little coffer in the parlour, pair fine sheets, pillow bere, yard kerchief, middle kettle, 4 pieces pewter marked on the back of the verge with the letter R, little chair & middle candlestick. Rest of goods whatever to go to daughter Katherine Tomson; she to be extrix.

Wit. Thomas Carter. Richard Hemlor. (X) John Bambrick. (X)
Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 31 March 1626.

257 R(W) MARY BURWARD of Shotley, spinster. 21 March 1624/25

Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, who gave it, trusting by & through the merits of Jesus Christ, only saviour, to be an inheritor of the kingdom of heaven. To son John Burward, all movable goods, household stuff, ready money & chattels whatever & wherever, when 21. Exor to bring up in learning son John with the increase of such money as shall in any ways be due, & not decreasing the principal, unto the age of 16 & then son John to be put forth & bound apprentice by exor, to such a trade as son John shall best like. If said John die before 21, then all movable goods or land whatever, to be equally divided between the 2 children of testator's sister Alice Smith, namely Margaret & Alice, when 21; if they die before 21, then all lands & movable goods to be equally divided between testator's sisters & brother, namely Margaret Chenell, Susan Podd, Ann, John & Sara Wright, part & part alike. To father in law Thomas Campell of Shotley, feather bed, feather bolster, 4 pillows, 4 blankets, covering, 2 pair sheets, table cloth, 6 table napkins, 3 pillow beres, dansk chest, iron pot & kettle, if son John die before 21. All movable goods whatever & not bequeathed to Thomas Campell after death of the said John, to be sold by exor, & the money thus arising to be put forth to the benefit & education of the said John till he be 16. Thomas Campell to be exor; if he die before son John be put forth apprentice, then brother in law John Wright to have the education of said son till his aforesaid age & to put him to apprentice.

Wit. William Cole. John Freman. John Havell, script.
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 31 March 1626.

258 R(W) WILLIAM COLBY of Kirkley, yeo. 28 September 1625

Sick. Being ignorant of day & time of departure from this world & uncertain of the hour of death, now, as becomes a Christian living under so happy a sovereign in that faith, soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, that made & framed testator out of the dust of the earth & gave that understanding soul, which together with body at the resurrection shall, through merits & mercy of sweet saviour & redeemer Christ Jesus by his bloody passion as man & by his over coming as God, enjoy the fullness of his promise & reign with him in his everlasting

kingdom of glory for ever; to be buried in Kirkley churchyard. To son William Colby, house where testator dwells, with all appurtenances to the same belonging, with pightle & hempland belonging, to him & his heirs in fee simple, for ever; also to him & his heirs, in fee simple, all those freehold & copyhold lands in Kirkley & Carlton, on condition he pay to testator's wife Alice, every half year during her life, 30s. to be paid at Lady day & Michaelmas, or in 8 days of the same. Said William shall not have any thing to do with any houses or lands, whether free or copyhold, till Michaelmas next after testator's death, & that it shall be lawful for the said Alice to have, use, occupy & enjoy all lands, both free & copyhold, till said Michaelmas. Also, it shall be lawful for the said Alice to take yearly, during her natural life, 3,000 flags upon the several lying in Carlton heath, which were bought of Robert Ashebie. If son William fails in payment of the 30s. every half year as aforesaid, that then Alice is to enter freehold & copyhold lands given to William, to have & hold them to her use, during her natural life & then William is not to have any thing to do with the same lands for as long as wife Alice shall live. To daughter Katherine, £10 in 1 year; also to her & her heirs, in fee simple, piece of freehold land of 'brewerie', lying in Pakefield, containing 2 acres. All goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed, to go to wife Alice, to pay debts & perform will; she to be extrix.

Wit. Thomas Webbe. Richard Church. (X) Matthew Fulwood.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 6 May 1626.

259 R(W) EDWARD COCK of Framlingham, plumber. 18 March 1625/26

Sick in body. Soul to hands of Almighty God. Tenement where Edward Owldring now dwells in Framlingham, with yards and gardens adjoining, with little house next the river, all of which are now in the possession of the said Edward Owldring, to go to wife Beatrice for life; reversion & remainder of the same lands, on her death, to go to eldest son Edward Cock & his heirs. Also to wife Beatrice, close in Framlingham, lying next to the lands of Robert Maidsten gent., bought of Thomas Bodie, gent. & Maria his wife; said Beatrice to hold the same, till eldest son be 21 & the reversion thereof to go to son Edward Cock, on condition that he pays to his sister Margaret £20, in Framlingham church porch, in this fashion namely £10 whe she be 21 & £10 when she be 22, till the said sum be paid; if he default in payment of sum then Margaret to have & enjoy the said close & she then is to pay her brother Edward £20, in the place aforesaid, in 1 year after her entry into the same lands. To wife Beatrice, tenement where testator now dwells in Framlingham, with the yard thereto next adjoining, & the tenement where John Dryver lives & the little yard thereto belonging, till son Thomas Cock be 21; the reversion & remainder of which said last recited tenements & yards, when Thomas be 21, to go to sons Thomas & Oliver, & their heirs. Owners & occupiers of that tenement where Edward Owldring now dwells, shall have free liberty of ingress, egress & regress for ever hereafter with horses, men, carts & carriages in, by, through & over the said last recited yards for the carrying & recarrying of any manner of carriages whatever at all times whatever, & for driving any beasts, or for doing any other necessary things there. To wife Beatrice, little piece of ground in Framlingham, where upon the windmill now stands & the little cottage there upon built, lying next to the lands of the said Robert

Maidston, till son Thomas be 21, & the reversion of which when Thomas be 21, to go to sons Thomas & Oliver, chargeable with the payment of £10 to testator's daughter Margaret when she be 23, in church porch of Framlingham; if default made in this payment, then piece of ground, mill & cottage to go to daughter Margaret & she then is to pay £10 to sons Thomas & Oliver, in 1 year after her entry into the same lands. To each of children, bed with the furniture thereto belonging, to be delivered to them by their mother, when they be 21. Rest of movable goods whatever to go to wife Beatrice, for the payment of debts & education of children during their minority. Daniel Smith of Cretingham to be exor.

Wit. Nicholas Hayeward. Edward Ouldring. (X)

Let. Ad. granted, following the renunciation of Daniel Smith, to Beatrice Cock at Wickham Market. 24 April 1626.

260 R(W) HENRY CHAMPIN of Holbrook. (X) 17 January 1625/26

Sick. Soul to God, creator & maker. To daughter Frances, bible, flock bed with a trundle bedstead, joined table with joined form thereto belonging, chest & £12 when she be 21. Rest of goods unbequeathed, once debts be paid, to go to wife Elizabeth; she to be extrix.

Wit. Miles Rayneberd. Richard Burrowh.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 21 April 1626.

261 R(W) ELIZABETH COLMAN of Parham, single. (X) 14 May 1624

Soul to hands of Almighty God & to his blessed son Jesus Christ, only lord & saviour, by whose death & passion through a true & lively faith, hope to have full pardon & remission of sins. To be buried in Framlingham churchyard, near to mother. To Mr Henry Warner, son of Edmond Warner esq. deceased, of Parham, down bed, bolster, 2 blankets, great pillow, pair pillow beres & pair sheets. To Mistress Anne Warner of Parham, great bible & new brass skillet. To Henry Warner, pewter basin, towel, pewter chamber pot & little desk; if he die before 21, these gifts to go to his elder brother Mr Francis. Those bonds which testator has in her hands, to be delivered to those that the said bonds are due to. To brother William's eldest daughter, 2 lesser chests, little cupboard that was testator's father's, little sagging chair, chair with a back, pair sheets, pair pillow beres, little cushion belonging to the sagging chair, other cushion of Turkey work. To brother Stephen Colman, iron mortar & pestle & great chest. To sister Margery Bellward, old chair, 2 cushions, long form, 2 lesser forms, 2 sheets of the coarser sort, pair pillow beres & 1 outside for a bed of coarse linen cloth with the bolster of the same, 2 gowns – 1 of cloth the other of stuff, best safeguard & uppermost petticoat, 2 smocks, 4 squares, 4 coifs, 4 handkerchiefs, 4 pair cuffs, 4 neck cloths, linen apron, say apron, testament & Mr Smith's sermons & a flat cupboard. To Mistress Ursula Warner, greatest desk. To Mistress Ann Warner the younger, best holland apron & 2 table napkins. To Mistress Dorothy Warner, black box. To Mistress Mary Warner, other little box to lie linen in. To sister's son John Bellward, torn up bedstead with a black & white covering, old blanket & the curtains, valence & tester of testator's bed. To Mr Edward Warner & Mr Robert Warner, to either

of them, new pewter dish but Mr Robert to have the best of them. Rest of goods to be sold for the best value, to pay burial & funeral costs. Mr Francis Warner of Parham to be exor.

Wit. Thomas Colvile. Basshewa (?) Pulham. Ann Helwis. (X)

To Thomas Spurling, youngest son of Amos Spurling of Kettleburgh, square table, 2 joined stools, square board cloth & a little carpet. To Mrs Elizabeth Colvyle, little ring of gold & to her husband Mr Thomas Colvyle, 6s. 8d. in money.

Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 30 March 1626

262 R(W) JOHN FOUNTAYNE of Gisleham, glover. (X) 28 February 1625/26

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God; to be buried in Gisleham churchyard. To wife Margaret, all movable goods whatever, to pay debts & burial costs. To sons George & John Fountayne, tenement & land, with profits thereto belonging, to be equally divided between them after the death of the said Margaret; wife to be extrix.

Wit. William Hodkins. James Barnes. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 25 March 1626.

263 R(W) ELIZABETH GOODING of Wherstead, widow.

10 March 1625/26

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, hoping assuredly through only merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to be made partaker of life everlasting. To poor of Wherstead, 40s. to be distributed at the discretion of churchwardens & overseers. To poor of Friston, 30s. likewise to be distributed. To servants which shall remain at the time of testator's death, 10s. each. To Mr Samuel Samwaies, minister of Wherstead, 20s. in 3 months. To kinswoman Mary Lyton, widow, 20s. & a cloth petticoat of violet colour. To daughter in law Anne Kemp, 20s. in 3 months & to her son Thomas Kemp & to her daughter, 20s. each in 3 months. To 2 daughters in law Ann & Elizabeth Gooding, 20s. each to buy each a ring. To son in law Stephen Gooding, great silver cup. To godson Richard Gooding, silver & gilt goblet. To niece Joan Russell, camlet stuff petticoat, black box with small linen therein, & to her 2 daughters Elizabeth & Ann, 30s. each in 3 months. To niece Elizabeth Reason, crimson stuff petticoat & 1 other petticoat of shag bayes. To nephew Robert Halle, £5 in 3 months. To nephew Bartholomew Halle, £3 when 21. To brother Robert Halle, £30 in 3 months. To nephew Thomas Halle, great dansk chest & all that is in it as it stands in the bed chamber, all bedding with the bedsteads & whatsoever belongs thereto, & the brass lying on the upper shelf in the kitchen next the yard door, 1 press standing in the parlour with 2 back chairs - a great one & a little one, 2 low embroidered stools, best carpet & 2 cushions. All other goods, household stuff, chattels, debts & credits to go to exor; nephew Thomas Hall to be exor.

Wit. Samuel Samways. George Pegg. (X) Margaret Fen. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 22 April 1626.

264 R(W) MARGERY GRIGGS of Metfield, widow. (X) 25 April 1625

Soul to God, maker, through merits of Christ, redeemer. All goods to go to nephew John Gooch of Metfield, to pay such legacies as herein after shall be expressed in this will. To poor of Metfield, 10s. To nephew Thomas Gooch of Metfield, 20s. in 1 year & to those children which he now has, 10s. each to be paid to such of them as are or shall be 21 on the day of testator's death; the same to be paid in 1 year of testator's death, & the rest when they be 21. To 3 daughters of William Gooch deceased, brother to the said Thomas, 10s. each in 1 year. To 2 daughters of Thomas Chambers of Cratfield, which he had by Bridget his 1st wife, 10s. each. To Rose Keepers, 10s. To 6 children of William Gooch of Brockdish (Nf.), tailor, 6s. 8d. each. To Anne Gooch, daughter of brother Richard Gooch deceased, 10s. To John Carsie, son of nephew John Carsye, 10s., & to the other 5 children of the said John Carsie, 5s. To 6 children of Nicholas Gooch of Shottisham (Nf.), son of brother William Gooch deceased, 5s. each. To 5 children of Robert Fayrehead of St Nicholas, 5s. To 2 children of Robert Paynting of Mendham, 6s. 8d. To 3 children of William Godard, clerk, namely Thomas, Francis & Elizabeth 5s. each. Always provided that whereas William Goddard of St Margaret's Southelmham, clerk, stands bound to testator to pay £10 in 6 months, to such persons as shall be nominated in this will, & whereas George Battely of St Nicholas, gent., stands likewise bound to testator in like sum, in like manner as William Goddard, which bonds have been given to John Gooch of Metfield, kinsman, to pay legacies in this will given, which legacies to be paid out of the money due on the said 2 bonds to such persons who are at the time of testator's death 21, to be paid in 1 year or else when they be 21, if the said moneys on the said bonds be had & recovered within the said year, or otherwise they shall stay & not be paid till trial be had whether the debt can be had & recovered or not, which trial require exor to make as speedily as conveniently he can; if it happen not to be recovered, nor any part, the legacies before given to be void, but if the same shall be recovered in part, then exor to pay to every one proportionably according to his or her legacy, as the same so recovered will extend to & not otherwise, to them of full age first & the rest as they shall accomplish their ages formerly stated. Nephew John Gooch to be exor.

Wit. Jeffery Fiske. (X) James Styles. Elizabeth Gooch.

Pr. granted to exor at Stradbroke. 29 April 1626.

265 R(W) SUSAN HUNTON of Beccles, widow. (X) 20 March 1625/26

Sick. Soul to hands of God Almighty, creator & maker of all things, & to Jesus Christ, only redeemer & saviour by whose only sacrifice all sufficient, look to be saved. To be buried in sure & certain hope to receive it again in the resurrection of the just at the last day. To son Thomas Hunton, livery bedstead, feather bed, bolster & pillow, covering of green birded work, blanket, 4 pair sheets – 2 of the newer & 2 of the coarser, large table cloth, 2 pair pillow beres, 6 table napkins unmade & 6 of the coarser sort, 3 towels, pair andirons of iron only, firepan & tongs of the same sort, brass candlestick, iron pot, little brass pot, square table, cauldron, the biggest 4 pewter dishes – some bigger some lesser, pewter salt cellar, 2 pewter plates of the larger sort, great wooden chair & another less 4 cushions

– 2 unmade being of green cloth done with yellow twist, & the other 2 made up which be of blackish cloth, the 1 with green lace & the other with silk & silver twist round about 2 buffet stools, wine bowl of silver & 2 silver spoons. To son Bartholomew Hunton, double silver salt. To servant Agnes Rayner, stuff gown & best curtle of the same stuff. To son Edmund Hunton, rest of household stuff unbequeathed. Son Bartholomew Hunton to be exor; friend Mr Thomas Daynes, preacher of the word of God, of Beccles to be supervisor
Wit. William Cory. Ro. Hawes.
Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 18 April 1626.

266 R(W) ROGER KEEDE of Henstead, labourer. 12 March 1625/26

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, & body to the earth from whence it was taken, trusting to be 1 of the elect children of God. To wife Dorothy, all movable goods, household implements & stuff; she to be extrix, to bring up son William Keede in the fear of God, & to pay debts & burial costs.
Wit. Ralph Milles. Simon Fayerweather.
Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 25 March 1626.

267 R(W) WILLIAM LYES of Holbrook, husb. (X) 24 March 1625/26

Weak. Soul to Almighty God, who gave it, trusting to obtain remission of sins & salvation through Jesus Christ. To daughter Ann Lyes, messuage or tenement, houses, lands, meadows, pastures, fens & marshes belonging, held of the manor of Holbrook; if she die without issue, same to go to testator's godson & nephew William Lyes. To poor of Holbrook, 20s. in 1 month to be delivered to the churchwardens there. To son in law Christian Townehill, 20s. in 1 year. Rest of goods, movables, chattels whatever to go to daughter Ann when she be 21, debts being first paid out of these goods; provided always that Stephen Downing of Helmingham, yeo., shall enjoy the use, rents & commodities arising from house & lands till Ann be 21, towards the bringing up of the said Ann in such fashion & sort as is convenient for her, finding her sufficient food & apparel & other necessities; he to be exor.
Wit. Edmund Mapletoft. John F [Missing] (X). Humphrey Smith. (X)
Debts owed – to Anthony Ablett, £13 14s.
Debts due – from John Wilby £1; from Anthony Ablett for 4 lb. hops, 1s. 4d.
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 21 April 1626.

268 R(W) STEPHEN LEGYE of Wherstead. (X) 2 February 1625/26

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & merciful redeemer. To wife Dorothy, for life if she remain unmarried, tenement Boones, with orchards, gardens, meadows, pastures, arable ground whatever belonging, with appurtenances, late bought of one Edmond, late of Erwarton, with free power & liberty for her to take of & upon the same grounds for her firing, such woods as shall be growing on the said lands, not making any strip nor waste thereon. If she remarries, then son Edmond to enter the same & enjoy them during her life, paying her yearly £10 a year during her life, to be paid quarterly at the 4 usual quarters.

If she, at any time during her widowhood, think good to let out the said tenement, that then Edmond shall hire them of her, giving her such reasonable & sufficient rent for them as then they may be worth to be let. On death of wife, lands to go to son Edmond & heirs, on condition that he shall pay to the daughters of his sister Thomasine Stott, that shall be living after the death of the said Dorothy, £10 to be equally divided between them, in 1 year after the said Dorothy's death. To daughter Ann, £4 score to be paid her on her marriage, or when she be 18, whichever happens 1st; if she die before then, £3 score, part of the said £4 score, to go to her brother Matthew to be paid by exor in 1 year of the said Ann's death, & the other £20 remaining to go to the children of the said Thomasine as shall then be living, to be equally divided between them in 2 years after Ann's death. To daughter Ann, for her maintenance till she receive her foresaid portion, £6 a year, to be paid yearly by exor, or such that shall have the education of her, namely her mother, or if she shall refuse then to such as exor shall appoint to have the education of the said Ann. To son Matthew, £40 half of which sum to be paid in 1 year & the other half to be paid in 2 years by exor. To son Edmond & his heirs, piece of land called Settdown, held by copy of court roll of the manor of Bourne Hall, another piece of land called Foxhall Fen & 1 piece of land adjoining to testator's heath, both held by copy of court roll of the manor of Erwarton, on condition that he shall pay his brother Matthew £10 in 1 year & £10 in 2 years. To sons Edmond & Matthew, to wife Dorothy & to daughter Thomasine, all household stuff & implements to be equally divided between them by Samuel Samweyes the elder, cousin Richard Gooding & Thomas Janenings the elder, soon after testator's death, with wife Dorothy receiving the best part. To wife Dorothy, 3 of the best milk neat, she to take her choice presently & the said neat to be kept by exor in all respects like to his own, till Easter next. Also to wife, quarter rye, quarter malt delivered in 1 month & £5, namely 40s. in 2 weeks & the other £3 in quarter of a year after testator's death. To daughter Margery, wife of William Semman, 40s. to be paid into her own hands, in 3 months. To servant Elizabeth Cutting, 20s. in 6 months. To servant Thomas Knapp, 2 of the lesser sort of ewes. To 2 children of one Standlye of Boyton, 10s. each & to a kinswoman of his, 10s. To kinsman Edmond Legye, 30s. in 6 months. To Samuel Samweyes the elder of Wherstead, 20s. To poor of Wherstead, 40s. to be divided among the poorer sort of them, in 6 months, at the discretion of exor & supervisor. Son Edmond Legye to be exor; Samuel Samweyes of Wherstead, clerk, to be supervisor & said Edmond to be advised by Samuel Samweyes in all things regarding the execution of the will.

Wit. Samuel Samweyes. Thomas Campell. (X) Thomas Pye. (X)

Added on 6 February 1625/26: to daughter Thomasine Stott, £10 in half a year & if she die before receipt of same, then the £10 to be paid to her children part & part alike, when they be 16.

Wit. Samuel Samways. Thomas Pye. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 31 March 1626.

269 R(W) JEFFERY MAN of Weybread, husb. (X) 9 March 1624/25

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & to his only son Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer; to be buried in Weybread church. To wife Cicely, all that

tenement or messuage where testator now dwells, in Weybread, keeping the same in sufficient repair. On her death, same to go to son & his heirs. Also to wife, cow-she to make her choice first. To son Thomas, cow – he to choose next. A cow to be sold by extrix, & the money thus arising to be equally divided between wife & son Thomas. To son Thomas, all apparel, brass pot & all working tools with a grindstone & 6 wedges. Rest of movable goods, both within & without the house, to go to wife Cicely; she to be extrix.

Wit. John Fulcher. Roger Mene.

Pr. granted to extrix at Stradbroke. 29 April 1626.

270 R(W) THOMAS PALMER the elder, of Rendham, husb. (X)
19 April 1626

Soul to mercy of Almighty God. To wife Mary, in consideration of her dower claims in lands & hereditaments whatever in Rendham or elsewhere, £4 yearly, every year, for life to be paid her by son John Palmer, or by his heirs, out of houses, lands, tenements & hereditaments in Rendham, at the 4 terms during the year, namely on 25 June, 29 September, 25 December & 25 March by even portions, payment being made in the north porch of Rendham church. Also to her, in consideration of dower, for life, her dwelling in the parlour & the chamber over said parlour in tenement Runtines in Rendham, with free ingress, egress & regress thereto, with liberty to lay wood & other fuel in the yards of said tenement Runtines & to have all such apples, pears & such fruit as shall yearly grow in & upon the grounds of Runtines tenement, for life; also to her yearly during the said term, so much hemp as shall or may or do grow upon the seed of 1 bushel of hemp seed, sown at the cost & charges of the seed & tilth & ground to be done by son John Palmer & his heirs, the same to be done in as good & honest manner as he, or they, shall do in the sowing of his own hemp. To son John Palmer, all that tenement called Runtines, with all houses, lands, tenements & hereditaments whatever in Rendham, or elsewhere, for ever; he to pay all debts & perform gifts & bequests made to said Mary. Also to him, horse mill with all instruments & implements belonging thereto, horse beasts, carts, tumbrels & cart gear to the same belonging & all harrows, ploughs & plough gear belonging. To wife Mary, bed as it stands in the chamber at the west end of house, with the bedstead & bedding now thereto belonging. Rest of goods, movables, cattle & chattels unbequeathed (except linen which is to be disposed & distributed by wife Mary) to be equally divided between wife & children (except son John). To daughter Joan, 20s. out of movables, which testator owes her. Son in law William Harding & son John Palmer to be exors, to arrange burial & perform will.

Wit. Edward Darnford. (X) George Howsden.

Pr. granted to exors at Yoxford. 26 April 1626.

271 R(W) JOHN BRADCARR *alias* PHILPOTT of Beccles, linen weaver. (X)
19 March 1625/26

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty god, steadfastly hoping will have remission of sins only by death & passion of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer. To be buried in Beccles churchyard. To wife Mary, all that part of tenement, messuage,

house, yards, orchards & gardens where testator now dwells, in Beccles, as also the buttery & chamber above it, being a part of the said tenement now occupied by Edward Norton; the which tenement, with appurtenances, was bought of Mr Greenwood, clerk; she to have the same with buttery & chamber for ever, but the other part occupied by Edward Norton, extrix with testator's brothers John Man & Benjamin Cooper of Brampton to sell the same to the best profit & advantage in 1 year, to pay debts – excepting the foresaid buttery & chamber over it which are given to wife Mary. Also to wife, all movable goods, chattels, household stuff & utensils whatever, to pay debts & legacies; she to be extrix, to perform will. To nephew John Reeve of Yarmouth, (Nf.) 20s. in 1 year, if he be then alive. To Philip Philpott, son of William Philpott, 30s. in 1 year, if he be then alive. To James Philpott, son of William Philpott, 13s. 4d. in 1 year, if he be then alive. To cousin Dennington's 5 children, being 2 daughters & 3 sons, 6s. 8d. each in 1 year, if they be then alive. To nephew Matthew Mason's wife, 6s. 8d. in 1 year, if she be then alive. To cousin Philpott's wife of Brundish, 6s. 8d. in 1 year, if she be then alive; if she die before sum is paid the money to go to her children, to be equally divided between them at the term aforesaid, if they be then alive. To Ann Philpott, daughter of John Philpott of Denham, 10s. in 1 year, if she be then alive. To Bridget, Jane & Elizabeth 6s. 8d. each in 1 year, if they be then alive. To John Lea, cousin, of Brampton, 6s. 8d. in 1 year, if he be then alive. To wife's daughter, Susan Daule, 40s. when 21. To children of nephew John Reeve of Yarmouth (Nf.), 40s. namely 13s. 4d. each when they be 21, if they live. To poorest people of Beccles, 13s. 4d. to be distributed by extrix in 3 months. Brother John Man & brother Benjamin Cooper of Brampton to be supervisors, to aid & help extrix to perform will, pay debts & legacies; they to have 13s. 4d. each for their pains, in 1 year by extrix. Those who are to receive gifts are to come to extrix & demand the same, without any travel of extrix to any of them, & each legatee shall bring, for her discharge, a true certificate from the parish where they were born with the minister's hand & 2 of the chief inhabitants of the parish, & they shall deliver a sufficient acquittance according to law, on receipt of their legacy. Wit. Thomas Marten. John Man. Benjamin Cooper. (X) William Denington. (X) Edward Norton.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 6 May 1626.

272 R(W) ALICE POOLIE of Foxhall, single. (N) 12 November 1625

To brother Edward Poolie, £10 to the educating & bringing up of testator's godchild Alice, daughter of the said Edward. To sister Elizabeth Poolie *alias* Spurling, £10. To sister Margaret Hayward *alias* Poolie, £10. To brother William Poolie, £10. All these sums to be paid immediately after such time as a legacy of £40 given to testator in the will of Thomas Fryer deceased, should be due. All apparel to be disposed of by father Edward Poolie as he, in his discretion, should think fit.

Wit. Edward Poolie the elder. Edward Poolie the younger. Elizabeth Poolie *alias* Spurling.

Pr. granted to Edward Poolie senior, on the testimony of Edward Poolie the younger & Elizabeth Poolie *alias* Spurling, at Ipswich. 31 March 1626.

273 R(W) ELIZABETH SMITH of Theberton, widow. 21 May 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, hoping to be saved by merits & passion of Jesus Christ, redeemer & through faith in his blood. To be buried in Theberton parish. To Samuel Tubby, all goods, movables, chattels, utensils of household stuff whatever, to be delivered by exor, or the value of them as they are prised, when he be 21. All goods as they are before rehearsed, to go to exor to see to the bringing up of the said Samuel & to bind him forth apprentice to some good trade, as exor think meet & convenient, burial & probate costs being first paid. If said Samuel dies before 21, then Edmond Wincoop, exor, to pay debts & perform will & to have the residue of all goods & movables.

Wit. Thomas Trendly. George Brook.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 27 April 1626.

274 R(W) THOMAS SEPPENS of Halesworth. (N) n.d.

To wife Elizabeth, all goods whatever for the bringing up of children Richard and Anne; she to be executrix.

Wit. Richard Guthrie, clerk. James Keble, gent.

Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 26 April 1626.

275 R(W) DANIEL SPENCE of Saxmudham, butcher. 4 April 1626

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, hoping to be saved by death & passion of Jesus Christ. To wife Dorothy, for life, all lands & tenements in Sibton, in lieu of her dower. On her death, same to go to her heirs by testator lawfully begotten, & if there be none, then to testator's right heirs accordingly, as heretofore on marriage with wife, have been conveyed & settled. To son John Spence & his heirs forever, all lands & tenements in Bungay. To daughter Margery Spence & her heirs forever, all lands & tenements in Framlingham, which testator has in mortgage from Richard Gooding for the payment of £38, if the said £38 be not paid, according to the condition of the said mortgage. If the sum be paid, then Margery to receive the £38. Also to daughter Margery, feather bed in the hall chamber. To daughter Bridget, £10 at the rate of 20s. a year, beginning the year next after testator's death; also to her, worst bed with the furniture thereto usually belonging. To children Rose, Sara & Elizabeth, £85 to be equally divided between them when they be 20. Exors shall pay at church porch of Saxmundham, out of personal estate, to wife Dorothy, or to her assigns, £5 16s. yearly after testator's death, at the 4 usual feasts of the year, by equal portions, to the keeping & maintenance of children Daniel, Rose, Sara & Elizabeth till they be 20. As each shall come to 20, 29s. shall be abated of the same £5 16s. & if wife shall not well & conveniently maintain or pay for said 4 children whom the testator had by her, that then the portion of £5 16s. shall cease, & then son John shall, with the said portion, bring up & provide for the said children during the time aforesaid. Wife Dorothy, soon after testator's death, shall take & have at her election out of household goods, so many goods to her own use, without yielding any thing therefore, as shall come to the value of £15, to be prised by indifferent men. If wife does not, in 10 days, procure a bond to be delivered to exor to be cancelled,

wherein testator stands bound to her father with condition to pay her £100 on death, or else procure a sufficient acquittance thereof, then wife to have no benefit from will. To son John, who is to be exor, rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed, to pay debts, legacies, funeral & probate costs. If he does not enter into bond with John Scrivener in 10 days, with condition to perform will in accordance with this will, then he to loose benefit from will & then wife Dorothy to be extrix. Wit. Nicholas Peake. John Heathell. William Buckenham, jnr. Pr. granted to exor at Benhall. 26 April 1626.

276 R(W) WILLIAM SWAN of Walpole, miller. 12 January 1625/26

Soul to infinite mercy of Almighty God, maker, trusting through merits & blessed passion of lord & saviour Jesus Christ, redeemer, only to have remission & forgiveness of all sins & offences. To wife Susan, tenement where Henry Fiske now dwells in Blythburgh, with all lands, orchards, gardens & appurtenances belonging, for life, on condition she keep the same in good repair during the said term, doing no strip nor waste thereon. On her death, same to go to son William & his heirs. Also to wife Susan, windmill in Blythburgh, with all implements & going gear belonging to the said mill, with all appurtenances to the same, for life; she to keep said mill in sufficient repair, doing no strip nor waste & on her death, same to go to son William. Wife also to have the lease of the windmill, with the houses & appurtenances to the same belonging, in Walpole, which testator has by lease of one Jeffery Neave, for certain years yet to come, as in a pair of indentures dated 9 July 1624 made between the said Jeffery Neave & testator appears; wife to have, hold & use the same mill, with houses & appurtenances belonging, for term of the said lease, on condition she shall bring up son William in good & honest living during his minority. To Thomas Sepens, sister's child, son of Thomas Sepens, £10 to be paid by wife in 7 years. To kinswoman Margaret Swan, 20s. to be paid by Susan in 2 years. Rest of movable goods unbequeathed to be equally divided between wife & son William. Wife & father in law Thomas Lockwood to be exors; uncle John Hayle of Wenhaston to be supervisor & to receive 20s. for his pains; exors to pay debts, legacies & burial costs. Wit. John Girling. John Fiske. Thomas Gray. Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 1 April 1626.

277 R(W) ROBERT TOMPSON of Higham. 12 March 1625/26

Sick. Soul to Almighty God. To eldest son Robert, house at Shelley, with all lands thereto belonging in Shelley, Higham & Raydon to him & his heirs, when he be 24; he to pay yearly, after he be 24, each year to testator's wife Amy, for her life, £10 whereof the first £5 is to be paid at Lady day next coming after he be 24, & so forth every half year during her life; on her death, Robert to pay to his brother Leonard the said sum of £10 yearly & every year, to be paid him at Michaelmas & Lady day by equal portions, first payment to be made the next half year day after the death of said Amy. If Robert does not pay the £5 & any part thereof at the times appointed, or in 20 days of the same, to wife or to Leonard, that then wife, & after her death son Leonard during his life, to enter the field called Northfield & also the hop yard, & hold & enjoy the same till all sums be paid. To

wife Amy, all goods, chattels & household stuff whatever, the same to be truly & indifferently prized by 4 sufficient men in 1 month after testator's death, & out of the value thereof, to deduct for her own proper use, £6 score, & the rest that remain to be equally divided between all children, & if wife be now with child, that then the said child to have an equal portion amongst the rest of all children; each portion, whatever it be, to be paid to each child when 21 & if any child die before receipt of portion, that share to be equally divided between surviving children. Wife to receive & take the rents & profits of the house at Shelley, & of all the lands thereto belonging, till son Robert be 24, of which term testator wills that all the whole benefit which may be reaped of the lands, together with all the rents to be raised of the house, without deducting any charges, shall during the first 7 years after testator's death, be employed by wife to pay debts & after the 7 years be expired, till Robert be 24, all the profits arising of house & lands, without deducting any charges, shall be disposed of thus-wife to have for her own proper use, during the said term, £10 a quarter & the rest of all the profits whatever she shall equally divide amongst all children, paying to them & each of them, their said portions when each be 21, & if any child die before receipt of portion, then their part to be equally divided between survivors. If son Robert die, without lawful issue, before 24, then house & lands to go to son Leonard & his lawful heirs, he paying to wife Amy £10 a year for her life, & after her death, £10 to be paid yearly to his brother Philip, during his life. If Leonard die without lawful issue, before he be 24, then house & lands to go to son Philip & his lawful heirs, on condition as aforesaid; if he die without lawful issue, then lands to go to son John & his heirs, & if he die without lawful issue, then lands to go to son Samuel & his heirs, on the same conditions. Wife Amy shall make sale of 2 tenements in Higham street, for the best price that may be got for them, to pay debts. Wife to keep & maintain in sufficient repair all houses & buildings at Shelley, till son Robert be 24. Wife to pay legacies & be extrix.

Wit. Philip Gostling. Thomas Gostlin. John Gostlin. Philip Tompson. Richard Webster, script.

Pr. granted to extrix at Nettlestead. 20 March 1625/26.

278 R(W) THOMAS BEDFORD of Higham, thatcher. 13 April 1626

Soul to Almighty God who gave it; to be buried in Higham churchyard. To poor of Higham, 20s. to be paid by exor between the date of this will & May day next coming, to supervisors & then to be distributed at their discretion. To Mr Collin, out of house & piece of land called Clay pits, 10s. by the year & every year, for so long as he reside in the town, & so after his death, to a faithful minister to the end of the world, provided always, that if Mr Collin, or any of them after him as is aforesaid, do not live in the town & be resident there, that then they shall not nor any of them have any benefit of this gift for that time present, but this gift of 10s. by the year shall be given to the poor, for the time presently by supervisors or by their assigns, that this gift of 10s. a year to a faithful minister shall be at the disposing & choice of supervisors & their assigns, for ever, whether to a minister or to the poor of the town of Higham, & this yearly payment of 10s. to be paid 5s. every half year, & for want of payment, it shall be lawful that they, or any of them, shall enter, take, possess & enjoy the house & 2 acres till all that is behind

be fully satisfied & paid, & all charges met out of that piece of ground called Clay pits on part whereof house stands, where testator does now dwell; the 1st 5s. for the half year to be paid presently, & so 5s. every year after, as is aforesaid, to the end of the world. To Robert Skevenner, 40s. in 3 years. To John Skrevenner, 40s. in 5 years. To cousin Widow Dalle of Colchester, (Ess.), 20s. in 3 months. To Ann Dalle, 10s. To Mary Chamberlyn, house & lands, except for the 10s. given out of the same, to her & her heirs. Richard Chamberlyn to be exor; he to have goods & chattels unbequeathed, once debts, legacies & funeral costs be paid; he to enter into bond with 1 surety, in the sum of £40 to William Swayne & William Browne, in 6 days, they to be supervisors. If he refuse bond, then he is to be void of exorship & then supervisors to pay debts & legacies.

Wit. George Maye. John Swayne.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 7 May 1626.

279 R(W) JOHN BRUNDISH of Mendham, husb. (X) 19 April 1626

To wife Ann, all goods, cattle & chattels whatever, to pay debts, perform & prove will, pay legacies & burial costs. To sons Robert, Thomas, John & James, 20s. each in 1 year. To daughters Mary & Ann, 20s. each in 1 year. Wife Ann to bring up children; she to be extrix.

Wit. Margaret Utting. John Tastwood.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 20 May 1626.

280 R(W) ALICE BOUGHTON of Barking, spinster. (N) 2 May 1626

Sick & upon her death bed. Robert Boughton, kinsman, to have all that she had to bury her with, & that which he had to spare, to give it to his children or where he would. He should have 18s. which John Cage of Ringshall did owe, for burial.

Wit. Elizabeth Parker, wife of William Parker. Anne Marshe, widow.

Let. Ad. granted to Robert Boughton at Ipswich. 17 May 1626.

281 R(W) ROBERT BARRETT of Felixstowe, husb. (X) 29 April 1626

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, maker, & to Jesus Christ, redeemer. To daughter Susan Balden, 50s. in 3 months. To daughter Prudence Baulden, 50s. in 3 months. Son in law John Baulden to take the 2 children of the said Prudence & see them brought up till they be 21. To wife Elizabeth, rest of movable goods & chattels; she to be extrix.

Wit. John Pakeman. John Chambers. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 17 May 1626.

282 R(W) THOMAS CATCHPOULE of Alderton, husb. (X) 19 April 1626

Sick. To be buried in churchyard at Alderton, being but earth, dust & ashes of which body was made, but soul to return to God who gave it. To brother Jonathan Catchpoule, rent of tenement in Saxmundham, called Morris, for 3 years, yielding & paying the following sums – 50s. towards the building of the barn, 22s. 6d. to be paid to Goodman Reeve of Saxmundham & 40s. to be paid to sister Alice. Said

Jonathan to make no strip nor waste in cutting down of any timber of the tenement, but to leave it in as good case as now he finds it, neither to plough any more ground than is in tillage on the day of testator's death. Also to brother, all wearing apparel, save best cloak. After the 3 years be expired, then tenement to go to wife, for her life, & if it please God that she have a child by testator, then, if it live, that child to have the said tenement after wife's death; if that child die, without issue, then tenement to return to said brother Jonathan & his children. Rest of goods to wife, she paying to sister Agnes 20s., if she do come over. Wife to be extrix. Wit. John Armiger. John Harrison.

Pr. granted to extrix, Alice Catchpoule, at Wickham Market. 16 May 1626.

283 R(W) RICHARD CLOVER of Brantham, yeo. (X) 8 April 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God, heavenly father. To wife Margaret, tenement Butchers in Little Bromley (Ess.), with appurtenances & all customary lands & hereditaments belonging, being 18 acres, for life; she to make no strip nor waste thereon, & if she, during her life, let or set over the said lands, or any part thereof, to son in law Thomas Pennyfather, that then she herself shall have nothing to do with the said lands & tenements & that then son in law John Glamfield of Bentley shall enter upon the same & pay to wife Margaret, during her life, £11 a year by equal portions, half yearly, so long as she shall live, & for want of payment to be made, she to enter upon the same lands again. Also to wife, all household stuff in the parlour, except 1 little hutch wherein testator keeps his writings, & all household stuff in the parlour chamber, & also that now is in 2 other little rooms, part of present dwelling house in Brantham, which rooms open into the parlour. Also to her, said parlour & parlour chamber, with free ingress, egress & regress at all times to & from the same, to have & hold to her during the continuance of the lease that testator has of the same, with other things, if she live that long. Also to her, seam of rye, comb of wheat, if so much shall be in the house at time of testator's death, 3 comb of malt to be delivered her in 1 year, as she shall need it; also to her, cow, brass pot, kettle, spit, half firkin butter – she to choose, to be delivered presently. On death of wife, all lands & tenements, with appurtenances, to remain to John Glamfield of Bentley & his wife Margaret, for their lives, & on their deaths, same to go to their son John Glamfield & his heirs. To daughter Rose, wife of Thomas Pennyfather, £4 score, which is to remain in the hands of exor during the lifetime of the said Thomas Pennyfather; exor to pay to Rose, for the sum, the full sum of £4 by 4 equal payments of 20s. & so yearly every quarter so much, so long as the said Rose & Thomas Pennyfather shall live together. If Rose survives or outlives the said Thomas, then exor to pay the £4 to her in half a year of the death of her husband, & in the meantime to pay her 30s. towards her maintenance. If Rose dies before her husband Thomas, then the £4 score to be equally divided, after her death, between the children she shall then have & the children of daughter Margaret Glamfield of Bentley, part & part alike. To son in law Thomas Pennyfather, 10s. in 3 months. To Susan, daughter of Jeffery King of Erwarton, 20 nobles, to be paid by exor when she be 21, if she be then living. To Margaret, daughter of John Glamfield, £3 when she be 21. To poor where testator is buried, 20s. in 2 months. To son in law John Glamfield, lease of tenement where testator now dwells, & all other goods, chattels & movables

whatever & wherever they be, to pay debts & funeral costs, & to discharge the heriot of lands at Bromley, & to bring up grandchild Susan, daughter of Jeffery King, if her father provide not for her otherwise. John Glamfield to be exor; in 30 days, he to enter into lawful obligation in the penal sum of £200 to Humphrey Draper of Brantham, to perform this will, & if he fail so to do, then testator's wife Margaret to be extrix, & all gifts to the said John to be void.

Wit. William Parson. Humphrey Draper.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 17 May 1626.

284 R(W) THOMAS DAWES of East Bergholt. (X) 10 January 1624/25

Weak. Soul to hands of God, creator & maker, & to Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, & to Holy Ghost, sanctifier & preserver. To wife Joan, £40; of which £10 is to be paid her in 3 months & the other £30 in 12 months of testator's death, she giving discharge for the same. Also to her, best bed & bedstead with all the bedding as it is ready furnished, where usually do lie, & all linen, except 1 pair sheets & 2 of the best chests or hutches. To son George Dawes, livery bedstead with bed & bedding as it belongs, as it stands on the chamber ready furnished, & pair sheets. To grandchild Elizabeth Dawes, 40s. when she be 21. To sons John, Thomas & George Dawes, rest of goods, chattels, household stuff whatever unbequeathed, to be equally divided between them without any strife or contention, once funeral charges & legacies be discharged. Son John Dawes to be exor; if he die before division of goods, then his part to go to his wife & his daughter before mentioned.

Wit. John Phillipps. John Lewes.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 17 May 1626.

285 R(W) MARY GREEN late of Mettingham & now of Bungay, single. (N)
8 May 1626

To eldest sister Kertes, £3. To 2nd sister Elizabeth Strowger, £3. To Ellen Greene, 45s. To sister Martha Greene, 45s. To brother Edmond Greene, £3. To brother Anthony Greene, 20s. All these sums to be paid in 1 year. To sisters' children, 30s. to be equally divided between them, being 3, to be paid to these 3, with the use, when 16. To sister Ann Curtes, best petticoat, linen waistcoat which testator had upon her back, coat, broad cloth & forehead cloth. To sister Stowger, best waistcoat & petticoat & forehead cloth. To brother Edmond Greene, pillow bere. To sister Ellen Greene, all movables & immovables whatever unbequeathed. To Elizabeth Meene & her daughter each, pair gloves. To Jane Greene, 10s. To Ann Manning, 10s. To Elizabeth Mills, 10s., all of which are children of my sisters in law & to be paid by extrix. Sister Ellen Greene to be extrix.

Wit. Thomas Gorlworth. Margaret Ward. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 27 May 1626.

286 R(W) SEBASTIAN MOWLING. (X) n.d.

Weak. Soul to God, through Christ by whom will obtain remission of sins, & look for everlasting life; to be buried in the churchyard. Wife Rose to be extrix; she to

have tenement in Walberswick, called the Town tenement, for life. On her death, same to be sold & the money thus arising to be equally divided between children Owen, John, Sebastian, Robert & Mary; wife being now great with child, & that child living till 21 is to have an equal part with the other children above mentioned. If any child die before 21, then that portion to be equally divided between surviving children, when they be 21. Also to wife Rose, tenement in Thorpe called Dobbes, to be at her disposing to sell to maintain herself & children. Also to her, all goods, chattels & movables; she to be extrix.

Wit. John Younges. John Barber.

Debts owed – to Sir Thomas Players, £2 15s.; to Robert Greenwood, £3 5s.; to William Tanye, 11s.; to John Barbers, 18s. 6d.; to Robert Smith, 12s. Total owed £8 1s. 6d.

Pr. granted to extrix at Blythburgh. 15 May 1626.

287 R(W) ALICE ASHBY of Lowestoft, widow. (X) 14 February 1625/26

Weak. As becomes a Christian living under so happy a sovereign, in that faith professed, soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, that made testator out of the dust of the earth & gave that understanding soul, which together with body at the general resurrection, shall through the merits & mercy of sweet saviour & redeemer Christ Jesus by his bloody passion as man & by his overcoming as God, enjoy the fullness of his promise & reign with him in his everlasting kingdom of glory for ever. To be buried in Lowestoft churchyard. To son Robert Ashby, posted bedstead on the parlour chamber, with feather bed, bolsters, pillows, blankets, coverlet or rug belonging; also vats & herring spits. To daughter Alice Ashby & her heirs, in fee simple, tenement with appurtenances belonging, where Alice Gipps dwells, in Lowestoft; also to her, bedstead & feather bed in the parlour with the bolsters, pillows, blankets, curtains & foot bench thereto belonging; also all small linen & apparel. The sum of £10 is to be paid to son in law Thomas Jentillman, to the use of grandchild Thomas Jentillman, in 1 year. Also to grandchild Thomas Jentillman, £10 more, to be paid by exor when 21. To uncle Henry Halles of Shottisham, 20s. in 3 months. To Richard Haules of Shottisham, 20s. in 3 months. To every of the children of the said Richard Haules, 20s. each when 21. Rest of goods, chattels, movables, implements & household stuff unbequeathed, once debts, legacies, probate & funeral costs be met, to go to son Robert Ashby & daughter Alice Ashby, to be equally divided between them by testator's brother Thomas Webb. Thomas Webb to be exor & to have 20s. for his pains.

Wit. Thomas Gentleman. Alice Hadnam. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Lowestoft. 16 June 1626.

288 R(W) ANN COOKE of Oulton, widow. (X) 26 January 1625/26

Weak. Being ignorant of day & time of departing this world, & uncertain of the hour of death & desirous to prevent the chance of the same, soul to hands of Almighty God, in certain & sure hope at the general resurrection, by the merits of Jesus Christ his most precious death, only mediator, saviour & redeemer, to be received among other faithful & penitent sinners; body to go to mother earth.

To grandchild Anne Playforth, daughter of Elizabeth Playforth, 40s. when 21. To Sara, Thomas, Simon, Elizabeth, Ann & Robert Barnard, children of daughter Anne now the wife of Thomas Deynes of Lowestoft, sailor, 40s. each when 21, & if any 1 die before 21, then that share to be equally divided between surviving children when they be 21. To Anne, John, Elizabeth, Susan & Abigail Cooke, sons & daughters of son William Cooke, 40s. each when 21, & if any 1 die before 21, then that share to be equally divided between surviving children when they be 21. To John, Alice, William, Anne & Mary Cooke, children of son John Cooke, 40s. each when they be 21, & if any 1 die before 21, then that share to be equally divided between surviving children when they be 21. To sister Cicely Manship, widow, of Earsham (Nf.), 20s. a year for life, to be paid by exor namely in 1 month of testator's death 10s., & so every half year next after that 10s. so long as she shall live. To daughter Ann Daynes, feather bed, bolster & 2 blankets. To John Cooke, son of late son William Cooke, posted bedstead, bolster, feather bed & coverlet in 3 months. To Thomas Brettingham, 5s. in 3 months. To Katherine Brettenham, sister to the said Thomas, 5s. in 3 months. To daughter Anne Daynes, all wearing linen & woollen clothing, which testator usually wears, in 3 weeks. To son John Cook, daughter Anne Daynes & all grandchildren, being the children of late son William Cooke, all linen to be divided into 3 equal parts; son John to have 1 part, daughter Anne to have 1 part, & grandchildren to have 1 part to be equally divided between them, in 1 month. Rest of goods, cattle, chattels & movables unbequeathed to go to son John Cooke; he to be exor, paying legacies & burial costs.

Wit. Margaret Carter. (X) Anne Warner. (X) Matthew Fullwood.

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 27 May 1626.

289 R(W) JOHN CARDE of Holbrook. 21 April 1626

Sick & weak. Calling to mind the frail estate of this mortal life & the uncertain end thereof, & also being careful to set a quiet state of such worldly goods as the lord hath endowed testator, soul to Almighty God, creator & maker, & to Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, trusting in, by & through his death & passion to have free remission of all sins. To daughter Ann Carde, £14 when 21. To daughter Margaret Carde, £14 when 21. To son John Carde, £14 when 21. If any child die before 21, then that share to be equally divided between surviving children, when 21. To John Carde, dansk chest, in 1 month. To daughter Margaret Carde, small coffer. The sum of 40s. to be bestowed on daughter Anne, by the advice of exor & other of her friends, for the curing of her disease, if it please God to send her some remedy. Rest of movable goods unbequeathed, once debts & funeral costs be met & all things in this will performed, to go to brother Robert Card of Holbrook, towards the well bringing up of children & the discharge of legacies; he to be exor.

Wit. Thomas Percyvall. John Wickes.

Pr. granted to exor at Harkstead. 31 May 1626.

290 R(W) THOMAS COOKE of Bawdsey, yeo. 10 June 1612

Sick. Considering that death to all men is most certain, but that the time when &

where is most uncertain, & also considering how dangerous a thing it is to be troubled with the disposing of worldly goods & transitory things at the day of a man's death, now soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, & to Jesus Christ, redeemer, by whose merits, faithfully trust to be saved, & to the Holy Ghost, comforter, 3 persons & 1 God, to whom be ascribed all honour & glory both now & for ever more. To poor of Bawdsey, 13s. 4d.; of Alderton, 6s. 8d.; of Hollesley, 6s. 8d.; of Iken, 5s. To the child that Simon Gleede of Iken now has, by Anne his wife, 10s. when 21. To the 1st child that William Keeble shall have by Nicholas Flatter's daughter, 10s. when 21. To Alice, wife of Abraham Ellenger, 10s. in 1 year. To 3 children which Abraham Ellenger now has alive, £3 to be equally divided between them, which £3 the said Abraham Ellenger stands bound to pay testator at Michaelmas next, which bond shall be given in in consideration of these legacies. To sister Dorothy, wife of Thomas Blowers, 10s. in 1 year. To sister's servant John Thighe, 10s. when 21. To James Keeble, gent., £5 in 2 years, he to be faithful & true in testator's suits & other businesses, according to his honest promise. To Agnes Pynner of Marlesford, widow, 40s. namely 20s. presently, & 20s. in 1 year. To 2 children which Alice Pynner had by her last husband, 3s. 4d. when 21. To Joan Keeble, 10s. in 2 years. To Stephen Keeble, 10s. in 2 years. To Elizabeth Keeble, 10s. when 21. To Mary Keeble, 10s. when 21. To Mr William Soone of Woodbridge, 20s. to deal kindly with testator's son. To kinsman Thomas Cooke, 10s. in 3 years. To brother Robert Cooke, 40s. he shall have to see Alice Briers well placed, if it may be, after testator's death, 20s. in 1 month & 20s. in 1 year. To 3 children of Robert Cooke namely Robert, Thomas & Samuel Cooke, 40s. each when 21; if any child die before 21, then that portion to be equally divided amongst other children of the said Robert, then living. To nephew & godson Thomas Cook, 3s. 4d. when 21. To kinswoman Alice Bryers, 40s. when 21. To kinsman Jeffery Briers, 10s. when 21. To Katherine Bryers, 10s. when 21. To brother Francis Cooke, 10s. in 1 year. To said Francis' 2 children, namely John & Matthew, 10s. each when 21. To servant John Margetts, 3s. 4d. in 1 year. Rest of goods & movables unbequeathed whatever to go to son Robert, to perform will, pay debts, legacies & burial costs; he to be exor. Charles Homberston, gent., John Williams & Henry Townerawe, clerk, to be supervisors; said Charles Homberston to have £5 & John Williams & Henry Townerawe to have £3 each for their pains; they to help son Robert in the probate of will & in other matters which they shall think most profitable.

Wit. William Knappett. John Dryver.

Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 6 June 1626.

291 R(W) MICHAEL FULLER of Hintlesham, gent. 16 August 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God, hoping by death, merits & passion of blessed saviour Christ Jesus to be saved & to live eternally. To son Thomas Fuller, all lands, marshes & hereditaments in Felixstowe, occupied by William Doyley, gent., or his assigns, namely hill as it lies called Holmehill, marsh called North marsh, marsh called East marsh, marsh called First marsh, & all other marshes & sea banks as they are now occupied by the said William Doyley in Felixstowe; son to have the same to him & his heirs forever, chargeable with payment of £200 thus-to his sister Mary Fuller £100 in 2 years, & also to pay £100 to his sister

Thomasine Fuller in 2 years likewise; if the sum of £200 be upaid to his said 2 sisters, at any of the said day & time when the same is due, then she or they that are unpaid, to enter the foresaid lands & hold the same & have the profits to their own use, without any interruption or molestation from any manner of person whatever, till they be paid & satisfied of the said £100, over & above the lord's rents & such other things as shall be issuing out of the said lands. Son Thomas to pay to his said 2 sisters Mary & Thomasine, £8 each a year after testator's death, each year, till they have received their legacies, or else at his own cost & charges, provide for the said Mary & Thomasine till they have received their portion, with meat & drink sufficient for their maintenance, the choice to be in their own hands, whether they will accept the said yearly payment of £8, or their diet during the said term, till they have received their portions. To daughter Mary Fuller, for so long as she be unmarried, marsh with appurtenances, now occupied by William Doyle, being the moiety of the South marsh in Felixstowe, & son Thomas to pay the fine for her admission thereto, & if he refuse, then Mary (she paying her own fine for admission to the said marsh) to have the marsh forever. If she marries & the said Thomas pays the fine for her admission, then she is to have the marsh till Thomas pays her £100, over & above the first £100 given her; after payment of the said £100, marsh to remain to son Thomas & his heirs. To daughter Thomasine Fuller, for so long as she be unmarried, marsh with appurtenances, now occupied by one Edwards in Felixstowe, & son Thomas to pay the fine for her admission thereto, & if he refuse, then Thomasine (she paying her own fine for admission to the said marsh) to have the said marsh forever. If she marries & the said Thomas pays the fine for her admission, then she is to have the marsh till Thomas pays her £100, over & above the first £100 given her; after payment of the said £100, marsh to remain to son Thomas & his heirs. To son Thomas Fuller & his heirs, marsh called Blythe marsh, now in his own occupation, in Felixstowe. Require son Thomas, that if testator's daughter Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Greene, gent., happen to be a widow & to come to want, that then he, out of his brother's love to her, will bestow & give her the yearly rent & profit of the marsh called Blythe during her life. To son Thomas & his heirs, pightle called Vaynes, with appurtenances, in Felixstowe. To Fermely Fuller, 1 of the daughters of late brother Thomas Fuller deceased, £10 in 2 years. To sister in law Mrs Mary Barny, £5 in 1 year. To daughter in law Margaret Fuller, a doz. silver spoons. To each of the children of son in law Thomas Greene, 40s. each when they be 14, if they be not paid the same during testator's lifetime. To poor of Hintlesham, 26s. 8d. in 1 month. Rest of goods & movables unbequeathed to go to son Thomas Fuller; he to be exor, to pay burial costs, debts & legacies, & see this will performed. Best[?] Barker of Mount Bures near Colchester (Ess.) to be supervisor; he to have for his pains, 20s.

Wit. Nicholas Hayward. Barnaby Moyse. John Tovell.

Pr. granted to exor at Nettlestead. 2 May 1626.

292 R(W) MARY HOWELL of Dennington, widow. 11 April 1626

Weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, relying wholly on his mercy in Jesus Christ, for salvation. To son Thomas Howell, livery bedstead & bed furnished as it now stands on the hall chamber & pillow. To daughter Margaret

Beare, posted bedstead & bed that is now at son in law Beare's, furnished as it came hither. To nephew John Patten, 40s. To grandchild John Howell, 20s. All legacies to be delivered by exor thus – bedding in 1 month & sums of money in 6 months. To each of the following grandchildren – Daniel, Mary, Anne, Sara & Benjamin Peeres 10s. each when 21, & if any child die before 21, then that portion to be equally divided between survivors when 21. To Alice, wife of William Beales, 5s. To daughter Ann Peeres, best hat, best ruff & best apron. All other goods, chattels, plate, household stuff & implements whatever, in whose hands wherever, unbequeathed, to go to son Paul Howell; he to be exor.

Wit. Francis Browning. Edward Mowlton. Abraham Howell.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 7 June 1626.

293 R(W) THOMAS LORD of Little Redisham, yeo. 28 October 1623

Calling to mind the uncertainty of this transitory life & having God before, into whose hands daily commit soul, trusting that through the only merits, death & passion of lord & saviour Jesus Christ to have full fruition of eternal life. To be buried in Ringsfield churchyard. To wife Anne, of whom have received & found much comfort, all that messuage, orchard, gardens, lands & tenements in Beccles, late bought of Nicholas Garneys, esq., as by deed dated 6 October 1623 shows, to her & her assigns for life. On her death, same to go to daughter Elizabeth. To daughter Elizabeth, £40 when 21; also to her, great gold ring which has the seal of testator's name there upon engraven, desk & 1 of the biggest trunks when she be 21. To wife Anne, rest of goods unbequeathed, household stuff, cattle & chattels whatever & wherever, towards the performance of this will & payment of debts; she to be extrix, to see to burial in a comely & honest fashion & perform will.

Wit. Richard Reynolds. Philip Barker.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 13 May 1626.

294 R(W) MARY MARRATT of Hacheston, widow. 23 January 1624/25

Late the wife of John Marratt. Soul to hands of Almighty God & saviour Jesus Christ, by whom alone will be saved; to be buried in Hacheston churchyard. Son Francis Clarke & son in law Thomas Lawrence of Wickham Market to be exors; they to have all copyhold lands held of the manor of the Earl of Suffolk, with all houses & tenements thereto belonging, to them & their heirs, in Hacheston. Rest of goods to exors, to defray burial costs.

Wit. Francis Sabie. Thomas Huggon.

Pr. granted to exors at Wickham Market. 6 June 1626.

295 R(W) ROBERT PAYNE of Sibton, yeo. 17 April 1626

Weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, whom trust, for his beloved son's sake, gracious & merciful saviour, will receive the same into his merciful tuition, there to rest with him, till both soul & body be reunited & knit together to appear before his tribunal seat of judgement. To be buried in Heveningham churchyard, near to mother. Extrix to pay all debts, as well without speciality as by speciality, & all

funeral charges. To wife Elizabeth & son Henry Payne, rest of goods & chattels, both within & without house, to be equally divided between them by supervisor in 1 year. Wife Elizabeth to have the profits & benefits of all the goods & chattels towards the bringing up of son, till he be 21; but if son Henry die before 21, without lawful issue, then his part shall then come to said Elizabeth. Wife to put in bond to supervisor, as he shall think most fit & meet, in half a year to perform will; she to be extrix. Uncle Anthony Carter of Mendham, yeo., to be supervisor. Wit. Stephen Norton, vicar of Sibton. Thomas Skoulding. Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 7 June 1626.

296 R(W) JOHN SMITH of Dennington, husb. 12 May 1626

Soul to hands of Almighty God, relying wholly on his mercy in Jesus Christ. To son John, long framed table with 2 of the longest joined forms & best turned chair. To daughter Alice, wife of Matthew Spynny, livery bedstead furnished as it now stands, with feather bed, feather bolster, best feather pillow, best coverlet, blanket with the mat & bed line; also to her, little framed table with a little joined form, 2 buffet stools and worst turned chair. To daughter Margaret, wife of Nicholas Birch, posted bedstead as it now stands, with feather bed, feather bolster, 2 feather pillows, 3 curtains, 2 old coverlets with a blanket & bed line, joined form standing by the same bed's side, cupboard, middle turned chair, meat keep, bolting hutch & half linen-the other half linen to go to daughter Alice. All other goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed, once debts & burial costs be met, to be equally divided between children John, Alice & Margaret. Son John & son in law Nicholas Birch to be exors; they to perform will.

Wit. Bartholomew Raphe. Edward Moulton.
Pr. granted to exors at Yoxford. 7 June 1626.

297 R(W) JOHN WOLNAUGHE the elder of Barsham, yeo. (X)
19 June 1623

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, hoping assuredly to be saved & to be an inheritor of the kingdom of heaven & that by & through the only merits of Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer. To wife Margery, £6 annuity to be paid yearly to her for life, within the parlour, part of messuage or tenement where testator now dwells in Barsham; also to her, the use of the said parlour for her use & her assigns, for life, with free ingress, egress & regress into & from the same, together also with the necessary use of the yard for the laying of her firing, with the use of the oven & houses there for her necessary baking & brewing. Also to wife, posted bedstead where testator now lies, cord & mat with all the bed & bedding thereto belonging as it stands, chest with all linen, 4 pewter platters & best kettle-all of which bed & bedding she is to have only for her life, & on her death, same to go to daughter Ann. All gifts to wife Margery to be in full satisfaction of her dower claims to messuages & lands. To son Robert, house & lands in Beccles Ingate, forever; he yielding & paying to wife Margery 40s., part of the aforesaid £6, to be paid her at the 4 usual feasts of Michaelmas, Christmas, Lady day & St John the Baptist equally. On death of said Margery, the 40s. to be continued to be paid to daughter Alice, or her assigns, at the said 4 days, till the 2 children of

the said Alice be 14, & then Robert to pay to his sister Alice, £10. To son Nicholas & his heirs, all those head houses that are under 1 roof, where testator now dwells, in Barsham & a little house now used for a dairy house, & also a cart house there adjoining together, with all lands there belonging, except so much thereof as testator shall give by this will to son John. Nicholas to pay to wife Margery 40s., part of the aforesaid £6, to be paid her at the 4 usual feasts, as abovesaid. To son John, tenement where his brother Robert now dwells, with the barns as they now stand under 1 roof, & 1 acre land or pasture adjoining to the said tenement last above mentioned, & 1 close or pigtle in Barsham called Fowleslough, being 3 acres. John to pay to wife Margery 40s., part of the aforesaid £6, to be paid her at the 4 usual feasts, as abovesaid. To daughter Ann, £30 out of personal estate in 3 months. To son Nicholas, all tools & timber being felled, wrought or fit to be wrought, not only all which is testator's in particular but also the rest which is in the joint possession of testator & son Robert; if Robert shall not permit or suffer his brother Nicholas to take the whole benefit of tools & timber which he, the said Robert, has right & interest in, then all gifts to Robert to be void & then these gifts to go to said Nicholas & then Nicholas to perform all things, as Robert should have done. To 2 children of son in law William Edwards, £10 to be equally divided between them, when 21; if either die before 21, survivor to inherit. To grandchild John, son of son Robert, 10s. when 21; & to the 3 other children of son Robert, 10s. to be equally divided between them. To eldest son of son in law John Page, 10s. when 21; & to the 3 other children of said John, 10s. to be equally divided between them. To godchild, youngest daughter of Henry Boatswaine, 10s. when 21. To 4 children of 2 sisters, 12d. each. To churchwardens & overseers of the poor of Barsham & to the impotent people there, 6s. 8d. in 1 month. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed, once probate, legacies & burial costs be met, to go to exors. Sons John & Nicholas Wolnaughe to be exors; John Dinnington of Barsham to be supervisor. Whereas Thomas Fletcher, gent., devised to testator a certain messuage & lands in Ringsfield, in satisfaction of a debt of £20, which the said Thomas Fletcher did owe testator, the which John Page has occupied, & for which he is, or shall be, truly indebted to testator for £20 to be paid on Michaelmas next to come; if John Page pays testator, or pays to exors, if testator does not live, at Michaelmas next coming the £20, that exors shall pay to John Page, in 40 days after testator's burial, £20; if John Page defaults in payment of £20 on Michaelmas next, then all gifts to him to be void, & then the £20 due to testator to remain in the hands of the said John Page, so as he does acquit exors of all demands as he may have against testator, by reason of any promise made to him, of any portion due to him on his marriage with testator's daughter. Wit. Henry Aldham. Robert Cobbe.
Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 24 June 1626.

298 R(W) HENRY JORDAN of Bentley. 18 December 1622

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & creator, & to Jesus Christ, redeemer; to be buried in Bentley churchyard. To son Henry Jordan, all freehold houses & lands called Kyrpens. To son Thomas Jordan, all copyhold held of the manor of Bentley hall; also to him, bestead, feather bed, 2 sheets, 2 blankets & covering on which testator lies, 6 pieces pewter. To daughter Elizabeth Jordan, £10 in 1

year. To daughter Avis, £10 in 1 year; also to her, trundle bedstead, best flock bed, bolster, pair sheets, coverlet & 6 pieces pewter. To daughter Elizabeth, £10 more in 2 years. To daughter Avis, £10 more in 2 years. Two sons Henry & Thomas Jordan to be exors; they to have rest of goods, movables & chattels unbequeathed, to pay debts, legacies & funeral charges.

Wit. None.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 17 May 1626.

299 R(W) NICHOLAS HARPLEY of Southwold, bricklayer. (N)
26 April 1626

All movable goods, cattle & chattels whatever, to go to Mary Corven of Southwold, widow, in consideration that she has tended testator in sickness & in consideration she shall give good attendance to testator till death, & she shall pay house rent & burial costs. Also to her, an earthen platter in the name of seisin of the premises.

Wit. Margery Petty. John Balles.

Let. Ad. granted to Mary Corven at Beccles. 8 May 1626.

300 R(W) THOMAS BRABON of Weybread. 27 August 1626

Sick & weak. Soul to Almighty God, redeemer; to be buried in churchyard at Weybread. To wife Mary, capital messuage or tenement where testator now dwells, with all houses, tenements & hereditaments belonging, with appurtenances, in Weybread, except the close called Marches close late purchased of William Skipwith, gent., & Elizabeth his wife, Anthony Cooper & Richard Shepdome; she to have the same for life, if she remain a widow. On her death, or remarriage, lands to go to eldest son Thomas & his heirs. To 2nd son William, annuity of £8 for life, after the death of said Mary, to be paid out of lands given to wife, & that said Thomas shall pay to his brother William presently, when 21, with a good & sufficient deed with clause of distress for the true payment thereof. To youngest son Richard & his heirs, close called Marches; wife Mary to take the profits & have the use of the close, till Richard be 21, towards the charges of his bringing up & payment of debts & legacies. Wife Mary to pay debts & after that, she to pay to 2 daughters £40 each – to daughter Amy £40 & to daughter Elizabeth £40, 1st payment to be made on Michaelmas 3 years after testator's death by 20 marks by the year, on Michaelmas, or in 40 days after it, yearly by 20 marks the year, out of the said lands formerly devised to wife, till the £40 be paid. Wife Mary to be extrix; if she die, or refuse to pay debts & legacies & perform will, then lands & messuages & tenements given to her, to go to son Thomas & he to pay the same, perform will & be exor; if he die, or refuse to act, then lands to go to son William, & he to perform will. If son Thomas quarrel with son Richard, for any part of the close called Marches & do not allow him to enjoy the same, then Richard shall have capital messuage & lands & to perform will.

Wit. Richard Freston. Christopher Harsante. John Jacob. (X) John Brabon. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 5 September 1626

301 R(W) HENRY BOWLE of Ipswich, ship's carpenter. 26 August 1625

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God that gave it, being assuredly persuaded of the true pardon & forgiveness of all sins by the death & merits of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer. To wife Abigail, messuage or tenement where testator now dwells, with appurtenances belonging, in St Clement's Ipswich, for life, she to keep the same in good & convenient repair. Reversion to the same, on her death, to go thus—the west part or side of the messuage, consisting of the entry next the street, the hall, parlour, buttery next the parlour northwards & all the chamber buildings & rooms over the same hall, parlour & buttery, & the moiety of the yard, garden & ground belonging to the same messuage at the end of the said buttery & the free use of the pump, & free ingress, egress & regress at all times to take & carry away water at & from the said pump, for paying half the charges of new making & renewing the pump, well & implements thereto belonging, to go to eldest son Henry Bowle & his heirs. East side of said messuage, with appurtenances, consisting of a parlour next the messuage or tenement of Robert Bull & the chamber over the same parlour & the rest of said messuage or tenement with appurtenances not formerly given to Henry, with the moiety of the yard & garden & parcel of the ground belonging to said messuage at the north end thereof, & free use of the pump, to have, take & carry away water, for paying half the charges as is aforesaid for the said Henry, to go to son Robert Bowle. If 2 sons shall not or cannot agree, after death of wife, in the peaceable having, using & enjoying of the said messuage with appurtenances, then they shall obey & abide & perform such order, judgement, sentence & determination therein, as Thomas Wright, Saphony Forde, Robert Ball & Robert Cole the elder, shipwrights or the survivor of them, shall appoint concerning the same. Whereas testator is indebted to William Dameron of Ipswich, butcher, in £40, that if 2 sons, after the death of wife, pays the £40 to William Dameron, or take such order that wife shall not be charged or sued for the same or any part thereof, then reversion of messuage to go to said Thomas Wright, Sapheny Ford, Robert Bull & Robert Cole or the survivor of them in fee, that they to sell the reversion of the same with the appurtenances, & with the money thus raised, to pay the £40 to the said William Dameron, & then sons to be void of any thing in this will. All goods, chattels, movable goods whatever, other than 40s. whereof sons Henry & Robert have 10s. each & Thomas Wright have 20s. in 1 year, to go to wife Abigail to pay debts & burial costs; she to be extrix. Thomas Wright to be supervisor.

Wit. Thomas Laster. Robert Bull.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 21 July 1626.

302 R(W) JOHN BARBER of Fressingfield, yeo. (X) 13 April 1626

Soul to Almighty God, creator, trusting through only merits of Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer to inherit everlasting life. To wife Jane, all that tenement in Fressingfield called Middaies for life, she paying out of the same to son John Barber during her life, the sum of £3 at the 2 usual feasts of Michaelmas & Lady day by equal portions, & after the death of the said Jane, tenement to go to son John. To son John, all those copyhold grounds, houses & buildings & feedings in Fressingfield held by copy of court roll of the manor of Veales, to him & his

heirs; also to him, brewing copper & all brewing vessels thereto belonging. Rest of movable goods, household implements & stuff to go to wife Jane, for life. On her death, the same to be equally divided between 3 children, namely John, Elizabeth & Martha. If daughter Elizabeth die before wife Jane, then her part to go to her son John Hutcheson; if daughter Martha die, without issue, before wife Jane, then her share to go to her brother John & his heirs. Wife Jane & son John to be bound in 1 month, to pay to grandchild John Hutchenson, which is owed to him. Son John, in 1 year of the death of wife Jane, to pay to John Hutchenson £5, if testator's daughter Elizabeth be then living, & also £5 to his sister Martha in 2 years of Jane's death, if she be then living or if any issue of her body be then living; but if Elizabeth dies before wife Jane, then 1st payment to be made to Martha, if she be living, or to the issue of her body if any be living, & the 2nd payment to be made to John Hutchenson if he be alive. Wife Jane to be extrix. Wit. Edward Barrell. (X) Katherine Mayes. (X) John Hutchenson. Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 28 June 1626.

303 R(W) RICHARD BOWLES of Mendham. 8 July 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To 2 sons William & Richard Bowles, £8 each in 1 year. To youngest son Francis, £10 when 21. Rest of goods whatever, chattels & cattle, movables, household implements, bills, bonds & ready money to go to wife Ann; she to be extrix, paying debts & legacies & bringing up son Francis till he be 21, & paying burial costs. Wit. Thomas Kent. Thomas Neeche. Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 22 July 1626.

304 R(W) ROBERT BRAND of Nacton, fisherman. 3 October 1625

Soul to Almighty God, maker & redeemer. To wife Margery, lands in Nacton, both free & copyhold; also all movable goods during her life, she paying debts & burial costs, excepting one third of a ketch called 'Hopewell', & one third of a skiff. To son Edward Brand, one third of ketch & skiff before excepted. To daughter Alice Deckes, wife of Stephen Deckes, £10 after the death of wife Margery, she to be extrix, paying debts & legacies. To daughter Margaret, wife of Humphrey Girling, £10 after the death of said Margery. To daughter Elizabeth Brand, £20 on the death of her mother. To daughter Margery Brand, £20 to be paid likewise. Wit. Henry Cutbert. Robert Cutberd. Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 20 July 1626.

305 R(W) JAMES BURROUGH of Fressingfield, yeo. 18 October 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, hoping by & through merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to be in the number of the elect. To wife Alice, tenement & lands where testator now dwells, with barn, yards & orchards for life; on her death son Thomas Burroughs to have the same messuage, with barn, yards & orchards with 2 closes, the 1 called Ducketts, with the other next adjoining, containing some 10 acres, lying in Fressingfield, for life. If he have lawful issue, then same lands to

go to his heirs on his death, but if he have no lawful heir, then on his death lands to go to the children of testator's 2 daughters, namely Christian & Frances, provided the same be sold to the uttermost & the money thus arising to be equally divided amongst all the children of the said Christian & Frances, always provided that on the sale thereof, that the children do pay to Alice, the wife of Thomas Burrow, £10 out of the same, at or in the church porch at Fressingfield. Also they, the said children or their assigns, after such sale, shall pay to the 4 children of late son Henry Burrough, £10 to be equally divided between them, on condition that they do at all times hereafter suffer a passage & a drift for horse, cart & cattle from tenement where testator lives to Duckett's lane, without any molestation. To daughter Frances, wife of John Gillett, tenement & yard where they now live, for life; on her death, the same to be sold & the money thus coming to be equally divided between all the children of the said Frances. Said Frances to have, on death of wife Alice, 30s. a year during her life, to be paid by exor at or in the mansion house of John Gillett, at the feasts of Lady day & Michaelmas, by equal portions. To daughter Christian, £5 paid by exor on the death of wife Alice, at or in the mansion house of the said John Gillett. Rest of goods, chattels, cattle, household implements & stuff whatever unbequeathed, to go to 3 children namely Thomas, Christian & Frances to be equally divided between them, on the death of wife Alice. Son Thomas Burrough to be exor, receiving & paying debts, & meeting funeral costs.

Wit. Richard Fox. William Aldowes. Christopher Godbould. Nathaniel Alldous.
Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 2 September 1626.

306 R(W) RICHARD CHAMBERLYN the elder, of Framlingham, pail maker. 17 July 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. All movable goods, cattle, chattels whatever to go to daughter Alice, wife of John Mayes of Cretingham, husb., & to daughter Elizabeth, to be equally divided between them; they to pay debts & to pay to grandchild Thomas Spencer, son of Francis Spencer, 40s. either when he shall be bound apprentice or else when he be 21, if he be not bound as apprentice, & also paying to grandchildren John & William Libbens, sons of Richard Libbens of Saxtead, 20s. each when they be bound apprentice or else when they be 21. Daughters Alice & Elizabeth to be extrices.

Wit. Nicholas Hayeward. Elizabeth Norman.

Pr. granted to extrices at Nettlestead. 5 August 1626.

307 R(W) EDMUND COOKOE of East Bergholt, husb. (X) 7 June 1626

Sick & weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, blessed redeemer, by whose merits hope only to be saved in the resurrection; to be buried in East Bergholt churchyard. To wife Elizabeth, house & tenement with appurtenances belonging, where Thomas Greene did dwell, in East Bergholt, held of Mr Lambe, for life. On her death, same to go to 2 youngest sons, George & Richard Cookoe, & their heirs, to be equally divided between them part & part alike. If either die before 21, then survivor to inherit both portions. Remainder of goods, chattels & corn whatever, once debts, probate & funeral costs be met, to go to

wife Elizabeth Cookoe, she to be extrix.

Wit. Francis Gladwing. (X) William Barton. (X) John Steavenson.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 26 June 1626.

308 R(W) WILLIAM COOKE of Copdock, yeo. (X) 27 April 1626

Soul to Almighty God; to be buried in Copdock churchyard. To 5 daughters, £10 each – namely to Alice, Rose, Joan, Judith & Mary £10 each when 21; if any die before receipt of legacy, that share to be equally divided between survivors. Father in law Thomas Skogine of Ringshall to be a feoffee in trust for them. Wife Joan Cooke to have the 5 daughters' portions for so long as she be unmarried, to bring them up & to pay each portion when each daughter be 21. To brother Henry Cooke, load of logs. Debts owed to testator as follows – Stephen Cooke of Little Wenham owes 30s., Sheene of Copdock owes 20s. wanting 4d., & John Manning of Copdock owes 10s. Wife Joan to be extrix.

Wit. Philip Stegales. (X) Samuel Dayes. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 20 June 1626.

309 R(W) HENRY CAPON of Pettistree. (N) June 1626

Two days before death. To wife Margery, all goods whatever, she to pay debts.

Wit. Mr Robert Smith, jnr. John Archer.

Pr. granted to Margery Capon, following the examination of witnesses, at Wickham Market. 27 June 1626.

310 R(W) JOAN CORBOLD of Carlton Colville, widow. (X)

1 September 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, hoping assuredly through only merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to be made partaker of life everlasting. To 2 of youngest daughters Margaret Peryson & Frances Hullock, & their heirs, all lands & tenements, with appurtenances, being free & copyhold, in Carlton Colville & Pakefield, or any other town in the half hundred of Mutford; they to pay, or cause to be paid, yearly out of the said lands, an annuity of £4 to eldest daughter Jane Smith, to be paid during her life at Lady day & Michaelmas, by equal portions; 1st payment to be made on the 1st feast after testator's death. Also they to pay, out of said lands, to grandchild John Michason, £40 when he be 21, to be paid at the south porch of Carlton Colville church; further they are to pay to another grandchild Bridget Murrell, £30 when 21, to be paid at the place aforesaid. Said daughters also to pay or distribute in dole to the poor people at testator's funeral, 40s. All movable goods whatever to go to said 2 daughters, to be equally divided between them; they to pay debts & burial costs, & be extrices.

Wit. Robert Seaman. Philip Haward. John Page. (X)

Pr. granted to extrices at Beccles. 16 September 1626.

311 R(W) FRANCIS CRISPE of Sweffling. (N) 6 July 1626

To son Thomas Crisp, all lands & good whatever, both in & without the house.

Wit. William Ewen. Alice Crispe.

Pr. granted to Thomas Crispe, following the examination of witnesses, at Yoxford. 31 July 1626.

312 R(W) JOHN CHETTLEBURGH of Walberswick, shipwright. (X)
16 May 1625

Sick & weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator; to be buried in the sure & certain hope of a joyful resurrection. Messuage or tenement which testator took up with wife Mary at the court baron held for the manor of Blythburgh with Walberswick on 6 October 1624, to 2 children Henry & Abraham Chettleburgh & their heirs, on death of wife Mary, if they or either of them live so long; if they both die before said Mary, then lands to go to 2 other children Robert & Rose Chettleburgh & their heirs. To daughter Rose Chettleburgh, old cupboard which was her mother's. To wife, all household stuff & movable goods in the messuage or tenement where testator dwells, & in the yards of the same messuage, except boards in the yards & treenails. Also to wife Mary, all working tools & the crop of barley now growing on the ground belonging to the said tenement. All timber boards, planks & treenails to be sold by extrix, to pay debts & the overplus arising to go to extrix. Wife Mary to be extrix; brother in law Henry Richardson to be supervisor.

Wit. Simon Forman, otherwise Austen. George Godweine. Augustine Warde.
Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 20 July 1626.

313 R(W) WILLIAM CAPON of Great Glemham, tailor. 21 April 1616

Soul to Almighty God. To daughter Elizabeth, posted bedstead with feather bed thereon, bolster, coverlet, pair blankets & 2 pair sheets. To son William Capon, livery bedstead with a feather bed thereon, pair sheets, blankets, coverlet & bolster. Rest of movable goods which were testator's before marriage with wife Susan, to go thus – half to daughter Elizabeth & half to sons William & Leonard to be equally divided between them. If there be any debts owed by testator at the time of death, then children who have the goods, to pay debts according to the portion so given. All those goods which belonged to wife, before marriage, these to be to her own use as before they were. William Thomson of Tunstall to be exor. Wit. Henry Seahmor. Elizabeth Tompson. (X) Elizabeth Tompson, jnr. (X)
Let. Ad. granted to William Capon, testator's son, following the renunciation of William Thomson as exor, at Wickham Market. 1 August 1626.

314 R(W) ROBERT CARDE of Harkstead, husb. (X) 13 July 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator & redeemer, trusting by & through his only merits to be made an inheritor of his everlasting kingdom. To son John Carde, tenement called Nicholas Mans & frelands belonging to the same; also £12 when 21. To son Robert Card, tenement called Cockerills garden with appurtenances, & 2 pieces land – one called Gravel pit & the other called Stonecroft, & 1 acre copyhold land called Gladens & 10 stetches of customary lands lying between 2 meers of John Freelowe, gent., called Overdowne; also to

him, £14 when 21. To daughter Elizabeth Carde, £55 when 21, 2 pair sheets & all linen as was her mother's & her wearing apparel. To sister Ann Wilbye, 20s. in 1 week, & a linsey wolsey petticoat. To either of 2 sons, 2 pair sheets each. If any of 3 children die before 21, without issue, then that portion to be equally divided between survivors, part & part alike. Son John Carde to be exor; he to maintain tenements in good repair, till his brother Robert be 21; exor to have benefit of all lands till Robert be 21 towards his maintenance & upbringing. Remainder of movable goods, corn, cattle, chattels, household stuff & implements, once debts, legacies & funeral costs be met, to be equally divided between 3 children, part & part alike.

Wit. William Martyn. William Catle. (X)

Let. Ad. granted to Richard Glamfield, owing to the minority of John Carde, at Ipswich. 3 August 1626.

315 R(W) HUGH EVERED. (X) n.d.

Soul to God. To eldest son Francis, the Broom Close on death of testator's wife, & not till then is he to meddle with any thing, & then to have it with this condition that he shall pay his brother Hugh & his sister Cicely in 1 year & 1 day after their mother's death, £10 to the one & £10 to the other; & then in 2 years & a day to pay to his sisters Alice & Ann, £10 to the one & £10 to the other; then in 3 years he is to pay to his sister Susan £10, & in the 4th year he is to pay to his brother's 2 children Hugh & Elizabeth, 20s. to the one & 20s. to the other, to be put out to the children's use till they be of age; but if this cannot be done with convenience, that he cannot pay the money in the time specified, then he shall sell the land & distribute the money to everyone, according to this will. Movable to go to wife, both within & without the house, to her own use.

Wit. Edmund Caton. Edward Andrews. (X) June Hail.

Let. Ad. granted to Bridget Evered, testator's wife, at Barsham. 22 August 1626.

316 R(W) THOMAS EVERARD of Pakefield, yeo. (X) 8 July 1626

Soul to Almighty God, trusting assuredly that by & through merits, death & passion of lord & only saviour Christ Jesus, shall be saved & made partaker of celestial joys prepared by him for his elect & chosen children, people & saints; body to be buried in hope of the resurrection thereof at the great judgement day, the uniting thereof then to soul again, & their ascension to life everlasting. To wife Cordelia Everard, close bedstead full furnished. To son John Everard, £4 score when 21. To son Thomas Everard, £4 score when 21. To daughter Elizabeth Everard, £40 when she be 21 or on her marriage, whichever happens first. All these sums to be paid out of goods, chattels, household goods whatever, which are to be sold by exor to pay debts & legacies; the benefit of which money, debts being paid, shall go towards the maintenance & upbringing of children, till they receive their portion. Brother John Everard of Gisleham to be exor.

Wit. Edward Bury. Prudence Point. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 28 July 1626.

317 R(W) JOHN FAYREWEATHER of Winston, yeo. 1 April 1624

Soul to hands of Almighty God, who gave the same, hoping assuredly through only merits of Jesus Christ, only saviour, to be made partaker of everlasting life & happiness. To poor of Winston, 5s. paid by exor in 2 days. To eldest son John Fayerweather & his heirs, tenement built, with all appurtenances, being copyhold held of Sir Charles Knight of his manor of Scotnetts in Debenham, late bought of uncle Nicholas Fayreweather, amongst other lands, as in covenant & surrender of the said Nicholas dated 23 April 1585 appears; he to enter lands presently, paying the lord's rent of 3s. 4d. each year as it shall grow due. Also to son John, £5 in 1 month, to be paid in the south porch of Winston church. To wife Alice Fayrwerther, £6. To son William Fayreweather, £30. To son Joseph Fayrewether, £40. To son Edward Fayrewether, £14. To son Isaac Fayrewether, £30. To son Thomas Fayrewether, £10. To daughter Sara Aldrich, £20. To grandchild Thomas Fayrewether, son of son Thomas, £5. Exors shall not be charged with the payment of the said sums, not in whole nor in part, for the payment of which testator has bargained & agreed with Robert & John Tovell jointly & severally by bond, that they shall pay to them & each of them the said sums herein mentioned, in 1 year of testator's death & of the death of wife Alice, in the south porch of Winston church, as by bond appears; but, whereas the gift of £6 to wife Alice cannot come to her to be employed, for that the said money shall not come to be due & payable till & after testator's death & the death of the said Alice as is aforesaid, now if testator dies before wife, then she is to nominate who is to have the £6 & the same to have & enjoy it as a gift. If any sons, or daughter, or grandchild die before receipt of legacy, they can nominate to any child or children of his, her or any of their own, or otherwise to any other friend, at their own free choice, or otherwise such part to be equally divided between surviving sons & daughter. If any of children, whether son or daughter, do grudge, repine or otherwise wilfully do or shall propose, provoke, molest or set themselves one against another, or against exors or any of them, for, concerning or by reason of any gift bequeathed, intending thereby the disquiet, disturbance or any way the hurt or charge in suit, hindrance or other vain & needless expense in the law, one against another or against exors, or shall refuse to receive their gifts given, or upon receipt thereof, do not seal & deliver a lawful & sufficient acquittance unto such person as is appointed to pay the same, that then gift to be void & then that gift to be equally divided between other children. To son Joseph Fayreweather, in recompense & full payment of that money which he laid out for his brother Edward, all horses, geldings & mares, carts, tumbrels, ploughs, harrows, traces, collars & halters whatever, with the rest of the furniture belonging to the horses. To wife Alice, testator's part of the wheat, which is the half standing & growing in the field, which said part at the time of reaping in harvest season, shall be shorn, bound & indifferently parted, brought into the barn & laid by itself in the barn to her own use. Also to wife, all movable goods unbequeathed, all household stuff & implements, bedding, brass, pewter, linen & woollen, money, plate & utensils; she to pay to grandchild John Fayrewether, son of son John, 20s., & to pay to grandchildren Mary & Peter Aldrigh, children of son in law Peter Aldriche, the sums of 20s. & 10s. respectively, when they be 21, in the south porch of Winston church. Wife Alice & son Joseph to be exors.

Wit. John Dobbs. (X) Francis Morland. (X)
Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 20 September 1626.

318 R(W) ANN GREEN of Southelmham All Saints, single. (X) 2 June 1626

Visited with sickness. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, most assuredly hoping through merits, death & precious bloodshed of lord & saviour Jesus Christ, to have free remission of all sins, & to be made a blessed partaker of life everlasting. To poor of All Saints & St Nicholas, 10s. To children of brother William Welton, 3s. 4d. each in 3 months. To brother Elias Welton, 10s. presently. To brother John Welton, 10s. presently. To brother Henry Welton, 10s. presently. To godson Henry Welton, 20s. presently. To Richard Welton of St Peter's Southelmham, 10s. To brother in law Andrew Cooper, 10s. in 3 months. To godchild Alice Barker, 5s. All sums to be paid by exor in the south porch of All Saints church, at said times. To Mary Rouse, wife of [blank] Rouse, stuff gown, pair sheets presently. To son William Greene's children, viz belchildren William & Anne Green, 40s. each when 21. To son James Greene, 3 of the youngest dairy cows to be indifferently appointed by supervisors at next Michaelmas; also joined chest standing in the parlour. To son Samuel Greene, joined chest worked with A. M. & W. in the same parlour; also 3 of the youngest cows to be indifferently chosen by supervisors at next Michaelmas. To daughters Sarah & Mary Greene, all hemp which is now pulled, & all hemp standing & growing on the ground, which testator has now in farm or occupation of Mr Claxton of Pulham St Mary (Nf.). To son William Greene, brinded bud heifer aged 2 years. To belchild William Greene, weaned calf with a pipe on the forehead, at next Michaelmas. To daughter Sarah Greene, bud heifer aged 2 years, next Michaelmas. To daughter Mary Greene, another bud aged 1 year, next Michaelmas; also to her new feather bed & bolster which were lately bought, delivered by exor immediately. To son William Greene, mealy coloured cow calf. To son James Greene, 1 other weaned calf. To son Samuel Greene, 1 other weaned calf to be delivered next Michaelmas. To Daniel Greene, 1 other of the youngest dairy cows, to be appointed by supervisors at the said feast. Exor to pay Samuel Greene, £40 in 3 months. To son Daniel Greene & his heirs, tenement & lands in St Michael's Southelmham, or elsewhere in the manors of Southelmham; he to be bound in £100 to pay £50 on 25 March 1628 to William Greene of Metfield, yeo., & to John Elmy of Rumburgh, yeo.; he is also to be bound, to the said parties, in a bond of £100 at Michaelmas 1628 in the porch of All Saints church. Exors to receive all debts & pay all debts & burial costs. Rest of movable goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed, once funeral & probate costs be met, to be equally divided between all children. If any variance or contention shall arise amongst children, then supervisors shall have the division of movable goods as indifferently as possible & everyone is to rest content with that part that is here assigned to them. Sons Daniel & James Greene to be exors, they to be vigilant & careful to see will performed. John Seager, clerk, & John Elmy to be supervisors – Mr Seager to have 10s. for his pains & John Elmy to have 20s.

Wit. Ann Fayrehead. (X)
Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 29 June 1626.

319 R(W) THOMAS GODBOULD of Badingham, yeo. 13 June 1626

Soul to hands of Almighty God, trusting assuredly through merits of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, to be made partaker of life everlasting; to be buried at Badingham. To wife Elizabeth, all lands, tenements & hereditaments with appurtenances, being free & copyhold, in Badingham, for life; she to commit no strip nor waste thereon, & to pay all such rents & annuities as are yearly issuing out of the same, & bring up children in good nurture & virtuous education. On her death, lands to go to daughters Elizabeth & Ursula & their heirs, equally as co-partners. To daughter Elizabeth, £100 in 4 months. To daughter Ursula, lease which testator took of Robert Beamont of Worlingworth, yeo., on 1 September 1625, of certain lands in Worlingworth, & all the term & number of years to come & unexpired of the same lease, together with all profits, benefits & advantages therein mentioned. To daughters Elizabeth & Ursula, during the lifetime of wife Elizabeth, the several yearly sums of £8 each, to be paid them by wife Elizabeth, out of lands & tenements aforesaid at the usual feasts of Lady Day & Michaelmas, or in 10 days of the same, by equal portions, 1st payment to be made on 1st feast in 6 months after the death of testator's father William Godbould & Elizabeth Peise of Dennington, widow, at the mansion house where testator now dwells in Badingham. If wife default in payment, then after such default, it is to be lawful for daughters to enter into said lands & distrain, & the distress then to be driven, chased & carried away & impounded & detained, till daughters be paid, with any arrears if there be any. To daughter Elizabeth, posted bedstead furnished as it stands in the parlour, best great chest & greatest brass pot in 1 month. To daughter Ursula, posted bedstead furnished as it now stands in the parlour chamber, 2nd greatest chest & 2nd brass pot when she be 21. To poor of Badingham, 40s. namely 20s. to be distributed presently by discretion of extrix, & 20s. where most need be, in 1 year. To poor of Laxfield, 20s., of Dennington, 13s. 4d., Bruisyard 6s. 8d. where most need be, at discretion of churchwardens & overseers of the poor. To Fynett, wife of John Bishopp, late servant, 10s. To Mary Goodale, late servant, 10s. To John Sparhawke, apprentice, 15s. when 24. All other goods, chattels, household stuff & implements, ready money, plate, jewels & debts due unqueathed to go to wife Elizabeth, to perform will, pay debts & fual costs; she to be extrix.

Wit. Edward Moulton. Richard Roydon.

Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 18 July 1626.

320 R(W) JOSEPH GIRLING of Wickham Market, husb. 18 June 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, on whose mercy in Christ Jesus wholly lie for salvation. To grandchild Henry Jessopp, when 21, all lands & tenement, both free & copyhold, in Charsfield forever. To grandchild Martha Jessopp, £12 in 4 years, paid by exors in parish church porch of Wickham Market. All the yearly rent & profits, which shall arise for the said lands & tenements before given, to be towards the educating & bringing up of the said Henry Jessopp. Daughter Joan Jessopp, wife of Henry Jessopp, & Thomas Cooke to be exors.

Wit. Roger Reave. William Wingfeild. Thomas Bubbin.

Pr. granted to exors at Wickham Market. 19 May 1626.

321 R(W) ROBERT KITSON of Woodbridge, tanner. 24 November 1625

Willingly & with joyful heart surrender & give up soul to hands of lord & maker, hoping & trusting assuredly that through merits, suffering & death of Christ, shall be received into everlasting life at & after such time as this earthly tabernacle shall be put off; to be buried in church or churchyard of Woodbridge. To wife Mirable, message or tenement where testator dwells, with yards, gardens & all appurtenances belonging, free & copyhold, for life; she to maintain the same in good & sufficient repair; also to her, orchard bought of Francis Driver with the house thereon lately built, for life, she maintaining the said house with fences about the orchard, in good & sufficient repair. Also to her, stock of leather & hides, both tanned & untanned or then in tanning at the time of testator's death, on condition she bring up children in fear of God (so near as she can) & maintain them with sufficient food & apparel & to pay to daughters Elizabeth & Martha, when they be 21 or on their marriage, whichever happens first, they taking her consent in their marriage, £40 each; if either die before receipt of legacy, then survivor to inherit & if both die then legacies to be equally divided between 2 sons Robert & William, & if either of sons die then survivor to inherit. To son William, message or tenement where testator dwells, with yards & gardens there belonging, with appurtenances, on death of wife Mirable; he to allow to his sisters for the time that they, or either of them, shall live unmarried, either maids or widows, to have the use & occupation of parlour, parlour chamber & chamber over the new parlour next to the garden (if they or either of them shall think fit to & dwell therein); also to allow them free ingress, egress & regress into & from the same & the yards & gardens to the said message belonging, for any causes reasonable & at any time or times during all the time that they, or either of them, severally & respectively shall live & continue unmarried, either maids or widows. To son William, orchard bought of Francis Driver, & the house thereon built, on death of wife Mirable; he to pay his brother Robert, £50, namely £25 in 1 year & £25 in 2 years of the death of the said Mirable, at testator's dwelling house; if William refuse to make this payment, then orchard & house thereon built, to go to said Robert & his heirs, & if William die without heir, then Robert to have all premises, in like manner as the same are given to said William. Wife to be extrix; she to have all goods & chattels unbequeathed, to perform will.

Wit. Edmund Ewen. Richard Girling.

Pr. granted to extrix at Woodbridge. 12 April 1626.

322 R(W) RICHARD GRIGSON of East Bergholt, carpenter. (X) 2 May 1626

Sick & weak. Soul to Almighty God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, redeemer, & to the Holy Ghost, sanctifier & preserver; body to the earth, from whence it was first taken. To wife Mary, house & tenement where testator dwells, with appurtenances belonging, for life. On her death, same to go to son Richard Grigson & daughter Elizabeth Grigson, & the house to be equally divided between them, provided that in 1 year after they shall enjoy the same, each shall pay out of the same £5 apiece to their sister Mary Grigson, & if either of them die before their mother, then daughter Mary to have & enjoy the part of whoever so dies, without any payment of money. Wife Mary, at no time hereafter in whatever estate &

condition so ever she shall live in – whether in widowhood or otherwise, shall neither suffer to be made any ruin or strip or waste on the house, but shall maintain, repair & keep house in good repair, or for default thereof children to enter & enjoy the same. All debts to be paid, & then the rest of goods whatever to go to wife, to be disposed of at her discretion; wife to be extrix. John Leaman to be supervisor. Wit. Roger Lewes. (X) Robert Nunn. (X) John Phillipps.

Let. Ad. granted to Mary Howard as nearest living relative to testator, during the minorities of said Richard, Elizabeth & Mary Grigson, on the death of extrix named in will, at Beccles. 3 August 1626.

323 R(W) JOHN LAUNDE *alias* PALLANT of Brandeston, husb.
15 August 1626

Sick. Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, hoping & assuredly believing, through faith in merits & mercies of Christ Jesus, to have free pardon & remission of all sins whatever; body to be buried, believing will receive the same again, a glorious body amongst the just in the general resurrection of the last day. Whereas one Richard Stebbing of Kettleburgh, husb., has by his deed of feoffment conditionally assured to testator, house or cottage in Kettleburgh, with yard & appurtenances to the same belonging, where he now dwells, on condition that if he, said Richard, does not pay testator £12 on Michaelmas next, at a certain place in the conditional deed specified, then said premises to revert to testator, otherwise to be to the use of the said Richard; now if the £12 be paid, according to the intent of the said deed & mortgage, that then son Thomas Launde *alias* Pallant is to have the same, & if sum be not paid so that the premises becomes forfeit, then immediately on such forfeiture, same to go to son Thomas & his heirs. All sums of money due to testator, either by speciality or without, which exors shall or may obtain, without suit or by lawful suit (their charges & expenses about getting & obtaining the same, if they be put to any, 1st deducted) to be equally divided & paid by exors to testator's 5 children by 1st wife, namely Thomas, Elizabeth, Ediny, Margaret & Ann, to each of them, an equal part when they be 24; payment to be made in Brandeston church porch, & if any daughter marry before she be 24 then she is to receive her portion on her marriage, & if any die before receipt of portion, then that share to be equally divided between surviving children, at such time as they so dying should have received the same. Each child living to receive their portion, shall, in quarter of a year before they be 24 or their marriage, give notice of such their age or marriage to exors, or otherwise exors to have power, by virtue hereof, for quarter of a year longer for the payment of every such legacy to whoever whose several age or marriage they had not knowledge of, given to them as aforesaid. Whereas testator is bound to leave wife Alice worth £30, in goods & chattels, exors shall, in as convenient a time as they can after testator's death, sell to the best proof they can, all household stuff, implements, corn, cattle, goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed, & of the money coming, shall after receipt of the same, pay Alice £30, which testator stands bound for, which £30 is in full discharge of the said bond, to be paid at the place & time limited in the bond; Alice to give notice to exors of the place of payment, & on payment she is to deliver bond to exors, to be cancelled. Out of the money coming from the sale of goods & chattels, sons John & Daniel Launde *alias* Pallant to

receive £15 each from exors, when they be 24, to be paid at the aforesaid place; if they die before 24, then that share to be equally divided between surviving children [*whom*] testator has by wife Alice, at the time & place when he so dying should have received the same, among so many as are then living. Exors, out of said money from sale, shall discharge, when the same be due, such rent as is due for the premises where testator now dwells, & also pay debts due, & pay an allowance to wife Alice for the use of the legacies given to sons John & Daniel, for so long as the same shall remain in their hands, towards the bringing up & maintenance of sons during that said time. If any money then remain from said sale, same to be equally paid by exors to 3 youngest daughters by wife Alice, to each of them an equal part when they be 24, or on their marriage, whichever happens 1st, at place aforesaid; if any daughter die before receipt, then that share to be equally divided between 5 youngest children testator has by wife Alice, that are living at the time of death of whichever daughter so dying should have received the same. Son Thomas to have & take at his own choice, horse or mare which he will out of all horses & beasts, immediately. If any of the legatees cause strife, or shall not be content with their legacy given, then that legacy to be void. Son Thomas & testator's brother Edward Lawnde *alias* Pallant to be exors. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed, once funeral & probate costs be met, to go to exors.

Wit. Bayliff Atherton, script. Philip Launde *alias* Pallant.

Pr. granted to exors at Nettlestead. 28 August 1626.

324 R(W) THOMAS LAUND *alias* PALLANT of Snape, blacksmith.
15 March 1623/24

Soul to hands of Almighty God, trusting by faith in Christ Jesus to be pardoned of all sins & to be saved. To daughter Elizabeth Laund *alias* Pallant, all copyhold lands, tenements & hereditaments in Wickham Market, for life; she to enter the same at Michaelmas after testator's death. To son John Launde *alias* Pallant, £6 to be paid by said Elizabeth out of lands given her, namely 1st payment at Michaelmas 12 months after testator's death £3, & a further £3 on the Michaelmas 12 months thereafter, payment being made in Wickham Market church porch, on reasonable demand thereof. To daughter Frances Homes, wife of John Homes £6, to be paid by said Elizabeth out of same lands, namely 40s. at the Michaelmas after son John be paid in full, & so 40s. each Michaelmas every year, till full sum be met, payment being made at the place aforesaid, on reasonable request thereof. If legatees be not paid their sums, in manner & form as above, then it is to be lawful for them to enter said lands & take profits therefrom till they be paid, without making any account thereof, & occupy the same lands till they be paid in full. To daughter Frances Homes, 10s. by exor, in 1 week after next Michaelmas. To son George Launde *alias* Pallant, when 24, stythe & stythe block, beacon, vice, 3 great smiths' hammers, coal trough & grindstone crank. To poor of Wickham Market, 3s. paid by exor. Rest of unbequeathed goods to go to son John, he to be exor, to pay debts. To daughter Elizabeth, 20s. paid by exor at Hallowmass. Son John to be exor.

Wit. George Launde *alias* Pallant. William Wingfield.

Codicil annexed, dated 21 April 1624. Whereas son George is to have, when he

be 24, stythe, stythe block, beacon, vice, 3 great smiths' hammers, coal trough & grindstone trough; all of these have been sold by testator, to relieve present necessity, in lieu therefore of the same, George to have when he be 25 the sum of 40s. to be paid by said Elizabeth out of lands given her. Whereas said Elizabeth is to pay her sister Frances £6, now Elizabeth is to pay her but £4, & whereas son John was to have £6 from said Elizabeth, he is now to have £7 to be paid in 4 years, namely 40s. a year till £6 be paid, & then 20s. residue the next year following after the £6 be paid, in such manner & form as is aforesaid.

Wit. William Wingfeild. George Launde. Henry Sterling, script.

Let. Ad. granted, following the renuciation of exor on 10 February 1624/25, to Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Stevenson & daughter of the testator, at Wickham Market. 1 August 1626.

325 R(W) GILES LEECE of Frostenden, husb. (X) 27 September 1625

Soul to God, hoping by merits of Jesus Christ to have joyful resurrection. To son Henry, all that part of lands bound & divided with a ditch & quickset, lately built on, with appurtenances, containing 5 acres & abutting on the king's highway leading from Northales to Uggeshall. To son Thomas, 2 pightles land, part of Shortwent, lying one at the south end of the other, to be taken from the highway, with appurtenances, containing 4 acres, in Frostenden, between the land of William Harvye called the Long went on the east, & 1 pightle of bond land likewise part of Short went, lately sold to Mistress Ann Ward on the west. Those 2 parcels of bond land, with appurtenances, called Sandye hill lying in Frostenden, abutting on the bond land of Robert Ludbrooke towards the north & a common way leading to the tenement of Thomas Harvye called the Tanhouse towards the south, to be sold by exors to pay debts & legacies. To daughter Lettice, 40s. To daughter Amy, £6. To 3 children of daughter Amy, 40s. each. To 3 children of son Henry, 40s. To 2 daughters of son Thomas, 40s. each. If any grandchild die before payment of legacies, then that sum to be equally divided between survivors. Rest of goods, chattels unbequeathed, once debts, legacies & funeral charges be paid, to be equally divided between grandchildren. William Glover & Thomas Jeames of Frostenden to be exors.

Wit. Ann Warde. Edward Anderson. (X) Thomas Leece his wife.

Pr. granted to exors at Wickham Market. 19 July 1626.

326 R(W) WILLIAM LILLY of Sotherton, yeo. (X) 20 November 1624

Aged & feeble. Soul to hands of God, creator, from whom had the same, trusting & verily believing by death & merits of Jesus Christ to be saved. To nephew Robert Lilly, son of Peter Lilly, for life, all messuages, houses, lands & tenements, both free & copyhold, & all lease lands in Sotherton, or Henham or elsewhere, keeping & maintaining the same in good repair, paying & allowing all rents, charges & duties payable out of the same. Said Robert to pay out of the same to his brother William Lilly, £40 namely in 4 years £10 & so forth yearly every year, till the £40 be paid; also to pay to Peter Lilly his brother £10 in 8 years & to Henry Lilly his brother £10 in 9 years. If the said Peter or Henry die before receipt, survivor to have portion. If Robert fails, or default, in payment of £40, given to

said William, or any part thereof, then the said William Lilly, after each default, is to enter the close called the Long close in Sotherton, lying there along by the highway side leading to Beccles, & then William is to have & enjoy the same, till Robert pays the said £40. All messuages, houses, lands, tenements & hereditaments & lease lands, on death of the said Robert Lilly, to go to William Lilly & his heirs, if he be living at time of the death of the said Robert; William then to pay the legacies of £10 to the said Peter & Henry, if the days of payment be not come or payment of the same be not made in the lifetime of the said Robert Lilly. If William Lilly dies before Robert, then all messuages, lands & tenements & lease lands, after the death of the said Robert, to go to his brother Peter Lilly, & if the time of payment of the said £10 to Henry Lilly be not come & payment be not made to Henry Lilly in the lifetime of Robert, that then Peter Lilly to pay £10 to Henry in 1 year of the death of Robert. Robert Lilly during his life, & after his death the said William Lilly if he be then living, otherwise Peter Lilly, shall pay out of said messuages & houses as follows, namely to Peter Lilly the elder, testator's brother, each year for life, £6 at Lady day & Michaelmas by equal portions, 1st payment on 1st feast after testator's death; he also to pay to late servant John Aylmer, each year for life, 20s. a year at Lady day & Michaelmas by equal portions, 1st payment on the 1st feast after testator's death; & to pay to servant Mary Thurston, in 1 year of death, 12s., & from thenceforth 12s. each year for her life, at 1 entire payment each year. To servant Mary Thurston, milk cow, trundle bedstead, flock bed with bolster, pair sheets & coverlet. To brother Peter Lilly the elder, half horses, neat, cattle, corn, hay, household stuff & implements & other movable goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed; the other half to go to nephew Robert Lilly, he to see to burial & pay debts, & be exor. Wit. Edward Gardner. (X) James Mowser. (X) Augustine Warde. (X) Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 16 July 1626.

327 R(W) KATHERINE MASON, widow. (X) 14 June 1626

Sick in body. Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, maker, redeemer, assuredly hoping for a blessed inheritance in the kingdom of heaven. Debts & funeral expenses to be paid. Whereas daughter Agnes has gathered a stock of 28s., she to enjoy the same presently & use it at her own discretion. Daughter Joan to have weaning calf for the 12s. that is her own money, & to take it immediately. To daughter Mary to have 13s. which is her own money, immediately. To daughter Susan the 12s. to buy her 2 sheep, presently. Rest of goods, chattels, movables & debts to be equally divided between 4 daughters before named, each of them to receive their portion when they be 21; if any daughter die before 21, then that portion to be equally divided between survivors, at the time when she so dying should have received the same. In the meantime goods to remain with exors to be employed as they shall think fit towards the education & maintenance of daughters, till they each be 21. Brothers John & Charles Leake to be exors. Wit. Mary Jennop. (X) William Gibbins. Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 20 July 1626.

328 R(W) GEORGE MANNING of Battsiford. 9 March 1625/26

Sick. Soul to God, creator, trusting assuredly through merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to be made partaker of eternal life. To son George, all tenements & lands in Battsiford, Combs & Ringshall to him & his heirs, when he be 21; he to pay to testator's 4 daughters Anne, Elizabeth, Mary & Susan £10 each, namely to Anne £5 in 1 year after he enter lands, £5 to Elizabeth in 2 years, £5 to Mary in 3 years, £5 to Susan in 4 years, £5 to Anne in 5 years, £5 to Elizabeth in 6 years, £5 to Mary in 7 years, & to Susan £5 in 8 years. If these sums be not paid as aforesaid, then daughters to enter certain pieces of land in Combs called Cobs, & enjoy the same till their legacies & any arrears be paid. To son George, table & form in the hall, he to perform testator's father's will. To wife Agnes, tenement & lands in Battsiford & Combs till George be 21; if she die before George be 21, then he to enjoy lands & pay to his sisters the sums of 20s. each till he be 21, by equal portions, towards the maintenance & upbringing of daughters. Rest of goods, chattels & movables unbequeathed to go to wife Agnes; she to be extrix. Wit. Nicholas Maning. (X) Richard Maning. (X) Daniel Pulford. Pr. granted to extrix at Battsiford. 20 June 1626.

329 R(W) ROBERT PRIME of Halesworth, yeo. 13 April 1626

Soul to Almighty God, trusting through merits & blessed passion of lord & saviour Jesus Christ, only redeemer, to have remission & forgiveness of sins & offences; to be buried in the church or churchyard at Halesworth. To younger son John Prime, all that messuage or tenement where George Feltham, innholder, dwells, with all yards, gardens, orchards & appurtenances belonging, with all brewing vessels & household stuff as is now set & placed in the said messuage or house where the said George Feltham lives, as by inventory made between the said George & testator sets out. Also to son John, meadow as it lies between the river on the north & the highway on the south, & abuts on the way called Margery's way on the west & on the lord's way, now occupied by George Prime, on the east, containing some 4½ acres, now occupied by the said George Feltham. Also to son John, close containing 1½ acres, lying between the way leading from Halesworth to Chediston on the north, & on the lands late Cicely Feltham's on the south, one head abuts on the close late of Edmund Browne on the west, & on the aforesaid way towards the east, the which meadow & close are held by copy of court roll of the manor of Halesworth; also to son John, all that copyhold messuage held by copy of court roll of the manor of Mellis, with 1 small piece of ground thereto belonging & adjoining, with appurtenances, lying in Wenhaston. Son John to have all the messuage & tenement containing 4½ acres, close containing 1½ acres & copyhold tenement with said small piece of ground adjoining as above expressed, to him & his heirs. To wife Elizabeth, annuity of £6 a year, to be paid her by son John Prime, each year for her life, by 4 equal portions at the 4 usual feast days in the year, namely 30s. on St John the Baptist, 30s. at Michaelmas, 30s. at Christmas & 30s. at Lady day, 1st payment being made on the 1st feast after testator's death, & so quarterly every year, without fraud or further delay. Wife also to have posted bedstead with 2 feather beds, 2 feather bolsters which were hers before marriage, & all furniture to the same belonging,

4 pillow beres, 4 cushions, 4 hand towels, 4 pair sheets, that is 2 pair best sheets & 2 pair of coarser sheets, 6 table napkins, 3 table cloths, 6 of the middle sort of pewter dishes or pieces, 4 pewter porringers, 4 pewter saucers, 2 pewter salts, little andiron which was hers before marriage, little brass pot, brass kettle, little spit, little dripping pan, brass pan which was hers before marriage, 2 cobirons, 2 pair small tongs, fire pan, 2 kettles – 1 of the bigger sort & the other of the lesser, 2 lead candlesticks of the smaller sort, 3 drinking stone pots, 2 little joined stools, chair of turned work & chair which was hers before marriage, square table which is used to set meat on by the fire side. Wife to have the use of the dansk chest which now stands by her bedside, for life & on her death, this to go to son John. To daughter Mary, wife of George Wharton, posted bedstead whereon testator lies, feather bed, bolster, 2 pillows, birded covering for the said bed, 2 pair sheets & 2 pillow beres. Rest of unbequeathed table cloths, to go to son John, & also rest of unbequeathed linen. To daughter Joan, wife of William Prentice, basin & ewer thereto belonging. Rest of goods, movables, ready money & debts due, to go to son John Prime. To poor of Halesworth, 20s. delivered by exor, at his discretion, immediately. Younger son John Prime to be exor, to perform will, pay debts & legacies. Son in law William Prentice to be supervisor, to aid son John; he to have for his pains, 20s.

Wit. Philip Pryme. (X) Francis Wollnough. Thomas Fella. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 19 August 1626.

330 R(W) CHARLES RICHES of Halesworth, butcher. (X) 3 June 1626

Sick in body. Soul to hands of Almighty God, saviour & only redeemer, trusting through merits of his passion to be 1 of the number of those elect which shall inherit everlasting kingdom, prepared before foundation of the world was laid. To wife Margaret, all that house, yards & appurtenances whatever, where testator dwells, for life. On her death, the same to be equally divided between children then living. Also to her, all movable goods, chattels, utensils & household implements & stuff whatever for life, & on her death the same to be equally divided between children then living. Wife Margaret & friend Charles Knights the elder to be exors. To mother, 6s. 8d. To sister Elizabeth Riches, 6s. 8d.; these 2 last sums to be paid in 1 month after probate of this will. To daughter Bridget, trunk when she shall be able to go to service.

Wit. John Faieryeare. Henry Riches. (X) Samuel Nolloth. (X) Henry Keble, script. Pr. granted to exors at Yoxford. 28 June 1626.

331 R(W) WILLIAM RYSING of Belton, husb. (X) 31 March 1626

Soul to Almighty God & to Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer; to be buried in Belton churchyard. To wife Mary, pightle or close called Nethergate pightle in Belton, till Michaelmas which shall be next after the end of 1 whole year after testator's death, & then from thenceforth the same to go to daughter Elizabeth Rysing & heirs; if she have no issue, then same to go to son William Rysing & his heirs, & if he have no heir, then same to go to right heirs of testator. To wife Mary, rest of messuage, lands, tenements & hereditaments in Belton, with appurtenances, for life; she to pay debts & legacies, keep houses in tenantable

repair, making no strip nor waste in the houses or timber upon the same ground; also wife not to cut any timber, wood or thorns upon the same ground, but only for her own use of repairing the said houses or for her necessary fuel to be spent upon the same premises. On her death, same to go to son William Rysing & his heirs, & if she have no issue then the same to remain to daughter Elizabeth & her issue, & if she have no heir, then same to remain to the right heirs of testator. To daughter Elizabeth £20, namely on 1 November 5 years after testator's death £10, & on 1 November 7 years after, £10, to be paid at testator's dwelling house. All linen, woollen, brass & pewter to be used by wife for her life, & on her death, same to be equally divided between son William & daughter Elizabeth. Wife to be extrix; Edward Watson of Belton, yeo., to be supervisor & to receive 20s. for his pains. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed, to go to wife Mary.
Wit. Edward Watson. Mills Pynn. William Hall. (X)
Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 28 April 1626.

332 R(W) AUSTEN ROGERS of Snape, husb. (X) 10 September 1620

Soul to hands of Almighty God. Wife Matthew to be sole extrix; she to have all goods & chattels, both within & without house, & so all goods & chattels to be at her disposing.

Wit. Thomas Harvy. Thomas Smyth. John Curtis. Richard Wythe.
Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 1 August 1626.

333 R(W) ANTHONY TOVELL of Alnesbourn, yeo. 27 September 1617

Sick. Soul to hands of God, maker, hoping assuredly through only merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to be made partaker of life everlasting; body to the earth whereof it was made, nothing doubting but according to the article of faith, at the great day of the resurrection when shall appear before the judgement seat of Christ Jesus, to receive the same again, by the mighty power of God, a perfect body in all points like to saviour Jesus Christ. To cousin & godson Simon Tovell, son of brother Simon Tovell of Alnesbourn, & his heirs, house & lands in Framsdan called Murttis, paying to his brother Samuel Tovell in 1 year, £13 6s. 8d. If said Simon have no issue, then house & lands to go to said Samuel. All movable goods whatever, once funeral & other charges be met, to go to Ann Cornelius, wife of Jeremy Cornelius of Ipswich, & to Margaret & Elizabeth Tovell, being the daughters of brother Simon Tovell, to be equally divided between them; if any one die before testator, then survivors to have that portion of whomsoever so dies. Brother Simon Tovell of Alnesbourn to be exor.

Wit. Jeremy Cornellis. Samuel Tovell.
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 20 July 1626.

334 R(W) WILLIAM WHIGHT of Brundish, carpenter. (X) 1 July 1626

Soul to hands of Almighty God who gave it, relying wholly on his mercy in Jesus Christ for salvation. The 3 closes, with all appurtenances belonging, in Brundish called Beldames, whereof 2 of the said closes are now occupied by William Bornell & 1 close is occupied by testator, containing by estimation 18 acres, in 2

years to be sold by exors to best value, to pay debts & legacies, & the profits thereof in the meantime to go to wife. Wife Christian to have the use & occupation of that messuage or tenement with appurtenances, where testator now dwells, with the 2 pightles belonging to the same, called Hookes *alias* Crucklyns, in Brundish, for life, she to commit no strip nor waste thereon, in full recompense of dower claims. On her death, said messuage, with 2 pightles, to go to son Robert Whight. Wife Christian shall release, on reasonable request to her made, all her right & title to lands given to be sold, which if she refuse, then she is to be void of all gifts to her in this will, & then son Robert shall presently enter & enjoy all lands bequeathed to her. Wife Christian to have testator's part of wheat now growing in testator's close at Beldames; she also to have the use of long framed table in the hall, with 2 joined forms belonging to the same, for life, & on her death said table & forms to go to son Robert. To son Robert, posted bedstead in the parlour chamber standing next to the door, & featherbed & bolster on the buttery chamber. To daughter Susan, posted bedstead on the buttery chamber, & bed & bolster now lying on the bedstead before given to son Robert. All working tools, a crow of iron & screws to be equally divided between sons Francis & Robert. Wife Christian to have the use & occupation of all household stuff & implements unbequeathed for life; on her death the same to be equally divided between all children, namely Henry, Francis, Robert, Rose & Susan. To sons Henry & Francis, £40 each. To daughters Rose & Susan, £20 each; these sums to be paid out of the money arising from the said sale of lands, & if the money raised from this sale will not amount to the same several sums, once debts are paid, then so much as shall be wanting proportionably to make up these legacies, to be paid & achieved out of the money due to be received from Thomas Brunnyng of Woodbridge. Whereas son Henry has long time lived in Ireland, & it is now uncertain whether he be living or not, now if he be dead, without lawful issue, then his portion to be equally divided between children now surviving. All other goods, chattels & debts due unbequeathed, once debts, legacies & burial costs be met, to be equally divided between children. Sons Francis & Robert to be exors, to perform will. Friend Robert Downyng the elder of Brundish to be supervisor. If there be any strife or unjust debate between exors concerning this will, or if either of them shall practice or go about to defraud the other, or do any thing contrary to the true intent of this will, then he in whom such default shall happen to be found, to be void of gift of tools & household goods, which is then to go to the other exor.

Wit. Richard Browne. Edward Moulton.

Pr. granted to exors at Yoxford. 31 July 1626.

335 R(W) JOHN BENNETT of Tattingsstone, husb. (X) 1 August 1626

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & creator, hoping to be saved through merits of Christ Jesus, redeemer; to be buried in Tattingsstone churchyard. To son John Bennett, house & lease lands & woods called Cate Newton's, containing some 24 acres, to him & his heirs, during the term of the said lease; if he have no heir, then daughter in law Mary to have the house & orchard for life, & after her death, house & lease land to be equally divided between rest of children then living, part & part alike. If any of testator's children be able to buy the same &

so pay the rest, or if they be able then to hire it, distributing to every one their part as it shall fall out, because testator would have it so together. Son John Bennett, however, shall not enter in or upon the further wood till Christmas come 12 months. To Samuel, Thomas, Michael & William Bennett, all the wood now growing in the further wood, leaving sufficient staling as was left before. To son John, £4 in 1 month. To son Michael, feather bed that testator lies on & a bolster. To Joan Mosse of St Peter's, Ipswich, widow, £5 in 1 year. To son Michael, 1 of the twynter bullocks, presently. Sons John & Michael to be exors, to pay debts & legacies. Rest of goods & chattels, once debts & legacies be paid & funeral costs, to go to 4 sons – Samuel, Thomas, Michael & William; son John to suffer his brothers to take goods & part those that he has in his possession.

Wit. Gregory Cookoe the elder. Gregory Cookoe the younger.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 6 October 1626.

336 R(W) ROBERT BASSE of Ipswich, yeo. 16 September 1626

Knowing the uncertainty of life in this transitory world, & that it is the duty of every Christian to prepare for death & make disposition of worldly goods & possessions, whilst health & memory serve, now soul to merciful hands of God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, only son & redeemer, by whose merits hope to be saved & with him to live in the heavens forever. To poor of St Matthew's, Ipswich, 20s. to churchwardens to be distributed; to poor of St Mary Tower & of St Margaret's, Ipswich, 20s. to each parish, likewise to be distributed. To friend Rev. Mr Samuel Ward, general preacher in Ipswich, 20s. humbly desiring him to preach at funeral. All the above sums to be paid by exor in 1 month. To each of nephews & nieces, being the children of Robert Walker & his wife Rose, £3 each, namely £3 in 1 year to the eldest child of the said Robert & Rose being lawfully demanded, & so in the said order £3 a year, till they be all paid. To each of nephews & nieces, being the children of Nicholas Baker & his wife Ann, £3 each, namely £3 in 1 year to the eldest child of the said Nicholas & Ann being lawfully demanded, & so in the said order £3 a year, till they be all paid. To each of nephews & nieces, being the children of [blank] Hardye & wife Mary, £3 each, namely £3 in 1 year to their eldest child being lawfully demanded, & so in the said order £3 a year, till they be all paid. To daughter Ann, annuity of £5 to be paid yearly each year after testator's death, for her life, out of houses, lands & tenements in Ipswich, except those excepted, every half year namely at 25 March & 29 September by equal portions, at the mansion house of William James, malster, in Ipswich; 1st payment to be made on the 1st feast after testator's death. If annuity be unpaid or behind by the space of 10 days after each feast, then it is to be lawful for said Ann to enter houses, lands & tenements in Ipswich, except those excepted, & distrain & take distress away & detain the same till annuity, & any arrears if any there be, be fully paid. To daughter Rose, annuity of £5 to be paid yearly every year, after testator's death, for her life, out of houses, lands & tenements in Ipswich, except those excepted, every half year namely at 25 March & 29 September by equal portions, as abovesaid. To daughter Susan Basse, annuity of £5 to be paid her every year, whilst she be single & unmarried, out of houses, lands & tenements in Ipswich, except before excepted, every half year namely at 25 March & 29 September by equal portions, as abovesaid. If the said Ann, Rose or Susan dies,

or any 1 or 2 of them dies, before 21, then to surviving daughter, or daughters, 1 other annuity of 20s. a year to be paid to each of them, out of the forsaied lands. To wife Cicely, annuity of £10 to be paid out of all lands in Suffolk, each year yearly, for life, to be paid at the 4 usual feasts of 25 March, 24 June, 29 September & 25 December, by equal portions; payment to be made at the mansion house of William James, with 1st payment being made on the 1st feast which falls due after testator's death. If default made in payment of this annuity, after reasonable request made to the owners, tenants, farmers & occupiers of said lands, then said tenants shall forfeit & loose for every default, 20s., & if annuity be behind in payment, then power to wife to enter lands & distrain & take away, lead away & drive away any distress & keep the same till annuity & arrears, if any there be, with the *nomine pene*, be paid. To wife Cicely, half of all household stuff in all dwelling houses & lodging rooms, provided that if she shall, on reasonable request, within 40 days refuse or deny to release all her dower claims into houses, lands & tenements in Suffolk to son Edward Basse & his heirs & to son in law Francis Reynolds & his heirs, that then gifts to her to be void, frustrate & none effect, & she is to be barred of taking any benefit from will. If she so refuse, then all gifts of annuities made to daughters Ann, Rose & Susan shall cease during the time of said Cicely's life. To son Edward Basse, messuage or tenement with appurtenances, in Ipswich, now occupied by Henry Fermyn, butcher, except only 1 barn to the said messuage belonging, to him & his heirs, & if he have no heir, then same to go to daughters Elizabeth, Ann, Rose & Susan & their heirs. All other lands, houses & tenements in Suffolk to go to son in law Francis Reynolds, exor, not before bequeathed, in the parishes of St Matthew, St Mary the Tower & St Margaret's, Ipswich, to him & his heirs, for 15 years; he paying all annuities, legacies & debts, keeping houses in good repair during said term. After the 15 years, all houses & lands before given to said Francis, to go to son Edward Basse & his heirs forever, after the 15 years, & if he have no issue, then lands to go to said 4 daughters & their heirs. To wife Cicely, 2 of the best milk cows, presently. To grandchildren Francis & Elizabeth Reynolds, £10 each when 21; if they, or 1 of them, dies before 21, then that share to be equally divided between surviving children of the said Francis & Elizabeth Reynolds, when they be 21 if they be then living; said sums to be paid out of lands in Ipswich hereftore given to the said Francis Reynolds, but if the legacy of £20 be unpaid, by the time limited for payment, then it is to be lawful for legatees to enter lands & distrain & take away such distress & detain the same, till legacy be fully satisfied. To son in law Francis Reynolds all goods, chattels, implements, household stuff, plate, jewels, debts & ready money unbequeathed; he to be exor. He shall, on reasonable request, in 3 months be bound to friends Edmund & Isaac Daye of Ipswich, in a bond of £200 with condition to perform will, & if he refuse, then son Edward Basse to have all goods, lands & tenements before given to Francis Reynolds, & then said Edward to pay all annuities & legacies. If son Edward Basse die without issue, then all lands & tenements given to said Francis Reynolds, to go to daughters Elizabeth, Ann, Rose & Susan & their heirs & they to pay annuity to wife Cicely, on condition that she release her dower claims to all lands. If said Francis Reynolds refuse bond, then son Edward Basse to be exor.

Wit. Charles Smith. Thomas Glover. (X) Robert London. (X)
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 6 October 1626.

337 R(W) GABRIEL ENNOLLS of Harkstead, sailor. (N) n.d.

About 3 weeks before he died. To son Gabriel Ennolls, £30 when 21 or on his marriage, whichever happens first. To daughter Elizabeth Ennolls, £20 when 21 or on her marriage, whichever happens first. To daughter in law Martha Houchin, £20 when 21 or on her marriage, whichever happens first. Rest of goods to go to wife Elizabeth Ennolls; she to be extrix.

Wit. Elizabeth Ennolls, testator's wife. John Sounds.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 20 September 1626.

338 R(W) AUSTEN FAWLKE late of Worlingham, yeo. (X) 28 March 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator & most merciful father, hoping assuredly to be saved by only merits of Jesus Christ. To be buried on the south side of the churchyard of Worlingham, near to the chancel door where ancestors or other kinsfolk have been buried. To Mary, wife of John Playford of Beccles, carpenter, £5. Exor to deliver to the said John Playford all such bonds as the said John has entered into with testator, for the payment of any annuity or sums of money whatever. To Rose Duncon, wife of William Duncon of Broome (Nf.), £5; exor to deliver to the said William all such bonds as he has entered into with testator, for the payment of any annuity or sums of money whatever. These 2 sums of £5 to be paid in 1 year. To Richard Crosswell, son of Richard Crosswell of Blundeston, 20s. in 1 year. To the repair of the parish church of Worlingham, £5 to be paid at the discretion of exor, in 1 year. To poor of Worlingham, 20s. where most need shall be, at the discretion of exor. To poor of Beccles, 40s.; of Lowestoft, 40s.; of Barnby 10s.; to be paid to the churchwardens & overseers of Lowestoft & to Francis Knights of Lowestoft, & for Beccles & Barnby to be paid to the hands of the churchwardens & overseers of either of the same, according as the same be formerly given in this will, to the use of the poor there. Rest of goods, cattle, chattels, bills, bonds, ready money whatever unbequeathed to go to kinsman William Fawlke of Worlingham; he to be exor.

Wit. Robert Cobbe. John Gyslam. John Robards.

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 27 September 1626.

339 R(W) MARIAN LENNY of Sotherton, widow. (X) 4 October 1626

Weak. Spirit to hands of Almighty God; to be buried at the discretion of extrix Honor Lennye. Goods, chattels, cattle, corn, hay, household stuff, plate, ready money & all utensils whatever to be equally divided between son William & daughters Joan & Honor, so each to have an equal part once debts & funeral costs be paid.

Wit. Humphrey Bohun.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 13 October 1626.

340 R(W) JOHN WYTT of Woodbridge, cordwainer. 1 June 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of creator, hoping & assuredly believing through only merits of Jesus Christ, redeemer, to have remission of sins. To John Lambe, all that part of tenement with appurtenances, late occupied by Mary Ethersby in Bredfield

Street, Woodbridge, as the same is now divided, & half the well immediately. To Margaret Ballett, all the other part of the said tenement, late occupied by William Webb as the same is likewise now divided & the half well there, immediately. To Robert Lambe & Margaret Ballett, all goods, chattels, household stuff & imple-
ments to pay debts & funeral charges; they to be exors.

Wit. Francis Burwell. Francis Letherman. (X) John Warren. William Cottwyn.
Pr. granted to exors at Wickham Market. 19 September 1626.

341 R(W) DORCAS WOODÉ late of Chelmondiston, widow. (N)
25 June 1626

In the time of her sickness. To son Edward Woode, 20s. To younger son Alexander Woode, 20s. To grandchild John Punchard, 30s. Rest of goods whatever, once burial costs & debts be paid, to be equally divided between children Edward, Alexander Woode, Susan Thrower *alias* Woode, Jane Webbe *alias* Woode & Joan Punchard *alias* Woode.

Wit. Mr William Leamon, clerk. Rose Pett, widow. Judith Crane.

Let. Ad. granted to Susan Thrower at Ipswich. 6 October 1626.

342 R(W) JOHN THORNE of Sibton, carpenter. 14 August 1626

Soul to hands of Almighty God, being well assured that through merits of Jesus Christ, only redeemer, shall be saved. To wife Susan, £10 to be paid thus-namely £5 at the nativity of saviour, & £5 at the feast of St John the Baptist after the 1st feast; also to her, half hemp in & without the house at the time of this will. Son Edmund to be exor; he to pay to wife Susan in lieu of a white & black cow, £4 thus-20s. the 1st Michaelmas after the term is expired of the payment of the foresaid £10, & other 20s. at Lady day in Lent next after that, the 3rd payment at Michaelmas, & the last payment at Lady day thereafter, till the full sum of £4 be paid. To grandchild Rachel Thorne, £5 when 21; also to her a bearing & a casting sheet when 21. To daughter in law Grace Thorne, 2 kerchiefs, 2 pillow beres & 1 pair best sheets. All other linen to be equally divided between exor & wife Susan. Wife to have all her household stuff she brought with her on marriage. All other goods & chattels, within & without doors, to go to exor; he to pay debts & burial costs.

Wit. Stephen Norton, vicar of Sibton. Helen Skoulding. William Thorne.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 18 September 1626.

343 R(W) JOHN BRAYE of Hacheston, chapman. 7 November 1626

Soul to hands of Almighty God, hoping assuredly to be saved by merits, death & passion of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer. House & lands in Hacheston, bought of John Grennell, to go to 2 sisters – Margaret Hache, widow late the wife of John Hache deceased, & to Margery Lawrence, for their lives; on their deaths, same to go to exors to be sold by them, or 1 of them, in convenient time as may be after their deaths, & the money thus arising to be disposed & paid amongst said sisters' children, & the children of mother Alexander [*sic*] Braye, to be equally divided between them part & part alike. Whereas testator has taken

mortgage of one Whayman of certain copyhold lands in Badingham, upon which testator is due to have £100 & more or the said lands if the money be not paid, according to mortgage, the sum of £8 thereby yearly due to testator, to go to exors & concerning the principal which will amount to £100, £90 part thereof to go to the children of sisters & brother to be equally divided between them; if the money be not paid, according to mortgage, then said lands to go to exors, & they to sell the same & then pay the £90 to be equally divided between children of sisters & brother, part & part alike. To 2 sisters, all wares to be equally divided between them. To Ann Middleton, widow, £3 in 1 year. To Kenborowe, Mary & William Marrett, children of William Marrett, 40s. each. Clothes to go to brother Alexander. William Marrett & Margaret Hache to be exors.

Wit. Francis Colman. Robert Head. Roger Head. Thomas Smith.

Pr. granted to exors at Wickham Market. 29 November 1626.

344 R(W) THOMAS BUXTON of Rumburgh, carpenter. (X)

4 November 1626

Sick. Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, heavenly father, & of Jesus Christ, loving redeemer, by whose death & passion trust to be saved. To wife Mary, house in Rumburgh for life, with appurtenances adjoining; on her death, same to go to son Gilbert Buxton & his heirs. Son to lay in, for the said Mary, yearly 1 load of wood during her life. Also to wife Mary, feather bed & flock bed, both beds being full furnished at her choice; the other feather & flock beds, being fully furnished, to go to son Gilbert & also pair of sheets to him. Wife Mary to have rest of linen at her own disposing. To son Gilbert, cupboard & all working tools. Rest of movables unbequeathed to go to wife Mary. To son Gilbert, house & lands in Mettingham to him & his heirs forever. To apprentice John Wright, 40s. to be paid him by the said Gilbert, at the end of his apprenticeship. Wife Mary & son Gilbert to be exors, to receive debts & to pay debts & burial costs.

Wit. Benjamin Fayerfax. John Backe. Adam Tomson. (X) Anthony Wright. (X)

Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 18 November 1626.

345 R(W) HAMOND BURWARD of Wissett. (N) 6 October 1626

To wife Susan, all goods, rights, credits & chattels whatever; she to be extrix with Thomas Potter as exor.

Wit. Roger Migholls. Richard Spatchett.

Let. Ad. granted, following the renunciation of Thomas Potter at Yoxford on 24 October 1626, to Susan Burward at Beccles. 24 October 1626.

346 R(W) MARY BEETS of Bungay, widow. (X) 16 September 1626

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, maker, & to Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, & to Holy Ghost, comforter, trusting to come to the everlasting joys of heaven prepared for all believers. To be buried in churchyard of Bungay Trinity. To poor of Bungay, 10s. on burial, according to discretion of exors. To son John Beetes & his heirs, all houses & lands, both free & copyhold, in Bungay & St John's or elsewhere, with all appurtenances, & all goods, chattels, ready money,

plate, household stuff & implements whatever. To especial friend Edward Cooke of Bungay, 20s. paid by said John, in 3 months; Edward Cooke to be supervisor, to aid son John concerning any business regarding this will. Son John to be exor. Wit. John Plouman. Oliver Gooche. George Bradley. (X)
Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 21 October 1626.

347 R(W) ROBERT CHAPMAN of Southwold, yeo. (X) 14 November 1626

Sick. Soul to God, creator, assured of salvation through sole & only merits of Jesus Christ, redeemer. To be buried in the church or churchyard of Southwold. To son Thomas, freehold messuage or tenement where testator now dwells, in Southwold, with all houses, edifices, yards, gardens & appurtenances belonging to him & his heirs forever. To sons Thomas & William, all movable goods, cattle & chattels whatever, to pay debts; the same goods to be equally divided between them, they being exors.

Wit. Robert Love. (X) James Cuningham, script.

Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 25 November 1626.

348 R(W) RICHARD CALVER the elder of Stradbroke, husb.
25 January 1622/23

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, & to Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, by the merits of whose passion only hope & fully trust will be saved. All goods, cattle, debts & ready money whatever to go to now wife Margery. House which stands in Stradbroke near the vicarage, & the orchard & yard lying on the south side of the said house, to go to wife Margery, for life; on her death, same to go to daughter Margery & her heirs. If it so happen that wife shall want, or without fraud, stand in need for her necessary relief or maintenance, she shall sell the same house, orchard & yard, then it is to be lawful to & for the said Margery, at any time during her life, to sell the same to such person or persons as will buy the same, at the best price & rate she may or can get for the same, so as said Margery shall leave to daughter Margery both such part & parcel of the foresaid goods & chattels & such part of sums of money for which said lands shall be sold, which at the time of wife's death, shall be saved & kept unspent. Wife Margery & Robert Risbee of Sarsingham to be exors.

Wit. Richard Flatman. William Batterum. Bridget Batterum. (X)

Pr. granted to exors at Yoxford. 24 October 1626.

349 R(W) GEORGE CURTIS of Framsdon. yeo. 8 September 1615

Knowing that all men shall die & that the time of death is uncertain, soul to most merciful hands of Almighty God, father, son & Holy Ghost, 3 persons & 1 true & everliving God. Wife Mary to have parlour for life, with free ingress, egress & regress to the same for her & her servants, for the said term; also to have free liberty in the garden to have & take herbs at her pleasure, for her necessary use, & liberty at all convenient time to grind her malt at the querns, & liberty to bake her bread for her, & her servants, at the oven at all convenient times, at her pleasure; also to her, free liberty to take water at the ponds & ditches for her

necessary use, & hanging to dry her linen upon the hanging where we usually dry the same. Wife to have & take yearly, 1 cart load of wood for her fuel during her life, to be provided by son George & his heirs & by him, or them, to be carried & set near the same parlour, fit for her use. Also to wife, little buttery next to the said parlour & the little closet in the parlour, for life. If she remarry, all these gifts to be void. Wife shall not demise, let nor suffer any other to dwell in the said parlour, if she depart from the same & dwell elsewhere, but the same to be without any dwelling therein until she please to come to it again herself. Also to wife, 1 yearly rent of £10 paid out of lands in Framsdon (except hereafter excepted) for life, to be paid at 4 times a year by equal portions namely 50s. at Michaelmas, 50s. at Christmas, 50s. at Lady Day & 50s. at the feast of St John the Baptist; 1st payment to be made on the 1st feast after testator's death, with payment being made at the house where wife shall dwell, which annuity is in full discharge of her dower claims on lands. If annuity be behind & not paid when the same is due, then it is to be lawful for wife to enter lands & tenements (except hereafter excepted) & take profits therefrom to her own use, without any account thereof being made, she allowing no waste on the same, & to hold the same till annuity be paid, as was due to her on her entry into lands (except & always reserved out of & from her entry 1 close, containing 10 acres, & 1 piece of ground or fen called the Brooke, containing 3 acres, being part of lands as the same shall be hereafter limited). To eldest son George Curtis & his heirs, all lands, tenements, houses & hereditaments whatever immediately, except that which is before devised to wife Mary for her life & he to enter those immediately on said Mary's death, & also except out of the said gift to son George so much of lands as follows, namely 1 close lying between testator's copyhold lands on the north, & the king's highway leading from Cretingham to Framsdon church on the south & 1 head abuts on lands of Lionel Edgar called Oken field on the west & the other head abuts on the pasture or fen being the next recited piece on the east, containing by estimation some 10 acres; also the other piece of ground or fen called the Brook, containing 3 acres as the same lies between the foresaid close on the west, & lands called Hakines on the east, the north head abuts on testator's meadow or fen & on yards & messuage in part, & the south head abuts on the foresaid highway, which said close & fen called the Brook are to go to son George & to Anne Nunne, daughter of Leonard Nunne of Framsdon, which said Anne Nunne son George, by the grace of God, intends to take to his wife, which said lands are to go to Anne Nunne for her jointure & dower of & in all lands as son George shall be seised of & in, during the coverture between him & the said Anne, to have & to hold the said close & fen, with appurtenances, to the said George & Anne for her jointure, as aforesaid, & to the longer liver of them both, & after the death of the longer liver of them both, the remainder thereof to go to the right heir of son George, for ever, & the said George & Anne to enter the same lands immediately (excepting out of the said ground & fen such free ingress, egress & regress of passage to & from testator's messuage unto & from the king's highway aforesaid, as now is & formerly has been used to & from the same); son George & his heirs, to pay to testator's 3 other children namely to Robert, Lionel & Mary Curtis, £6 score out of said lands (the rent before given to wife for life & the foresaid close & fen given to said George & Anne Nunne for her jointure excepted) to be paid thus – to son Robert £10 in 1 year, to son Lionel £10 in 2 years, to daughter Mary £10

in 3 years, to Robert £10 in 4 years & so forth yearly to pay every year £10 to them successively in such order as is before recited, till the £6 score be paid in equal portions, truly satisfied & paid, which is to be paid in 12 years of testator's death; if any of the said 3 children die before receipt of portion, without any child or children then living, that then all the payment due shall cease, & if there be a child or children, then portion to be paid to the same equally at such time as the sum should have been paid to the deceased, if he, she or they had lived. If there be any default in payment made to them, or to their children, then it shall be lawful to him, her or them so unpaid, to enter lands & tenements (except those before excepted) & the profits & revenues therefrom to be kept to their own use, they committing no waste, without any account being made, till they be paid. To son George, long table in the hall & the form that belongs to it, hanging over the table, grindstone, malt querns, great bolting hutch, 1 of the hales in the chimney in the hall, the hale in the chimney in the bakehouse, great salting trough & a calyver. To wife Mary, table in the parlour & the 2 forms belonging to it, hale now in the hall chimney, feather bed & bedstead & all the furniture thereto belonging as it now stands, flock bed & all that belongs to it as it now stands in the parlour chamber, all linen, little brass pot & pot brass, posnet, copper kettle in the buttry that is used to brew in, 6 pieces pewter that stand in the closet, 2 salt cellars standing on the cupboard head, brass candlestick, great chest in the hall, hutch & wicker chair in the parlour. To daughter Mary, bedstead & all the bedding thereto belonging as it stands in the little chamber & 1 long coffer now standing in the parlour. To son Robert, coffer now standing in the little chamber. To son Lionel, coffer of ash now standing within the parlour door. To son George, horse. To wife Mary, milk cow. Rest of goods, chattels, corn & cattle whatever unbequeathed, to go to 3 children Robert, Lionel & Mary Curtis to be equally divided between them by extrix & John Kempe of Dallinghoo, once debts, funeral expenses, probate charges & all charges of travel about the same & so many of unbequeathed goods as shall amount to 20s. which wife shall have for her own use, be first deducted & expended. Wife to be extrix, to pay debts.

Wit. Robert Atherton. Bayliff Atherton.

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 9 November 1626.

350 R(W) WILLIAM CUTBERT of Great Bricett. (X) 15 September 1625

Soul to Almighty God, creator, hoping to be saved by free mercy, through Jesus Christ, redeemer. To kinsman William Tampion, all lands & grounds called Cockbridge, to him & his heirs forever; he to pay legacies. To Anne Posford, £10 in half a year. To sister Sarah's maid, Margaret Elmin, £7 in half a year. For the rest of Robert Posford's children, it shall be left to the discretion of exor to give them what he shall think fitting, out of lands. William Tampion to be exor, he to have all movable goods, chattels, implements & utensils of household unbequeathed, & he to see to burial.

Wit. Edward Rivers, clerk. William White. (X) Thomas Barnes. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 28 October 1626.

351 R(W) STEPHEN DALTON of Saxtead, husb. 22 September 1626

Soul to hands of Almighty God. To wife Rachel, her dwelling in tenement where testator now dwells, with free liberty for going to the fire in the said tenement at all times, & to take the benefit thereof for doing any necessary business; also free liberty of ingress, egress & regress to her & her assigns, for coming into houses & into all & any of the yard belonging to the same, for fetching of water at the ditches & baking at the oven in the said tenement, & for doing any necessary business in or about the said yard. Also to her, for life, annuity of 26s. 8d. to be paid yearly, payment to be made in testator's tenement in Saxtead where now dwells, by son in law Anthony Godbould, 1st payment of 6s. 8d. made in 3 months of testator's death, & so 6s. 8d. every quarter, for her life. To daughter Martha Godbould, all lands, houses, yards, orchards & gardens whatever in Saxtead, for life; on her death, same to go to grandchild Samuel Godbould & his heirs. Also to daughter Martha, bed furnished at her mother's choice, cupboard, back chair, coffer, half the brass except the cauldron, half the pewter & all the books. Rest of movable goods & household stuff whatever unbequeathed, to go to wife Rachel, to pay debts, burial & probate costs; if she refuse to pay these, then exor to take so much of goods & sell the same as shall pay such debts & charges as shall be unpaid. Son in law Anthony Godbould to be exor.

Wit. Thomas Cullington. William Revans.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 4 October 1626.

352 R(W) JOHN EDWARD of Beccles, waterman. (X) 23 August 1607

Soul to hands of Almighty God, saviour & redeemer. To be buried in church or churchyard where it pleases God to take testator out of this miserable world. To wife Mary, who is to be extrix, all movable goods & lands & tenements in Beccles, Loddon (Nf.) & Cratfield.

Wit. Henry Archer. (X) Robert Page. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 29 September 1626.

353 R(W) JOHN GILDER of Chillesford, poldavis weaver. (N)
26 September 1626

To brother Simon Gilder, all goods whatever; he to pay to mother 5s. a year during her life, & to pay to nephew James Coe, £4.

Wit. William Hudson. (X) Agnes Corball.

Let. Ad. granted to Simon Gilder, who is to exhibit his accounts before James Pottle, at Wickham Market. 19 October 1626.

354 R(W) ISABEL GRIMSTONE of Ipswich, widow. 20 October 1606

Soul to hands of God. To be buried St Mary Elms, Ipswich. Messuage, tenement, orchards & gardens, with appurtenances, being in St Mary Elms & St Nicholas parishes, Ipswich, to go to daughter Susanna, now wife of Roger Procer; if she die without lawful issue, then the same to go to Roger Procer & his heirs; he shall not lease, mortgage, sell or convey the same without leave & good will of his

wife, during her natural life. To daughter Susanna, all movable goods & household stuff whatever. Son in law Roger Procer to be exor.
 Wit. George Raymond. William Worley. Margaret James. Thomas Colle.
 Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 20 October 1626

355 R(W) THOMAS HEMPINGSTALL. 1 December 1623

All worldly goods whatever to go to wife Elizabeth; she to bring up children & pay debts, & be extrix.
 Wit. Christopher Younges. Margaret Youngs. (X) Thomas Rous.
 Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 25 November 1626.

356 R(W) WILLIAM HUNT of Burgh Castle, yeo. (X) 3 December 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, hoping & assuredly believe by the death & bloodshed of Jesus Christ, saviour, to be saved amongst other faithful & penitent sinners. To poor of Burgh Castle, 20s. by exors, by the advice of churchwardens & overseers. To wife Jane, for life, messuage or tenement where testator now dwells, with the homestalls thereto adjoining, containing 4 acres, the pightle newly enclosed at the Butts, 1 acre at Bardenhowe near the mill, half acre under the conifer hedge, 3 pieces containing 4 acres as they lie all together in 3 several pieces abutting on the way leading from Burgh Castle to Bradwell, now sown with winter corn, 1 piece called the Long acre abutting on the said way, 2 pieces at lampitts the 1 of them abutting on the other, & the last year some of them were sown with winter corn & some with summer corn. Also to wife, term of years yet to come in the little mowing meadow, she paying therefore to her son William Hunt, 30s. a year during the term of years, & the said William Hunt to discharge the said meadow of the rent & farm that shall be due to the lord, of whom the said piece of ground, amongst other grounds, be held. Also to wife, sorrel bay mare & the young black roan mare, 6 milk neat – she to choose them, sledge cart, 5 sheep, third part of fowls, young sow & 1 shot – she to choose, all household implements which she brought to testator when she was a widow. Also to her, 4 combs wheat, 4 combs rye, 5 combs barley & son William Hunt shall winter his mother's 2 horse beasts & milk neat before given her as he shall winter his own; always provided that wife Jane shall not claim dower in any lands, & if she so claim, then gift to her of lands for her life, to be void. Wife shall quietly permit & suffer son William Hunt to have free egress, regress & ingress to the barn, stable & yards for the threshing out of corn & for wintering of cattle, which will be given him hereafter. Wife to maintain & keep in good repair all houses given her, for life. To daughter Ann & her heirs, lands & tenements, both free & copyhold, in Fritton which were late bought of Edward Freman; also to her, 2 yearling calves at May day, 5 sheep & middle brass pot, bed furnished as it stands on the chamber where son William Hunt does lie, & 4 pieces pewter. To William Tracye, brass pot, kettle & 4 pieces pewter which were testator's wife's before. To servant Alice Goodesson, 3s. 4d. To apprentice Leonard Stevenson, 3s. 4d. To each of the daughter's children of brother Robert Hunt, 2s. when 21. Rest of goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed, to go to son William Hunt; he to be exor, to pay debts, legacies & burial costs. Francis Langley to be supervisor, he to have

40s. for his pains.

Wit. Richard Tayler. William Tracey.

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 9 December 1626.

357 R(W) KATHERINE JOLLY of Spexhall, single. (X) 8 July 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To mother Ann Jolly, £50. To brother William Jolly, £5. To sister Sible Jolly, £30 if she will be ruled by mother, & if not, the said sum to be at mother's disposal. To sister Barbara Jolley, £30 if she will be ruled by mother, & if not, the said sum to be at mother's disposal. To mother, best silver spoon & such woollen & linen as she will make choice of. To sister Sible, silver spoon & 1 part of linen. To sister Barbara, silver spoon & 1 part of linen. To George Whinkope the elder of Halesworth, 40s. The sum of £3 to be against burial, by word of mouth if that please God to give leave, to be bestowed by extrix. Mother to be extrix.

Wit. William Tedder. William Cove. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 4 October 1626.

358 R(W) ELIZABETH KING of Stratford, single. (N) 14 October 1626

To sister Ann King, all goods & chattels.

Wit. Anthony Lues. Grace Chamberline, wife of Thomas Chamberline.

Let. Ad. granted to Ann King at Ipswich. 1 December 1626.

359 R(W) WILLIAM LYNGE of Tannington, yeo. 13 November 1626

Soul to merciful hands of blessed redeemer, Jesus Christ, by whose merits, death & passion hope to obtain forgiveness of sins, to be made an inheritor of his heavenly kingdom. To wife Ann, for her widowhood, all lands in Tannington bought from John Nichols, she to commit no strip nor waste, in satisfaction of her dower claims. Also to her, bedstead with bedding & furniture thereon lying which bedstead commonly do lie on & use, great furrendale chest, coffer called the white coffer, 6 pair best sheets, 6 table napkins, board cloth, little brass pot, kettle, 4 neat, 6 milk bowls, 4 pewter platters, cupboard table, vats & breeds necessary to occupy her 4 neat withall. To son William Lynge, for life, all lands in Tannington, on death of said Ann; the remainder, after his death, to go to grandchild William Lynge, son of the said William. To sons John, Samuel & Robert Lynge, all lands in Stradbroke, both free & copyhold, to be equally divided between them, they paying to their sister Margaret, £100 as it may be raised out of the yearly profits thereof, immediately. To Samuel Lynge, bedstead with a feather bed & all thereto belonging, whereon he now lies, horse mill in Tannington, cart with all the harness belonging & 2 milk cows. To daughter Margaret Lynge, £100 to be paid by her brothers John, Samuel & Robert, as aforesaid, as it may be raised out of the yearly profits from the lands in Stradbroke, immediately; also to her, bedstead with feather bed, bolster & furniture there lying as it now stands in the parlour chamber of the mansion house, upon which she usually lies. To William & John Filbye, 2 children of daughter Emme, £5 each when 21. To inhabitants of Tannington, 40s. in 1 year, to be paid to churchwardens &

overseers of the poor of said town for the time being, which 40s. to remain as a stock to the town forever, the benefit thereof to be forever yearly, at the time of Christmas, be given to 2 of the poor of Tannington, at discretion of churchwardens, for the time being. Son William Lynge to be exor; he to have rest of goods unbequeathed to pay debts & legacies, he to enter into bond of £1000 in 6 days to his brother Samuel, who is to be supervisor, to perform this will in 2 months, & if he so fail, then gifts to him to be void, & then Robert Lynge to be exor & he to have those gifts formerly given to the said William.

Wit. Edmund Evans, clerk. John Page, snr. John Fuller.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 28 November 1626.

360 R(W) NEWMAN MEADOW of Ipswich, yeo. 10 September 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God. To brother John Meadow, all those lands, tenements, meadows, pastures & feedings, with all houses, edifices & buildings there upon standing, in Capel, to him & his heirs immediately, on condition that if he shall, in 3 months of testor's death or 1 month next after reasonable request, seal a deed to exors, or to 1 of them, being a general acquittance or release in due form of law, wherein he shall for himself, his exors or assigns, release forever to exors, all debts, duties & demands whatever due or payable by testator to him, that then this gift of lands to remain to him forever, without any condition; but if he refuse this acquittance or release, in manner & form as aforesaid, then lands to go to exors John Allen & Edward Cole, & they to sell the same towards the payment of debts & legacies. To Anne Tillett, daughter of brother in law Edmond Tillett, £5 when 21, or on her marriage, whichever happen 1st; exors shall, during the time of her minority or till her marriage, pay & allow her 6s. 8d. each year, for the interest & use of the said £5, all of which interest is to be paid together at such time as the foresaid £5 shall be due & payable. To Mary Tillett, sister of the said Anne Tillett, 50s. when 21, or on her marriage, whichever happen 1st; exors shall, during her minority or till her marriage, pay & allow her 3s. 4d. each year, for the interest & use of the said 50s., all of which interest is to be paid together at such time as the said 50s. shall be due & payable. If either of the said Anne or Mary Tillett die before 21 or marriage, then the legacy, with the profits thereof, of the party so deceasing shall be paid to the survivor, if she be of age or married, or otherwise when she be 21 or married, whichever happens 1st; if both die, then their legacies, with all such profits as shall then be due, to go to testator's sister Anne Tillett, mother of the said Anne & Mary. To John Charnell, son of brother in law John Charnell, 50s. when 21; exors shall, during his minority, pay to him 3s. 4d. each year for the interest & use of the same, all of which interest to be paid together at such time as the 50s. shall be due; but if the said John die before 21, then the 50s., with the profits that shall be due for the same at the time of his death, to go to testator's sister Charnell, mother of the said John. To uncle Robert Meadowe, £5 in 1 year. To Elizabeth Meadow, daughter of the said Robert, 20s. in 1 year. To Mary Meadow, daughter of the said Robert, 20s. when 21 or on her marriage, whichever happens 1st. To John Allen of Bentley, yeo., & Edward Cole of the same town, yeo., who are to be exors, all lands, tenements, meadows, pastures, houses, edifices & buildings with appurtenances, in Witnessham, or any other town near adjoining it, to have the same to the intent following, namely that

they shall, in 2 years, sell, grant, convey & assure the same for the best value or price they can or may, to pay debts & legacies, & to no other intent or purpose whatsoever. Whereas testator & wife have entered into bond with Sir George Walgrave, knight, to pay £100 to Mary Marvyn, daughter of Ralph Marvyn late of Copdock, deceased, according to the will of said Ralph Marvyn, now if it happen that the said Mary dies before the time of payment of the said £100 by reason whereof the payment of the £100 shall cease or be void, by reason of the same will & bond, that then the £100 is to be equally divided by exors, amongst testator's kindred, legatees in this will. To son in law George Marvyn, posted bedstead with the curtains as it now stands in the parlour part of messuage late in testator's occupation at Copdock, best feather bed, feather bolster, feather pillow, pair sheets, pillow bere, pair blankets & dornix coverlet. To wife, bedstead & feather bed. To friends John Allen & Edward Cole, exors, £10 each, & also all goods, chattels, implements, household stuff, jewels, ready money & plate, not before given, to pay debts & legacies. If exors shall have any overplus of goods or money remaining in their hands, after payment of debts, legacies, probate costs & all other charges & expenses laid out by them concerning this will, then the same to go to brother John Meadow, in 3 months after all thing be paid. Wit. Henry Gale. John Parkhurst. Robert Clarke. Edward Sterrop. Thomas Marrett (X), clothworker.
Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 1 December 1626.

361 R(W) JOEL MOSSE of Framlingham. (N) October 1626

To brother Gilbert Mosse, the £10 which he owes testator. To younger brother Robert Mosse, £5. To sisters Margaret Curtyss & Elizabeth Hills, 50s. each. Rest of goods to go to uncle Thomas Mosse, to pay burial costs.
Wit. Martha Sheman. Thomas Mosse.
Let. Ad. granted to Thomas Mosse. 9 November 1626.

362 R(W) AUSTEN PODD of East Bergholt, husb. (X) 7 May 1626

Sick & weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, blessed redeemer, by whose death & passion alone, hope to be saved. To be buried in East Bergholt churchyard. To brother John Podd the elder, 12d. To brother John Podd the younger, 12d. To sister Joan Podd, £4 in 1 year; also to her, all household stuff & bedding whatever now in the chamber where testator now lies, & in the other chamber in the house where testator used to dwell in at Richard Dayes, in East Bergholt, or in any other place elsewhere. Rest of goods & chattels whatever unbequeathed, once debts, probate, funeral & any other necessary charges be paid, to go to brother Robert Podd; he to be exor.
Wit. John Steavenson. Humphrey Bradstreet.
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 1 December 1626.

363 R(W) ELIZABETH PANTRYE of Blythburgh, single. (N)
24 September 1626

To kinsman Francis Curbie, bond for a debt of £16 due to testator from Edmund

Docking of Strumpshaw (Nf.) & the debt due thereon. To Ann, wife of the said Francis Curbie, watchet petticoat, with all the best linen, at her choice.

Wit. James Blithe. Elizabeth Ruddock. More, to Anna Collett of Bramfield, red stammel petticoat. To Elizabeth Collett, gown & stuff petticoat.

Wit. Ann Curbie, wife of Francis Curbie.

Let. Ad. granted to Francis Curbie at Blythburgh. 14 October 1626.

364 R(W) WILLIAM PAYNE of Middleton. 26 May 1625

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, hoping to have eternal life, through merits of Jesus Christ. To brothers Simon, John & Philip Payne & to sister Margaret, now wife of Christopher Cutting, £3 each in half year, provided that Anne Cutting, daughter of the said Margaret, has from her mother the foresaid legacy of £3 before given to the said Margaret, when she be 16 & also a wrought pewter platter & salt cellar. To godson & nephew William Payne, great pewter dish & salt cellar. To Mary Pooley, daughter of Robert Pooley, 10s. in half year. To John & Richard Eade, children of Thomas Eade of Middleton, 10s. each, in half year. To brother's son John Payne, & to brother's daughter Matthew [sic] Payne, 10s. each when 16. Rest of goods, chattels, rights whatsoever unbequeathed to go to exor, to pay all charges of suit in law & other charges & troubles that shall, or may hereafter happen to be or grow, concerning the recovery or obtaining any debt or debts or other right payable or due to testator or to exor. Brother John Payne to be exor.

Wit. Roger Blake. Thomas Browne. Thomas Eade.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 24 October 1626.

365 R(W) ROBERT RICHMAN of Ellough. 30 December 1625

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, verily trusting to obtain forgiveness of sins & have perfect salvaton through merits, death & passion of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer. Wife Elizabeth shall have & take to her, & her assigns, the profits & occupation of houses & tenement, where testator now dwells, with all lands, meadows, pastures, feedings & appurtenances belonging, being sometime Wrights & Fiskes, & the feeding crop of testator's Ellough bridge meadow, till Michaelmas next after testator's death, except the 1st mowing crop of the home meadow, the orchard pigtle & the new meadow next Ellough mere, which are given to son Robert, with liberty to mow, make & carry away, & also except half crop of corn which shall be then growing on any of the said lands which is also to go to son Robert. To son Robert, houses, lands & tenements lately Wrights, called Coves, with all appurtenances, rights & commodities whatever, & lands lately Fiskes, & the said Ellough bridge meadow & 1 close now divided into 2 closes late bought of Francis Lane in Worlingham called White cross close with all appurtenances, rights, profits & commodities thereto belonging, to him & his heirs, to enter at Michaelmas next after testator's death; he shall yearly & every year, after he enters the same, during the lifetime of wife Elizabeth, pay to her £30 a year at usual feasts, namely £7 10s. at Christmas, Lady day, St John the Baptist & at Michaelmas by equal portions, 1st payment being made on the 1st feast which falls due after his entry into said lands, which annuity is made in full

satisfaction of said wife's dower claims on lands. If son fail in payment of said annuity, as specified, or in 14 days of each feast, then it is to be lawful for wife Elizabeth to enter lands & distrain & lead, take, drive or carry away such distress as need shall be & hold the same till she be satisfied of payment. If there shall be no sufficient distress to be taken on said lands, whereby wife shall not or cannot obtain her yearly portion, or any part thereof, or other wise be satisfied, then she may enter into all lands & enjoy the same till she be satisfied. To wife Elizabeth, table cupboard standing in the hall, 4 buffet stools whereof 2 are covered with black leather, cupboard standing in the entry, 2 small covered stools & 2 other small joined stools, 2 great chairs except the best, 2 small back chairs, 6 cushions namely 3 of the best & 3 others, velvet cushion, 12 milk bowls, pair dog irons, pair tongs, fire pan, pair bellows, gridiron, 2 pails, double salt of silver, silver tun, 2 posted bedsteads – 1 standing on the hall chamber & the other on the kitchen chamber & 2 trundle bedsteads there also standing. To daughter Elizabeth, tenement Chaplines, where one Ward now dwells, in Hulver street, with all lands thereto belonging now in the occupation of Samuel Ward, acre meadow late purchased of Gregory Forgan, to her & her heirs; if she have no heir, then same to go to son Robert. Said Robert shall deliver to his sister Elizabeth 100 of 'one bond' wood out of lands in Ellough, for so many years as she shall dwell in the said tenement to her bequeathed. Also to daughter Elizabeth, £3 score in 3 months, to be paid by testator's nephew Robert Richman of Hedenham (Nf.), gent.; also to her, 3 pewter platters, 3 pewter dishes, brass pot, kettle, milk cow, posted bedstead standing on the pantry chamber with a feather bed, bolster, mat, coverlet, pair blankets, 2 pair sheets & a silk tester. To daughter Priscilla Wace, wife of John Wace, £20 by exor in 3 months after he be 21. To daughter Anne Wade, wife of Samuel Wade, £20 by exor in 3 months after he be 21. To daughter Alice, wife of Philip Richardson, £20 by exor in 3 months after he be 21. To daughter Frances, £100 to be paid by nephew Robert Richman, when she be 20 or on her marriage, whichever happens 1st; also to her, livery bedstead standing on the chamber where she lies, with mat, feather bed, bolster, coverlet, pair blankets, 2 pair sheets, milk cow & also to her £20 to be paid her by exor, in half year after the day of payment which is to be made to daughter Alice. To son Robert, £40 to be paid by nephew Robert Richman, when he be 21; also to him, great pewter charger with a bottom there belonging. All bed & bedding whatever unbequeathed, to be equally divided between wife Elizabeth & son Robert, & likewise all napery or linen, & all pewter unbequeathed to be equally divided between them. To wife Elizabeth, great kettle, smaller kettle at her own choice, brass pot, chaffing dish, 2 candlesticks, spit, latch pan, 3 chests, 2 coffers at her own choice, warming pan, 1000 good billets yearly to be delivered to her by son, during her natural life. To grandchild Elizabeth Wace, daughter of John Wace, heifer aged 2 years, presently to be delivered to the hands of the said John Wace, to the use of his daughter. To each other grandchild, as well born as those which shall be in their mothers' wombs at the time of testator's death, 20s. each when 21, & if any die before receipt of legacy, then that share to be equally divided between rest of grandchildren then living. If daughter Frances die before receipt of her legacy, then that portion to be equally divided between rest of testator's children. To township of Ellough, 40s. as a town stock, & the yearly benefit to be distributed amongst the poor there, by such inhabitants as by the laws of the realm shall be assigned, &

the 40s. to be paid to the inhabitants of Ellough in half year of testator's death. To servants Richard Tripp & Christian Smith, 13s. 4d. each, & to servant John Tripp 6s. 8d., & to servants John Cloughe & Jane Taylor, 3s. 4d. each. Rest of goods, chattels, credits & debts due unbequeathed, to go to son Robert Richman; he to be exor, to pay & receive debts, pay legacies & funeral costs. Nephew Robert Richman to aid & assist exor with good advice & he to have 20s. for his pains. Wit. William Love. Frances Love.

Codicil dated 3 June 1626

Whereas son Robert is to pay yearly to testator's wife Elizabeth, for her maintenance, £30 at 4 equal portions, now he shall yearly, every year during his mother's life, allow her such sufficient & necessary room or rooms within house where testator dwells, for her lodging & abiding, with fire chimney or chimneys convenient & competent & fit fuel of all sorts, & good & sufficient boarding for herself & 1 maid servant; for all of which said Robert shall quarterly, at every payment of £7 10s. default, abate & detain the sum of 50s. in consideration of said allowance. If wife, at any time, refuse to be boarded by son, she shall be at her own choice & boarding herself & her maid; she shall for her house room & fuel allow to Robert 40s. to be paid quarterly at the receipt of her £7 10s.

Wit. William Love. Frances Love. John Love.

Pr. with codicil attached, granted to exor at Beccles. 30 September 1626.

366 R(W) JOHN SKOULDING. (N) 17 September 1626

To wife Ellen, all goods, she to pay debts & legacies. To son John, £5 in 1 year. To daughter Ann, £10 in 1 year. To daughter Alice, £10 in 2 years. To son James, £13 6s. 8d. when 21 & he to have, on his mother's death, a silver salt. To grandchild Elizabeth, 40s. when 21. To said Ann, Alice & James, bed as they stand at the appointment of wife Ellen, to be delivered at such time as their former portion is to be paid. To grandchild John Skoulding, 20s. when 21. If daughter Ann marries Edmond Capp, then her portion is to go to son James Skoulding, to be paid him at time aforesaid. Wife Ellen to be extrix; she to be put into possession of all goods by the delivery of 1 pewter cup.

Wit. Edward Boathe. Thomas Skouldinge. William Drake.*

Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 8 November 1626.

* This witness appears as William Drake in the original will, but as Edward Drake in the register copy.

367 R(W) THOMAS UTTING of Mendham, yeo. 31 October 1626*

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, most assuredly believing & hoping will be saved by his merits, by & through merits & passion of his son Jesus Christ, only saviour, without any merit of any other whatever. To be buried in Mendham churchyard. To wife Margaret, all goods, chattels, credits, debts, household stuff, utensils & all other goods whatever, for life. On her death, same to go to the children of brothers Henry Utting deceased, & Richard Utting & children of sister Isabel Gilney, to be equally divided between those then living. Wife to be extrix, she paying all debts & burial costs.

Wit. John Pettiner. Henry Utting.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 7 November 1626.

* The date in both register & will reads 31 November 1626

368 R(W) JOHN WHITEING of Bromeswell, weaver. (X) 20 July 1625

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, maker, saviour & redeemer, by whose death & merits hope to be saved. To wife Mary, house & tenements in Bromeswell where testator now dwells, & all lands, meadows & pastures, arable or field ground, whatever for life. On her death, same to go to sons Edward & John Whiteing to be equally divided between them, to them & their heirs. To 3 other sons Francis, Robert & Daniel Whiting, £6 13s. 4d. each, to be paid by said Edward & John out of said lands, namely to Francis £6 13s. 4d. in 2 years, to Robert £6 13s. 4d. in 3 years & to Daniel £6 13s. 4d. in 4 years of the death of the said Mary; if there be default in any payment, then son who suffers such default is to enter into said lands, 1 after the other, & have & hold the same till payment be made, & also such costs & charges thereby arising. Rest of goods, cattle & household stuff, once debts & funeral costs be met, to go to wife Mary to bring up children & keep houses in good repair. Wife & son Edward to be exors.

Wit. John Bate, jnr. John Bate, snr.

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 5 October 1626.

369 R(W) EDWARD WHINKOP of Theberton, yeo. 4 October 1626

Sick & weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, hoping to be saved by death & merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, through faith in him. To son John Whinckop & his heirs, all lands & tenements, both free & copyhold, in Theberton when 21. To eldest daughter Elizabeth Whinkop, £4 score when 21, to be paid in the south porch of Theberton church. To daughter Alice Whinkop, £4 score when 21, to be paid at place aforesaid. To that child wife Elizabeth is now withall, £4 score when 21, to be paid at place aforesaid. If any child die before 21, then that portion to be equally divided between survivors. To poor of Theberton, 20s.; of Middleton, 6s. 8d.; of Westleton, 6s. 8d.; of Leiston, 6s. 8d. to be distributed by churchwardens & overseers for the poor for each town. Rest of goods, chattels & household stuff whatever unbequeathed to go to wife Elizabeth, to pay debts & legacies & to bring up children; she to be extrix.

Wit. George London. (X) William Whinkop. James Flatman.

Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 24 October 1626.

370 R(W) WILLIAM WRITHOCK of Stradbroke, blacksmith. 26 June 1626

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, creator, verily trusting & believing to be justified, saved & redeemed only by & through most precious merits, death & passion of lord Jesus Christ, only saviour, mediator & redeemer; to be buried till day of lord's 2nd appearing in the hope then of a joyful resurrection to eternal happiness. To son John Writhock, all that message or tenement, with appurtenances, in Stradbroke called Lion, where John Peartree lives, with all yards, orchards, gardens belonging, now in the farm or occupation of the said John

Peartree, & all that shop & stable belonging to the same now in testator's occupation, to him & his heirs, presently; he to pay to testator's wife Elizabeth yearly for life, in the south porch of Stradbroke church, £5 to be paid at Lady day & Michaelmas by equal portions, 1st payment being made on the 1st feast which falls due after testator's death, in full satisfaction of dower claims in lands of which testator has been seised during the coverture between them. If son John default in payment of sum, or shall refuse to pay the same in the manner aforesaid, then said Elizabeth to enter lands, & hold & enjoy the rents & profits therefrom till she be paid, together with any costs or charges she shall have borne by reason of the non payment. Wife Elizabeth to have messuage or tenement, with appurtenances, in Stradbroke, called Drakes with yards, orchards, gardens & pightle belonging, late purchased of Richard Grenling late deceased, till Michaelmas next ensuing after testator's death, & also all that cottage or tenement with appurtenances, in Stradbroke where Stephen Sander & John Kent dwell, with the yards thereto belonging, as well free as copyhold, for life; she to hold the same, doing no manner of waste nor strip thereon, keeping houses in good repair & discharging rents for the same during the said term. To son Robert Writhocke & his heirs, all that messuage or tenement called Drakes, with appurtenances, yards, orchards, gardens & pightle belonging, late Richard Girling's deceased, on the Michaelmas after testator's death. Daughter Christian Peartree, wife of John Peartree, on the death of wife Elizabeth, to have the cottage or tenement where Stephen Sander & John Kent do now inhabit, with the yard thereto belonging, for her life, doing no manner of strip nor waste thereon & keeping the same in good repair, discharging all the rents due during that term. On her death, same to go to testator's son Robert & his heirs. To son John, all goods, chattels, movables, household stuff, bedding & utensils whatever at tenement called Lion, & the copper there as it hangs, with the brewing vessels thereto belonging, all stithes & bellows, iron, coals & tools whatever at the shop, presently. To wife Elizabeth, 2 cows which she bought as calves & brought up, swine, poultry & haystack now being & standing upon the lands belonging to messuage where testator now dwells. To sons John & Robert, 6 milk cows unbequeathed to be equally divided between them, on death of wife Elizabeth, & in the meantime she is to have the use of them. Wife Elizabeth to have the use & occupation of all goods, chattels, movables, household stuff, bedding, brass, pewter, linen, implements & utensils unbequeathed in messuage where testator now dwells, for life, doing always to the same goods as little hurt or damage as conveniently may be, but only by reasonable & necessary use thereof. On her death, same to go to son Robert. Wife to have the messuage where testator now dwells & lands thereto belonging, till Michaelmas next after testator's death, together with the whole profit & commodity thereupon made, paying such rents or farm as is or shall be due. To son Robert, £8 on 31 May after the date thereof. To grandchild Elizabeth Seaman, £13 when 22. Wife Elizabeth shall have & receive to her use, so much money as is due to her by specialty from Henry & John Bootie, or either of them. Exor to receive all debts not before appointed to be received, & pay all debts & burial costs. Rest of goods, chattels, movables, corn, hay, grain & cattle unbequeathed, to be sold by exor to pay debts, legacies & perform will. Son John Writhock to be exor, to perform will; if he refuse or fail to take upon himself the exorship of this will, then gift of all goods & chattels to him to be void, & then these goods to go to

son Robert & he to be exor instead of John.
Wit. George Borrett. Francis Sandcroft. Richard Girling.
Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 24 October 1626.

371 R(W) ELIZABETH ALLDOUS of Stradbroke. (X) 6 December 1626

Visited in body. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, trusting to be saved only by most precious death & passion of Jesus Christ, only redeemer & saviour. To daughter Sabina, posted bedstead in the parlour with feather bed lying thereon, 2 blankets, pillow & best covering. To daughter Ann, livery bedstead on the buttery chamber, feather bed thereon, bolster, pillow, covering & 2 blankets. To daughter Sibila Aldous, posted bedstead on the parlour chamber, feather bed, flock bed, covering, 2 blankets, pillow & 2 feather bolsters. To daughter Sabina, table in the parlour, form & stool. To daughter Ann, little table, 2 stools & back chair. To daughter Sibila, mortar. To daughters Sibila & Ann each, 1 candlestick. To daughter Sabina, dripping pan, & to daughter Ann, another dripping pan & great kettle. To daughter Sibila, posnet & skillet. To 3 unmarried daughters, all wearing apparel. To 6 daughters, all linen to be equally divided between them. To 6 children, all bees to be equally divided between them. To daughter Sabina, brown calf. Rest of goods, cattle & household stuff to go to 3 youngest daughters, Ann, Sabina & Sibila to pay a certain sum of money to the administrators of late husband, for diverse goods which testator had of them, which were husband's, & for daughters to pay debts; any overplus then remaining, to be equally divided between them. Daughter Sabina to be extrix, to see to burial.

Wit. Richard Alldous. Margery Warde. (X) William Hering.
Pr. granted to extrix at Wilby. 7 January 1626/27.

372 R(W) ANDREW BARDWELL of Earl Soham, joiner. 7 June 1625

Soul to hands & infinite mercies of Almighty God, trusting assuredly in & through the precious death & passion of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, to be a partaker in life everlasting. All lands & tenements, with appurtenances belonging, in Mellis to go to son Henry Bardwell & his heirs, & also all that messuage or tenement bond called Bretts, with appurtenances, in Eye, being 1 acre & 3 roods to go to said Henry. To son Humphrey Bardwell, £3 6s. 8d. to be paid by said Henry in 1 month, in church porch of Earl Soham. To daughter Grace, wife of Robert Starling, & to daughter Elizabeth, wife of Thomas Howard, £3 6s. 8d. each, to be likewise paid by said Henry in 1 month at the place aforesaid, & if either daughter die before receipt of legacy, then surviving daughter to inherit. If the said Humphrey Bardwell, Robert Starling or Thomas Howard molest exor with regard to goods & chattels, other than for non payment of legacies, that then the gifts to the said Humphrey Bardwell, Robert Starling & Thomas Howard, or to their wives, to be void. To son Henry Bardwell, all ready money, obligations, bills, bonds, debts, joiner's & carpenter's tools. Rest of goods, household stuff unbequeathed to go to sons Humphrey & Henry & to daughters Grace & Elizabeth to be equally divided between them in 1 month. Son Henry Bardwell to be exor.
Wit. John Lace. George Garwood. (X) George Russell.
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 10 February 1626/27.

373 R(W) JOHN BUNGE of Aldeburgh, fisherman. 10 September 1614

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, creator of all mankind, & to Jesus Christ, redeemer, & Holy Ghost, comforter of all the elect people of God. To be buried in Aldeburgh churchyard. To wife Agnes Bunge, all houses, cottages, yards & hereditaments in Aldeburgh, or elsewhere, to her use for life, she keeping the same in good repair. On her death, same to go to brother Peter Bunge & his heirs. Also to wife Agnes, all goods & chattels whatever, both within & without house, to her use for life; on her death, same to go to brother Peter Bunge & his heirs, he paying to nephew John Clerke, £5 at the south porch of Aldeburgh church, out of the said goods, presently on the death of the said Agnes. Wife to be extrix.

Wit. None given.

Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 10 January 1626/27

374 R(W) THOMAS BURNDISH of Ipswich St Clement.

24 January 1626/27

Weak. Soul to hands of merciful father, hoping to be saved only by Jesus Christ. To be buried in St Clement's churchyard. To mother Mary Dowman, £8 in 3 months. To Susan Sweetman, late wife of Richard Sweetman deceased, £7 in 3 months. To sister Katherine, 30s. in 3 months. To Francis Hall, 20s. in 3 months. To William Herd, all apparel, both for sea & land, all tools & whatever else be unbequeathed; he to be exor.

Wit. Thomas Kyrre. William Rose.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 15 February 1626/27.

375 R(W) EDWARD CRANE of Tannington, yeo. (N) 22 December 1626

Arthur Crane to be exor; he to have all movable goods & chattels, both within & without house where testator now dwells & elsewhere. Said Arthur, before his death, is to make a gift of part of said goods to the children of Gilbert Baker that are now living.

Wit. John Woollnowe. Edward Punte. Priscilla Butterham, widow. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 30 January 1626/27.

376 R RICHARD CORNELL of Witnesham, yeo. 23 December 1625

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, creator & redeemer. To be buried in Witnesham churchyard. To the right worshipful Mr Robert Gosnold, esq., landlord, £10 in 1 year, & to the right worshipful Anne, his wife, testator's mistress, 1 of the best milk neat, in 1 year. To Walter Gosnold, gent., son of Mr Anthony Gosnold, gent., £10, 2 pair sheets, 2 board cloths, 4 pillow beres & 1 doz. table napkins in 1 year. To kinsman John Cornell, £4 in 1 year. To sister Elizabeth Dooble, £4 in 1 year & to Mary Dooble, her daughter, 40s. at the same time as her mother is paid. To servant Ann Raymer, widow, in recompense of her faithful service, £15 in 1 year; also 2 pair sheets, 2 board cloths, 4 pillow beres, 1 doz. table napkins & cupboard in the hall, presently. To Humphrey Raymer, son of said Ann, 20s. when he be 21. To poor of Witnesham, £3 in 4 years – 1st payment being made on 1 January, 12 months after testator's death, to be disposed of by the discretion of exors,

always having respect to the neediest poor there. If there be overplus of goods & chattels, once debts, legacies, charges of will & funeral be met, then said overplus to go to brother John Cornell of Borley (Ess.), if he shall outlive testator, but if he die before testator or now already be dead, then overplus to go to his wife & to his 2 younger children (Edward Cornell his son to have no part thereof) to be equally divided between them, at the discretion of exors. All charges of funeral, probate of will, inventory of goods, chattels & cattle, all charges to be disbursed on the execution of this will & all exors charges to be allowed & paid out of goods before legacies be met. Any one, to whom any legacy be given, who shall not be contented with his or her legacy & shall in any wise trouble exors, by suit of law or otherwise, for any goods contrary to the meaning of this will, then that legacy of whomsoever be not contented & troubles exors, to be void. Thomas Gosnald of Swilland & Robert Harmond of Hollesley, gent., to be exors; they to have £5 each first to be paid for their pains & travel therein to be taken. To Dorothy, wife of Robert Harmond, bed on which testator lies, with 2 pillows, bolster, coverlet & 2 blankets, presently. Exors shall not meddle with, or take away, claim or have any thing whatever, which are the goods of Anne Raymer, widow, now in testator's possession; exors to arrange burial, pay debts & legacies & to distribute said sums to the poor.

Wit. John Hill. Thomas Seaman, script.

Pr. granted to Thomas Gosnald at Woodbridge on 2 March 1626/27, & to Robert Harmond at Woodbridge. 15 March 1626/27.

377 R(W) THOMAS COLMAN of Redisham, yeo. (X) 6 December 1626

Soul to hands of God, maker, & to Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer. To daughter Elizabeth, wife of Nicholas Paynter, £3 in 2 years, if she be living; if she be dead, then sum to go to her eldest daughter. To daughter Alice Colman, £7 in 1 year, if she be living. Son John Colman to be exor; he shall in 10 days enter into bond, or obligation, to testator's daughter Mary Colman, in the penal sum of £20, with condition to pay 32s. yearly to her for life, to be paid every quarter 8s., 1st payment being made at 1st quarter feast after testator's death. If John refuse the said bond, then he is, in 1 month, to pay to John Goose of Kelsale, yeo., £20 to the use of the said Mary, so that the said John do, on receipt of the £20, enter into sufficient bond with exor to pay the 32s. yearly to Mary. To John, son of son Robert Colman, & to Elizabeth, daughter of the said Robert, 40s. each when 21. Rest of goods, chattels, credits & debts whatsoever to go to exor; exor to be son John Colman, he to perform will.

Wit. Nathan Sherwin. William Love, script.

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. 30 December 1626.

378 R(W) ALICE COMBERLAND of Aldeburgh, widow. (N) n.d.

Sick in body, of which sickness she died. To son Nicholas Comberland, flock bed as it stands, great kettle, great brass pot & half pewter in the house. Rest of goods to go to son William Comberland.

Wit. Katherine Bayman. Priscilla Scrutton.

Let. Ad. granted to William Comberland at Yoxford. 13 December 1626.

379 R(W) JOHN COTTINGHAM of Bawdsey, yeo. (X) 18 January 1626/27

Soul to hands of Almighty God, redeemer & sanctifier. To eldest son John Cottingham, all lands in Bawdsey when 21. To son Thomas Cottingham, lands in Woodbridge & Melton. To youngest son Edmund Cottingham, lands in Bredfield. If any of said 3 sons die before 21, then lands to be equally divided between surviving sons. Wife Anne Cottingham to have all lands, leases & tenements, with appurtenances, till children by degrees be 21, towards their upbringing & the payment of legacies. Wife also to have all movable goods conditionally, namely she shall purchase all those lands unpurchased in Bredfield which were sometime the lands of Nicholas Mayes, or if she does not purchase them, she is to pay to youngest son Edmund, when he be 21, £500 for his portion; if this land in Bredfield be not redeemed, which is mortgaged to testator, then wife Anne to pay but £200 to said Edmund. To Simon Letherman, a sailor* in Woodbridge, £10 in 1 year. To poor of Bawdsey, £3 in 3 years, at discretion of wife. Wife to be extrix.

Wit. Thomas Chatburn. Nathaniel Saling. Robert Coeman. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 31 January 1626/27.

* Register copy has soldier, not sailor.

380 R(W) WILLIAM CEARD of Parham, joiner. (X) 9 January 1626/27

Weak & sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, only maker & redeemer, hoping & steadfastly trusting, through merits of Jesus Christ, only lord & saviour, to have joyful resurrection. To wife Mary, messuage & tenement in Parham, with all lands belonging, & also all other lands & tenements in Suffolk, for life, towards the bringing up of children. On her death, all lands to go to son William & his heirs. Wife to be extrix. To brother's daughter Elizabeth Ceard, of Monk Soham, 20s. in 3 years.

Wit. W. Smythe. William Plumly. (X) Margaret Brigges. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 31 January 1626/27.

381 R(W) RICHARD CHILDRES of Shadingfield, yeo. (X)

22 December 1626

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & redeemer, trusting in his mercies, death & passion to have full remission & pardon of all sins & offences. To be buried in Shadingfield churchyard. To wife Prudence, £10 in 40 days, & 50s. to be paid her every quarter year for life; if she die before the quarter payment be due, then exors to pay it to such as she shall appoint at the time of her departure, after the rate of 50s. a quarter for her diet. To the children of Robert Browne which are now living, £37 to be equally divided between them when 21. To the children of John Mosse which are now living, £30 to be equally divided between them when 21. To the children of John Sherman which are now living, £30 to be equally divided between them when 21. If any child of the said Robert Browne, John Mosse or John Sherman die before 21, then legacy of whosoever dies, to be equally divided between survivors, & that as well amongst those that shall have received their part, as those that still be in their minority. Said sons in law Robert Browne, John

Mosse & John Sherman shall, in 40 days of testator's death, have the said sums of money given to their children, paid to them, or consideration for the same, till such time as the money may be conveniently paid, so that they & each of them, enter into bond with exors, on behalf of their children, shall be a sufficient discharge in law for them. To cousins William & Prudence Childre, 10s. each in 40 days. To sons William & Richard Childres, £30 each, they to be exors. Rest of goods, cattle, chattels & debts unbequeathed to go to exors, to be equally divided between them, except only £10.

Wit. Jeremy Butolph. John Colbecke, clerk.

Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 4 January 1626/27

382 R(W) ANNA CLUBB of Stradbroke, widow. (X) 17 November 1626

Sick. Soul to God, maker, trusting by merits of Christ, redeemer, to have forgiveness of all sins & to inherit life everlasting. All those lands, tenements & hereditaments, which testator had of the gift & conveyance of father with the headborough, & all appurtenances whatever to go to son John Clubb & his heirs. To son John Clubb, £30. To daughter Mary Clubb, £3 score. Rest of goods & movables whatever to be equally divided between son & daughter. Son to pay debts, legacies, charges, duties, expenses of will & probate, he to be exor & perform will.

Wit. Thomas Garbor. Richard Wyeth. (X) Richard Clayton.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 13 December 1626.

383 R(W) ROBERT CHAMBERLEINE of East Bergholt, clothier.
22 December 1626

Weak. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, blessed redeemer by whose merits hope only to be saved. To mother Joan Chamberleine, £20 in 1 year; exor to pay her more £4 of the said £20 in 3 months if need require; if she die before time be fully expired in which she shall have received her portion, then £20, or so much as shall then be unpaid but still remaining in the hands of exors, to be paid to testator's 2 sisters Mary & Elizabeth Chamberleine, to be equally divided between them at such time as the sum should have been paid to mother, if she had lived. All household stuff which is necessary to be used in the house, as bedding, linen, woollen, pewter & brass & all other household stuff, to be equally divided into 3 parts; mother Joan to have 1 part thereof, & wife Ann Chamberlene to have 2 parts thereof. To 2 sisters Mary & Elizabeth Chamberleine, 40s. each in 1 year. If mother Joan, or sisters Mary & Elizabeth Chamberleine shall at any time molest or hinder exors by any suit, or demands, or by entering upon any goods otherwise than for recovering of their legacies, then their legacies to be void. Remainder of goods & chattels, such as woollen cloth, shop stuff, press, tainters & other implements or tools of trade unbequeathed, once debts, probate & funeral costs be met, to go to wife Anne Chamberleine. Father in law Francis Backer of Stoke by Nayland, clothier, & wife Anne Chamberleine to be exors.

Wit. Peter Swift. John Steavenson.

Pr. granted to Anne Chamberleine at Ipswich. 1 February 1626/27.

384 R(W) JOHN COOK of Pettistree, yeo. 2 December 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of God, creator, on whose mercy in Christ Jesus rely for salvation. To poor of Pettistree, 10s.; of Wickham Market, 20s.; of Theberton, 20s. & of Leiston, 10s. To wife Philipp, for life, all lands & tenements in Pettistree. On her death, same to go to nephew Thomas Cook, but if he die before he inherits, then lands to go to testator's brother Thomas Cook, & on his death lands to go to his daughter Margaret, wife of John Maltewell. To Margaret, wife of John Maltewell, & her heirs, lands & tenements in Theberton, she to pay to Dorothy, wife of Henry Parsely of Glemham, yearly during her life, £5 in such manner & form as testator is bound to pay the same, & also on condition said Margaret, on the death of Dorothy Parsely, pays to Stephen Rose of Wickham Market, £3 score which testator is bound to pay him. To wife, £5 in 1 week; also to her, 6 dairy cows, wey of cheese, firkin & a half of butter, all linen, 5 combs rye, 2 combs wheat, 4 combs barley; she to have the use & occupation of the rest of household stuff, & on her death the same to go to nephew Thomas Cook, & if he die before he receive the same, then goods to go to Margaret, wife of John Maltewell. Wife shall, in 3 months of testator's death, be bound to exor in a bond of £100, that neither she, nor her assigns, shall make any strip or waste on lands before given her, nor shall she, in any 1 year during her life, cut or take upon the said lands any more (except it be so necessary serving the premises) than 3 loads of wood, & that to be of the loppings of such trees as be growing upon the said lands, & that during her life, she shall keep all the houses belonging to the said lands before given her, in good & sufficient repair, & also that all such household stuff willed to her for her own use during her life, or the value that they shall be prised at, shall be delivered in 3 months of her death, to such parties as testator has given in this will. If she enter into marriage with any one, then her husband, before marriage or in 3 months after, to be bound to exor in bond of £200, to perform these conditions which said wife is bound to perform, & if wife, or her husband, on reasonable demand, refuse this bond, then legacies to wife to be void. If wife claim dower in lands, except for those lands in Pettistree, then all gifts to her to be void. To the wife of John Maltewell, £50 in 1 year. To Margaret, daughter of John Maltewell, £20 when 21. To brother Nicholas Cooke, £25 in 1 year. To nephew Richard Cudden, £10 in 1 year. To niece Alice Daye, £5 to be paid her at the rate of 20s. a year till all be paid. To 3 servants Philip Bardwell, Susan Bast & Jane Leister, 20s. in 1 year. To apprentice Francis Cosset, 10s. at the end of his apprenticeship. To brother Redbeard's 3 children, 40s. each when 21. To nephew Thomas Gathercole, £20 when 21. Mr Ward of Mendham to be released & acquitted of all sums he owes testator. Rest of goods & chattels, once debts, legacies & funeral charges be paid, to go to brother Thomas Cook; he to be exor. Wit. Robert Smyth. Philip Bardwell.

Note of the surrender by the said John Cook, of all copyhold land held of the manor of Leiston, to the use of this will, into the hands of Thomas London & in the presence of Robert Beare, both copyhold tenants of the said manor. 2 December 1626.

Note of the surrender by the said John Cook, of all copyhold lands held of the manor of Pettistree, to the use of this will, into the hands of Robert Bardwell & in the presence of William Warner. 2 December 1626.

Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 14 February 1626/27.

385 R(W) JAMES COLLIN of Little Glemham, single. (X)

1 February 1626/27

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & preserver. To Mistress Mary Glemham, 20s. to buy her a ring. To Mistress Elizabeth Glemham, 20s. to buy her a ring; these sums to be paid them in half a year. To Rose Alldrich, £20 in 1 year. To Anne Nuttall, 8s. in 1 year. To Rose Alldrich, box. To William Baldwin, all small boxes, counters, dice & cards. To Mr Pottle, 10s. to preach at burial. To Edmund Rowe, Nicholas Fleet, Thomas Duckett & Thomas Greene, 5s. each to bear testator's body to the earth. To mother, £10 in 1 year. To brother John Collin, £10 & worst suit of apparel in 1 year. To brother George Collin, £5 in 1 year & best suit of apparel with 1 pair of cloth stockings, pair black boots, best kersey coat & best silk garters. To brother Thomas Collin, £5 in 1 year & another suit of apparel, with a coat & the rest of boots, stockings & shoes. To sister Phillip Collin, £5 in 1 year. To sister Christian Collin, £5 in 1 year. To sister Alice Collin, £10 in 1 year. If mother, or any brother or sister die before they receive legacy, then that portion to be equally divided between them all surviving. All linen to be equally divided between brothers & sisters by exors. To John Colman, 5s. To Margery Gunsbye, 5s. To godson James Smythe, 5s. John Kinge of Stratford, gent., & Daniel Pottle of Glemham Parva to be exors.

Wit. Francis Bramell. (X) John Dickersonne. (X)

Pr. granted to exors at Wickham Market. 13 February 1626/27.

386 R(W) WILLIAM CALLEN of Little Glemham. (X) 18 January 1626/27

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & preserver, by whose mercies in the merits of Jesus Christ, redeemer, hope to be saved. To be buried in Stratford churchyard, by 2 wives. To wife Alice, messuage or tenement called Osgates, with lands thereto belonging in Friston & Buxlow, being freehold, to her & her heirs. To William Baldwin, 5s. in half year. To godchild Mary Brightwell, 2s. in half year. To godchild Alice Lawne, 2s. in half year. Wife Alice to be extrix; she to have all movables whatever.

Wit. Daniel Pottle. Francis Bobbet. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 14 February 1626/27.

387 R(W) HENRY CUTBERT of Levington, yeo. (X) 24 January 1626/27

Knowing the state of all men to be mortal & the continuance of life & the hour of death to be uncertain, soul to Almighty God, redeemer. To wife Ann, messuage or tenement in Elmsett, with appurtenances, & all lands, tenements, meadows, pastures & feedings, with appurtenances, both free & copyhold, in Elmsett & Offton now in the occupation of one [blank] Spurling, called Crouchland, for life, without waste. Also to her, messuage or tenement in Levington for life, without

impeachment of waste. Also to wife, bedstead, bed & bedding for life, with other convenient fittings, for her necessary use. To son Henry Cutbert, messuage or tenement with appurtenances, in Elmsett, & all lands, tenements, meadows, pastures & feedings, with appurtenances now belonging, in Offton & Elmsett now occupied by one Spurling, on the death of wife Anne; also to him, messuage in Levington, on death of wife Ann. To son Henry, all freehold lands in Elmsett & Offton, on condition that if he shall go about to defeat or hinder wife Ann from any of these lands given her by this will, & on condition notwithstanding the former devise in this will that wife Ann shall have, occupy & enjoy this freehold land in Elmsett & Offton, as to her devised during her natural life, & on condition notwithstanding the former devise of all messuages & tenements with appurtenances in Elmsett & Offton to son Henry, that if Ann dies before Henry be 21, that then son Robert Cutbert to have the messuage or tenement with all lands & appurtenances belonging in Elmsett & Offton, both free & copyhold, during the nonage of son Henry, & for default of these conditions not performed by son Henry, then wife to have lands in Elmsett & Offton forever. To daughter Ann Cutbert, wife of William Browne of Levington, 5s. To daughter Susan Cutbert, wife of John Smith of Bucklesham, 5s. To daughter Margaret Cutbert, £100 when 21; if she marry rashly or wilfully without consent of wife Ann or son Robert, or 1 of them at least, then she is to have the moiety of her portion. To youngest daughter Marion Cutbert, £100 when 21. To son Robert Cutbert, all that messuage or tenement, with appurtenances, & all lands, tenements, meadows, pastures & feedings in Ringshall now occupied by one Mannyng, which lands were late purchased by lease of Sir William Gresham, knight, to him & his assigns, during the term of the said lease. To wife Ann, 3 milk beasts or kine. Rest of goods & chattels, both real & personal, unbequeathed to go to son Robert; he to pay debts & legacies & be exor.

Wit. Thomas Rose. (X) John Rose.

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 15 February 1626/27.

388 R(W) WILLIAM CRESSEY of Earl Soham, yeo. 25 January 1626/27

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, hoping assuredly through the only merits of Jesus Christ, saviour, to be made partaker of everlasting life. To wife Elizabeth, occupation, rents, profits & commodities of all houses, lands, tenements & hereditaments in Earl Soham, Framlingham & Kettleburgh to her, till son William be 22, towards the educating & bringing up of son till he be 22 & also of daughter Elizabeth till she be 24, & towards the payment of legacies. All the said houses & lands whatsoever to go to son William when he be 22; also to him, third of household stuff when he be 22. To daughter Elizabeth, £3 score when 24. Rest of goods, cattle, corn & ready money unbequeathed to go to wife Elizabeth; she to be extrix.

Wit. William Revans. Richard Throwers. Thomas Howard. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 14 February 1626/27.

389 R(W) PARNELL DEBNAM of East Bergholt, widow. (X)
1 January 1626/27

Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, trusting to be saved by the merits of Jesus Christ, redeemer. To son John Debnam, flock bed, bolster, pair blankets & covering, now in his possession, 2 pewter platters, great tub & 1 great whetstone. To son Andrew Debnam, 1 livery or half headed bedstead, flock bed, bolster, pair blankets, coverlet, 2 pewter platters, little kettle, little square table, little skillet & little hutch or coffer. To daughter Elizabeth Nuns, flock bed, bolster, pair blankets, covering, copper kettle ready hung, middle kettle, skillet, table in the hall, 2 pewter platters, warming pan, little dripping pan & kneading trough. To daughter Margaret Debnam, feather bed, 2 feather pillows, feather bolster, flock bed, bolster, pair blankets, coverlet, best bedstead, chest table, hutch, cupboard, wicker chair, pair cobirons, brass pot, biggest brass kettle, 2 little keelers, spit, biggest dripping pan, pair malt querns, great brewing tub, keep or cupboard, table chair, chaffer, great skillet, skimmer, brass ladle, pair mustard querns, 2 buffet stools, great chair, firing pan & chaffing dish, with a sow & 9 pigs. All other goods & household stuff unbequeathed, all linen & apparel, to be equally parted between daughters Elizabeth & Margaret. All other unbequeathed items to go to daughter Margaret. Friend Benial Catelin to be exor, to be put in trust of Elizabeth Debnam, daughter of son Joseph Debnam deceased, to have the oversight of her bringing up & to receive such portions of money as are due to testator, which belong to the said Elizabeth, & to save son Robert Nuns harmless from bond, in which the said Robert is bound in unto the mother in law for the said Elizabeth.

Wit. Abraham Bassell. John Neave. Jospeh Hedge. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 1 February 1626/27.

390 R(W) THOMAS DAYE of Holbrook, husb. 4 November 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God that gave it, by whose mercy alone in Christ, expect eternal salvation. To poor of Holbrook, 20s. to be distributed in quarter year, by minister & churchwardens there. To kinswoman Joan Andrews, 13s. 4d. in half year. Rest of goods whatever to wife Alice, she to be extrix. Whereas testator is possessed of copyhold holdings of Holbrook manor, these to go to wife Alice, & if she be now with child, then same to go to that child, & by these presents, do surrender into hands of 2 tenants of the manor, to the use of this will. Supervisor to be neighbour William Withers.

Wit. Edmund Mapletoft. William Wythers.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 12 January 1626/27

391 R(W) WILLIAM DWYTE of Capel, husb. (X) 6 September 1625

Sick & weak. Having before eyes the frail uncertain stay of this mortal life, & knowing that man is naturally born to die, now to avoid all variance & strife, soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, redeemer, trusting assuredly through faith only in the death & blood shed of Christ, soul will have free pardon & forgiveness of sins. To daughter Elizabeth, wife of William Damsell of Bentley, blacksmith, all copyhold lands in Capel, for life & on her death, same to go to

her son William Damsell & his heirs. To daughter Elizabeth, youngest cow to be put out to best profit for her use, till she be 16. To kinsman John Dowes, in 6 months, 5s. To wife Alice, 8 of the best cheeses & 8 pints of butter to be delivered presently; also to her, 3 bushels wheat & a white barrow pig, presently. Rest of goods & chattels unbequeathed to go to son in law William Damsell, he to pay debts & funeral expenses.

Wit. John Cooke. (X) Richard Lyon. Michael Ling. Thomas Fayrbrother.
Pr. granted to William Damsell at Ipswich. 20 October 1626.

392 R(W) RICHARD FRIAR of Wickham Market. (N) n.d.

In the time of his sickness whereof he died. To children John & Robert & to that child wherewith wife is now withall, £10 each when 21; if any die before 21, survivors to enjoy that portion. Rest of goods whatever to go to wife Anne, she to be extrix.

Wit. Jeffery Wright. Margery Facon, widow.
Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 14 December 1626.

393 R(W) MARY GOODALE of Badingham, single. (N) 18 December 1626

In the time of her sickness whereof she died. All movable goods whatever to go to her dame, Elizabeth Godbold, to pay burial.

Wit. Elizabeth Luffe. Anne Pidgeon.
Pr. granted to Elizabeth Godbold at Yoxford. 10 January 1626/27.

394 R(W) JAMES GOSLING of Winesham, husb. (X) 18 June 1626

Soul to Almighty God, father, son, Holy Ghost, 3 persons but 1 eternal majesty of the most glorious God, to whom be all laud, praise & glory; body to the earth there to rest in hope of the resurrection to eternal life, which beseech God, of his infinite mercy, to grant. To youngest son John Gosling, 2 pieces land lying together in Winesham, part of the tenement Buts, the 1 head abuts on the king's highway leading from Newton Hall to Ipswich on the north, & the other head abuts on the lands of James Ryvett on the south, which same 2 pieces land father John Gosling & mother Marion had by surrender of John Carver to the use of them during their natural lives, as by the said surrender appears. Also to him, all goods, chattels, household stuff & implements whatever. To son James Gosling, 40s. in 1 year. Son John Gosling to be exor.

Wit. Elizabeth Cooke. Lionel Cooke.
Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 12 January 1626/27.

395 R(W) NICHOLAS GILDERSLEVE of Creeting St Peter, yeo.
9 May 1626

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & redeemer, in whom steadfastly believe to have remission of sins & have everlasting life. To wife Susan for life, all copyhold lands & tenements in Braiseworth & Thorndon, & on her death same to go to testator's lawful heir forever, & if testator has no lawful begotten heir,

then whoever be testator's right heir, to have lands & to pay, in 1 year after the death of said Susan, to Richard Neech, son of brother in law Richard Neech, £10, & to pay to Edmund Baxter, son of brother in law Edmund Baxter, £10, & to pay to Philip Blose, wife of brother in law Thomas Blose, £10. If heir refuse the same, in manner aforesaid, then said Richard Neech, Edmund Baxter & Philip Blose to enter copyhold lands & hold till paid, together with any arrears & charges. To wife Susan, all movable goods, cattle, chattels, debts & obligations due; she to be extrix.

Wit. George Partridge. Richard Gildersleve.

Pr. granted to extrix at Yoxford. 13 February 1626/27.

396 R(W) OWEN JOLLY of Ipswich, yeo. (X) 18 March 1625/26

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God that gave it, being assuredly persuaded of the free pardon & forgiveness of all sins by the death & merits of Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer. To wife Alice, messuage or tenement where testator dwells, in St Mary Elms, Ipswich, with all houses, buildings, yards, gardens & appurtenances belonging, for life. The reversion to the same, on her death, to go to son in law John Thurston *alias* Usherwoode & to his son John Thurston *alias* Usherwood & to their heirs forever. To John Thurston *alias* Usherwood, the father, & to John Thurston *alias* Usherwood the son, all that parcel of land held by copy of court roll of the manor of St Peter's in Ipswich, containing some 2 & half acres, lying between the windmill & the river running from Handford bridge to Handford mill in Ipswich; also, that part of meadow held by copy court roll of the manor of Christchurch *alias* Withipoll, in Ipswich, containing 1 & half acres, adjoining or lying next to Handford bridge; they to have the same, to them & their heirs, according to the customs of the manors whereof the same are held. Whereas have mortgaged to William Moysey of Ipswich, clothier, a certain parcel of copyhold land, being 3 acres, held by copy court roll of the dean of Ely, lying in Stoke next Ipswich, by the river aforesaid, & is enclosed within Handford hall ground, for the payment of £25 or thereabouts, which money is to be paid at, or about, Lady day next coming after the date hereof, of which lands testator has made a conditional surrender to William Moysey, now whether the day of payment of & for the said land be past or not, which do not well remember & that however the estate thereof now stands, that if the said John Thurston, the father, shall or will give contentment to the said William Moysey for the money which the said William lent on the same, with such interest as shall satisfy him, if testator do not the same in lifetime, now therefore do desire the said William Moysey, or whoever shall have the said lands, at the payment of such money, shall convey & assure in fee, according to the custom of the manor whereof the same is held, to the said John Thurston the father, in such manner & form as by him, or counsel learned in the law shall reasonably devise or require, at the costs & charges of the said John. All goods & chattels of whatever kind or nature, movables, household stuff & implements to go to exors, to pay debts, funeral & probate costs. Wife Alice & John Thurston the father to be exors.

Wit. Isaac Grenwich. Thomas Laster, script.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 14 December 1626.

397 R(W) ALICE LOCKLES of Frostenden, widow. (N) 17 January 1626/27

All linen & woollen to be equally divided between daughter Thomasine Baylie, wife of John Baylie, & daughter Susan Woodward, wife of John Woodward of Covehithe *alias* Northcove tailor, except 1 pair sheets which is to go to son Robert Lockles, & another pair sheets & a board cloth an ell broad which is to go to son John Lockles. To John Lockles, son of son Robert, 20s. To Mary Woodward, daughter of son in law John Woodward, 20s. To Elizabeth Lockles, daughter of son Robert, 20s. To son in law John Woodward, £5 & 5s. which son John Lockles owes testator.

Wit. Robert Cowling *alias* Hatcher of Wrentham, yeo. John Bayliffe of Frostenden, with other of testator's children who were there.

Let. Ad. granted to John Lockles. 3 February 1626/27

398 R(W) WILLIAM LEWIS of Bawdsey, yeo. 10 January 1626/27

Sick. Soul to Almighty God, maker, redeemer & sanctifier. To brother Edmund Lewis, freehold lying in Helmingham, with appurtenances belonging, on condition he pays debts & legacies specified. To Robert Haughfen, son of Thomas Haughfen late of Hollesley deceased, £4 score when 18. To Thomas Haughfen, son of the said Thomas, £3 score when 18. To Mary Haughfen, daughter of the said Thomas, £50 when 21. To John Cottingham, son of John Cottingham of Bawdsey, £20 when 18. To Thomas Cottingham, son of the said John, £20 when 18. To Edmund Cottingham, son of the said John, £20 when 18. If any of the 3 children of Thomas Haughfen die before the time limited, then that portion to be equally divided between 2 survivors, & if either then dies, then portions to go to the longer liver; if any of the 3 children of John Cottingham die before the time limited, then that portion to be equally divided between 2 survivors, & if either then dies, then portions to go to the longer liver. To John Coeman, son of Edmund Coeman late of Parham Hasketon, £10 when 18. To Mary, daughter of the said Edmund, £10 when 18; if either die before 18, then the survivor to inherit £20. To godchild Thomas Haughfen, son of Thomas Haughfen of Hollesley deceased, 10s. To godchild William Haughfen, son of Jeffery Haughfen of Alderton, 10s. To Elizabeth Thigh, daughter of John Thigh, 10s. To William Carloe, son of John Carloe, a noble. To William Wellam, son of Robert Wellam, a noble. To Mary Withe, daughter of Thomas Withe, a noble. To the town of Bawdsey, 40s. to be distributed to the poor on day of burial; to poor of Alderton, 10s. & of Hollesley, 40s. To Master Rawlinson for a sermon to be preached at funeral, 20s. in a fortnight thereafter. To Thomas Chatbun, schoolmaster at Alderton, 20s. to be paid accordingly. To the bearers of testator's body, to the church ringers & layers forth, 20s. to be equally divided between them. To sister Ann Cottingham, £20 to see to burial, in half year. To brother Edmund Lewis, nag & bridle & saddle, corselet, pike & all furniture belonging; also to him, cloak, 3 ruff bands, 3 pair cuffs & 3 new handkerchiefs. To Robert Haughfen, posted bedstead as it stands at Helmingham with all furniture to the same belonging. To Mary Haughfen, holland board cloth & pair holland sheets. To Thomas Haughfen, diaper table cloth & doz. diaper napkins. To sister Ann, tipped pot & trunk. If brother Edmund refuse to perform will, pay debts & legacies, then brother in law John Cottingham

of Bawdsey, yeo., to have lands in Helmingham. Brother Edmund Lewis & brother in law John Cottingham to be exors; Nathaniel Sylings to be supervisor & to have 20s. for his pains in half year, payment being made in the house of brother in law John Cottingham in Bawdsey.

Wit. Thomas Chatburn, clerk. Daniel Blumfield. (X)

Pr. granted to exors at Wickham Market. 30 January 1626/27.

399 R(W) HUMPHREY MILES of Blaxhall, husb. 26 January 1625/26

Soul to hands of most sacred & blessed Trinity, not doubting shall be saved by death & passion of lord & saviour Jesus Christ. To be buried Blaxhall churchyard. To wife Dorothy, all movable goods, both within & without house, bedding, linen & woollen, brass & pewter whatever; she to be extrix.

Wit. Everard Gould. Thomas Chardge.

Pr. granted to extrix at Wickham Market. 14 December 1626.

400 R(W) THOMAS MUDD of Darmsden. (X) 4 January 1626/27

To wife Helen, all houses & lands called Harrolds, with appurtenances, held by copy court roll of the manor of Baylham, for life. On her death, same to go to son Thomas Mudd, on condition that if testator's eldest son Robert Mudd shall pay to the said Thomas £200, viz. £100 on that day 12 months after the death of wife Helen & £100 on that day 2 years after the death of said Helen, that then houses & lands to go to the said Robert. Wife Helen to pay to son Robert Mudd, when he be 21, £10 a year during her lifetime, namely £5 every half year at the 2 usual feasts, & also she to pay to son Thomas Mudd, £5 a year during the said time, namely 50s. every half year at the 2 usual feasts. Wife to be extrix; brother in law John Brownrigg of Coddenham to be supervisor.

Wit. Bridget Mowson. (X) John Brownrigg.

Pr. granted to extrix at Nettlestead. 3 February 1626/27.

401 R(W) MARGARET MYNTER of Witnesham. 2 December 1626

Wife of Robert Mynter of Witnesham, shoemaker. Sick & weak; with the consent of husband do make this will. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator & redeemer. To be buried in Witnesham churchyard. To husband Robert, all lands & tenements with appurtenances, which testator had jointly with Richard Lynn, late of Witnesham tallow chandler deceased & testator's late husband, to the use of them & their heirs, as by deed made from William Laxham & Prudence his wife, as in the said deed at large appears; said Robert to have lands for term of his life. On his death, all lands & tenements to be sold, with as much convenient speed as may be, after his death, to such as will give most for them to exors, & money arising from this sale to be equally divided between children, namely Richard Lynn, William Lynn, Margaret Lynn & Mary Mynter presently, after sale. If any child die before receipt of portion, then that legacy to be equally divided between surviving children, then living. Exors shall, untill they sell said lands, let the same, & the rents thus arising to be equally divided between children, by exors. Children William & Margaret Lynn to be exors; they to perform will, pay debts & burial costs.

Wit. Robert Mynter. (X) Robert Pope. Michael Cooper. (X) Thomas Seaman.
Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 1 February 1626/27.

402 R(W) THOMAS MORFELD of Hasketon, ship's carpenter.
11 November 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator & redeemer, trusting & verily persuading self that through merits, death & passion of lord & saviour Jesus Christ, to have full & free remission of all sins & to become one of the most blessed company of the saints in heaven. To be buried in Hasketon. To wife Prudence, all lands & tenements, both free & copyhold, with appurtenances for life, she to bring up children during their minorities, in the fear of God & in good nurture, in good, meet & decent manner, with all things necessary according as she shall be able, keeping houses & tenements in good repair, without any strip nor waste thereon. On her death, same to go to 2 sons Thomas & Joseph Morfeld to be equally divided between them. Wife Prudence shall pay to said 2 sons, 40s. each a year when they be 21; if either son die before 21, survivor to have portion of the one so deceasing. If wife default in payment to sons, or their heirs, they are to enter said lands given to wife & hold the same till they be fully paid. To wife Prudence, all movable goods, household stuff, corn, chattels & cattle whatever, towards the payment of debts & the bringing up of children during their minority; wife to be extrix, to provide for & bring up children, paying debts & burial costs. Peter Blomfield of Hasketon to be supervisor, he to have 20s. for his pains in half year.

Wit. George Man. John Eger. (X) William French. (X)
Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 12 January 1626/27

403 R(W) AGNES MURRELL of Mutford, widow. (X) 4 November 1619

Soul to hands & protection of Almighty God, creator & redeemer. To son Robert Murrell, £20 in 1 year. To poor of Mutford, 10s. in 2 months, distributed at the discretion of exors. To sons Robert & Thomas, all other movable goods, money, plate & chattels whatever to be equally divided between them; also all lands, tenements, as well free & copyhold, to them to be equally divided between them; they to be exors.

Wit. Mary [?]. John Morell. Robert Langley. John Tollwyn.
Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 28 November 1626

404 R(W) THOMAS MULLENNER the elder of Ipswich, joiner. (X)
15 August 1626

Weak of body by reason of years. Soul to hands of lord, creator, beseeching him through merits of saviour, to take it to his mercy & at the last day to receive it with body unto eternal glory. To be buried in churchyard at St Margaret's Ipswich. To son Thomas Mullener, £40 in 3 months of deaths of testator & wife Elizabeth, & to his daughter, testator's grandchild, Elizabeth Mullenner, £20 in 3 months of the said deaths. To grandchild Thomas, son of Thomas Mullener, £10 in 3 months of the said deaths. To grandchild Lydia, daughter of the said Thomas, £10 in like

time. All legacies to be paid in the time specified, either in bills or bonds, as shall be then found after deaths of testator & wife. To daughter Margaret, wife of Thomas Layman, £40 in 3 months, as aforesaid, so as Thomas, her husband, do lay in bond with 2 sufficient sureties to testator's son Thomas Mullenner, Giles Barber & Jeremy Barber, or so many of them as shall be living, to leave an estate of goods & chattels to the value of £3 score to the use of the said Margaret & her children. If he does not, then son Thomas, Giles & Jeremy shall put out the same £40 & pay Thomas Leaman yearly for his life £3 for the benefit thereof, & on his death, the £40 to go to his wife Margaret, she outliving him; also the £40, with profits after the death of Margaret & her husband, to go to her children to be equally divided when they be 21. To Thomas Harte, son of daughter Margaret, £10 in 3 months of deaths of testator & his wife, or else when he be 24. To Elizabeth Layman, daughter of the said Margaret, £5 in 3 months as aforesaid, or else when she be 21 or married. To John Layman, son of the said Margaret, £5 in 3 months as aforesaid, or else when he be 24; all these sums to be paid in the time mentioned, either by bill or bond as shall be then found after deaths of testator & his wife. To daughter Elizabeth Mullenner, wife of Giles Barber, £50 in 3 months as aforesaid; if they die without issue, then the £50 to go to the children of Giles Barber's brother, Jeremy Barber, to be equally divided between them. To daughter Rose Mullenner, wife of Jeremy Barber, £40 in 3 months as aforesaid; also to her, all household stuff & implements, she to enjoy the same after deaths of testator & wife. To grandchild Jeremy Barber, son of Jeremy Barber, £10 in 3 months as aforesaid, or when he be 24. To Elizabeth Barber, daughter of the said Jeremy, £10 in 3 months as aforesaid, or when she be 21. To Mr Samuel Ward, minister of Ipswich, half a piece in gold, & to Mr Turnebull, minister of St Margaret's, half a piece in gold, in hope that 1 of them will preach at burial. To poor of parish, where testator is buried, 20s. at the discretion of exors. To exors, out of remainder of goods, £5 towards the making up of a convenient tomb in the place where there was one before. Wife Elizabeth Mullenner & daughter Rose Barber to be extrices; son Thomas Mullenner & sons in law Jeremy & Giles Barber to be supervisors. Wit. Nicholas Templer. George Wayde.

Pr. granted to extrices at Ipswich. 1 February 1626/27.

405 R(W) BUSELY PARTRICH of Snape, widow. (X) 13 January 1626/27

Soul to mercy of Almighty God & Jesus Christ, only saviour & redeemer, by whose death trust soul will be saved. To be buried in Snape churchyard. To daughter Susan, 3 beds made of feathers & flock, with the bed that late husband Nicholas Partrich did give her. To daughters Amy & Susan, 3 milk neat & a calf of 1 year old. To 3 children of daughter Amy, namely William, Nicholas & Thomas Denny, 33s. 4d. each. Rest of ubequeathed goods to go to daughters Amy & Susan; they to pay debts & burial costs. Son in law William Denny to be exor.

Wit. Thomas Harvy. John Denny.

Pr. granted to exor at Wickham Market. 31 January 1626/27.

406 R(W) THOMAS PECOCK of Cookley, husb. (X) 26 November 1626

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, trusting in his mercy to have full remission

& forgiveness of all sins by & through only merits of Jesus Christ, only advocate & redeemer. Brother William Pecock to have £5 in 1 year. Rest of goods whatever & wherever, to go to William Sparke of Cookley & to his heirs; he to be exor, to see to burial & to distribute & give what he shall think meet for burial.

Wit. James Bury. Christian Hayward. Simon Sepens.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 11 January 1626/27.

407 R(W) THOMAS PEACOCK of Fordley. 19 December 1626

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, hoping to have eternal life, through merits of Jesus Christ. To son Thomas Peacock & his heirs, all copyhold lands & tenements, with appurtenances, held of the manor of Kelsale, lying in Fordley & Middleton; he to pay to testator's daughter Katherine Peacock, £4 score in 1 month when she be 24, at the church porch of Fordley, & if he default in payment thereof, then said lands to go to her. To son Thomas Peacock, meadow or fen with appurtenances, late bought of Samuel Clarke, lying in Fordley & Middleton, containing 2½ acres; he to pay to testator's daughter Ellen Peacock £30 in 1 month when she be 24, payment being made at the place abovesaid, & if he default in payment thereof, then said lands to go to her. Wife Ellen to have her dwelling in the parlour where testator now dwells, & also she to have free ingress, egress & regress to the fire in the hall chimney next adjoining the said parlour, & to do all other necessaries in & about the houses & yards in Fordley & Middleton, for as long as she be a widow. Son Thomas to pay her, in lieu of dower, out of all lands & tenements each year for her life, £8 to be paid at Lady day & Michaelmas by equal portions, 1st payment being made on 1st feast after testator's death. Also to wife, all goods, chattels, rights & household implements whatever; she to pay out of the same to son Thomas, towards payment of debts, £15 at, or before, 1st May after testator's death. To poor of Fordley & Middleton 5s.; of Westleton 5s.; of Theberton 5s. & of Darsham 5s. to be paid by exor. Son Thomas to be exor.

Wit. Henry Wells. Henry Keble. (X) Thomas Eade.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 10 January 1626/27.

408 R(W) THOMAS ROSE of Beccles, surgeon. 24 September 1621

Soul to Almighty God, faithfully believing that by only merits of Christ Jesus his death & passion, shall have free remission of all sins & will enjoy life everlasting. All goods, chattels & implements of household whatever to go to wife Margery; she to be extrix.

Wit. William Edwards. Thomas Girling.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 14 December 1626.

409 R(W) ANNE SPENCER of Rendlesham, widow. 7 February 1623/24

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, & Jesus Christ, saviour, by whose merits hope to be saved. To Mary Spencer, daughter of son Robert, £20. To Henry Spencer, son of son Robert, £50. To William Spencer, son of son Robert, £10. To Leonard Spencer, son of son Robert, £10. To Gervase Hubbold of Rendlesham, clerk, £5 in half year. Rest of goods, chattels, movables & personal estate

whatever, to go to son Robert Spencer; he to be exor.
Wit. Henry Dade. Gervase Hubbold. Thomas Fastolf.
To Thomas Platt of Rendlesham, 40s.
Pr. granted to exor at Rendlesham. 10 November 1626.

410 R(W) ERASMUS SPARKE of Peasenhall, yeo. 5 July 1626

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & redeemer, trusting through mercies & merits of Jesus Christ, to have free pardon of all sins. To wife Agnes, all household stuff & utensils, all corn on the ground & in the chamber which stands in Segmer & all hay now growing & being there. Also to her, cart, plough, harrows & all such furniture belonging to the same, 8 dairy neat & 1 horse; also to her, £30 to be paid by exors, namely £15 in 5 months of testator's death & £15 in 5 months after that. Wife to have annuity of £10 a year for life to be paid by exors at 2 several times in the years, namely £5 in half year of testator's death & £5 thus each year during her life, on condition she does not claim dower in those lands in Laxfield sold to Nicholas Connold, nor in those lands sold to Richard Searles in Peasenhall. To brother's son Thomas Sparke, £5 in 1 year. To brother's son William Sparke, £5 in 1 year. To godson Erasmus Slathe, £4. To Thomas & William Slathe, sons of Margery Slathe deceased, 20s. each in 1 year of the death of wife Agnes. To Finett Smith & Christian Lugate, daughters of William Sparke of Cookley, 20s. each 1 year of death of said wife. To Elizabeth, Katherine & Alice Sparke, daughters of William Sparke of Cookley, £20, to be divided between them in 1 year of death of wife Agnes. To Margery, wife of Roger Woods of Halesworth, £4 in 1 year of death of wife Agnes. To John Greene, wife's son, £8 to be paid at the rate of 40s. a year till the said sum of £8 be paid, 1st payment to be made in 1 year of death of said Agnes. To wife's son Henry Greene, £10 in 1 year. To Anne Green, daughter of Henry Green, 40s. in 1 year. To Agnes Miller, wife's daughter, £10 in 1 year. To Elizabeth Payne, wife's daughter, £15 in 1 year. To Alice Gosling, daughter of Edmund Searles, £4 in 1 year. To Mary Crispe, daughter of brother John Sparke, £4 in 2 years. To Agnes Bales, daughter of said John Sparke, 40s. in 2 years. To Elizabeth Burlingham, daughter of said John Sparke, 20s. in 2 years. To godson John Sparke, 20s. in 2 years. To Katherine Sparke, daughter of Thomas Sparke, 20s. in 2 years. To kinsman George Spatchett, 20s. in 2 years. To godson William Godbould, 40s. in 2 years. To kinswoman Katherine Godbould, 40s. in 2 years. To godson William Batman, 20s. in 2 years. To Henry Paine son of Robert Paine, £10 in 2 years. To Erasmus, Anthony, Thomas, George & Edward, the 5 sons of John Green, 40s. each in 2 years. To William Miller, son of Philip Miller, £4 in 1 year. To Thomas & Robert Miller, sons of Philip Miller, 40s. each in 2 years. To Elizabeth Capp, wife of Robert Capp, 40s. in 1 year. To John Capp, son of Elizabeth Capp, 20s. in 1 year. To Elizabeth Jolly, daughter of Mary Denny, £5 in 3 years. To Thomas Crisp, son of John Crispe late of Laxfield, £5 in 1 year. To grandchild Mary Denny, 2 silver spoons to be delivered to wife Agnes. To Alice, wife of Edmund Sarles, £4 in 2 years. To Constance Green, 20s. in 2 years. If any of kindred, wife's kindred or children, before expressed in this will, shall not stand contented, but will molest & trouble, or cause to be molested, & trouble exors for the recovery of legacies to them bequeathed, that then legacies to be void & then the same to go to exors.

If any legatee die before receipt of legacy, without issue, then that portion to be equally divided between their brothers & sisters then living; if any die with issue, then legacy to be equally divided between their children. If testator dies before next Michaelmas, exors to sell the grass now growing on the ground which testator now occupies, called Brodock, towards the payment of rent for the ground & other charges expended on funeral & probate. To poor of Peasenhall, 20s., of Cookley 10s., & of Sibton 10s. William Sparke of Cookley & Thomas Slathe of Wrentham to be exors.

Wit. Edward Boothe, snr. Edward Burton, servant to testator. (X)

Pr. granted to exors at Beccles. 10 February 1626/27.

411 R(W) EDMUND SUGDEN of Ipswich, dyer. 1625

Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, & Jesus Christ, only lord & saviour, through whose death & passion will be one of the elect of heaven & soul to rest among the glorious angels forever. To sons Joseph & Edmund Sugden, all that capital messuage or tenement belonging to the manor of Withipoll house, with all the yards, cellars, dye houses & all appurtenances belonging, now occupied by testator in St Margaret's parish, Ipswich, to be equally divided between them in half year, to their only use & to their heirs forever, on condition that Joseph pays to Robert Sugden of Cambridge, his younger brother, till he be 24, each year the sum of £7 10s. namely 37s. 6d. that day 3 months after testator's death & 37s. 6d. every half year thereafter till he be 24, which payment is to be made at the corn market cross at Ipswich, & for want of payment of the same, at the day & place as aforesaid, Robert to have said Joseph's share of tenement to him & his heirs forever: & if said Edmund Sugden shall not pay £7 10s. in like manner & form as aforesaid, then that part of tenement given to Edmund, shall remain & be to the said Robert Sugden forever. Exors shall keep & maintain at school, with meat, drink & apparel grandchild John Trenchfield till he be 16, & then bind him to some good trade, giving double apparel & all other necessaries fitting & belonging to his trade. Son Joseph do not hereafter make any challenge of, or for, any matter formerly between himself & testator whereby there be any suit or difference between Edmund & himself, which if it shall so happen, then his part of the house & tenement before given him, to go to said Edmund & his heirs. To daughter Mary, wife of Thomas Willkinson, £10 in 6 years. To Mary Trenchfield, £5 when 18. To sons Joseph & Edmund all other goods & chattels whatever, to see to burial, pay funeral charges & perform will; they to be exors. Richard Dawtrey, gent., to aid exors & be supervisor.

Wit. Ed. Dentorth. Edmund William.

Pr. granted to exors at Ipswich. 1 April 1626.

412 R(W) GILES STANTON of Stradbroke. 16 January 1625/26

Sick. Soul to God, glorious creator; body to be buried trusting that through merits, passion & resurrection of Christ, only saviour, it shall joyfully rise again to life eternal. To son Robert, daughter Mary wife of Nicholas Mahue, & to daughter Anne, £10 each to be paid in 10 days of next Michaelmas, on condition that they shall yearly pay to testator's wife Anne, annuity of 10s. at 2 equal payments in

the year, namely 5s. at Michaelmas & 5s. at Lady day. To son Giles, £5 in 10 days of next Michaelmas; he to discharge that bond of debt wherewith testator stands jointly bound with him, & for him, to John Gosling of Wilby. Giles is also to pay 5s. a year to the said Anne during her life, at 2 equal payments at Lady day & Michaelmas. For the better assurance of the yearly annuities of 10s. from Robert, Mary & Anne & 5s. from Giles, to wife Anne, each of them to enter into bond of 50s., or else all to join in a bond of £10, to Joseph Fletcher, parson of Wilby, before they receive legacies. Joseph Fletcher to be a feoffee in trust, to receive, have & hold in his hand, those several legacies amounting to £35, till the said Robert, Mary, Anne & Giles shall lay in sufficient security as before mentioned, to perform those legacies to wife Anne, & as a recompense of his honest trust & fidelity, he to have testator's book called *Miscellanea*. To son Robert, bedstead & bedding belonging to it in the buttery chamber, & all household stuff likewise that is there; also to him, long table that is in the hall, the great andirons, trunk box, bible, Mr Perkin's works & all tools belonging to shop. To daughter Anne, posted bedstead with all bedding to it as it stands in the shop chamber, & all chests, chairs & other stuff that is in the said chamber; also to her, great chest that stands in the hall on the death of wife Anne. To son John, all apparel on testator's death; also to him, table cupboard in the buttery on the death of wife Anne. Rest of goods, chattels & movables unbequeathed, to be equally divided between all children on wife's death, & in the meantime wife to have the use of the same for her life. Whereas testator has given son Giles a legacy of £5, now if he fail in any of the conditions, he shall have no legacy, nor any part of the goods when they come to be divided on the death of wife Anne, but that son Robert to have the £5 legacy on the same conditions, & he to have a double part of the goods on their division. Son Robert to be exor; he to receive & pay debts, see to burial, which costs to be at the equal cost of exor & wife Anne & daughters Mary & Anne. Joseph Fletcher to be supervisor.

Wit. Joseph Fletcher. James Buck.

Pr. granted to exor at Wilby. 28 January 1626/27.

413 R(W) THOMAS SANDCROFT the elder of Fressingfield, yeo.
24 April 1625

Considering the uncertainty of the present life in this transitory world & vale of misery, & it is the duty of every man in time of health to provide for death, the end of all flesh, to make disposition of all worldly goods in time of perfect memory, soul to merciful hands of Almighty God, creator, verily trusting & believing to be justified, saved & redeemed only by & through most precious merits, death & passion of lord Jesus Christ, only saviour, mediator & redeemer. Body to the earth, from whence it came, there to rest till the day of lord's 2nd appearing in hope then of a joyful resurrection. To nephew Francis Sandcroft, son of brother William Sandcroft, pigtle with appurtenances in Fressingfield, being 3 acres bought from Simon Pottell late deceased, to him & his heirs. To nephew Simon Sandcroft, son of brother Simon Sandcroft late deceased, £4 score. To nephew Francis Sandcroft, son of brother Simon Sandcroft late deceased, £40. To niece Susan Sandcroft, daughter of said brother Simon late deceased, £40; all these sums to be paid in 1 year of testator's death, so as Simon, Francis & Susan

shall at, or before, time of payment of the sums of money stand or become jointly bound to exor, in a bond sufficient in the law in the penal sum of £100 with condition that they, the said Simon, Francis & Susan, or assigns, shall & will from time to time after testator's death, acquit & discharge & save harmless exor, as well of & from all such bonds or writings or obligations whereby testator with brother Simon Sandcroft, & also of & from all manner of damages, trouble, costs, suits, charges & expenses which exor shall sustain or bear, as by exor, or his counsel learned in the law shall reasonably devise. To brother William Sandcroft, 20s. & to his wife, 40s. To Margaret, wife of nephew Francis, 40s. in 1 year. To brother Francis Sandcroft, £10 in 1 year. To nephew William Sandcroft, son of brother William, £100 in 1 year. To kinsman George Borrett, piece of gold of 22s. in 1 year. To children of the said George, which he had by testator's niece Debora Borrett his late wife deceased, £10 each to be paid into the hands of the said George Borrett, to the use of the said children by exors in 1 year. He, the said George, shall at, or before, the payment of the said sum to George to the use of his children, shall stand & become bound to exors, in several bonds sufficient in the law, in the several penal sums of £20, with condition to pay the several sums of £10 to each of the children when 18, or on their marriage, whichever happens 1st. Exor to provide for each of the said children, a silver spoon each of them to the value of 10s. when they be 18 or on their marriage. Exor also to provide to each of the children of nephews Francis & William, 3 silver spoons, each spoon to be worth 7s. 4d. to be delivered to them when they be 18 or marry, whichever happens 1st, & to be marked or engraved with the letter of their names. To kinsman Mr Skinner, 40s. & to his wife 20s. & to Martha Skinner their daughter, testator's godchild, 20s. & to the rest of their children 10s. each in 1 month. To Mr Rowlins, minister & preacher of Fressingfield, £4 & to Mr Hall, minister & preacher of God's word, 20s. & to Mr Wylie, minister & preacher of God's word, 30s. in 1 month. To kinsmen Samuel, John & Thomas Sandcroft 10s. each in 1 month. To John & Edward Girling, to the wife of Robert Trowaunt & to the wife of Robert Gardener, 10s. each in 1 month. To poor of Fressingfield, 5 marks to be distributed presently by exor, with advice of chief inhabitants of the town, & especially most to those that be best ordered & best affected. To poor of Harleston 20s.; of Stradbroke 20s.; Laxfield 10s.; Wingfield 10s.; Weybread 10s. & Syleham 6s. 8d. presently, to be distributed by minister & churchwardens of each town for the time being & the chief inhabitants of such towns where most need shall happen to be, at their discretion. To poor of Mendham, 10s. to be paid by William Grudgefeld & Robert Doggett of Mendham, where most need shall happen to be in their discretion. Exor to receive & pay all debts, & meet all burial costs. Rest of goods, chattels, debts, duties, bonds, writings, obligations, specialties, ready money, plate, movables, household stuff, implements & utensils to go to exor; he to pay debts, legacies & perform will. Nephew Francis Sandcroft, son of brother William Sandcroft, to be exor.

Wit. William Sandcroft. Francis Sandcroft.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 30 January 1626/27.

414 R(W) HUMPHREY TRIPP of Bungay, locksmith. (X) 6 June 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, trusting through merits of saviour Jesus Christ, to have life everlasting. To wife Christian Tripp, house called the Swan where testator now dwells, with all houses, yards, gardens, shops, barns & stables belonging; also 2 pieces of land containing 2 acres, bought of Thomas Larmoth, in St John's field, till son Edward Tripp be 31. Wife shall yearly, during said term till Edward be 31, pay him £5 half yearly. To son Edward Tripp, all said lands before devised, when he be 31; he to have the same lands, after he be 31, forever & to hold the same on condition he pays to the said Christian, for her life, £8 to be paid half yearly by equal portions, & if he default in payment thereof, then it is to be lawful for the said Christian Tripp to enter lands & hold the same for life, without paying anything for the same. Tenement called the Cross Keyes, in Bungay, bought of Thomas Larmoth, with all lands belonging to the same with yards & gardens adjoining, to go to exors to be sold in 8 years, to the best advantage that may be, & the money thus arising to be paid thus, namely to 3 daughters Elizabeth, Christian & Lea Tripp to be equally divided between them, & if any die before receipt of same, then survivors to have & enjoy that portion. To daughter Bridget Cooke, £15 to be paid by exors, namely £3 a year till all be paid. To Elizabeth Cooke, daughter of the said Bridget, £5 when 21. To son Edward Tripp, 3 feather beds furnished, always provided that wife Christian make her 1st election & choice in the choosing & parting of beds, & likewise she is to have 1st choice in the 2nd & 3rd choice of the bedding. Edward is not to receive the bedding from said Christian, till he be 31, but only to make the election & choice of them in 1 month of testator's death, to the end that he may know which bedding belongs to him, when he be 31. Also to son Edward, 2 tables in the parlour chamber & 2 tables in the parlour. To exors, all goods & chattels whatever in testator's shop, & tools thereto belonging, to be sold to pay debts & legacies. Rest of goods, chattels, household utensils, plate, ready money, bonds & bills to go to exors, to pay debts & legacies. Wife Christian & son Edward to be exors. Wit. Richard Baispoole. John Walbye. John Raynes.

Pr. granted, following the renunciation of Christian Tripp at Beccles on 5 February 1626/27, to Edward Tripp at Beccles. 18 June 1627.

415 R(W) ROBERT TALBOTT of Ipswich, glover. 3 March 1625/26

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, hoping that through the only merits of only lord & saviour Jesus Christ, all sins are pardoned & shall never be laid to testator's charge, & will be of the number of the elect to have life eternal. To wife Mary, for life, messuage or tenement with the backsides, with appurtenances, in Ipswich bought of Robert Goodynge, portman, & now in testator's occupation & the possession of Robert Alderman, in recompense of her dower claims in lands. On her death, same to go to son John Talbote & his heirs lawfully to be begotten, if wife be not now with child, & if she be with child then the same lands to go to that child & its heirs. For default of any issue, then lands to go to the right heirs of testator & the remainder thereof to go to all the children of sister Elizabeth, wife of George Spratt, that shall be living & to their heirs lawfully begotten. To wife Mary, all other lands, tenements & hereditaments in Otley, both free &

copyhold, occupied by Robert Coke, till son John be 21; she, out of profits of the same, to keep & maintain houses & buildings in necessary repair, & bring up child & other such child, or children, as she is now withall, if any such be, & to raise money, as is set down, to be paid to child or children. Lands & tenements in Otley, with their appurtenances, to go to son John & his heirs, when he be 21; if he have no heir, then lands to go to testator's heir, lawfully begotten, & for default of such issue, lands are to go as is before limited, in the gift of the said messuages in Ipswich. Wife shall pay son John, when he be 21, 100 marks, if she be with child, & she to pay 100 marks to that child, or children, she is withall, if any there be, when 21; the survivor of son John & said child wife is withall, to have the whole 200 marks & if wife be not with child, then son John to have the 200 marks. If wife shall take another husband, then before her marriage she shall, together with the party with whom she shall marry, jointly & severally, before marriage, be bound to William Forster of Ipswich, barber, in & by their bond or bill obligatory, in the penal sum of £300, which said surety William Forster shall accept, for the payment of the 200 marks, as above, & to bring up children & perform will. If wife, & the party to whom she shall intend to marry, does not enter bond, then lands in Otley to go to William Forster till son John be 21, & out of the profits thereof he is to pay the 200 marks & keep houses in Otley in good repair. Wife Mary to be extrix; she to have all goods & chattels to pay debts, burial, probate costs & legacies. To sister Elizabeth Sprat, & to her son Thomas testator's godson, £5 each in 3 years. To poor of St Margaret's & of Otley, 20s. each to be paid at the discretion of overseers, in 1 year. William Forster to be supervisor. Rents due out of lands & tenements at Lady Day next shall be liable to the payment of debts & legacies. To William Forster, for his pains, £5 to be paid at Lady Day next come 2 years.

Wit. Robert Vigerons. William Forster. (X) Robert Alderman. (X)

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 31 March 1626.

416 R(W) ROBERT TATE of Woodbridge, yeo. 2 November 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, saviour & redeemer. To wife Alice Tate, all houses, lands & tenements. To brother William Tate, 20 marks in half year, if he be living; if he be dead, then same to go to his children then living to be equally divided between them at the time when their father should have had the same. To John Clynych of Burgh, 24s. To servant Avice Fermer, 5s. Rest of movable goods & chattels unbequeathed to go to wife Alice; she to pay debts & legacies & be extrix. John Clynych to be supervisor.

Wit. Thomas Richer. John Borum.* (X) William Fynn.

Pr. granted to extrix at Woodbridge. 15 November 1626.

* in the register John Borum appears as Thomas Borum.

417 R(W) ROBERT WALLIS of Battsford. 10 December 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker, hoping & believing that he hath pardoned & forgiven all sins only for merits of Jesus Christ, only redeemer & saviour. To be buried in churchyard on death, & that by eternal power of the Holy

Ghost at the latter day shall be raised again & with the elect be made partaker, both body & soul, of eternal bliss & happiness. To wife Margaret, cottage where testator dwells, with yards adjoining & all appurtenances, containing 1 rood, for life. On her death, same to go to youngest son Thomas & his heirs; said Thomas shall, in 1 year after the death of the said Margaret, pay to his eldest brother Robert 20s., he demanding the same & giving an acquittance for it it being demanded. Rest of goods to wife Margaret; she to be extrix, paying debts & burial costs. Wit. Edward Deane. (X) Robert Levall. (X) John Sme. John Roe. Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 12 January 1626/27

418 R(W) MARGARET WOLVERSTON, widow. 17 December 1626

Sick. Soul to hands of Almighty God, maker & creator, & to Jesus Christ, saviour & redeemer, & to Holy Ghost, sanctifier & instructor; to be buried in sure & certain hope of resurrection to eternal life. To grandchild Margaret Woolverston, best bedstead, bed & bolster, coverlet, 3 pillows, 3 pillow beres, 3 blankets, 2 pair sheets, best table cloth, doz. best napkins, brass pot, least copper kettle, half pewter dishes & best gold ring. To grandchild Elizabeth Woolverston, 2nd ring, 2nd bedstead with the bed, bolster, 3 pillows, 4 pillow beres, 3 blankets, coverlet, 2 pair sheets, half pewter, iron pot, great kettle, 2 short table cloths & half doz. napkins. All these goods to be delivered to grandchildren Margaret & Elizabeth, by exor, when they be 21 or on their marriage; if either grandchild die before receipt of legacy survivor to inherit. To Benjamin Dryver, bedstead with bed, bolster, 3 blankets, 2 pillows, 4 pillow beres, 2 yellow & red coverlets, 2 pair household sheets, silver spoon, half doz. coarse towels & napkins & 20s. in gold, to be delivered in 3 months, to the hands of his father George Dryver, & also brass candlestick, pewter chamber pot & pewter basin. To grandchild George Dryver, 20s. in gold & silver spoon, to be delivered to his father George, in 3 months, to the use of the said George. If grandchildren Margaret & Elizabeth Woolverston die before they receive their legacies, then their legacies to be equally divided between Benjamin & George Dryver, or to one of them if the other be dead. To a good preacher, 10s. to preach at funeral. Rest of unbequeathed goods to go to Edmund Dilliston; he to be exor & pay debts, legacies, gifts & funeral costs. Friend Mr [blank] Causon to be supervisor.

Wit. Jasper Drayson. Henry Taylor. Ann Byreth.*

Pr. granted to exor at Ipswich. 11 January 1626/27.

* in register this appears as Byrry.

419 R(W) ANN GARRARD of Framlingham, widow. (N)
Easter Tuesday 1626

To 2 grandchildren William Amys & Samuel Amis, all goods whatever.

Wit. Jane Spinke. Francis Smithe.

Let. Ad. granted, following the examination of witnesses at Framlingham on 21 June 1626, to Jasper Gooding & John Raynolds of Framlingham & William Ives, owing to the minority of the said William Amys & of the said Samuel Amys, at Wickham Market. 27 June 1626.

420 R(W) MARGARET LYALL, widow. (X) 1 October 1625

Soul to hands of heavenly father, believing in Jesus Christ his son, for the remission of all sins & shall have eternal life. To son William Lyall, trundle bedstead with little feather bed for a trundle bedstead, bolster of feathers & 1 cupboard which was his grandfather's. To son John Lyall, trundle bedstead with a little feather bed, bolster & chest that was his grandmother's. To Christopher Yongs, clerk & minister of God's word in Southwold, 5s. Rest of goods, household stuff, cattle & chattels whatever to go to son Thomas Lyall; he to be exor.

Wit. Christopher Yonges. Joanna Harysun. (X) Grace Lemane. (X)

Pr. granted to exor at Beccles. n.d.

421 R(W) ALICE HILL of Northales *alias* Covehithe, widow.
12 January 1626/27

Soul to merciful hands of Almighty God. To daughter Joan Marlin, widow, all goods & chattels whatever & wherever they be. A conditional deed of feoffment made to testator by John Marlin of Easton Bavents, of tenement & lands for the payment of £3 9s. to be paid on 29 September next following, dated 3 November 1625, to be cancelled & made void. Daughter Joan to be extrix.

Wit. John Thrower, clerk. Thomas Cullen. (X) William Smithe.

Pr. granted to extrix at Beccles. 20 January 1626/27.

422 R(W) SIMON BORETE of Wilby, husb. (X) 2 January 1625/26

Soul to Almighty God, maker & redeemer, & trusting in his bloodshed, to have forgiveness of sins & to be saved. To wife Anne, tenement & lands where testator now dwells in Wilby, bought from Mr Robert Borret, for life. On her death same to go to youngest son Edward Borret & his heirs, on condition he pays to his eldest brother Simon Borret, £40 thus – whereas son Simon Borret owes his brother Edward Borret £10, now Edward shall give his brother Simon that £10 presently, in part of payment of the £40; the other £30 Edward shall pay Simon Borret at Michaelmas 12 months after testator's death & after the death of wife Anne, in full discharge of the £40, which £30 shall be paid in the house where testator dwells in Wilby. To wife Anne, rest of movables & goods whatever. Son Edward Borret to be exor.

Wit. Robert Clarke. Robert Jervis.

Pr. granted to exor at Yoxford. 29 January 1626/27.

423 R(W) EDMUND PATTELL of Crowfield, yeo. 17 January 1626/27

Sick. Remembering that all flesh is mortal & must die, & that the time & hour of death is most uncertain, now give again into the hands of lord God & creator that spirit & soul which he, of his fatherly goodness, gave to make a living & reasonable creature, assuredly believing that by & through his infinite mercies shown & set forth in the shedding of precious blood of his beloved son Christ Jesus, only saviour & redeemer, he will receive the same, after this life, into

everlasting glory, with his angels & elect, there to live forever. To be buried according to the articles of faith, that at the great day of the several resurrection when all shall appear before the judgement seat of God, shall receive the same again, through the mighty power of Christ wherewith he is able to subdue all things to himself. To wife Elizabeth Pattell, all goods & chattels whatever, both within & without house. To sister in law Prudence Hubbert, wife of Robert Hubbert, & her heirs, 2 milk cows on the death of wife Elizabeth, & if it happens that on the death of the said Elizabeth there shall not remain 2 milk cows, then sister in law shall have £6 presently, on said wife's death. Wife to enter into bond with John Stone, gent., to perform will in 3 month, & if she refuse, the same being demanded by the said John Stone, then all goods & chattels to go to said sister & her heirs. Wife to be extrix; John Stiles to be overseer of the will.

Wit. John Stone. John Stiles.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 1 February 1626/27

424 R(W) ALICE BARNES of East Bergholt, widow. (X) 24 March 1624/25

Soul to hands of Almighty God, creator, & to Jesus Christ, blessed redeemer, by whose death & passion hope to be saved in the resurrection. To be buried in East Bergholt churchyard. To eldest son George Barnes, £6 to be paid on 1 October 1626, he giving to extrix sufficient discharge for the same; also to him, counter table, 2 kettles, skillet, table, form & 2 pair coarse sheets. To youngest son Robert Barnes, 20s. when 24. To daughter Susan Barnes, £8 now in the hands of George Willes of Stratford. Rest of goods & chattels whatever, once debts, funeral & probate costs be met, to go to daughter Susan; she to be extrix & perform will. Richard Daye of East Bergholt to be supervisor.

Wit. Richard Daye. John Steavenson.

Pr. granted to extrix at Ipswich. 20 September 1626.

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Glossary

andiron	horizontal iron bar supported on three short feet with upright in front; used to support logs in fireplace
backhouse	outhouse or lean-to used for various domestic purposes
backsides	yards and outbuildings behind a house
bald	white-faced (refers to a horse)
barrow pig	a castrated boar
beacon	piece of equipment in a blacksmith's shop, probably a brazier (no. 324)
bed	often means mattress
bedteek	(see tick)
belchild/ belchildren	grandchild/grandchildren
bere	case, such as a pillow-case
bering kettle	kettle used in brewing
billets	logs of wood cut for fuel
birded	perhaps embroidered with birds, as the term is often used to describe coverlets; or possibly derived from 'burditt' (qv)
blocks	wood for fuel, cut into short lengths
board cloth	tablecloth
bolt	bundle of straw weighing 12 or 24 pounds
bolting	sifting
bolting house	room where flour was sifted
bolting hutch	chest for flour, incorporating a sieve
bolting tun	a barrel or cask used for sifting flour (no. 199)
bond	(1) a written and binding contract (no. 381); (2) villein or customary land and tenements (no. 325)
braid/bread/ breed	board for pressing curds, somewhat less in circumference than the vat in which cheese was being made
'brewerie'	an English form of Latin <i>brueria</i> , meaning heath (no. 258)
brinded	a streaky, tawny-brown colour
bucking tub	wash-tub
bud	bull, bullock or heifer between 1 and 2 years old
buffet stool	high or low stool, usually for use at a long table; also foot stool
bunching block	a block on which hemp was beaten
burditt	a kind of cotton fabric (see birded)
bushel	container for measuring grain, or a quantity of grain equivalent to 4 pecks
buttery	store-room originally for casks and bottles, but later for general provisions
calyver	a light musket
cards	(1) implements similar to wire-brushes, for teasing out and aligning fibres of wool; (2) playing cards (no. 385)
carl (hemp)	the female or seed-bearing hemp plant
carpet cushion	thin cushion for benches and other forms of seating
carsey	(see kersey)
casting kerchief/ casting sheet	the use of these cloths is uncertain

chaffing dish/ chaffin dish	vessel or small enclosed brazier containing hot coals, for heating food and keeping it warm; 'Chaffer' in no. 389
chair table	chair with a solid back which could be turned over to lie flat on the arms, forming a table
chalder	a measure of coal (36 bushels), or of fish
chamber	a room for sleeping or storage, usually upstairs
cheese press	an apparatus for pressing curds in the making of cheese
close stool	commode
cobirons	irons supporting spit over fire
coffer	wooden box, often with rounded lid
coif	close-fitting cap covering the top, sides and back of the head, worn mainly by women
comb/coomb	measure, usually of grain, equal to 4 bushels
cooler	(<i>see</i> keeler)
copper	large vessel, usually for brewing
copyhold	customary land held of a manor by copy of the court-roll
cord	cord laced across the frame of a bed
corselet	piece of armour covering the body
counter (table)	a desk or writing table for counting money or doing accounts; can also be a dresser or side-table
court baron	general manorial court, largely concerned with the transmission of property
coverture	the condition of a woman during her married life, while under the authority and protection of her husband
croft	small piece of enclosed land, often attached to a house
crow	crow-bar of iron
cupboard table	a table incorporating a cupboard
curtle	(<i>see</i> kirtle)
damask	twilled linen fabric woven with patterns, used for table linen
dansk	made of spruce imported from Danzig
dameck/domix	coarse linen fabric used for coverlets and hangings, originally made at Dornick (Tourmai) in Belgium
daubing	claying and plastering
diaper	twilled linen fabric with a small diamond pattern, used for towels and napkins
distress	distrain; taking possession of property when the terms of an agreement have not been honoured
dole	has several meanings: (1) a share of profits from a fishing trip; (2) a distribution of charitable gifts; (3) features marking a boundary
domix	(<i>see</i> dameck)
dower	dowry; the portion of a deceased husband's estate which the law allowed his widow for life
'drawen'/drawing	described a table with extendable leaves
drift	a drove way for the passage of cattle
ewer	a pitcher or jug
feoffees	trustees
femle/fimble	the male plant of hemp, non seed-bearing
fences	can imply living hedges, as well as deadwood fences
firkin	cask holding 9 gallons of liquid or 56 pounds of butter
fisher	fishing boat
flags	turves cut for fuel
flewes/flues	herring nets

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flitch	the side of an animal, salted and cured; a side of bacon
flock	wool refuse used for stuffing mattresses and pillows
fly keep	food cupboard, ventilated but fly-proof (no. 118)
forehead cloth	triangular strip of material worn around forehead, with point facing backwards
form	a long seat without a back
frise	thick woollen cloth used for outer garments
furrendale	a deal consisting of fir ('firrende', <i>Middle English Dictionary</i>)
furrow	meaning unknown but associated with hemp (no. 248); may be merely a measure of the growing crop
fustian	coarse cloth of cotton or hemp, or of wool mixed with these; originally from Fostat, a suburb of Cairo
gridiron	platform of iron bars with short feet and a long handle, for cooking meat over a fire
grimble	possibly dark coloured
grogan	coarse fabric of silk and mohair
hale	iron bar from which hooks hung over a fire
half-headed bedstead	bedframe with plain headboard. When used for servants, also called 'livery bed' (qv); thus, in no. 389, a 'livery or half-headed bedstead'
Hallowmass	All Saints' Day, 1 Nov.
headborough	originally the head of a tithing-group; later a local manorial or parochial official, similar to a constable
head house	a person's principal house in which he/she normally dwelt
headland	a strip of land left for convenience in turning the plough at the end of furrows or near a hedge
hedgebote	customary right to cut wood or thorns, in order to make or repair hedges and fences
hempland	field where hemp is grown, usually small in area
herring spits	wooden rods on which herrings were strung during smoking
holland	good quality linen, often imported from Holland; usually applied to sheets and surplices
homestall	farmyard
horse mill	mill powered by a horse walking in a circle and harnessed to a beam connected to gearing
hose	stockings
hutch	chest
indifferently	without showing favour or bias
inset work	inlaid work or marquetry
iron stock	meaning uncertain (no. 138). May have a technical meaning, or merely signify a yeoman's stock of iron implements
jack	(1) mechanical device for turning a spit; (2) can also be a protective jacket
joice	joist
joined	furniture with the frame morticed and tenoned
jointure	the holding of property jointly by husband and wife
keeler/cooler	shallow pan in which liquids, especially milk, are set to cool
keep	a safe for food, or small storage cupboard
kerchief	women's garment worn around the neck or over the head
kersey/carsey	coarse narrow cloth, usually ribbed, woven from long combed wool; <i>not</i> connected with the village of Kersey in Suffolk
ketch	sea-going vessel, strongly built and with two masts

kettle	an open cooking pot with semi-circular handle fixed to both sides, to suspend it over a fire
kiln	oven
kine	cows
kirtle	gown or outer petticoat worn by women, or a jacket worn by men
latch pan	pan for catching fat dripping from a spit
lawn	a kind of fine linen, resembling cambric
lead	vessel made of, or lined with, lead, and used for brewing and other domestic purposes
line	a cord laced through holes bored horizontally in the frame of a bed, making a network on which to lay a rush mat
linsey walsey	coarse inferior cloth made from a mixture of wool and linen
livery bed	bed for a servant
livery cupboard	small cupboard used for storing food, with doors perforated for ventilation
livery table	table on which 'livery' or food was placed
mantle	loose cloak
mark	a unit of calculation (not a coin), worth 13s. 4d.
mat	rush mat that lay across the cord laced across a bedstead
mathook	mattock; an agricultural tool used for loosening hard ground or grubbing up roots
maund	basket
meal coloured	of the colour of oatmeal
meat keep	meat cupboard (<i>cf.</i> fly keep)
meer	a balk of land or boundary
messuage	dwelling house, usually with outbuildings and adjacent land
mortar	cup-shaped vessel of stone or metal, in which ingredients were pounded with a pestle
mortuary	payment due, in some places, to incumbent on the death of a parishioner
napery	household linen
neat	cow or ox (singular); or cattle (plural)
noble	a gold coin, same as the angel, worth 6s. 8d. in 17th century
nonage	minority (being under age)
obligation	an agreement enforceable by law, binding a party to pay a sum of money or perform a service
'one bond'	unbound (wood, in no. 365)
outside	probably a mattress cover, made of coarse linen; associated with a bolster (no. 261)
overplus	surplus
pale	wooden fencing
parlour	best room on ground floor, often containing a bed
pestle	domestic tool, usually heavy and club-shaped, for pounding substances in a mortar
petticoat	skirt for women; small coat for men
pied	piebald
pightle	small field or enclosure
pillion	pad or small saddle attached to rear of a proper saddle for a second rider
pillow bere	(<i>see bere</i>)
pipe	some kind of mark on the forehead of a calf (no. 318)
platter	flat dish or plate

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point maker	maker of tagged laces or cords, used to secure clothing
poldavis	coarse sacking used for sailcloth; originally made at Poldavis in Brittany
porrenger	bowl for porridge or soup
portman	principal member of a borough corporation (e.g. Ipswich had 12 elected portmen), similar to an alderman elsewhere
posnet	small metal pot with long handle and three feet, used for boiling
posted bedstead	a four-poster bed
pot hooks	hooks on which cooking pots were hung over a fire
prentice	apprentice
presently	immediately
press	large cupboard with doors and usually shelves, for keeping clothes and linen
prised	appraised
quern	a pair of small mill-stones for grinding by hand
quickset	hawthorn; referred to a hedge (no. 325)
reel	a rotary instrument of wood, on which yarn was wound after spinning
remble	a bundle or bunch of hemp, of unknown quantity
roan	describes an animal's coat in which a dominant colour is mixed thickly with another.
roast(ing) iron	a spiked implement on which to roast meat
ruff	starched linen garment, fluted and standing out around the neck; worn by men and women
safe	a ventilated food cupboard
safeguard	a large outer skirt worn by women when riding, to protect their clothes from mud and dirt
sallow	willow
salting trough	tub for salting meat
saucer	dish used to hold sauce
say	serge, a fine twilled fabric made of wool, used for bed covers and hangings; also a thin kind of silk
sealed	panelled, usually descriptive of bedsteads (e.g. 'selid' in no. 131)
seam	a quarter or 8 bushels of grain
settle	a long wooden bench, usually with arms and a high back, with a locker underneath
setwork	(<i>see</i> inset work)
several	privately owned
shag bayes	a mixed cloth with a velvety nap on one side
shott	a young pig
shreddings	loppings or prunings of trees
skiff	small sea-going boat
skillet	cooking vessel with long handle and three feet, to stand over a fire
skimmer	utensil used for skimming liquids
slay	a hinged frame, part of a loom, which compacted the weave and, by means of 'reeds', divided the threads of the warp
sorrel	bright chestnut colour, often used to describe a horse
spangled lace	a decorative form of lace
specialty	within a contract a condition specifying a particular obligation
spit	slender pointed rod of metal thrust through meat, to hold it as it rotated and roasted before the fire
spong	a wet hollow of land
spreading sheet	possibly connected with childbirth
spurling	sprats (fish)

spur royal staling	or spur ryal, a gold coin worth about 15s. features of a wood (no. 335); probably refers to the stools or stumps of a coppice
stammel(l)	a worsted cloth, often red in colour
staves	wooden parts of a horse-mill (no. 68)
steeping vat	lead vat for steeping, used in brewing, dyeing or washing
stetches	strips or ridges of ploughed land (no. 314)
still	apparatus for distilling
stithe/stythe	blacksmith's anvil. Also 'stythe block'
stuff	a general term for worsted cloth
taffety	taffeta, a sort of thin silk
tainters	frames on which cloth was stretched after washing and fulling
tamy/tammy	a fine worsted cloth of good quality, often glazed
tear/teer	hemp of good quality
teck	(see tick)
tenement	literally a holding (from Latin <i>tenementum</i>); could refer to house or land, or both
tester	canopy over a bed, made of wood, often carved, or of fabric
thumbed	fringed or tasselled
tick	hard linen for cases of pillows and mattresses
tipped pot	a pot tipped with metal, often silver
tow	short fibres of flax and hemp, separated by heckling (combing)
town	township or parish
trammell	several meanings: (1) a net for fishing or fowling; (2) a hobble for a horse; (3) adjustable iron hooks hanging over a fire
transom	bolster on bed
treenails	cylindrical pins of hard wood for fastening timbers together in ship-building
trencher	wooden plate or dish
trivet	metal stand, usually with three legs, on which a pot or kettle stood before or over a fire.
truckle/trundle	a low bed on wheels, that could be pushed under a higher bed when not in use
trunk	chest taken to sea by a fisherman (no. 215)
tumbling churn	a revolving barrel for making butter
tumbrel	two-wheeled farm cart which tipped
tun	a large cask
turned	cut on a lathe; a 'turned chair' was made of lathe-turned components which were circular in section
twynter bullock	a beast two winters old
use	in a financial context, the interest on money lent
valence	border of drapery hanging from the bed canopy
vance roof	garret or attic
viol	stringed musical instrument played with a bow
wainscot	wooden panelling on walls or furniture
warping bars	bars around which yarn was wound, to measure the warp to be placed on a loom
watchet	a light blue colour
way/wey	measure of cheese, usually in Suffolk 256 or 312 pounds
wether	a male sheep
writings	legal documents, often meaning title deeds to property
yard kerchers	yard squares of material