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To death we must stoupe, be we high, be we lowe,
but how and how Sodenly, few be that knowe:
What carie we then, but a sheete to the grave,
to cover this carkas, of all that we have?

(Tho. Tusser, *Five hundred pointes of good husbandrie*,
ed. W. Payne and S.J. Herrtage (English Dialect Society,
VIII, 1878), p. 66).

PREFACE

The society's volume CXXIV, *Stockport Probate Records 1578-1619* was published in 1985. The present volume completes the printing of known probate records for the township of Stockport to 1650. We reproduce the preface and acknowledgements from volume CXXIV, and add further acknowledgements. It does not seem necessary to reproduce the part of the introduction to volume CXXIV which dealt with the potential of probate records as a source for the history of Stockport. We have provided a new introduction dealing with the documents in this volume. The editorial conventions used in this volume are as in volume CXXIV.

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PREFACE TO VOLUME CXXIV

The origins of this volume lie in a short course mounted by the Extra-Mural Department of the University of Manchester in Spring 1975 when 50 people came together to discuss the possibility of serious research into the history of Stockport. Out of that preliminary skirmish there emerged a group of 29 people who formed, with their tutors, Dr C.B. Phillips and Dr J.H. Smith, the Historic Stockport Research Group. Each year since then the group has met during the winter months at Pendlebury Hall in Stockport under the auspices of the Extra-Mural Department to transcribe and analyse probate records for the Stockport area. Photocopies of the records from the Cheshire Record Office were kindly loaned by Stockport Public Library with the support of Stockport Borough's Historic Stockport Research Committee.

Over the ten years that the group has been in being, there have been a number of changes of personnel and two sad deaths but the members as a whole have displayed great stamina and fortitude in identifying, transcribing and analysing the documents. They have also developed great skill in palaeography and in the interpretation of archaic and dialect words and expressions as well as becoming expert in many facets of 16th, 17th and 18th century life. The membership of the group is as follows:

Mrs A.M. Ashworth	Mrs S. Levenberg
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The present volume comprises all the known probate records for Stockport township to 1620 held at Cheshire Record Office, but it represents only a part of the group's work. The records after 1620 have also been transcribed and it is hoped that they will form a companion volume to this one. The group has also transcribed several hundred records for other townships in Stockport parish and

these will be deposited in Stockport Public Library. Additionally, the group is now completing an exhaustive analysis of the probate records for Stockport township.

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INTRODUCTION

Our brief introduction to the first volume placed in perspective the value of probate records for the history of the hundreds of small, non-corporate towns like Stockport. Most obviously, probate records give occupations, and table I records these for the whole period from 1575 to 1650, including the data given in the first volume (p. x), and the addendum and the 'query Stockport township' group (below, pp. 299-301, 301-28).

Table I
Status and occupations declared in probate records

	1575-1619		1620-1650	
	Stockport	?	Stockport	?
	<i>Males</i>			
Not given	14	3	3	1
alderman	1	-	3 ¹	-
apothecary	-	-	1	-
baker	1	-	-	-
blacksmith	-	-	-	1
butcher	1	-	-	-
carpenter	1	-	-	-
chapman	-	-	1	-
clergyman	3	-	1	-
cooper	1	-	-	-
cutler	1	-	-	-
gentleman	-	-	1	1
glazier	-	-	1	-
haberdasher	1	-	- ¹	-
husbandman	3	-	1 ²	1 ³
innkeeper	-	-	1	-
labourer	-	1	-	-
linen-draper	2	1	-	-
mason	1	-	1	-
mercier	2	-	2 ¹	-
shearman	1	-	-	-
shoemaker	1	-	-	-
tailor	2	-	- ⁴	-
tanner	1	1	1	-
webster	1	-	-	-
webster: linen	2	-	-	1
webster: wool	1	-	-	-

	<i>1575–1619</i>		<i>1620–1650</i>	
	<i>Stockport</i>	?	<i>Stockport</i>	?
	Males			
wheelwright	1	–	–	–
woollen-draper	–	–	2 ⁴	–
yeoman	8	1	10 ⁴	–
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	50	7	30	5
	Females			
Not given	2	–	–	–
baker	–	–	1 ⁵	–
spinster	3 ⁶	–	–	2
widow	10	2	4 ⁵	1
wife	–	–	–	1
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	15	2	5	4
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1. One of the men counted as a mercer (will) here was given as alderman in his inventory; the second mercer (will) was called haberdasher in his inventory.
2. A second husbandman (will) was styled yeoman in his inventory and has been counted as such.
3. So styled in the Record Office index.
4. One of the yeomen (will) was styled tailor in his inventory.
5. Counted as a baker (will), widow in inventory.
6. Includes Elizabeth Bikarstaffe (below, p. 299).

But of course there are other sources for the history of market towns. Since 1985, using these various sources, one of the present editors (C.B.P.) has presented papers on the history of seventeenth-century Stockport to the Historic Society of Lancashire and Cheshire, and to the Lancashire and Cheshire Antiquarian Society. Equally, members of the editors' extra-mural class who comprised the Historic Stockport Research Group are continuing their studies, though not as a formal class, and have given papers to a number of local history societies, at Stockport and at Glossop for example. Their history of Restoration Stockport is scheduled as the Stockport Historical Society's next publication.

In the first volume we also briefly looked at problems for historians inherent in probate records, and it seems sensible to repeat those warnings here.¹ Probate records comprise wills,² inventories, bonds to indemnify the Diocesan and/or his officials in case of actual or alleged non-performance of their duties by executors or administrators, probate accounts showing how the administrators or executors disposed of monies, process papers in litigation about a deceased's affairs, and the administrative records of the deaneries and the consistory court involved in probate.

One of the first problems to be faced is whether or not the religious statements in wills are those of the deceased or those of the person who wrote the will. There are a number of references to the 'elect', which suggest Calvinist influence.³ No clear evidence has emerged as to who wrote the wills transcribed here, but readers should not think that Stopfordians had a unique fondness for King Hezekiah, whose longevity after making his will is envied in several preambles in this volume; his story turns up elsewhere, for example in Bristol, and no doubt came from a formulary book.⁴ Real estate in wills poses difficulties: it does not need to be mentioned; if it is mentioned not all of it may be mentioned. The executors or administrators were responsible for exhibiting an inventory of a deceased's goods to the church officials, but neither the bonds which refer to this duty, nor the executor's oath (below, pp. xxvi, 243), explain how the prisers who listed and valued the goods were appointed. The description 'Prisers elected' in the inventory of Ursula Gerard (below, p. 184) is tantalizing. Uncertainty surrounds what the prisers actually listed and what they may have omitted, and how they arrived at their valuations. The prisers themselves may have been less than honest or thorough, or they may have been deceived by intrigue close to the deceased. Probate accounts provide at least the total of the deceased's inventory if the inventory itself is missing, and can amplify and even extend our knowledge from the contents of the inventory relating to debts or credits. Some of the probate bonds⁵ in this volume are embryonic in form, especially that of Prudence Turner (pp. xxv, 219), and though others have a more sophisticated form, none are printed pro-forma. Although it dates from the unusual circumstances of the civil war years, there is perhaps a suggestion in the correspondence relating to George Ridgway (pp. 324-5) that probate bonds were not always required; certainly that, as with Prudence Turner, sureties might not always have been required. The cause papers are more revealing of the circumstances surrounding will-making than those included in the first volume.

Despite all the problems which may arise, probate records remain a valuable source for many aspects of historical enquiry and they have been printed by record societies since the 1830s. Some editions, both early and recent, have confined themselves to abstracts of wills and or inventories; others have omitted wills altogether and printed only inventories. Extracts always raise doubts in the mind of the reader as to what has been left out, and better sense of inventories can be made with the deceased's will to hand. In this edition we have excised only common form from wills and inventories, and in any event, as described below, we have calendared that material. We have also printed all the known surviving probate records, according to the Cheshire Record Office, relating to the township of Stockport for this period.⁶ We intend that this total approach to the probate records of Stockport, none of which have been printed before in their entirety, will create in a conveniently usable form a body of evidence which will go a long way to answering questions about Stockport's past, and about the wider perspective of similar towns elsewhere.

This total approach has been shared in part by a long-term project of the Suffolk Record Society, whose recent publications include two substantial volumes containing all the wills for two archdeaconries over short periods, but in an abstracted form. Other societies to have produced editions of probate records since 1985 include Family History Societies, for example that of Bolton.⁷ It is to be hoped Dr Overton's bibliography will be updated at a convenient point.

Provenance of the documents

The probate records printed in this volume are all in the care of the Cheshire Record Office, the Diocesan Record Office for the Chester Diocese. The first volume comprised a calendar and transcript of 112 probate documents relating to 64 people, in this volume there are 100 documents about 54 people: table II shows the very varied creation/survival of probate documents, though the great majority of the documents are wills and inventories.

Table II
Numbers and types of documents

<i>No. of deceased</i>			<i>No. of documents</i>	
<i>1575–</i>	<i>1620–</i>		<i>1575–</i>	<i>1620–</i>
<i>1619</i>	<i>1650</i>		<i>1619</i>	<i>1650</i>
3+1	4†+1	will only	3+1	5†+1
*40+2	18	will + inventory	*80+4	36
1	1 +1	will + inventory + memo	3	3 +3
1		will + inventory + renunciation	3	
	3†	will + inventory + bond		10†
	1	will + inventory + accounts		3
2	0 +1	will + inventory + litigation papers	6	0 +6
	1	will + bond		2
0+1	1 +1	will + litigation papers	0+3	2 +2
16+2	5 +2	inventory only	16+2	5 +2
1		inventory + accounts	2	
	0 +1	inventory + bond		0 +2
	0 +2	bond only		0 +2
1+3		accounts	1 +3	
	1	litigation paper only		1
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*65+9	35 +9		*114+13	67 +18

Notes: + Numbers after this sign are 'query Stockport township'.

† A commission is also included in one of these sets of documents.

* Includes Elizabeth Bicarstaffe (addendum to this volume).

Throughout the period of this volume and until 1858 the Church of England usually had initial responsibility for probate matters.⁸ The documents in this volume were dealt with by the Diocese of Chester. From a sample survey, by class members, of the printed indexes to the records of the prerogative courts of Canterbury and York, it seems that no Stockport person used these jurisdictions in our period.

We do not intend to discuss fully probate procedures within the sixteenth- and seventeenth-century diocese, and we have made no reference to the probate act books of the period. Nevertheless, three procedural points need to be made. Firstly, the three classes of probate documents into which the Chester Diocesan material is now divided in the Cheshire Record Office are: *supra*, *infra* and consistory court. Documents are referred to by year of probate, prefixed by the letters WS., or WI., or WC.; thus Thurstan Roson's documents (below, p. 153) are WS.1620. These classes were inherited by the Record Office and are the basis of the printed indexes used to identify the Stockport documents.⁹ Most documents come from the *supra* or *infra* classes. *Supra* documents relate to personal estates valued at £40 or more, *infra* documents to those valued at less than £40. The third class of documents emerged at an uncertain date as a result of process in the consistory court which led to wills and inventories being filed with the court's papers. However, no process papers relating to some of these consistory court wills and/or inventories are known; process papers survive in the court records relating to wills and/or inventories now filed in the two main sequences of *supra* and *infra* documents (e.g. Edward Ryle, below pp. 189–91); and a process paper is the only surviving document for one deceased, filed in the main sequences of documents and not known in the court sequence (Alice Ridgway, below, p. 188). In our text we have indicated the class of each individual's documents (below, p. xxii) and noted it also in the alphabetical list of deceased (below, pp. xxvii–viii).

The second procedural point refers to the suggestion made in the previous volume that the date of the grant of probate as endorsed on each bundle of documents appeared to mark the end of contact between the deceased's estate and the church officials. However, in the records from 1620 to 1650 there is more evidence of the submission of probate inventories after the grant of probate, which is the sequence of events envisaged in later administration bonds. Unusually, Nicholas Elcocke's executors did not obtain probate until nearly four years after his death, though the list of debts in his will, only a minority of which were fully or partially collected, suggests that they had not been idle in the meantime (p. 159), while the executors of Nicholas Brooke took some years to identify debts and notify the officials (p. 215). The texts of the bonds vary, and it is not clear why Margaret Glover's bond (p. 312) refers to legacies when no will is referred to, nor why Edward Ryle's bond does not refer to his executorship (p. 242). Few probate bonds and probate accounts survive, though these may have been routinely produced but have survived less frequently. There is an implication in the accounts of the estate of Edward Harpur made by Francis Harpur that Francis would not

have accounted had not one of the daughters whose estate he had administered sued him (pp. 262, 264).

The third point is that J.P. Earwaker, whose pioneer work did so much to make these records available, stated that the wills produced for enquirers at the Chester Diocesan Registry, at the end of last century, were 'originals' and not copies.¹⁰ If by 'original' he meant documents bearing the testator's mark or signature or prisers' marks or signatures, then for this period the researcher anticipating evidence of literacy amongst Stockport testators and prisers will be disappointed. None of the documents in Volume 1, though a number in this volume, bear a testator's mark or signature. In documents in both volumes, witnesses' signatures or marks are recorded and, in a small number of instances, so are the marks or signatures of prisers, as opposed to the listing of their names in the preamble to the inventory. A few of the wills and inventories are expressly stated to be copies (e.g. below, p. 202), but most appear in fact to be a version other than that authenticated by the testator or prisers. If Earwaker used 'original' to mean the will or inventory, signed by the testator, or by the prisers, then, so far as the Stockport documents of this period are concerned, we have found little evidence to support him. Perhaps Earwaker meant merely to distinguish the loose paper or parchment copies of the Chester Registry from the bound, parchment, registered copies usually consulted by readers at the prerogative courts.¹¹

Selection of the Documents

The ancient parish of Stockport comprised, besides the township of Stockport itself, thirteen other townships: Bramhall, Bredbury, Brinnington, Disley, Dukinfield, Etchells, Hyde, Marple, Norbury, Offerton, Romiley, Torkington and Werneth. The boundaries of the manor, borough and township of Stockport have been established and mapped with some accuracy.¹² For three reasons it was decided to restrict documents in this volume to those of residents of Stockport township. Firstly, this gave the volume an identifiable nucleus and geographical coverage – the market town and its immediate environs. Secondly, by placing some emphasis on the market town of Stockport, which was not untypical of many other small unincorporated market towns, we draw attention to one of a class of towns which requires more study if its role in sixteenth- and seventeenth-century England is to be fully understood. Thirdly, for the purposes of funding, Stockport township fell within the present concern of the Recreation and Culture Division of Stockport Metropolitan Borough, who paid for the photocopying of documents. For comparative purposes, they also funded photocopying for some of the townships outside Stockport but in the Metropolitan Borough's area. Thus the Research Group has not transcribed records for Heaton Norris which was not in the sixteenth-century part of the Borough or township of Stockport, but which is now in the post-1974 Borough; neither has it worked on the records of Hyde, which was a township of the ancient parish but is not now in Stockport Borough. But the group has transcribed records for

Brinnington and Offerton for example, townships of the ancient parish outside the free borough but in the present Borough. Some residents of Stockport township in our period were quite specific in their wills about where they lived, for example, Hugh Mottram of the township of Stockport (Record Soc. of Lancs. & Cheshire, CXXIV, p. 74), but others, testators and their prisers alike, were content with 'Stockport', or 'parish of Stockport'. Documents with these vague attributions have been included in this collection if they satisfied one of two conditions: residence in property in Stockport, e.g. Thomas Burdsell of the Churchgate (p. 231), or at named places in the township, e.g. Heaviley or Nangreave, or described in the parish register as of Stockport, for the register appears to identify people by township. These criteria, inevitably, proved indecisive in a number of cases. Eighteen deceased whose residence in their probate records was given as of Stockport cannot be shown to have belonged to the township, that is, their probate records do not indicate residence there, and the parish register did not record their burial. John Bridge of Stockport (p. 309) is perhaps the best example of this ambiguity: he expressed in his will a wish to be buried in Cheadle church, and this was duly performed. We thought it helpful to include these doubtful cases. The records of these eighteen, dating between 1575 and 1650, start on p. 301 below: 'Query Stockport township'. Readers may then make their own judgement on these cases about their membership of the market town community.

The mechanics of selection were as follows. Indexes to the probate records were compiled and printed by this society over a century ago. They were based on the finding aids then available in the Diocesan Registry. Although amplified and checked by the Cheshire Record Office, these printed indexes remain the essential finding tool today.¹³ Class members used the indexes to compile a list of all deceased described as of Stockport (in any form), Brinnington, Bramhall, Etchells, Offerton and Torkington, and named places in these townships. A separate group of class members then went through the indexes again and drew up a check list. Photocopies of the will, inventory, accounts, bonds, litigation papers and any other papers relating to the deceased were then made, including the contemporary office endorsement written on the outside of the folded bundle of documents some time before it was stored in the Diocesan Registry. From these copies any 'Stockport' residents who clearly did not live within our area of interest were excluded and the rest grouped into townships or into a group designated as 'query Stockport township'.

One factor which influenced the selection of documents was, of course, their survival. The survival of usable documents for a given year is irregular, and we have made no attempt to relate this to the number of registered burials, nor to the probate procedures of the period, nor to the vagaries of subsequent archive storage. Table III summarises the survival of documents. Some documents which appear in the indexes have been lost or are no longer fit for use.¹⁴

Table III
Dates of documents printed*

1575-1579	1+1	1615-1619	16+1
1580-1584	0+2	1620-1624	12+1
1585-1589	2+2	1625-1629	5+1
1590-1594	5+1	1630-1634	3+1
1595-1599	4	1635-1639	8
1600-1604	10+1	1640-1644	3+2
1605-1609	7	1645-1650	4+4
1610-1614	20+1		

100+18

* i.e. probate date, year beginning 1 January, for each deceased. There are no documents for some years.

Notes to the Introduction

- 1 A convenient guide to the literature of probate records is M. Overton, *A Bibliography of British Probate Inventories* (Newcastle-upon-Tyne, 1983). For wills see many of the works therein, and especially R. Sharpe France, 'Short Guides to Records: Wills', *History*, L, 1965; G.G. Alexander, 'The Custom of the Province of York', *Miscellanea* (Thoresby Society, XXVIII, 1928); Henry Swinburne, *A Brief Treatise of Testaments and Last Wills* (London, 1590). In addition to the recent publications in note 7 below, see also M. Spufford's valuable 'The Limitations of the Probate Inventory', in *English Rural Society 1500-1800: Essays in Honour of Joan Thirsk*, ed. J. Chartres and D. Hey (Cambridge, 1990); and *The Records of the Nation*, ed. G.H. Martin and P. Spufford (Woodbridge, 1990), pp. 167-298.
- 2 Strictly speaking, what we here refer to as a will was properly called a will and testament. In the will the deceased disposed of real estate, and the testament dealt with personal estate. By our period the two functions were usually combined in one document, referred to as a will in this introduction.
- 3 Ursula Gerard bequeathed a book of sermons by Calvin (below, p. 182), but neither her will, nor that of her husband the Rev. Richard Gerrard, rector of Stockport (Record Soc. of Lancs. & Cheshire, CXXIV, 1985, p. 89), is obviously Calvinist. See R.C. Richardson, *Puritanism in North-west England* (Manchester, 1972), p. 66 & n.
- 4 See II Kings 20 v. 1. For the Bristol example, see *Merchants and Merchandise in Seventeenth-century Bristol*, ed. P. McGrath (Bristol Record Soc., XIX, 1955), p. 43. The will of Richard Smith, husbandman, of Stockport, proved 10 March 1669/70 (Cheshire County Record Office, WS, 1669), uses the same story.
- 5 There is usually an indication of the amount of the estate, as the probate bond (a penal bond) is roughly twice its value.
- 6 So far as we know, and not counting short extracts. We should be grateful to be told of any printed editions we have missed.
- 7 *The Wills of the Archdeaconry of Sudbury 1630-1635*, ed. Nesta Evans (Suffolk Record Society, XXIX, 1987), pp. ix-xviii for editorial method; *Wills of the Archdeaconry of Suffolk 1620-1624*, ed. M.E. Allen (Suffolk Record Society, XXXI, 1989), pp. viii-xv for method. 'Of Good and Perfect Remembrance', *Bolton Wills and Inventories 1545 to 1600: Surnames A-M* [ed. S. Hurst] (Bolton, 1987).

- 8 Except in the period of the Interregnum. See C. Kitching, 'Probate during the Civil War and Interregnum', *Journal of the Society of Archivists*, V, 1976. Clearly the probate jurisdiction survived into 1650 (below, p. 328). The lack of any office endorsement on Edward Harper's will and inventory poses the possibility that it had ceased by September 1650; these documents may be the copies referred to in the 1664/5 accounts of his estate (below, p. 266); evidence from more probate records and from elsewhere in the diocese is necessary.
- 9 For the indexes see note 13 below. (In *Guide to the Cheshire Record Office*, ed. C.M. Williams (Chester, 1991), pp. 58–61, the Court class is called 'Diocesan'.)
- 10 *Wills at Chester 1621–1650*, ed. J.P. Earwaker (Record Soc. of Lancs. & Cheshire, IV, 1881), p. xii.
- 11 The problem of the exact status of these documents is complicated by, for example, the two copies of the will of Roger Harper (1648) that survive (below, p. 245).
- 12 E.g. in *The Report upon the Proposed Municipal Boundary and Division into Wards of the Borough of Stockport* (1837); see also W.M.P. Taylor, *A History of the Stockport Court Leet* (Stockport, 1971). *The Place Names of Cheshire, Part I*, ed. J. McN. Dodgson (English Place Name Society, XLIV, 1970), p. 257 et seq., describes the townships and their modern situation.
- 13 The indexes for this period are: *An Index to the Wills . . . at Chester, 1545–1620*, ed. J.P. Earwaker (Record Society of Lancs. and Cheshire, II, 1879); *Wills at Chester 1621–1650*, ed. J.P. Earwaker (ibid., IV, 1881); *A Collection of Lancashire and Cheshire Wills Not Now to be Found in any Probate Registry*, ed. W.F. Irvine (ibid., XXX, 1896); 'An Index to the Wills . . . at Chester Commonly Called Infra Wills . . . 1590–1665', ed. W.F. Irvine, *Miscellanies Relating to Lancashire and Cheshire*, V (ibid., LII, 1906); 'An Index to the Wills . . . in Testamentary Suits at Chester, 1437–1620', ed. W.F. Irvine, *Miscellanies Relating to Lancashire and Cheshire*, III (ibid., XXXIII, 1896); 'List of Wills . . . at the Diocesan Registry, Chester, 1621–1700', ed. W.H. Price, *Miscellanies Relating to Lancashire and Cheshire*, IV (ibid., XLIII, 1902).
- 14 E.g. William Slee, a 'query Stockport' of 1603, is too damaged to reproduce.

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EDITORIAL CONVENTIONS

All the documents for each individual are printed in the order in which they were originally made: will, inventory, then any other. The arrangement of the volume follows the date of the grant of probate for each deceased's estate. There is an alphabetical list of decedents, with summary of documents and probate date on pp. xxvii–viii. Documents are printed according to the following conventions.

GENERAL

1. Documents have been numbered by the present editors for use in the format of this volume only.
2. Burial entries are from: *The Parish Register of St. Mary, Stockport 1584–1620*, ed. E.W. Bulkeley (Stockport, 1889); the microfilm copy (MF34) of Stockport Parish Register in the Cheshire Record Office (PR); and English MSS 708 and 709 in the John Rylands University Library of Manchester (PRT).
3. Office endorsements, where these survive, may record the person to whom probate was granted. The name of this person is recorded at the end of the decedents' entry.
4. Documents are in English unless otherwise stated.
5. Where there are multiple copies of a document this is noted and variations, other than spelling, are indicated in a footnote.
6. Where documents are originals, it is indicated whether signatories sign or mark. On other documents it is noted where a mark is indicated.
7. Dates between 1 January and 24 March are rendered e.g. 24 March 1635/6. Where a date is in regnal years without an A.D. date the latter is given in [].
8. Place names in calendar are modernised if known, otherwise left in original spelling (EPNS Cheshire followed). Personal names are given in the original spelling.
9. Standard extensions are silent.
10. All roman numerals have been rendered in arabic.
11. In lists of debts in wills, and in valuations and lists of debts in inventories, all values have been placed in columns for £ s d; other indications of £ or s or d have been omitted. Valuations have been left in the original denomination, e.g. 14d has not been altered to 1s 2d nor has 33s 0d been altered to £1 13s 0d. For valuations in whole numbers of shillings a 0 has been entered in the pence column.
12. In the texts of wills and inventories, sums of money expressed in words have been described as such but such sums rendered in figures have been given as follows, retaining denominations: 13s 0d, 13s 4d, £1 but £1 0s 10d, 14d, 33s 4d.

13. All contemporary indications of totals, e.g. *summa totalis* have been rendered as Sum. Where necessary, corrected totals have been suggested [*recte* £3 3 3d] and where no total was given in the MS one has been supplied in [].
14. Erasures which are legible are indicated by < >
Other erasures are indicated by [erasure]
Gaps are indicated by []
Doubtful readings by [?]
Interlineations by [*interlined*]
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Gaps caused by damage – [damaged]
Unable to read [illegible]
15. NS – nothing stated.
16. There is a separate sequence of footnotes for each document and the notes are placed in an indented position at the end of each document.

WILLS

1. In all wills the preamble, comprising date, identity, place, status, age and health, has been summarised; within this summary exceptional statements are given in their original form. The standard forms are variations on 'sick in body but of sound mind' or 'aged in body but of perfect remembrance' and only significant departures from these forms are given.
2. Will and testament, or will, is indicated by the letters W.T., or W., before the date of the will.
3. In all wills the statements appointing executors and overseers or supervisors have been summarised.
4. Revocations of former wills and testaments have been omitted.
5. The records of witnesses have been summarised but include name, status and residence as and when given.
6. At the head of the preamble, on the right of the page of this text, the letters S., I., or C. are used to indicate to which class the documents belong. One of these letters prefixes the letters Pr. which are followed by the probate date. Thus for Thurstan Roson (p. 153), S. Pr. 2 November 1620 means that his documents are in the *supra* class and probate was dated 2 November 1620.
7. Where the testator states that he or she has set hand and seal, this is indicated at the appropriate point in the transcript by H. & S.

INVENTORIES

1. The preamble has been summarised, the summary giving the name, status and residence of the deceased, the date on which the inventory was taken and the place, where such information is given. The descriptive phrase, e.g. goods, cattells and chattells, is given in full. The name, status and place of residence of prisers are noted, where such information is given.
2. *Imprimis* and item are omitted throughout.

3. Where there is no will the class in which the documents are to be found, and the probate date, are given at the right hand side of the preamble, using the formulae indicated for wills at 6. above.

The will of John Cheetam, No. 66 and the inventory of James Buerdsell, No. 74, are given in full below, with the calendared sections of the text rendered in *Italic*. These full transcripts can be compared with the edited versions on pp. 153, 178. The condition of the bonds for Edward Ryle, No. 96 (administration), Prudence Turner No. 90 (executor), and Nicholaus Brooke No. 88 (tuition) are also given in full below as types of the various bonds which are calendared in the text. The oath from the commission for Isabell Boland, No. 97, below is also given in full.

In the name of God Amen the fifteenth day of march Anno Domini 1620 I John Cheetam of Stockport in the Countie of Chester mason beinge troubled with sicknesse and weaknes at this present time but of sound and perfect memory I praise God for the same, do make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme followinge. First I commend my soule into the hands of Allmightie God my maker and Continuall preserver hopinge in the merites of Jesus Christ to bee one of the number of those which shalbee saved and my bodie to the earth where of it was taken and for those small goods which the lord hath given mee my minde and will is that they shalbee divided into 3 equal parts: one part where of I give unto my wife, another unto my 3 children and the third and last parte of my said goodes I reserve to my executors hereafter named for and towards the discharginge of my funerall expenses and debtes hereafter also named: and the residue of the said third parte if anie remaine my minde and will is that it shalbee divided equally amongst my three children: and of this my present Testament I make and ordayne Margrett my wife and Raphe my sonne my executors: in witnesse whereof I the said John Cheetam have hereunto put my hand and seale the day and yeare first above written.

Debtes to the Testator

<i>Inprimis</i> by John moares my sonne in law in lent money	7s
<i>Item</i> by the same John moares in lent monie	7s
<i>Item</i> paid for the same John Moares to Rodger Harper for plate, lockbandes and nayles	6s
<i>Item</i> by Thomas Fletcher of Fallowfield	6d
<i>Item</i> by Robert Bradshawe of the Spronnge	8d
<i>Item</i> by James Sidbothome of Cheadle	12d
Debtes owinge by the Testatour	
<i>Inprimis</i> owinge to Dorothe moares my daughter	6s
<i>Item</i> to John Bradley of Redich mill	1d ob

These beinge witnesses

Thomas Elcoke
Rodger Harper
Thomas Simkin

A true and perfect Inventory of all the goodes and Chattelles of James Buerdsell of Stockport lately deceased, beinge preased by Godfry Heron, Thomas Andrew, Thomas Newton, James Fell the 4th of November 1623

<i>Inprimis</i> in Corne	11Li		
<i>Item</i> in hay	40s		
<i>Item</i> in sheepe	20s		
<i>Item</i> in other Cattell	13Li	13s	
<i>Item</i> one great brasse panne	20s		
<i>Item</i> in other brasse	20s		
<i>Item</i> in pewter	20s		
<i>Item</i> one leade	12d		
<i>Item</i> in trien ware	6s	8d	
<i>Item</i> in earthen pots and glasses	2s		
<i>Item</i> in iron ware	6s	8d	
<i>Item</i> in Cheares and stooles	4s		
<i>Item</i> in seelinge and other bords	13s	4d	
<i>Item</i> in Chests and arkes	20s		
<i>Item</i> in linnens	3Li		
<i>Item</i> 3 bedsteeds	18s		
<i>Item</i> a bible with other bookes	8s		
<i>Item</i> in beddinge	3Li		
<i>Item</i> in Cushons	2s		
<i>Item</i> in wood ¹ and other odde thinges	5s		
<i>Item</i> in fewell	4s		
<i>Item</i> in mucke	10s		
<i>Item</i> in ready monie	40s		
<i>Item</i> in apparrell	50s		
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Summa Totalis	46Li	3s	8d
Debtes Inward			
<i>Inprimis</i> James Renshall	30Li		
[line inserted:] <i>Item</i> John Sharman	40s		
<i>Item</i> John Browne	4Li		
<i>Item</i> Raphe Thornely	40s		
<i>Item</i> Edward Ryle	22s	6d	
<i>Item</i> Richard Herod the son of Miles Herod	5Li		
<i>Item</i> William Smith	50s		
<i>Item</i> Raphe Smith de Bramall	40s		
<i>Item</i> Mr William Gerrard	3Li		
<i>Item</i> George Thrumpston	3Li	4s	
<i>Item</i> George Ridgway	40s		
<i>Item</i> Stephen Rushton	40s		

Item Robert Hough	5s	8d
Item Peter Mosse	5s	
Debtes Outward which he owed		
To George Shearman	16Li	2s
To Raphe Dickenson	30s	

[1. Difficult to read: could be wool.]

Condition of the bond of Prudence Turner.

The Condicion of this obligation is such that if the above bounden Prudence Turner sole executrix of the last will and testament of Humphrey Turner late of Stockport in the County of Chester deceased haveinge taken uppon her the execucion of the same will doe well and truely in all pointes and clauses thereof fullfill and performe the said will soe farr forth as the same goodes rightes Credittes Cattells and Chattells will thereunto extend And as the lawe in that behalfe will charge her And doe exhibit in writinge a true and perfect Inventory of all the goodes rightes credittes cattells and chattells [erasure] of the said deceedent And thereof doe make a juste and perfect Accompte unto the above named Reverend father his vicargenerall or other Judge competent in that behalfe when and as often as she shalbe thereunto lawfully called or required, That then the above written obligacion to be void or else the same to stand in full power and vertue.

Condition of the bond of Edward Ryle.

The Condicion of the obligacion is such that yf the above bounden Edward Royle doe well and truly administer all and singular the goods rights debtes Credittes Catalles and Chattelles of Edward Royle laite of Bothoms in the parish of Stockport and diocese of Chester, yeoman deceased accordinge to the effect of letters of administration to him in that behalfe granted vizt pay all the debts the said decedent owed at the time of his decease soe farr forth as the same goodes rights debtes Credittes Cattalles and Chattalles will thereunto extend and as the law in that behalfe will charge him And do exhibite in writinge unto the Consistory Court of Chester a true and perfect Inventory of all the goods rights debtes Credittes Catalles and Chattalles of the said decedent at or before the first of May next ensuinge and of and upon the same doe make a faithfull and just Accompte unto the above named Edmund Mainwaringe or other judge Compitent in that behalfe when and as often as hee shalbee thereunto lawfully called or required And all such parte and porcion of the said goods rights debtes Credittes Cattalles and Chattalles as shalbee found due and remayninge upon his said Accomptes examined and allowed shall distribute and dispose as by the discrecion of the said Edmund Mainwaringe or other Judge Compitent in that behalfe shalbee lymited and appoynted Then this obligacion to be voyd or els to remayne in full power force and vertue.

The condition [faded in places] for the tuition bond for Marie Brooke.

The condicion of this obligacion is such that if the within bounden Thurstone Peake [? doe bounteously] educate and bringe up in learneing Marie Brooke naturall and lawfull daughter of Nicholas Brooke late of Stockport deceased and all her goodes catteles chatels and debts whatsoever which are or hereafter shalbee due unto her by any lawfull meanes whatsoever doe sett forth and imploy to the best Comoditie and profitt of the said Child according to the effect of letters of tuicion to him in that behalfe granted And all her lawfull suites and causes whatsoever doe prosecute sollicite and followe when and as often as neede shall soe require And further doth pay or cause to bee paid unto the said Child all her said goodes cattells chatells and debtes or the just value of them with the full increase thereof at such tyme as the said Child shall come to her full age fortune to marrie or at such tyme or tymes as the within named Reverend Father his vicar generall or other Judge competent in that behalfe shall lymit and appoynt and in the meane tyme doe finde and keepe or cause the said Child to bee found and kept with sufficient meat drinke lodginge apparell and all other necessities whatsoever. And moreover doe not onely render and make just and perfect accomptes of and uppon the premisses but alsoe surrender the said letters of tuicion to bee voyd and Cancelled to all intentes and purposes whatsoever unto the said Reverend Father his vicar generall or other judge Competent in that behalf when and as often as hee shalbee thereunto lawfully called or required and finallie doe at all tymes hereafter save harmless the said Reverend Father his vicar generall and all other his officers and ministers for and Concerning the granteing of the said letters of tuicion Then this obligacion to bee voyd or else the same to remaine in full power and vertue.

The executors' oath from the Commission for Isabell Boland's estate.

The forme of the oath

You shall sweare well and truly to performe the last will and testament of Isabell Boland widow deceased, whereof you are executors, you shall paye her debtes and legacies soe farre as her goodes will extend and the law charge you, you shall exhibite into the Consistory Court of Chester a true and perfect Inventory of the goodes chattels and debtes which belonged to the said deceased at the time of her death, and therof you shall make a true and just accompt whensoever you shalbe thereunto lawfully called, soe god you helpe etc.

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* Includes the *addendum*.

† In printed catalogue.

65. THURSTAN ROSON OF STOCKPORT, YEOMAN.

S.Pr. 2 November 1620.

Will, in good health.

W.T. 23 October 1617 15 Jas I.

Knowinge that nothinge (unto man) is more certen then death and that nothinge is more uncerten then the tyme therof, not willinge therefore to dye intestate, But rather willinge after the example of the good kinge Ezechias to sett my howse and goodes in Order to thintente that unitie, peace and quyetnes, maie bee had and imbraced amongst my wyeffe and Frendes after my decease doe therfore make and Ordeyne this my last will and Testament in manner and Forme followinge, Firste and principallie I Commend my soule, into the handes of Almightye god my maker, to his only sonne Jesus Christ my Redeemer and to the holie ghoste my sanctifyer, undoubtedly beleevinge in the holie blessed and glorious Trinitie, to be saved by the merites of my saviour Jesus Chryste, And as concerninge my bodie I Comend the same unto the Earthe wherof it was firste Fashioned, and to bee Buried in the Churchyord of Stockport afforesaid, as neare unto the steeple as maie bee done, stedfastly beleevinge that at the last day it shall ryse againe, an Immortall body and be made partaker of the kingdome of heaven amongst the Number of the Sainctes and Elect, As my undoubted trust and beleife in this behalfe is, And as concerninge such Temporall goodes as god hath Endowed me withall, First my will and mynd that the same shalbee devyded into twoe equall portions (after my debtes paid and funerall expences discharged) The First parte whereof I give and bequeath to Ellin my welbeloved wyeffe, accordinge to the lawe and the Custome of the Countrey And the second parte therof I geve and bequeath unto John Lightbowne sonne of James Lightbowne of Manchester in the Countie of Lancaster gent, Provyded alwayes that it shall bee lawfull to and for the said Ellen my wyeffe to have use and enjoye the same goodes duringe the terme of her naturall life if shee live sole, unmarried and undetected of incontinenie.

Executors: testator's wife Ellen and the above named James Lightbowne. H. & S. Testator signed.

Witnesses: Thome Simpson, mark, Ambrose Nicholson, William Hartley.

Office endorsement: probate to James Lightbowne, with reservation for Ellen Roson. Inventory exhibited but is not extant.

66. JOHN CHEETAM OF STOCKPORT, MASON.

I. Pr. 30 March 1621.

Will, troubled with sicknesse and weakenes.

W.T. 15 March 1620/1.

First I commend my soule into the hands of Almightye God my maker and Continuall preserver hopinge in the merites of Jesus Christ to bee one of the number of those which shalbee saved and my bodie to the earth where of it was taken and for those small goods which the lord hath given mee my minde and

will is that they shalbee divided into 3 equal parts: one part where of I give unto my wife, another unto my 3 children and the third and last parte of my said goodes I reserve to my executors hereafter named for and towards the discharginge of my funerall expenses and debtes hereafter also named: and the residue of the said third parte if anie remaine my minde and will is that it shalbee divided equally amongst my three children.

Executors: testator's wife Margrett and son Raphe. H. & S.

Debtes to the Testator

	£	s	d
by John moares my sonne in law in lent money		7	0
by the same John moares in lent monie		7	0
paid for the same John Moares to Rodger Harper			
for plate,lockbandes and nayles		6	0
by Thomas Fletcher of Fallowfield			6
by Robert Bradshawe of the Sprongge			8
by James Sidbothome of Cheadle			12
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[Sum	1	2	2]

Debtes owinge by the Testatour

owinge to Dorothie moares my daughter		6	0
to John Bradley of Redich mill			1½
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[Sum		6	1½]

Witnesses: Thomas Elcoke, Rodger Harper, Thomas Simkin.

Inventory: John Cheetam of Stockport, mason.

Taken: 27 March 1621.

Of: all the goods Debtes and Cattelles.

Prisers: Raphe Nicholson, Thomas Rydinges, Alexander Mosse, John Boland.

	s	d
in pewter 12 pounds at 8d the pound	12	0
one brasse Pot 20 pounds at 6d the pound	10	0
one brasse pot 6 pounds at 4d the pound	2	0
2 skelletes one Brasse Candlesticke	1	0
one fryinge panne	2	0
one fire Iron, one paire of tonges		
one Rakentree, one paire of pothookes	2	0
one spade, one shavell	2	0
6 pickes, one mattocke	3	6

4 hammers, 7 iron wedges 3 trowells		
3 Chisels	1	8
one Croe of Iron	2	0
one axe		6
3 mellets 1 pickell 2 squares 4 yardrules		
1 plimme		8
one dishcather 8 trenchers 12 dishes 1 basen		
1 boule 1 wooden tunne, 2 Battledores 1		
wooden sault and 1 wooden losset	1	0
1 kinnell, 1 boucke 1 Pigen 1 Eshen		
1 kostrell 1 Chorne	2	0
2 little Basketes 1 wisket		6
in earthen ware and glasses		8
5 breades 1 kneading tubbe 2 eshens reeles	1	0
1 sponnge horne 1 Candlesticke 1 hackinge		
knife		4
one Bosse		2
4 Cheares 5 stoules 2 Boardes 3 tresses		
1 forme 1 shelve 1 Breade	3	0
one ladder		4
3 new quishens 3 ould ones	2	0
one Brush one whetstone		2
one flaxen sheete	4	0
1 paire of sheetes 1 pillowbeere one		
wallet 2 napkines one towell	3	0
2 Arkes one Chest	5	0
2 Tresses 1 forme, 1 stoole, one Bread,		
one Basket	1	0
2 paire of bedstockes	3	0
2 Coverletes 4 Blanketes, 2 boulsters,		
2 pillowes 1 chafbed	24	0
in whitlime	4	0
one longe ladder	1	0
2 bittes 1 hod 1 [damaged] 2 brushes 2		
plan[damaged]	[damaged]	
in firewood	6	0
in Coales	1	0
in thacke		6
in menor	1	0
2 paire of sheeres		2
2 shertes 3 Bands 2 caps 1 paire of		
garters 1 knife 1 paire of gloves 1 Combe		
1 handcarchef 1 whittle 2 dublets 2 cotes		
2 paire of Breeches 3 paire of stockinges		

1 waste peticote 1 hatt 1 Barmskin
2 paire of shooes

		20	0
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Sum	6	3	4

Debts owinge unto the Testator

by John Moares my Son in Law
by Thomas Fletcher of Fallowfield
by Robert Bradshawe of Sproninge
by James Sidbothom of Cheedle

		s	d
		20	0
			6
			8
		1	0
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[Sum	1	2	2]

Debts owinge by the Testator

owinge to my daughter Dorothe
owinge to John Bradley of Redich

		6	0
			1½
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[Sum		6	1½]

Office endorsement: probate to executors.

67. THOMAS BURDSELL OF STOCKPORT.

I. Pr. 16 June 1621.

Inventory: of goodes and Cattells.

Taken: [year only] 1621.

Prisers: [names at end] George Whittechers, William Flecher, James Flecher, James Burdsell.

	£	s	d
in Pewter		6	8
in Brasse		20	0
one Lead		2	0
in iron ware		6	0
in tables and Bordes and some other things		17	0
in Flaxe and hempe dressed and undressed		30	0
one Brake and two wheeles		3	0
in Coffers		8	0
in trine ware		2	0
in Chaires and stooles		2	0
in beddinge and bedsteedes		26	8
in Earthen pottes			6
in hempe growinge on the ground		10	0
in od wood and Coales		8	0
for wisketes and a pecke		1	0

in Bread	3	4	
in Aparrell	13	4	
in Money	8	0	
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Sum	8	7	6

Office endorsement: administration to deceased's relict [not named], and daughter Ellen Burdsell.

68. JOHN HENSHAW OF STOCKPORT.

I. 1621.¹

Inventory of: goodes.

Taken: only 1621 given.

Prisers: Ollyver Dodge and Nicholas Hyde.

	£	s	d
2 payer of course bedstockes		3	4
one ould Coffe and an Ark		2	0
bedding		4	0
litle bordes in the house		2	0
stooles and chayres			12
in tryen ware		2	0
more in pewter		2	0
more in leade			20
more in brasse			17
more in earthen ware		3	4
apparell for his owne body		3	4
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[Sum	1	6	1]

1. PRT: buried 1 November 1621.

69. GODFRAY HERONN OF STOCKPORT, TANNER.¹

S. Pr. 11 November 1622.

Will, in reasonabelle good healthe.

W.T. 15 June 1621.

Consideringe with my selfe that I am mortall And muste dye and That the tyme thereof is uncertayn and beinge willinge and verie desirous to prepare my selfe to bee in readines for the same and to dispose of my worldlie estate in such sorte as that no Contention suite or variance shall or may growe or Aryse about the same after my decease do therefore fynallie and advysedlie sett downe declare constitute and make this my laste wille and Testament in manner and forme followinge. videlicet Firste and principallie I commend my soulle into the handes of Allmightie God assuredlie trustinge to be saved by And throughe the merittes

of my Lord Jhesus Christe my Saviour and Redemer Item my will is And I doe give and bequeathe unto my sonne and heire Godfrey Heron one Cupboard one Tabell in my house one malt arke one meale arke and one standinge seeled bedd: And I give and bequeathe unto my daughter Anne Worthingtonn Twentie shillings and itt is my will that my funerall charges And All such debts As I shall owe at the tyme of my dessease shallbe taken uppe disbursed and paid out of the Residue of my goods And All the Rest and Residue of my goods cattells chattells and Debtes I give devyse And bequeathe unto my Sixe childreenn Thomas Heronn Allexander Joan Margaret Dorothe and Alice Heronn equallie to be devyded amongst them:

Executors: my said sonnes Godfray Heronn and Thomas Heronn. H. & S.

Witnesses: Ottiwell Ridge, Hughe Bowker, Henrie Bancrofte and Thomas Simkine.

1. PRT: burial as an alderman.

Inventory: Godfray Heronn of Stockport.

Taken: 5 November 1622.

Of: goodes and Chattells.

Prisers: Robart Heallds, Richarde Hyde, Henerie Saxonn, John Worthingtonn with others.

	£	s	d
in barke and leather	55	0	0
in haye	3	5	0
in corne and mault	5	8	0
in cattell	8	0	0
in pewter		45	0
in brasse		45	0
in lynens and lynen clothe	8	0	0
in leades		10	0
in Apparell	6	0	0
in yronn warre		47	0
in treine warre	3	0	0
in one cupeboard and towe tabelles			
cheires stoolles and sawenn boordes	3	0	0
in bedstockes		50	0
in chistes	3	0	0
in bedinge	9	0	0
in wollenn clothe and woolle	4	16	0
in quishionns sakes and measures		20	0
in earthenn pottes		6	8
in 2 [<i>interlined:great</i>] arkes 3 wheells			
one presse		30	0
in fewell menore and other implements	4	15	0

in tackes of howsing and grownde	10	0	0
in Debts	55	10	0
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	[Sum	191	7 8]

Office endorsement: probate to executor Godfrey Heron.

70. EDWARD WOODD OF STOCKPORT, YEOMAN.

S.Pr. 10 September 1623.

Will, sicke in bodye.

W.T. 11 August 21 Jas I [1623].

First I commend my soule into the handes of Almightye God, verily beleeeving to be saved by the death of Jesus Christe my Saviour and Redeemer, and [erasure] my bodye to the earth from whence it came. And touching those worldly goodes which almightye God hath bestowed upon mee, my will and mynd ys that they be disposed of as followeth. First it is my mynd and will that my funerall expences and debtes be discharged out of my whole goodes. Imprimis I geve to my nephew Roberte Woodd Tenne poundes. Item to Nicholas Taylior alsoe Tenne poundes. Item I give and bequeath unto Anne Shepley my Sister 12d. Item I give to Marye Tonnge £15. Item I give to the wyffe of Owen Wynington 5s. Item I give to Ellen Mosse 6s. Item I give to Mr Storer 20s. Item I give to Thomas Symkin 10s. Item I give to Mr Normansell 20s. Item I give to George Bradley my best doublet and my best shirte, and 5s, in money. Item I give to Edward Taylior £10. Item I give to Ales Tonnge £3. All the rest of my goodes moveable and unmoveable of what sorte soever debtes or otherwise, I give and bequeath unto all the legatoryes before named equally to be devyded amongst them.

Executors: Thomas Normansell, clerk, and George Bradley of Dokenfeild. H. & S. Testator's mark.

Witnesses: Thomas Elcock, Roger Harpur, Thomas Mosse.

Office endorsement: Gives deceased's surname as Woodes.

Nominated executors renounced. Probate to Robert Fallowes of Stockport, yeoman.

71. NICHOLAS ELCOCKE OF STOCKPORT, WOOLLEN DRAPER.

[Buried 1 March 1619/20. PR]. S. Pr. 4 October 1623.

Will, sicke in bodie.

W.T. 20 February 17 Jas I 1619/20.

I Comend my soule into the handes of Almightye god my maker and Continuall preserver hopeinge by the Merrittes of Jesus Christe to bee one of the number of those That shalbe saved And my Bodie to be buried in the Church of Stockport at the Discreation of my Executor heirafter named firste Concerneinge such

goodes and Chattalls as yt hath pleased Almightye god to Endowe me withall my will and mynd is That all such Debtes as of Right I doe owe unto Anie person or persons Together with my funerall Charges and Expences And probate of this my Laste Will shalbe taken and paid out of my said whole goodes. Item I give and bequeath unto my Lovinge Brother Francis Elcocke one peece of gould of the Vallue of Twentie Two shillings To make him a Ringe to weare for my sake Item I give and Bequeath unto Mr Arthur Storor precher fyve shillings sixpence in gould hopeinge he will preach at my funerall Item I give and Bequeath the Reste and Residue of My said goodes in Manner and forme Followinge That is to saie One full Third parte theireof unto Sarah Elcocke my Lovinge wyfe Item I give and Bequeath unto Margreat Elcocke my daughter one other Third parte of my said goodes And for the thirde and Last parte of my said goodes I doe give and Bequeath unto such Chyld or Children, as yt shall please god my wyfe shall Bringe forth alredie begotten of my Bodie (and yet unborne) And in case That my said Daughter Margreate or such Chyld or Children as shalbe borne by my said Wyffe as Afforesaid shall fortune to dye and departe this Lyfe either or Anie of them before they shall accomlishe the full age of one and Twentie yeares, or Come to prefermente in marriage That then the survivors shall have the said parte of goodes and Chattells of the said Chyld soe deceased And in Case further that all my [*interlined; said*] Children happen to die and departe this Lyffe under the said Age of one and Twentie yeares or unpreferred as Afforesaid That then my will and mynd is and I doe give and Bequeath all and everie such goodes and Chattalls as weare the severall portions of my said Children soe deceased unto my said Lovinge Brother Francis Elcocke my Lovinge Brother Thomas Elcocke And my Lovinge Sister Elizabeth Pott the third parte theirof for the use of her Children or to the survivors or survivor of them To be Equallie divided into three Equal partes amongste them or soe manie of them as shalbe then Liveing.

Executor: testator's wellbeloved brother Francis Elcocke.¹

The Vallue of debtes owinge unto the testator the particulers wheirof do appeare heirby and by a Certaine Cathalouge theirof made at the daie of the makinge heirof Before the wittnesses before expressed And heirunto Annexed as followeth (vizt)

[first column]	£	s	d	Received
				£ s d ²
Raphe Seddon gent	1	7	7	
William Sydbothom		8	0	
Robert Beeley de disley		6	7	
William Mosse de Stockporte		4	9	
John Redich of Stockporte	1	10	0	11 0
John Fletcher of Stockport		12	9	
Nichlas Elcocke of hilgate		2	7	

John Daniell Shomaker	19	9	13	4
John Shalcrosse				
de Cheadle Houlme	14	3	4	0
William Higham de Adlington	3	6	4	1 0 0
George Whytley de Stockporte	10	6	6	4
George Parker de Bridghale gent	12	2		
Thomas Cheetham de Crokeley				
Surtie Anthonie Nicholson	9	0		
Edmund Wright de Daine				
in Darbyshire	6	10		
Robert Sheather et mater	1	11	6	1 8 6
Roger Pott in Brother in lawe	3	1	7	
K[ather]ine Houlme Widowe	16	8	9	0
[damaged] Barlowe Alderman	16	7	10	0
[damaged] Swaler	6	3	3	0
[damaged]	7	0	6	0
[damaged]	2	0	0	
[damaged]	[damaged]			
[damaged]	2	11	3	13 0
John Hough	10	10	3	10
William Higson Late precher				
at Cheadle	8	8		
Robert Seele for your				
daughter Elizabeth	19	0	18	0
Lawrenc Wright gent	6	9	8	2 16 0
William Rowcrofte de Bramhall	7	4		
William Platt de Chappell	1	6		
Richard Wilson de hilgate	1	5	10	16 0
Henrie Pott De hordsfeild	12	4		
Henrie Powell de Handford				
Joyner	6	0		
Edmund Houlme Apparat[or]	8	9		
Mr William Hayes de Bramhall	1	10	5	1 0 0
Thos: Davenport de Widford gent	16	0	16	0
Anthonie Nicholson de Redich	5	9		
Hugh Herod de Stockport	1	2	0	
Thomas Williamson de harbor	14	11		
George Elcocke de Stonebridge	2	0	8	
Robt Fallowes de Houlme	1	8		
Richard Smith de Withington	2	16	3	1 15 0
Richard Langford	2	3	5	1 12 0
Margreat Martendale	11	0	2	6
Robert Hyde de Siddington				
gent	1	11	4	
Reginald Leigh de Adswood	16	11	5	0

James Bradley de hilgate taylor		3	9	
Myles Andrew de Haughton		9	2	8 0
[second column]				
John Robinson de Brinnington	1	1	10	
Lucie Vince de Bramhall		6	6	4 0
Reginald Hale de poynton		2	4	
Alexander Boseville	1	19	0	12 0
John Roads of Bramhall	1	4	9	6 0
Mr William Gerrard	4	14	11	2 0 0
Thomas Blomiley Alias Mosse		3	0	
John Banckcrofte Carpenter	1	1	7	
Henrie Dickenson		4	2	
Uxor John Wakefield de Stockport		6	9	5 0
Uxor Ambrose Robinson	12	2		5 2
Henrie Pott de harrope	11	8		
Anthon [damaged] de Northb[damaged]		1	10	
William [damaged]oppacke [damaged]redn		5	5	
Roger [damaged]ds de Stockport	18	4		11 0
Godphrey Heron Alderman suretie for Humphrey Johnson	17	0		14 0
Mr John Davenport preacher by Reginald Brentnall	17	6		
Lawrenc Barlowe de Didsburie and Wm Birch	1	2	0	14 0
Henrie Wood de Stockport	1	0	0	7 0
Robert Seele and Tho Roads de Bramhale	1	2	2	11 0
Richard Robinson de Cheadlehoulme	1	16	7	15 5
Reginald Brentnall de Bramhall		9	6	
William Browne de Moresyde	11	6		8 0
John Burges de Stockport		3	2	2 6
John Roson Carrier	11	2		
William Davie Ostler		6	0	
William Wood de Adlington taylor	1	0	9	
George Beard de New Milne	16	2		
Raphe Brocke de Bramhale	10	0		
William Grantham shomaker	11	1		5 0

Allex Banckcrofte de Etchles	4	6	
Mr John Warren de Poynton			
Senior	2	15	8
Thomas Williamson for			
Mr Raphe Hyde		8	4
John Bradshaw de Broughton	1	10	3
Allex Hollingworth	1	9	6
Edward Townley de Withington	1	1	4
			10 0
[third column]			
Mr George Hyde de Longleigh		5	0
Robert Hough et Richard			
Kell	16	6	2 8
Humphrey Pawden taylor	1	10	
John Adshed de Bramhall			
and Edward Thorneley surtie	13	11	
John Hampson de hilgate		5	7
William Davenport esquire	3	1	6
Mr Milnes preacher at			
pot chapell	15	0	10 0
Robert Shelmerdyne de			
Levenshoulme	1	3	2
William Ashton de Sandhole		10	0
John Leigh de Cheadlehoulme		7	9
Thomas Harrope de Stockport		4	10
Raphe Arderne gent by			
Thomas W[illia]mson		6	5
George Milner de Bruckhouses			
and Robert Dusnap de			
hollingworth Head	1	19	8
George Sheart de Haigh and			
Nicholas his sonne	1	2	0
John Boare	1	9	6
Robert Skelhorne de Poynton		5	0
Uxor Raphe Redich de			
Stockport	1	5	0
George Woodrove		6	8
Vincent Tompson	1	6	11
James Jefferson de Bramhall		17	9
Uxor Nicholas Roads de eadem		1	8
Raphe Bartholmew de			
Streethouslane		3	9
William Heginbothon de Mellor		4	8
Thomas Allicocke de			
Padicar	4	10	1 1

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John Burges de Stockport	6	3	
John Johnson de Hilgate	1	2	
William Seele sonne of Robert Seele	10	7	1 8
Thomas Elcocke	1	0 11	
Thomas Birch de Bramhale	10	0	
Edward Warren steward	10	6	
Robert Mores de Disley	1	15 1	
Edmund Thorneley de offerton	6	8	
John Allen de Stockport	5	4	2 6
Raphe Shelmerdyne de Withington	1	9 4	
Thomas Garnet de Stockport	3	9	1 0
Joane Piggott de Didisburie	2	0	
Thomas Beard de Adlington and his Mother	8	9	
Matilda uxor Raphe Colior	17	2	5 0
John Coppacke	15	11	
Thomas Shaw sonne of Edward Shaw of Northburie	6	8	
[fourth column]			
John Jackson de heaton	7	10	
George Greaves de Stockport	19	5	
James Coppacke de Northerden	6	6	
William Andrew de Widford	3	2	
Ottiwell Bertenshall de Alderley	3	6	
George Houlme de brodlane	12	8	
Thomas Mosse alias Bourhouse de Stockport	19	8	10 0
Godphrey Bankrofte de Stockport	5	10	
James Blomiley de Didisburie	6	8	
William Adshed de torkenton	8	7	
John Rickson de Pott Shrigley	15	2	
George Whitticars senior	1	3	
Mr Fletcher de Cheadle	1	8	
Alex Somaster		10	
John Davenport de Milhouse	1	10 0	
Henrie Hurst Carpenter	10	0	
Edward Wright de Horwich neare Chappell	6	1	
Richard Browne de Churchyord	6	0	

William Daniell webster	3	0	
John Astle de Handford	3	6	
Raphe Redich de Stockport	7	8	
John Davenport de bramhall	6	3	
Robert Burges Baylieffe	3	0	
Sisley Radcliffe de Mellor	4	0	
Nicholas Pigot and William Wood Tailor	13	0	
John Mores de offerton smith	4	0	
Edward Mellor de Longhurst Lane	6	9	2 0
Richard Jopson de Poynton	4	7	
Allex Moss alias Bourhous hosier	7	9	
Thomas Kenion Alderman	1	9	6
Richard Lees de Stockport	2	3	
William Norris de Stockport	2	6	
John Houlme de Stockport	12	0	
Nicholas Banckrofte tailor	4	2	
Mrs Marrie Gerrard	1	10	
Richard Ashcrofte de Poynton	2	6	0
George Jepson de Poynton	19	0	
Oliver Robinson alias Cooke	7	2	
Thomas Birkes and Randle Shillito of Audley surtie	1	16	0
John Tompson Lefte unpaid	1	0	
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Sum	101	18	10

Sealed signed subscribed and delivered with theis words interlined in the severall lyns hereafter expressed before the sealinge and delivery hereof (viz in the thirteenth lyne in one place (and yet unborne) and in another place of the same lyne the word (in) in the sixteenth lyne (yeares) in the Nyneteenth lyne (the third part therof) in the Twentieth (shalbe then)

Witnesses: Thomas Elcocke, Edward Warran, Thomas Andrew, John Allen, John Barrett.³

1. See note 3 below.

2. £ s d set one line below £ s d in debt column, and not given in columns three and four.

3. The body of text of the will is followed by the witnesses' attestation towards the left margin. This attestation contains no reference to interlineations, and has been crossed out. The witnesses' names were all in the same hand, and two were spelt slightly differently from those given above: Warren, and Andrewe. The debts are then listed in four columns across the sheet, and below them the witnesses' attestation as given above, in a different, single hand including the witnesses'

names. However, the interlineations referred to in the attestation are not found in the document, which instead has an interlineation not referred to in the attestation. The document transcribed here is thus a copy.

Inventory: Nicholas Elcocke of Stockport, woollen draper.

Taken: 9 March 1619/20.

Of: goodes Cattalls and Chattalls.

Prisers: Thomas Elcocke, Raphe Ouldham, Samuell Siddall, and Richard Hunter.

	£	s	d
Goodes In the Shope			
One peece of knightes graie kentshe			
Contayneinge seaven yardes and a halfe			
at 13s 4d the yard	5	0	0
six yardes and a halfe of Russett			
kentshe at 12s 8d	4	2	4
fower yardes and a halfe of Russett			
kentshe at 10s 6d the yard	2	7	3
fyve yardes of Tawnie at 12s	3	0	0
One yard three quarters at 9s 8d		16	11
Two yardes of Russett at 13s	1	6	0
Fower yardes quarter of Eldorado			
at 13s 10d	2	16	5½
Two yardes of Stamett at 13s 4d	1	6	8
Three yardes of Mingled greene at 11s	1	13	0
Three yardes Three quarters of Greeke			
Collor at 12s 6d	2	6	10½
One yard quarter of Amber Medley at 11s		13	9
One yard quarter of Froste uppon greene		12	0
Eight yardes of grape Collor at 10s 10d	4	6	8
Fyve yardes quarter of Stamett at 13s	3	8	3
Twelve yardes of Broad yorkshire cloth			
at 5s 6d	3	6	0
six yardes quarter of Broad at 6s 4d	1	19	6
Eight yardes three quarters of Broad cloth			
at 6s	2	12	6
Fower yardes quarter at 6s 3d	1	6	3
Two yardes of Broad cloth at 6s 3d		12	6
One yard quarter and halfe of broad			
at 6s 8d		9	2
Eleven yardes of kersey at 3s 10d	2	2	2
Neene yardes three quarters of kersey at			
3s 4d	1	12	6

Twelve yarges of kersey at 3s 2d	1	18	0
Eight yarges Three quarteres of kersey at 3s 4d	1	9	2
Tenn yarges kersey at 2s 10d	1	8	4
Eight yarges and a halfe of kersey at 3s 4d	1	8	4
seaven yerdes of kersey at 3s 4d	1	3	4
fyve yeardes quarter of kersey at 3s		15	9
Fyve yarges of Blacke bayes at 2s 4d		11	8
Three yarges halfe of kersey at 3s		10	6
six yarges of kersey at 3s 4d	1	0	0
fower yarges of kersey at 3s 2d		12	8
fower yarges of Red		10	0
Tenn yarges and a halfe of kersey at 3s	1	11	6
fyve yarges and a halfe of kersey at 2s		11	0
seaven [<i>interlined:teene</i>] yarges and a halfe of kersey at 2s 9d	2	8	1½
three yarges quarter of kersey at 3s 4d		10	10
Fower yarges of kersey at 3s 4d		13	4
fyve yarges of kersey at 3s		15	0
six yarges at 3s		18	0
two yarges quarter of kersey at 2s 10d		6	4
three yarges and a halfe at 3s 2d		11	7
Two yarges three quarteres at 2s 10d		7	9
One yard quarter and halfe		4	6
Theirtiene yarges quarter and halfe at 2s 4d	1	10	11
Fourteine yarges 3 quarteres at 2s 5d	1	15	7
seaventiene yarges and halfe at 3s	2	12	6
Twelve yarges of kersey at 2s 6d	1	10	0
sixtiene yarges and a halfe at 2s 9d	2	5	4½
Neentiene yarges at 2s 9d	2	12	3
Eight yarges three quarters at 2s 10d	1	3	9
fower yarges three quarteres of Red at 2s 6d		11	10
Twelve yarges and a halfe of Red at 2s 8d	1	13	4
Three yarges of Red at 2s		6	0
seaventiene yarges at 2s 8d	2	5	4
fourtiene yarges at 2s 8d	1	17	4
fyftiene yarges at 2s 8d	2	0	0
fowertiene yarges quarter at 2s 4d	1	13	3
seaven yarges of Red at 2s 6d		17	6
six yards and a halfe at 2s 8d		17	4
Thirtiene yarges and a halfe at 2s 4d	1	11	6
fyftiene yarges at 20d	1	5	0
Eleven yarges at 2s 8d	1	9	4

Eleven yarges and a halfe of halfe thicke		12	5
Eleven yarges in Remnants at 2s 4d	1	5	8
Neene yarges of Minikin at 20d		15	0
Eight yarges of Minikin at 22d		14	8
fortie three yarges and a halfe of Bayes at 22d	3	19	9
fyve yarges and a halfe of kersey of proofe at 5s 10d the yard	1	12	1
Twelve yarges and a halfe of devonshire kersey at 4s 2d	2	12	1
Eleven yarges quarter of devonshire kersey at 4s	2	4	0
fyve yarges and halfe of kersey at 4s	1	2	0
fyve yarges and a halfe at 4s 8d	1	5	8
fyve yarges quarter of kersey at 4s	1	1	0
Eleven yarges and a halfe at 4s	2	6	0
Eleven yarges three quarters kersey at 4s	2	7	0
Tenn yarges of kersey at 4s	2	0	0
six yarges at 4s	1	4	0
fyve yarges quarter at 4s	1	1	0
seaven yarges at 4s	1	8	0
Tertiene yarges of kersey at 4s 5d	2	17	1
fyve yarges of kersey in Remnants at 4s	1	0	0
six peeces of Cotton at	2	0	0
six peeces of Cotton at 6s 8d	2	0	0
Twentie six yarges and a halfe of Indico fryse at 2s 6d	3	6	3
Twentie seaven yarges of course fryse at 15d	1	13	9
six yarges more fryce at 15d		7	6
fyftiene yarges of Blanket at 12d		15	0
Thirtie fower yarges of stript Buffinge at 11d the yard	1	11	2
Tenn yarges of Whyte homes at 12d		10	0
Eleven yarges of Jeanes		9	2
fower yarges and a halfe of phillip and Cheeney		13	6
Ten yarges and a halfe of blacke Buffinge at 16d		14	0
Two yarges and a halfe of Collored Callico		3	4
Neene yarges of Parragon at 3s 6d	1	11	6
six yarges and a halfe of perpetuana at 2s 4d		15	2
Thirtie Two Yarges of Collored sey at 20d	2	13	4
seaven yards of sey		14	0

Twelve eles of Browne Canvas	17	0
Twentie Three yarges of Boulton fustion at 14d	1	6 10
Fortie Eight yarges of Boulton fustion at 15d	3	0 0
Eleven yarges of Boulton fustion at 18d the yargd	16	6
Twelve yarges of London fustion at 22d	1	2 0
in Collored Taffata	4	0
fower yarges three quarters of bl. Buckram at 8d	3	4
eight grose of Tornets and Bottoms at 18d	12	0
Eleven groce of Million Bottoms	1	0 2
Two grose of selke and silver Bottoms at 6s the grosse	12	0
Ten grose of heare bottoms at 6d	5	0
Two grose of [illegible] heare bottoms at 8d	1	4
eight grose of threed bottoms at 5d	3	4
one pownd halfe and two ounce of Collored selke Lace at 32s	2	12 0
one pownd and three ounce of gallowne and perld selk Lace at 32s	1	18 0
Neene ounce and a halfe of Collored selke at 31s	18	4
Three pownds of Moccadoe ends at 4s	12	0
fower groce and two dossen of Statute Lace at 8s the grose	1	13 4
Three dossen of six peine Riben at 3s 10d	11	6
one grose and Twentie yarges of Statute gallowne at 12d	13	8
fyve dossen and fower yarges of three peine brod perld Riben at 22d	9	8
halfe a grose of Box Lace at 28s	14	0
Three dossen and 9 yarges of bl: fower peine Riben at 2s 4d	8	8
one pound 3 ounce of Collored Lace at 28s the groce	1	13 0
Neentiene yarges of six peine Riben at 3s 10d the dossen	6	0
seaventene dossen of Cales lace at 20d the dossen	1	8 4
three dossen and a halfe of satin lace	4	4
halfe a groce of Lace	7	0
Neene dossen and a halfe of Crule satin lace at 9d ob	6	4

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Three dossen of Fring Crule Lace at 7d	1	9	
Eight dossen of Bottoms and Loupes at 2s 4d	18	8	
15 yardes of 2d Riben	1	6	
fower dossen of Crule parchment at 7d	2	4	
six dossen of Narrow hart Crule Lace at 7d	3	6	
halfe a pownd of Collored threed	1	2	
in Gray Threed six ounce		7	
in fyve paire of Clokebagg strenges	2	0	
one pownd quarter of single blacke fringe	2	6	
one paire of Scales and one paire of Smale waightes	5	0	
Neene dossen and Neene yardes of Statute Lace at 10d	8	0	
Neene pownd six ounce of Whalebone at 8d the pownd	6	3	
in Pewter sixtie fower powndes at 9d ob the pownd	2	11	0½
one Basen and Ewer	6	8	
in Pott Brasse 45lb at 5d ob	16	10	
in Pann Brasse 50lb at 7d ob	1	11	3
One Lead 18lb	1	6	
In Iron Ware 40lb at 1d ob	5	0	
more in Iron Ware as fyre Irons and other od Iron ware	6	0	
six quishens	18	0	
fower ould quishens	3	0	
one Liverie Table and cloth	6	0	
in Cheares and stooles	7	0	
One Cradle furnetur with one Little Cheare	1	6	
One presse and shelves in the buttery to Remayne	13	0	
in treene ware and one Lanthorne	2	0	
Boulsters with fethers Blanket and box in the chamber above	1	4	0
One fowlinge peece	10	0	
One Bedstied in the parlor with furnetur theiarto belonginge with one Remnant of greene clothe	4	0	0
One Chiste in the same parlor	8	0	
one steele glasse and smothinge Iron	4	0	
one Bedstied in the Chamber over the shope one woole bed and Cortens	2	0	0

fyve paire and one sheete of course sheetes at 3s 4d the paire	18	4	
Two paire and one sheete of Flaxen at 5s	13	6	
Three Pillobeares	4	0	
in table Cloaths six Course Napkins and three Towells	4	6	
fower pillobeares	10	0	
in seaven [illegible] Napkins	7	0	
in Two dossen of course Napkins	6	0	
one pair of Fyne sheetes	10	0	
one Fyne table cloth	4	0	
two fyne towells	4	0	
in plate 21 ounce three quarters of troy waight at 5s	5	8	9
One byble two Bookes	10	0	
one Geldinge sadle furneture and hey	4	13	4
One Phillie	2	0	0
one Chiste	13	4	
one trunke	3	4	
one Sword headpeece or hamer	10	0	
the defunctes Apparell	4	0	0
by Roger Rowe and Roberte Redfearne by bond	40	0	0
by Francis Elcocke de Poole	5	0	0
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Sum	260	13	6

Office endorsement: probate to executors.

72. GRACE BENESON OF STOCKPORT, WIDOW. S.Pr. 27 October 1623.
Will, weake in bodye. W.T. 23 October 21 Jas I [1623].

First I Commend my soule into the handes of Almightye [*interlined: God*] verily beleeving to be saved by the death of Jesus Christ my savi[o]ur and onely Redeemer, and my bodie to the earth from whence yt came. And touching those wordlye goodes which Almightye God hath indued me withall, my will and mynd ys, that they shalbe bestowed as followeth. Imprimis yt ys my Will and mynd, That the debtes that I owe of right unto anye person or persons and my funerall expences shalbe discharged out of my whole goodes. Item whereas George Hardman oweth unto mee the summe of Three score and eight poundes of due debte, my will and mynd ys, that the same shalbe distributed soe soone as it can be gotten as followeth: Imprimis I give and bequeath unto John Highame my sonne the sume of £20 of the same debte, if he returne into the Countrey

within the space of fyve yeares next to come, if not, then I geve and bequeath the same unto the Children of the sayd John Highame equally to be devyded amongst them: Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Fortune Tenne poundes of the forenamed debte of £68: Item I give and bequeath unto Fortune Leadebeter the yonger Tenne poundes of the same debte. Item I give and bequeath unto Ales Hamson my servant Tenne poundes of the same debte. Item I give and bequeath unto Thomas Hamson of Dokenfeild fower poundes of the same debte. Item I give and bequeath unto the sayd Fortune my daughter my best gowne. Item I give and bequeath unto my Executor hereafter named all the Remynder of the sayd summe of Three score and Eight poundes owing unto mee by the sayd George Hardman not formerly bequeathed. All the rest of my goodes mooveable and unmooveable, I give and bequeath unto the sayd Ales Hamson my servant in recompence of that faythfull service which shee hath done mee, and for the great paynes she hath taken with mee.

Executor: Thomas Normansell, clerk.

Witnesses: Tho. Normansell, Judeth Taylior.

Inventory: Grace Beneson of Stockport, widow.

Taken: 25 October 1623.

Of: goodes.

Prisers: [names at end of inventory], Francis Orme, Thomas Beeley, Thomas Leigh, Richard Chorlton.

	£	s	d
one standing bed and twoe fetherbedes with furniture for one bed and Curtaynes	2	10	0
one Cupboard and pewter furnished		16	0
in brasse and potte mettall	1	10	0
one leade		2	0
5 Chistes and twoe Arkes	1	6	8
tryen ware halfe houpes and flaskettes with turves and other thinges in the Chamber	1	14	0
one greece ladle		3	4
one table and frame		8	0
in cheares and stooles		2	6
Lynnens		13	4
in whyte yorne		13	4
in tryen ware and earthen pottes		10	0
one fyre grate one payer of tonges one payer of bellowes one frying panne and Iron ware		3	4
in breadd		7	0
one sylver spoone		6	8

in wheate	2	8	
shelves	1	0	
in wheate flower	7	6	
in apparell	2	0	0
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Sum	13	17	4

debtes owing unto the sayd deceadent

	£	s	d
Humfrey Johnson		7	4
Thom[a]s Chorlton		3	8
Lawrence Seele		4	3
John Hopwoodd		3	8
Roberte Didisburye		1	2
Mr Needham of Thorsett		1	6
Mris Buckley		1	8
John Pycrofte		1	0
Will[ia]m Adshed		1	9
John Ridgway		3	7
Henrye Danyell		3	9
Ellen Woodd		1	0
Will[ia]m Sydebothome		1	2
George Hardman	68	0	0
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Sum	69	14	8

Letter:

26 October 1623.

Good master Morgell commendes remembered. There is one Grace Beneson of Stockport wydowe lately deceased; who made her Will and nominated me to be her executor: in regard of other businesse I am unwilling to take upon me the execucion of the will, but doe by this my letter renounce the same. This Bearer Ales Hamson late servant to the deceedent desyres to take letters of Administration cum testament annexor and I thinke [erasure] she may well have the same graunted, in regard the Testatrix was in litle or noe debt, as alsoe for that she hath the Remaynder of the goodes given her the legacies being first deducted: soe being in hast and referring all to your good Consideracion I leave you to the lord, and rest.

Yours at command
Tho: Normansell.

Office endorsement: probate to Alice Hamson.

73. ROBERT BORDMAN OF STOCKPORT, SENIOR, YEOMAN.S. Pr. 11 November 1623.¹**Will:** sicke in bodie.

W.T.1 November 1623.

Knowing death to be certayne to all Creatures and the tyme of death most uncertayne and being desyrous and willing to set such things in order as god in his mercye hath bestowed upon mee as well to discharge my owne dutye as alsoe to avoyde suites and Contentions amongst my wyffe and Children doe Constitute ordayne and make this my testament Contayneing in yt my last will in maner and forme following. That is to say first and before all other thinges I Commend my soule into the handes of Almightye God my Creator trusting to inherite lyffe eternall only by the merites death and passion of Jesus Christ my onely saviour and Redeemer and my bodye to decent and christian buryall in the parishe Church of Stockport, hoping to have a glorious resurrection at the day of Judgment to lyffe eternall and for my worldly goodes I dispose them as followeth. First whereas John Warren late of Poynton in the County of Chester esquier deceased by his Indenture of Lease bearing date the 24th day of August in the neenth yeare of his majestties Raigne that nowe ys of England France and Ireland and of Scotland the fyve and forteeth did devyse graunt and lett to farme unto me the sayd Roberte Bordman one messuage burgage and tenement with thappurtenances scituate lying and being in Stockport aforesayd sometye heretofore in the tenure or occupacion of one Edward Warren gent late of Stockport deceased, and at the tyme or late before the making of the sayd Lease in the tenure or occupation of Edmund Cock Alexander Bowler Roberte Wyld or some of them there or some of theire assignee or assignees together with twoe Croftes called the Shaw heath Croftes sometye in the tenure of Edward Warren gent aforesayd deceased with all buildinges orchardes gardens and appurtenances whatsoever to have and to hould the sayd messuage Burgage tenement Closes Croftes hereditamentes and premisses with thappurtenances unto me myne executers Administraters and assigns from the day of the date of the sayd lease unto the end and terme of fowerscore and tenn years then next following fully to be complete and ended if Roberte Bordman my sonne Agatha my daughter and Thomas Ouldham sonne of Thomas Ouldham late of Heaton Norris deceased or any of them should soe long lyve I or my assignes paying a certayne yearly Rent to the sayd John Warren Esquier his heires and assignes, and under divers other Covenantes and Reservacons in the sayd lease Contayned, as relacon thereunto [*interlined:being*] had doth and may more at large appeare. Now it is my mynd and will and I doe give and bequeath all the Remynder and Reversion of the sayd lease that shall happen to be and remayne enexpyrd at the tyme of my decease in maner and forme following. That is to say first it is my will and mynd that if it shall please God that Katheryne my nowe wyffe doe overlyve mee, that then she shall enjoye possess and occupy all the before menconed premisses to me devysd as aforesayd for and during soe many of the sayd years as are not then expyrd as shee shall happen to lyve sole and unmarried if the lyves in the lease menconed doe soe long lyve. And imediately

after her decease mariage or miscariage which ofthem shall first happen It is my will and mynd and I doe give and bequeath all the Remynder and Reversion of the aforesayd Lease that then shall remayne unexpyrd to Roberte my sonne if he be then lyving, and if he be dead then to the heyres of his bodye lawfully begotten and for lack of such Issue then to my three youngest daughters Anne Elizabeth and Marye if they be then lyving equally to be devyded amongst them, and in case they or any of them be dead then I give it equally to there heyrs, Item it is my wyll and mynd and I give and bequeath one doale of ground lying in a feild in Stockport aforesayd Called the long shutte to Katheryne my now wyffe during soe many of the tyme and tearme of years which I have in the same as she shall happen to lyve. And if it fall out that she dye before the expiracon of the sayd tearme then I give the remaynder and Reversion of the estate tyme and terme of years which shall then remayne unexpyrd to Roberte my sonne if he be then lyving, and if he be dead then to the heyrs of his bodye lawfully begotten, and for lack of such heyrs then to my 3 youngest daughters beforenamed if they be then lyving to be equally devyded amongst them or amongst there heyres if they or any of them be [erasure] dead. Item it is my mynd and will that Katheryne my wyfe have and enjoye my house scytuate and being in the Churchgate in Stockport aforesayd with all the groundes and Comodytyes thereunto belonging which I hould of the Rector of the Churche of Stockport during her naturall lyfe, and that after her decease my sayd Roberte shall have the same. Item it is my mynd and will that Katheryne now my wyffe during her naturall lyffe shall receyve take and have the one half of all the Rentes and profites issuing yearly out of the landes and tenementes which I have purchased to me and myne heyrs or assigns scytuate and being in Stockport aforesayd, and that my sonne Roberte shall possess and enjoye the other halfe during his sayd mothers lyffe and after her decease I doe give all the sayd landes and tenementes to my sayd sonne and his heirs for ever and all the rest of my worldly goodes I dispose them as followeth. That is to say first I give and bequeath unto Roberte my sonne 12d and to Agatha my daughter 12d and to Anne my daughter 12d And it is my will and mynd that all my debtes legacies and funerall expenses be payd and dischargd out of my whole goodes. And then it is my will that then the Residue of my goodes be devydd [*sic*] into 3 equall partes. the first whereof I bequeath unto my wyfe as due unto her the seacond parte I give and bequeath to Elizabeth and Marye my two yongest daughters, and the third and last parte I doe give and bequeath to Katheryne my foresayd wyffe for the better enabling of her to manteyne herself in good estate. Item it is my will and mynd and I do herby require and appoynt Roberte my sonne that in Consideracion I have assigned my farme in Reddiche in the Countye of Lancaster upon his or to his use the one halfe thereof in possession Imediately after my decease and the other halfe in Reversion, after his mothers decease, and have alsoe left him all my landes tenementes and hereditamentes in Stockport aforesayd in possession or Reversion after the death of his mother, that he shall pay or cause to be payd to Katheryne my nowe wyffe her executors Administrators or assigns or some one of them the some of fowerscore pounds of lawfull Englishe money in maner

and forme following, that is to say. The some of Twentye poundes within the space and before the end of ten monthes next following after my decease, and other twentye poundes within the space and before the end of eighteene monthes next ensuing after my decease and the some of fortye poundes within the space and before the end of fyve years next ensuing after my decease, to the better enablying of my sayd wyfe to mantyne and bring up my twoe youngest daughters, as also to the better enablying of her to be helpfull to them for there preferment as occassion shalle afford, and as they in dutifulnes towards her there mother shall deserve, and she in her discrecon shall think fitt. Nowe if it shall please God that eyther of my sayd youngest daughters should be departed this lyffe before the end of fyve years next ensuing after my decease and but the one of them then lyving. It is my will that my sonne Roberte shall pay to his mother her executors administrators or assigns but the one half of the last fortye pounds payable as aforesayd. And if both of them be dead before the sayd tyme of fyve years after my death be expyred then it is my will, that he shall pay noe parte of the sayd fortye pounds but shalbe discharged of all the sayd some And I doe bequeath the tuicon of my children within age to Katheryne my wyfe.

Executor: testator's wife Katheryne. H. & S.

Witnesses: Edward Hudson and William Fletcher.

1. The office endorsement states inventory was exhibited on 12 January 1623/4.

Inventory: Robert Boardman of Stockport, yeoman.

Taken: 20 November 1623.¹

Of: goods and Cattalls.

Prisers: William Bouthe, Edmond Hulme, Robert Walckden and Antho. Nicholsone.

	£	s	d
six kyne and a Bull	18	13	4
in Otes, Rye and barley	18	0	0
in Haye	4	0	0
foure stirckes	6	13	4
one geldinge taken for an Harriot	6	13	4
foure mares, and a gelding	13	13	4
in cartes, wheels, and other husbandrie ware	6	0	0
in sawed boardes, Arckes, sythes, bucklinge teame, and wheele timber		23	4
one table, one disheboard and other boardes in the house in Reddish		10	0
in mucke			12
in Brasse, fryinge pannes spitts, and dripping pannes	3	0	0
in pewter		20	0
a cuboard and boardes in the butterie		10	0

a bedsteed in the chamber over the house with the clothes beelonginge to the same	40	0
in Coffers, tubbs, and other things in the same chamber	10	0
Arckes and other thinges in the further chamber	6	8
in Cheese	34	0
two new blankettes and newe cloth	33	4
in beddinge, coffers, and boardes	40	0
a presse in the parlour beneath the bedsteed and the beddinge beelonginge to it in the same parlor	13	4
two coffers and a glasse caige	50	0
a bedsteed with the beddinge beelonginge to it, and coffers, and some other thinges in the chamber next to the garden	6	8
in wooll	56	0
for certayne odde thinges in the brewhouse	5	0
in treen ware	5	0
in silver spoonnes	20	0
in butter	50	0
in Linnens	6	8
one Round table, cheares, a seeled forme, and stooles, with a seeled benche in the house	3	0 0
in fewell	20	0
in Ironn ware in the house	6	8
in Aparell for his bodie and a booke	6	8
in geese	3	5 0
fowre henns	4	0
in yearne and flaix	20	
in other tryfflinge thinges	5	0
[change of hand]		7
in debtes owing	19	6
one Cradle		12
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[Sum	108	4 5]

1. Office endorsement: exhibited 12 January 1623/4.

Office endorsement: probate to executrix.

74. JAMES BUERDSELL OF STOCKPORT, HUSBANDMAN.

S. Pr. 12 November 1623.

Will: [no statement about health].

W.T. 20 May 1622.

Knowinge death to be certaine to every one and the houre there of unknowen doe Constitute and make this my last will and Testament in manner and forme followinge. First and principally I doe Commend my soule into the hands of Almighty God my Creator by the merits of whose sonnes blood shedding I trust unfeinedly to bee saved and by no other meanes and my body to be buried in the parish Churchyard of Stockporte in due and decent manner, and as for the disposing of my worldly goods wherewith the lord hath indued mee my will and minde is as followeth. Imprimis my will and minde is that if Thomas Buerdsell my sonne bee brought up of the whole goods at the university till he bee made Batchelor of Arts or longer and shall have a livinge twice as good [*interlined: a livinge*] as this livinge is then my will is that John Buerdsell my sonne after the decease of my wife shall have and enjoy this livinge in Stockport, to him and his heires lawfully begotten for ever. Item I doe give unto John Buerdsell my son out of my whole goods a bed with all things thereunto belonginge and fifty pounds of monie to be paide immediately after my decease unto James Renshall and John Buerdsell for his use if the said Thomas Buerdsell my son doe not surrender up his Estate in Stockport unto John his brother: Item I doe give unto every one of my godsonnes and goddaughters twelve pence. And the residue of the said goods, my funerall expences beinge discharged and my goods [*sic*] beinge paide I give unto my wife Ellen to dispose of them accordinge to her discretion.

Executor: testator's son, Thomas.**Witnesses:** Thomas Newton and Alexander Rades.**Inventory: James Buerdsell of Stockport.**

Taken: 4 November 1623.

Of: goods, Cattells and Chattells.

Prisers: Godfry Heron, Thomas Andrew, Thomas Newton and James Fell.

	£	s	d
in Corne	11	0	0
in hay		40	0
9 sheepe		20	0
in other Cattell	13	13	0
one great brasse panne		20	0
in other brasse		20	0
in pewter		20	0
one leade			12
in trien ware		6	8
in earthen pots and glasses		2	0

in iron ware	6	8	
in Cheares and stooles	4	0	
in seeling and other bords	13	4	
in Chests and arkes	20	0	
in linnens	3	0	0
3 bedsteeds	18	0	
a bible with other bookes	8	0	
in beddinge	3	0	0
in Cushens	2	0	
in wood ¹ and other odde thinges	5	0	
in fewell	4	0	
in mucke	10	0	
in ready monie	40	0	
in apparrell	50	0	

Sum 46 3 8

Debts Inward

James Renshall	30	0	0
[line inserted:] John Sharman		40	0
John Browne	4	0	0
Raphe Thornely		40	0
Edward Ryle		22	6
Richard Herod the son of Miles Herod	5	0	0
William Smith		50	0
Raphe Smith de Bramall		40	0
Mr William Gerrard	3	0	0
George Thrumpston		3	4
George Ridgway		40	0
Stephen Rushton		40	0
Robert Hough		5	8
Peter Mosse		5	0

[Sum 56 6 6]

Debts Outward which he owed

To George Shearman	16	2	0
To Raphe Dickenson		30	0

[Sum 17 12 0]

1. Difficult to read: could be wool.

Office endorsement: probate to executor.

75. WILLIAM SIMKIN OF STOCKPORT, APOTHECARY.

S. Pr. 21 November 1623.

Inventory of: goodes Cattalls and Chattalls.

Taken: 20 August 1623.

Prisers: Robert Siddall, Edward Holbrook, Thomas Rydings and John Barrett.

	£	s	d
In Sirups of divers sortes weyinge			
21lbs 8 ozs	3	4	0
in Ellectuaries of severall sortes			
weyinge 4lbs 4ozs	1	5	0
in Conserves 10lbs 12ozs	1	6	1
in Metheredat 6ozs		4	6
in Lohccsann 10ozs		1	8
in London Treakle 4ozs			6
in Pills 11ozs 2drames	12	3	
in Pulvis Pectoral 6ozs		1	0
in Unguentum 11lbs 12 ozs	19	5	
in East Inde Ginger 1lb		2	4
in Pothers 11ozs		2	0
in Crocus Martis & oyle of Mace 2ozs qt		1	6
in Mercurie precipitat & sublimat			
5ozs 3qts		3	4
in Scamonie 6ozs		8	0
in Stibium Antimonn 2lbs 8 ozs		6	0
in Cantharides 3ozs		1	6
in Lapis Tutie 1lb		3	4
in Alloes succafrina 1lb 1oz	17	0	
in Rootes & simples of the Lyke Nature			
30lb 4 ozs	3	2	9
in salt Icm[?] & Assaphetida 7ozs & a halfe		1	6
in Agricke 4ozs		6	0
in Ceres 4lb 4ozs		2	2
in Nigella Romana 12ozs		1	6
in Colaquintida 2lb 10ozs	10	6	
in Seena & Alkakinga 1lb		4	6
in Two bookes		8	0
in Gumes of severall sortes 29lb 12ozs	2	9	8
in hierie pigre in specie 6ozs		8	0
in Seedes of divers sortes 42lb 10 ozs qt ¹	2	0	1
in Camphore 10ozs		5	4
in Merebilaus & Turmericke 10ozs		1	3
in Washebales 8 dossen and a halfe		7	7½
in Sangius draconis 4ozs		4	0
in Spermaceti 9ozs		3	0

in Joyce of Licorishe 4ozs & a halfe	1	2	
in Cuttlebone 6		4	
in Malasses 2lb		6	
in Candied Ginger 2lb 14ozs	6	9	
in Verdigrasse 14ozs	2	4	
in Isinglasse and cornesole	2	7	
in quickesilver 1lb 8ozs	5	3	
in Implasters 9lb 3ozs	13	4	
in Clukin 2lb 10ozs	2	8	
in sallet & Linseed oyle 3 gallons & one qt ¹	11	5	
in Tobacco pypes, Boxes, Casses Rammers & glister pypes	1	5	10
in Norne oyle and oyle debay 8lb		5	0
in Grocerie of all sorts	7	3	0
One Chiste and 4 nest of Boxes to Remaine	1	0	0
in Variuus Tobacco 2lb 10ozs	2	12	6
more in Tobacco		12	0
more in Tobacco sent Againe 29lb 1oz	[blank]		
in scales waightes 3 Morters 2 Pesteles 2			
Case of Instrumentes tripan & Nippers	3	13	0
in Pottes Boxes & glasses	2	4	1
in whyte paper		9	0
in whyte Leade 16lb		5	4
in Comon terpentyne spatulas one standish & one serce		3	8
in distilled Watters of all sortes		10	0
One Runlett Candlesticke sizors & tobacco plates		2	10
one flower still & Limbecke	2	0	0
One Chiste, one tronke, one little Brase pott and one byble		14	0
Vuela spoone of silver		1	0
The defuncts Apparrell	4	15	0

Sum 50 18 5

Thos Walker of Newton
money oweinge²

1. The usual abbreviation for quarter.
2. In a cramped hand in the bottom right corner.

76. URSULA GERARD OF STOCKPORT, WIDOW.

S. Pr. 14 April 1624.

Will, weake in bodye.

W.T. 28 March 1624.

First and principallie I commend my soule into the handes of Almightye God my Creator, verilye and stedfastlye beleeving to be saved by the merites and bloudshedding of Jesus Christ my savior and onlye redeemer: and my bodye I committ to the earth from whence it came to be interred and buried soe nere unto the place wher my moste deare and late husband Mr Richard Gerard parson of Stockport was buried and laide as mayebe with such Costes and Charges as shall seeme necessarye and fitting by my Executors hereafter named: And touching those temporall goodes which Almightye God hath in mercye bestowed uppon me; my will and mynd is that they shalbe disposed of as followeth, Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my sonne William Gerard the picture of my late loveing husband wishing him to treade in his steppes and to followe his example. Item I give and bequeath unto my said sonne William Gerard the twoo volumes of the booke of Martirs; Item I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Moseley my daughter a booke called Calvins sermons uppon Job: Item I give and bequeath unto Margaret Heyes my daughter my newe bible. Item I give and bequeath all the rest of my bookes and whole library unto Thomas Gerard my sonne desiring him to applye them and to follow his learning that he maye doe good in Gods Church as his late father deceased did. Item I give and bequeath unto my said sonne Thomas Gerard Three silver Tunnes and my best silver salt. Item I give and bequeath unto my said sonne William Gerard one silver bell salte and twoo silver bowles. Item I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Moseley my said daughter one silver dishe: Item I give and bequeath unto Margret Heyes my said daughter one silver tunne and one old silver salt and twoo silver spoones; Item I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Moseley my said daughter twoo silver spoones; Item I give and bequeath unto my said sonne William Gerard fowre silver spoones and to Thomas Gerard my *[interlined: said]* sonne alsoe fowre silver spoones: Item I give and bequeath unto my said sonne Thomas Gerard twoo bedstedes with bedding and furniture therto belonging nowe standing and being in the Chamber over the parler. Item I give and bequeath unto the same Thomas one Table with the stooles nowe standing and being in the hall the boord in the buttrye and one Cupboard in the Kichin. Item I give and bequeath unto my sayd sonne Thomas Gerard the Fornace and all brewing vessels and all such thinges as are pinned, fixed and made faste to the freehold in the house wher I dwell: Item I give and bequeath unto the same Thomas the great Cupboard in the parlor and one great Chest standing in the parlor and the lesser Caldron: Item I give and bequeath unto William Gerard my said sonne the greatest Caldron and twoo bedstides with bedding and furniture thereto belonging standing and being in the Chamber over the Kitchin: Item I give and bequeath unto my said daughters Elizabeth and Margret three brasse pottes and a posnet equally to be devided betwixt them: Item I give and bequeath unto my said sonnes William and Thomas and my said daughters Elizabeth and Margret

all my pewter equallye to be devided amongst them all, Item I give and bequeath unto Francis Langford my grandchild the bed wherin I lye and all the furniture therto belonging. Item I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Moseley my said daughter one litle bed in the parlor with the furniture therof. Item I give and bequeath unto Oswald Moseley my grandchild my wedding Ringe and a pece of newe cloth of Purple color: Item I give and bequeath unto Margaret Heyes my said daughter one bed with the furniture therof standing in the chamber over the butterye. Item I bequeath and give unto Margery Gerard my daughter in lawe and unto the said Margrett my daughter all my glasses equallye to be devided betwixt them, Item I give and bequeath unto William and Thomas my said sonnes the one halfe of all my linnens and naperie ware. Item my will and mynd is that the other half of my linnens and naperie ware shalbe devided into three equal partes: One third part whereof I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Moseley my said daughter one other third parte I give unto Margrett Heyes my said daughter, and the other third parte I give and bequeath unto Francis Langford and Marye Langford daughters of Richard Langford equally to be distributed betwixt them. Item I give and bequeath unto my said sonne William Gerard my signet Ringe and one saileskin trunck and also twoo spurryalls of gold. Item I give and bequeath unto Margerye Gerard my said daughter in lawe one Cowe which I nowe kepe with me, And alsoe I give unto the same Margerye my Gemewe Ringe Item I give and bequeath unto Margret Heyes my sayd daughter one other Cowe. Item I give and bequeath unto the said Francis Langford and Marye Langford one other Cowe betwixt them. Item I give and bequeath unto my brother Raphe Arderne and my brother Richard Arderne eyther of them one Spurroyall of golde: Item I give and bequeath unto my said sonne Thomas twoo Spurroyals: Item I give to my sister Hulme one litle Ringe. Item I give and bequeath unto eich of my godchildren twelve pence. Item I give and bequeath unto Margaret Heyes my said daughter my best peticoate. Item I give and bequeath unto my said sonne Thomas my Ringe with deathes head uppon: Item I give and bequeath unto my sister Bybie my cloake and safegard and one red grogoram peticoate; Item I give and bequeath unto the poore the summe of £3-6-8d to be distributed at the discrecionn of my Executors, Item I give and bequeath unto Mr Storer five powndes, to Mr Normansell Twentye shillings to Thomas Simkin Ten shillings and to the bell men of Stockport 2s 6d. Item I give and bequeath unto Anne Richardsson my workeday cloth gowne and my stufte peticoate and to Isabell Hobson my olde stamett peticoate: Alsoe I give to everye one of my servantes that shall live with me at the tyme of my death fyve shillings apeece over and besides their wages; Item I give to Marye Gorton one bed in the stable with what belongs unto yt excepting the wooll bed; Item yt is my will and mynd that my daughter Heyes shall take all the yearne that I have and make yt into Cloth and reserve the one halfe of the cloth to her selfe and to deliver the other halfe to my sayd sonne Thomas Gerard; Item I give and bequeath unto Marye Heywood my newe cloth gowne; Item I give and bequeath unto my sonne Thomas Gerard my greatest brasse pott and to my sonne William Gerard the greatest brasse pott but one and all my goodes that

remaine at Hanslopp. All the rest of my brasse I give and bequeath unto my sayd daughters Elizabeth and Margrett equallye to be devidid betwene them; Item all the rest of my goodes cattalles and Chattalls whatsoever and whersoever the same be after my funerall expences be discharged (which I would have to be payd out of my rents alreadye due unto me from Hanslopp) I give and bequeath unto my sayd sonnes William and Thomas and to my sayd daughters Elizabeth and Margrett equallye to be distributed and devidid amongst them all; Item yt is my earnest desire and I doe hartilye praye my sayd sonne Thomas Gerard that he would be pleased to suffer my sayd sonne William Gerard to live and dwell in the howse wherin I nowe dwell after my decease untill such time as he the sayd Thomas doe dwell in the same house himselfe, And that he would demand noe rent for the same for one whole yeare next after my decease; and afterwarde to accept of the yearlye Rent of five poundes, and I desire alsoe further that my sayd sonne Thomas would permitt and suffer the sayd William Gerard my sonne to have the use and occupacion of certaine goodes which are bequeathed by this my laste will unto him the same Thomas within the sayd howse, the said William not impayring them but leaving them as good as he found them or at the leaste soe much of the same goodes as he can well forbear and spare.

Executors: testator's sons William Gerrard and Thomas Gerrard. H. & S. Testator's mark.

Witnesses: Tho. Normansell, William Dickenson and Nicholas Brooke.

Inventory: Mistriss Ursula Gerard of Stockport, widow.

Taken: 7 April 1624.¹

Of: all the goodes Cattels and Chattels.

Prisers: Francis Robinson, Roger Harper, William Warburton and Thomas Andrewe. Praysers elected.

	£	s	d
in readye money of Silver and gould	14	15	6
in gold Ringes in number six	6	6	6
in plate the waight being 106 ozs	24	14	8
her apparell	10	10	0
116 lbs waight of pewter	2	18	0
one field [<i>sic</i>] bed in the kichin Chamber with 1 fetherbed 1 bolster 2 pillowes one flock bed 3 blankettes 1 cadowe with Curtaines and valance	5	0	0
one other standing bed in the same Chamber with one fetherbed 1 flockbed one bolster 1 pillowe three blankettes and a Cadowe	3	0	0
one Trunk	13	4	
one Chaire and one stoole	5	0	
one fyre Iron	2	6	

one standing bed and 1 truckle bed in the Chamber over the parlor with 2 featherbedes one flock bed 1 bolster 2 pillowes 8 blankettes 1 Cadowe and curtaynes and Valance	12	0	0
one presse one chaire and one stoole	1	12	0
one Fyre Iron		2	6
one Canapye bed in the parler 1 fetherbed 1 flockbed 1 bolster 1 pillowe 4 blankettes and one covering together with Curtaines and Valance	4	0	0
one Trucklebed in the same parler 1 fetherbed 1 bolster 3 blankettes and one Coverlet	2	0	0
one Cubbord	2	0	0
1 great cheste 1 little chest 1 truncke 1 brasen cofer 1 deske 2 boxes and 1 closestoole	1	2	0
One Trunck in the same parlor		10	0
one fyre Iron and one stoole		2	6
one clock	1	0	0
3 curtaynes and twoo rodes of Iron in the parlor		3	0
one large picture		13	4
one looking glasse 2 brushes and one howre glasse		5	0
one bed in the stable Chamber 2 Matresses 3 blankettes one bolster and one coverlet		16	0
one brasse pann 33 pounds in waight	1	8	0
22 pounds waight in Brasse Candlestickes skeletes and ladles		13	4
12 score and 11 pounds wayght of pottes and caldrons	6	5	0
one brasse mortar waight 22 pounds		8	0
98 pounds waight in spittes gobertes and Iron wares		16	4
one litle standing bed in the butrye chamber with 1 fetherbed 1 bolster one coverlet and 3 blankettes at	2	6	8
2 kine the one at 7 nobles the other at 4 marks	5	0	0
in linnens and Naperye ware	24	4	8
one chest over the hall		8	0
one litle square boord		2	6
1 reele and one frame		3	0
1 warpstock and Ringes		1	6
3 wisketes and twoo tenetes		1	0
2 sadles 1 pillion and furniture		10	0
one payre of tables		1	6

one old trunck			6
50 Slevinges of flaxen yarn	2	6	8
2 sitting wheeles		3	0
in wooden vessels in the Brewhouse chambers		12	0
Three hechels		3	0
14 pounds waight of flax		9	0
wood ashes		5	0
8 cheeses		12	0
in wheate		1	6
4 sakes and one bagg		4	6
one litle Trunck and one boxe		3	4
9 earthen bottels and 3 earthen pottes		2	0
One Barrell and Veriuce therin		2	0
8 yardes of woolen cloth	1	6	8
in black stuffe	1	10	0
in whyte threed mingled stuffe and one night cap		4	0
one box and bonelace therin		1	0
in gloves		4	0
8 Ruffes		16	0
other linnens and a little pillowe		16	0
1 barrell and glasses with the water in the sayd glasses	1	0	0
one great table in the hall	1	6	8
one litle table		8	0
2 carpetes		8	0
6 buffet stooles and 2 chaires		13	0
one presse in the hall		8	0
15 quishions	1	0	0
in Mappes pictures and 2 table Scucheons		16	0
3 halbertes 3 bills and one horsmans staffe		15	0
2 lead waightes and one pound brass waight		6	
one still and a limbeck		7	0
21 pound waight of leades		1	9
one little chest in the hall		1	6
one grate in the hall		5	0
in Candles			6
1 Chest in the buttrye a napkin press and 3 boxes		6	0
8 pounds of whyte yearne and 6 yardes of linnen cloth	1	0	0
6 great barrels 2 salting tubbes with some beef in them 1 forme one tundish and one safe	2	0	0
in bacon		10	0

4 dozen of Trenchers one boxe with spice in honye musterdseede and 7 earthen pottes	13	4
one chest in the kichin 1 boord 1 forme 2 chaires 3 stooles 1 salt barrell and other small trine ware	10	0
one Fyre Iron in the kichin with a Crowe 2 payre of Rackes one Iron barre and a grater	15	0
Three keares 1 Cooler 3 kinnels 2 bowkes 1 Eshin and 1 Trough	1	10 0
one shoate and 1 stone trough	5	0
One bowking tubb 1 Turnell and 1 ould keare	6	0
One Axe one shovell 2 pykels	1	8
Coales wood and Turves in Meynor	1	0 0 4 0
2 kine	[blank ²]	
one ladder and one bore franck[?] for the Remainder of 2 fieldes being 42 weekes to spend	2	8
	3	13 4

Debts owing Mistriss Ursula Gerard deceased £164 3s 0d as yet apparant.

Debts owing to the sayd Mistriss Ursula Gerard at her death £227.

1. Office endorsement says exhibited 1 July 1624.
2. [Total excluding kine £162 13 7d].

Office endorsement: probate to William Gerard, one of the executors.

77. MARGERYE WHITTACHERS OF STOCKPORT, BAKER.

S. Pr. 25 April 1625.

Will, in good health.

W.T.27 August 1624.

First and principallye I Commend my soule into the handes of almighty God my maker and Redeemer, lookinge to be saved by the death and passion of Jesus Christe; and my bodye to the earth from whence it came; And concerning those temperall goodes which god hath in mercye bestowed upon mee, my mynd and Will is that they bee disposed of in maner and forme followinge. First it is my will that my funerall expences shalbe payd and discharged out of my whole goodes. Item I geve and bequeath unto Alexander Rhodes my sonninlawe the somme of fyve poundes and unto ech [*sic*] one of his Children three poundes, to Edward Rhodes three poundes and unto John Rhodes three poundes and to Alexander Rhodes three pounds and unto Thomas Rhodes three poundes and unto Elizabeth Rhodes three poundes to be payd them when it shalbe payd to my

executor hereafter named by such as nowe or shall hereafter owe anye debtes to me the Testatrix. Item my Will is and I geve and bequeath to Ellen Burdsell the somme of Twentye sixe shillings eightpence: and I give to the twoe daughters of George Whitachers late deceased either of them 12d. Item I give to every one of my sonne Georges children, the somme of three poundes; To John Whitacher and Francis Whitacher and Anne Whitacher and Marye Whitacher and Marthah Whitacher and Elizabeth Whitacher children of George Whitacher. All the rest and residue of my goodes whatsoever I give to my sonne George Whitacher.

Executor: testatrix's son, George Whitacher. H. & S. Testator's mark.

Witnesses: Godfray Heronn, William Fletcher [mark].

Inventory: Margerie Whitacher of Stockport, widow.

Taken: 4 April 1625.

Of: goodes cattalles and Chattalles.

Prisers: Tho. Williamson, William Fletcher, Godfrey Heron and William Whitacher.

	£	s	d
one bed with the furniture thereof		40	0
one cloke		5	0
one Chiste		4	0
one Brasse pottle		12	0
sixe pewter dishes		9	0
the decaedentes apparrell	3	10	0
in money and plate	4	13	0
in Corne and some other thinges belonging to her trading		13	0
in debtes by Spetialltyes	19	8	8
in debtes without Specialtye	21	4	0
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[Sum 52 18 8]			

Office endorsement: probate to executor.

78. ALICE RIDGWAY OF STOCKPORT, WIDOW.

S. 1626.

Court paper [Latin and English; calendar]:

9 February 1626/7.

Alexander Slade of Stockport complains that neither Mr Normansell the rural dean of Macclesfield, nor his deputy, will give letters of administration of the estate of Alice Ridgway who, Slade says, died intestate, and worth less than £40. Slade states that his wife Ann, Katherine, wife of William Bowler, and Margaret Blomely are the nearest kin of the deceased, and should have the administration.

79. EDWARD RYLE OF THE BOTHAMS, IN THE TOWNSHIP OF STOCKPORT, YEOMAN. S. 1627.

Will: [possibly original; some words lost by damage to the right-hand side of the document can be inferred. Much of the will is written as separate paragraphs, each beginning 'Item . . .', though this layout is not followed here].

Health: in good health.

W.T. 10 March 1624/5.

I bequeth my soule into the hands of almightie god, in assured hope, that I shall bee one [of the] number of godes blessed elect in the kingdome of heaven, through the merrits of Christ Jesus my savior. And my body [damaged I be]queth to Christian [damaged – to be buried in the Chancel] of the parish Church of Stockeporte aforesaide, in or about the north syde of the said [damaged – Chancel] the Communion Table is used to stand, where alsoe some of my Ancestors have been interred; because the place nere unto my pew or form in the Church is very narrow and streitt for that purposse. Item my will and mynd is that my executors hereafter specified, shall take and keepe my evidence Chest with all the writings, evidences, escripts and spetialties which doe concerne any my landes and hereditamentes of Bothoms or the Liberties Freedoms and customes belonging therunto, safely for the benefite and use of my heire and heires as occation shall be offered Item Concerning those worldly goodes which god hath given mee my will and mynde is that the[y] shall bee equally devided into Foure severall partes by my executors and Overseers or by the moste of them. And whereas I have limited and appointed by my espetal deede in wrytinge baringe date the fourth daie of March [Anno] Jacobi 22 that my frendes and Feoffees of trust (in my *[interlined: said]* conveyance named) to pay to my executors and admin[istrators] the whole some of Twentie poundes of Lawfull English money, which is to be deducted and taken frome the some of £130 specified in the said deede, as speedilie as my saide Feoffees can levie the same out of my landes heriditaments and premisses after my decease, now therefore my will is that my saide executors <shall> hereafter in this my will nominated, shall take the saide £20 and conjoyn and put the same, to one of the foure parts of my goodes aforesaid and soe beinge conjoynd and united together my will is that the[y] shall goe to the satisfying and paying of [damaged] shuch debte or debts as I doe owe to any person or persons Justly and truely, and the overplus if there bee any that remaineth I doe ordain the same towards the discharging of shuch gifts Legaces and bequests as hereafter are declared. Item My will and mynde is that out of an other parte of my saide goodes beinge one of the four parts to be devided that my said executors and administrators shall pay unto Edward Ryle my sonne, Dorothy Hough Ellen Seward and Elizabeth Gatley my daughters everie of them 2s for and in the name of every of their childes parte; and unto George Ryle 10s for his childes parte and if it please god I shall have any ishue by my now wyf Katherin to everie shuch ishue [erasure] 2s apiece in name of their Childes partes and the remainder of this said parte if any bee my mynd is that it shall be united to the remainder of the former parte above saide towards the more sufficient discharging of the giftes Legaces and bequests

hereafter specifide and declared. Item my will and mynd is that <the> on other parte of the foresaide foure parts of my goodes to be devided shall goe for and towards the discharginge of my funerall expences and buriall, being done in moderate and decente manor by the discretion of my executors and overseers. Item my will and mynde is that the last parte of the saide foure parts of my goodes to be devided sh[all] be given to my now wife Katherin in Lew of her portion according to a certaine wryting made signed and sealed by me the saide Edward Ryle, wherein is specified that I should give to her a fourth parte of my goodes at my decease; notwithstanding if that in the Legaces above saide I have not allowed sufficiently for the payment of my debtes Legaces and funerall expenses that then she shall forgoe half of the saide fourth parte for the better discharge thereof, but if there be any overpluse the saide goodes aforesaid beside paying of debts and legaces and funerals that it shall be paid to my now wyfe Katherin and to such issue as she shall have by me. [Written in a cramped hand:] Item to George Ryle and to my said issue male [erasure] begotten on my saide wyffe I do give and bequeath my books. [New sheet, original hand:] Item I give and bequeth to the aged and poore Impotente people of Stockeporte townshippe 30 [damaged] to be distributed at their dwellinge howses and not elsewhere. Item I give and bequeth unto twentie of the pooreste Children of Stockeporte aforesaide that goe to the Free Schole to Learne 6d apiece. Item I give and bequeth unto those my executors that doe undertake the performace of this my present Will, and likewise to those my oversiers that doe take paines with the said executors to every of the said executors and oversiers 4s apiece. Item I give and bequeth to everie one that is witnessse of theise presents and a witnes of the wryting which maketh mention to whom £130 is to be paid 6d apiece Item I give to every one that doth dwell with mee as servante at my decease 2s. Item I give and bequeth to ould pattaricke wyfe 12d and to James Fell and his sone Edward [damaged] the daughter of Arthur Ashton everie of them 12d. Item I give and bequeth to everie of the Children of my neighbour William Swindels 6d apiece. Item whereas by manie greate and trublesome [erasure] sute in law which I have had of longe continuance with manie persons for the defendinge of my Inheritance and the Customes and priviledges thereto belonging as namely aboute a way to Shurbles and meeringe at the water and hedges and shuch like whereby my goodes were wasted and my health and estate weakned, and by disobedience of my Children and shuretishipp that I came into for some of my Children, over and besides much that I gave them as occasion was offered, whereby I was made unable either to discharge the debts I owe or doe the good I would to some of my Children that have had but litle of me, or my family which I ame bound unto, or any other good usses. I therefor as Counsell Instruckted mee for the many good causes aforesaide And likewise for that my eldeste sonne was unnaturall to his parentes and would not be any meanes of helpe unto me, I therefore estated my Inheritance as law would afforde and by passing fine thereupon, to certain usses as for the painge of debtes and for the benifite of shuch of my younger Children [erasure] and any other shuch person or persons as I should appoynt by my acte and deed in wryting, or in my last will

and testament before 3 or more witnesses in which said estate Certaine of my frendes as Feoffees in trust (named in that my great Indenture) I have estated in my landes and heriditamentes the same the[y] and theire heirs to possesse after my decease until shuch time as they or their heires should levie and make [*interlined*: out] of the issues and profits thereof the some of £130 to be paid to [erasure] shuch person or persons as I should appoynt by my acte and deed in wryting as afore said. And according unto the same power limited me, I have before this time, in my Acte and deed expressed in wryting under my hand and seall, how the same £130 shall be disbursed and paid and to whom. which deed beareth date the 4th day of March Anno Regni Jacobi 22 the which said wrytinge and all the contentes thereof I doe by this present Testament, Conferm, ratify and establish to be firme and good in everie sorte and manor to all intentes and purposes.

Executors: testator's wife Catheryn, his son George Ryle, and Jeffray Lockett.

Overseers: Rendall Hale, Thomas Symkin, Edward Hough, and Arthur Ashton. H. & S. Edward Ryle [signed].

Witnesses: James Fell [mark], Edward Fell, Edward Rodes, and Guilm Swindells [all signed].

Court paper:

C. 24 April 1628.

[Summary:] Judge's articles (*ex officio nostro ad promocionem katherine Ryle vidue*) and decree against Edward Ryle, junior, who has improperly (*temerariam administracionem*) taken on himself the administration of his father's estate. Includes an *ex parte* schedule of some goods with values.

Office endorsement of articles:

Articles on behalf of Katherine Ryle against Edward Ryle, given and examined 24 April 1628.

80. GEORGE JENNINGES OF STOCKPORT, GLAZIER.

S. Pr. 23 June 1628.¹

Will, sicke in bodie.

W.T. 26 July 1621.

Knowinge that nothing is more certaine than death nor anye thinge more uncertaine then the hower thereof, not mynded therefore to dye intestate, but willinge rather after the example of good Ezechias to sett my house and goodes in order to the end that peace and quyetnes may be had and imbraced amongst my wyfe and Frendes after my decease doe therefore make and ordaigne this my last will and Testament in maner and forme Followinge. First and principally I commend my soule into the handes of Almightye god my maker and Creator, And to his onely begotten sonne Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer, and to the holie ghost my sanctifier, Most humblie beseechinge the most holie blessed and glorious Trinitie to have mercie upon my soule and to pardon and forgive

me all my sinnes as my hope and undoubted trust in this behoofe is, And for my bodie I comend the same unto the earth whereof it was first fashioned and to be buried in the parish Church of Stockport aforesaid at the discretion of my executrix hereafter named trustinge and undoubtedly beleevinge that at the Last day it shall ryse againe a glorious and imortall bodie and be made partaker with the Saintes and elect in the kingdome of heaven, as my unfayned beleefe in this behalf is, And for and concerninge such Temporall goodes as god hath endowed me withall, First my will and mynd is that all debtes as of Right I owe to anie person or persons and my funerall charges and expences shalbe paid and discharged out of my whole goodes, And after my debtes paid and funerall expences discharged, Then my will and mynde is that all the Rest and Residue of my goodes Cattels and chattells whatsoever shalbe devyded into two equall [*interlined: partes or*] porcions, The First parte whereof I give and bequeath unto Jane Jennings my welbeloved wyffe, And the second parte there of I reserve to my selfe for the discharge of my Legacies hereafter specified, Out of which second parte First I give and bequeath unto Isabell Jennings my neece whom I have brought up as my child Fyftie poundes, if she take such courses and marrie such a person as my wyffe shall thinke fitt for her, and if the said Isabell doe the contrarie Then all the said fiftie poundes I give unto my said Executrix to be Disposed of as she shall thinke Fitt, Item I give and bequeath unto my sister Elizabeth Brookes 10 shillings and to my brother William Jennings if he be livinge 5 shillings, Item I give to the rest of my brother [*interlined: Thomas*] his children to everie one of them 5 shillings a peece, And to everjie one to whom I am godfather unto 12 pence a peece, And to the daughter of my said sister Elizabeth Brookes I give 5 shillings Item all the Rest and Residue of the said second parte of my goodes Cattells and Chattells not hereby bequeathed I give and bequeath unto the said Jane my welbeloved wiewe.

Executrix: Testator's wife, Jane Jennings. H. & S.

Witnesses: Peter Haies [mark], Thomas Leigh, Johis Tomlinson [mark], Francis Orme, and William Hartley.

1. Inventory exhibited 8 October 1629 according to its office endorsement, but a later hand gives the year as 1628.

Inventory: George Jennings of Stockport, Glasyer.

Taken: 25 June 1628.¹

Of:goodes Cattalles and Chattalles.

Prisers: Humfrey Blackshawe, William Warburton, Peter Heyes, and George Whittachers.

	£	s	d
Fyve Kyne and one heyfer	18	0	0
one bay horse		50	0

one Swyne	10	0	
Several parcelles and Tackes of building in Stockport	4	0	0
in Tackes of ground	10	0	0
in Barley Malt and meale		52	6
in bedding	8	0	0
in lynen	5	12	0
in Bedstedes		30	0
in boardes formes chayrs and Stooles		33	4
one Cupboard		16	0
in pewter		55	0
in potte brasse		55	0
in panne brasse and one leade		20	0
All the Iron Ware		10	0
in Treene Ware		20	0
in Coffers and Arkes		20	0
in shelves fyrewood and boardes		40	0
in Earthen ware		2	0
in hey		4	0
one harrowe twoe Saddles and furniture		10	0
in beeffe bacon butter and Cheese		20	0
in the shoppe for glasse lead a vice board and other workloomes	6	0	0
eight quishons three sakes and three poakes		10	0
Curtaynes for a bedd		6	0
in candles wisketes syves pykelles staves and all other ymplementes		3	0
in meanor		3	4
fyve sylver spoones		20	0
the decedentes Apparrell	4	0	0
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Sum	80	2	2
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in debtes by spetiallty	204	15	11
in debtes without spetiallty	19	15	5
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	[304	13	6]

1. See note to will.

Office endorsement on will: probate to executrix.

81. THOMAS NEWTON OF STOCKPORT, ALDERMAN.

S.Pr. 9 November 1629.

Will: weake in bodie.

W.T. 13 October 1629.

First and principally I commend my soule into the handes of Almightye god stedfast[ly]e beleevinge to bee saved by the death and passion of Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer and my bodie to the earth from whence it came And Concerninge such worldlie goods and landes as the lord hath in Mercie bestowed uppon mee, My mynd and will is, that they shalbee disposed of as followeth, Imprimis my mynd and will is that my debtes and funerall expences shalbee paid and defrayed out of my whole goodes Item I give and bequeath unto George Newton my sonne my Nagg, Saddle, and Brydle Item I give to William Newton my brother my best suite of clothes save one Item I give to Robert Cheadle my Son-in-lawe my worser Cloake Item I give to Thomas Newton my sonne my best Cloake Item my will and mynd is that the Tymber that I have shalbee wrought, or sould towards the furnishing of my daughter Elizabeth with bed and backe and yf any overplus bee and remayne, I bequeath the same unto my foure Children equally to bee devided amongst theym Item I give and bequeath unto my sonne Thomas one Doale in the meane feild, to enter uppon the same at the feast of St Martyn the Bishoppe in winter which shalbee in the yeare of our lord god, one thousand sixe hundred and Thirtie, And my mynde and will is that my said sonne Thomas shall have and enjoy at the said Feast day, one Chamber in the howse where I nowe dwell to come and goe to at his pleasure Item I give and bequeathe all my landes which I have in Stockport, edifices and buildings with all the appurtenances unto Ellen my wief duringe the terme of her naturall lyfe, and from and after her decease, I give and bequeath the same landes and buildings unto Thomas Newton my Sonne, and to the heires of his bodie lawfully to bee begotten And for default of such heires, Then I give and bequeath the same unto George Newton my Sonne, and to the heires of his bodie lawfully begotten, And for default of such heires, Then I give and bequeath the same unto Mary Browne my Daughter and to the heires of her bodie lawfully begotten, and to bee begotten And for default of such heires, Then I give and bequeath the same unto Elizabeth Cheadle my daughter and to the heires of the same Elizabeth, lawfully begotten, or to bee begotten And for default of such heires, Then I give and bequeath the same landes and premisses unto the Right heires of mee the said Thomas Newton the Testator for ever Item my will and mynd is, That Ellen my wyffe shall have and enjoy the house that I dwell in, with all the rest of the lands that I hould of the Rector of Stockport duringe her naturall lyffe, saveinge one Chamber and one Doale in the meane feild which I have formerlie bequeathed unto my sonne Thomas Item my will and mynd is, That when my said Sonne Thomas, shall enter uppon the same Doale and Chamber at the tyme aforesaid, That then hee shall pay unto John Browne of Offerton thelder, or his assignes, the somme of Tenn poundes which I doe owe unto him, And after the decease of Ellen my wyfe I give unto my Sonne Thomas all that I hould of the Rector of Stockport. All the rest of my goods,

Cattells, Chattells, and debtes whatsoever, and wheresoever, I deuide into Two partes, One parte or halfe thereof I give and bequeath unto Ellen my said wyeffe, and the other halfe I bequeath unto Thomas Newton and George Newton my sonnes, Mary Browne and Elizabeth Cheadle my daughters equally to bee devided amongst theym And for the goods in the house I would have theym to stand wholly as they doe dureinge the lyeffe of Ellen my said wyeffe, and after to bee devided equally amongst my said Children.

Executors: Testator's sons, Thomas Newton and George Newton.
Item, I give to each of my godchildren 12d. H. & S. Mark of testator.

Witnesses: Thos. Normansell and George Newton.

Item I give to Mr Storer Twentie shillings

To Mr Normansell sixe shillings eight pence
and to Luke Lamkston my servant Twentie shillings

Debtes oweinge by the Testator

	£	s	d
to Anne Walmersley	5	4	0
to John Browne the elder	20	0	0
to Thomas [illegible]		39	8
to Mr Beurdsell	4	15	10
to Robert Cheadle	10	0	0

[Sum 41 19 6]

Debtes that are oweinge unto the Testator

Robert Wood	40	0	
Thomas Hall	25	0	
John Browne thelder	33	0	
John Browne the younger	30	0	
Mr Beurdsell		3	0
Widowe Dodge	3	0	0
Joseph Lees		45	0
Mr Lavance		23	4
Ellen Hall		34	8
William Mosse		39	6
Thomas Cleaton		8	0
Laurence Seele		5	0
Thomas Simkin		2	0
John Pyecroft		8	0
Robert Nutt		6	0
John Allen			12

[Sum 18 3 6]

Inventory: Thomas Newton of Stockport, Alderman.

Taken: 27 October 1629.

Of: goods, cattells and Chattells.

Prisers: James Fell, Robert Marsland, William Hardey, and William Skelhorne, of Stockport, yeomen.

	£	s	d
in Barley and Oates	12	0	0
in Hay	5	0	0
foure Kyne	11	0	0
one Nagg, and a Coult	6	0	0
in Sheepe	11	10	0
in Naprie Ware	4	0	0
in Bedinge	4	17	0
in Yarne		30	6
in Brasse	3	16	0
in Pewter		34	0
in Coffers, one presse and Bedstockes		44	6
one Cupbord, two tables and one forme		18	4
in Cheares, quishions and Stooles		9	0
one Byble		6	8
one Halbert		2	0
in Treane Ware		14	0
in Workeloumes in the Shopp		8	0
in Shovells, forkes, and Muckhookes		4	0
in Ladders		2	0
in Horse geares		2	0
one Saddle, Wountall, and Overley		3	4
in Pykells and Rakes			16
in Axes			12
in Beanes		6	0
one Winow sheet, pokes and Sackes		3	0
in Baskettes			12
in Sives, half hoopes, and Peckes		2	6
one Harrowe and a Swingletree		3	4
in Wheelles			12
in Lattes and Boardes		2	6
in Tymber, Twigge bottoms, and Bottom wood	6	10	0
in Butter and Cheese		5	0
in Honie and Bees		16	8
one Fyre Iron, and other Iron thinges		5	0
in Ware		7	6
in Stanes			12
in Manure and dunge		6	0
one Barrowe			4

in Winter Paster	26	8	
in Wax	16	8	
in tackes, the Sinicroft, the Brown eyes and the Marled yard	30	0	0
in Debtes	18	0	0
in Coyne	12	3	0
the decedentes apparell	9	13	0
in Coales, Turves, Fyrewood and other odd thinges	7	0	
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Sum	149	0	10

Office endorsement: probate to executors.

82. JAMES FELL OF STOCKPORT, HUSBANDMAN.

S. Pr. 22 April 1631.
W.T. 7 March 1630/1.

Will, sick in body.

Knowing that nothing is more certayne then death, nor any thing more uncertayne then [*interlined:* the houre] thereof; not mynding therfore to die intestate, but willing rather after the example of the good king Ezekias to sett my house and goodes in order to thend that peace and quietnes may be had and embraced; amongst my wife and children after my decease doe therfore make and ordeyne this my last will and testament in maner and forme following, that is to say First and principally I Commend my soule into the handes of Almighty God my maker and Creator and to his only begotten sonne Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer, and to the holy ghost my sanctifyer, most humbly beseeching the holy blessed and most glorious Trinitye to have mercie upon my soule and to pardon and forgive me all my sinnes, And for my bodie I commend the same unto the earth whereof it was first fashioned and to be buryed in the parish Church of Stockport aforesaid, or els whersoever it shall please God to dispose of the same unfeyndly believing that the same at the last day shall rise agayne a glorious and Imortall bodie, and be make [*sic*] partaker with the Saintes and elect in the kingdome of heaven. And for and concerning such temporall goodes and estate as god hath endowed me withall my mynd and will is that they shalbe disposed of in maner and forme following that is to weet First my will and mynd is that all such debtes as in right or conscience I owe to any person or persons shalbe paid and discharged out of my whole goodes. Item, I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth my welbeloved wife my bedd and all the furniture thereunto belonging wherein and whereupon I usually lye lodge or repose which consisteth of the perticulars following, that is to saie a Bedsteed, a mattresse a featherbed, a boulder, a pillowe twoe blancketes, twoe countrie coverletes a payre of ordinarye sheetes a pillowe beere. Item I doe give and

bequeath unto my daughter Ellen Haughton Twelve pence, and the Reason why [I] will that she shall have no moore of my goodes cattalles chattalles and debtes but only Twelve pence is for that I have heretofore to my great charges preferred and bestowed her in mariage and given her a full porcion of my goodes. Item I give and bequeath unto Raph Haughton my grandchild the summe of six shillinges eight pence of lawfull English money; Item I give and bequeath unto everye one I am godfather unto Twelve pence a peece. Item my will and mynd is that all the rest and residue of my goodes cattalles chattalles Tackes of grounde and debtes not formerlie herein or hereby given or bequeathed shalbe devyded into three equall partes or porcons; The First parte whereof I give and bequeath unto the said Elizabeth my welbeloved wife in the name of her purpartie and reasonable parte of my goodes cattalles chattalles and debtes to her belonging; and the other twoe parts of the said goodes cattalles chattalles [*interlined*: tackes of ground] and debtes I give and bequeath unto Edward Fell my sonne.

Executrix: testator's wife Elizabeth. H. and S. Testator's mark.

Witnesses: Gerard Heyes, Tho: Anderson, George Gee [mark], William Hartly.

Inventory: James Fell of Stockport, yeoman.

Taken: 22 March 1630/1.

Of: goodes, cattalles, Chattaes and debtes.

Prisers: Tho: Andrewe, Samuell Siddall, Gerard Heyes, and Roberte Marsland of Stockport.

	£	s	d
8 kyne	18	0	0
in hey	1	0	0
a harrowe hambark and harrowing geares		6	0
One hackney saddall and one drayge		3	0
8 peeces of sawen tymber		3	0
in pykels rakes shovels forkes and other ymplements at the barne above		4	0
in meanor		10	0
in wheate barley and Rye	4	0	0
8 payre of sheetes and one odd one	1	13	4
2 towelles		2	0
one syve cloth		1	6
twoe pillowbeerres		2	4
8 napkyns		2	8
3 table clothes 3 napkins one Wallett		2	0
one Table covering		5	0
one bedsteed one Feather bedd one boulster			
2 bagges 4 blancketes and a chaffebedd			

2 pillowes and 2 Curtaynes	1	14	0
one bedsted, one chaffe bedd 2 bouldsters			
2 blancketes and one Coverlett		8	0
one bedsted one father bedd one Chaffe bedd			
one boulder of chaffe one pillowe			
2 blancketes 2 coverletes	1	10	0
one chist one Arke and 2 boardes		8	0
in hempe yarne 6lb		8	6
in gray flaxen yarne 13lb		15	0
in thread		14	0
white yarne 10lb		17	0
29 yarde of cloth	1	0	0
8 sakes and a wynowe sheete		10	0
pokes		1	0
one forrest Bill one hanger one dagger		1	0
4 chistes		13	4
in shelves		1	0
in money		12	10
11 silver spoones	2	0	0
in bottons		3	0
one dole in the longshutt	2	0	0
one chist a payre of scales and shelve		9	0
one chist one cupboard		12	0
in wooden ware		10	0
2 boakes		1	6
a halfe hoope a pecke and a halfe pecke		1	6
a table and a Coffe in the house		5	0
in meale and groates	1	16	0
one Bible		8	0
7 Quushions		7	0
6 stooles		1	6
in pottle mettall	1	6	0
in other brasse	1	0	0
in Iron ware		10	0
in pewter	1	0	0
in odd refuse stuffe		4	0
in beefe butter and cheese		10	0
in fuell		10	0
one bedsted one Feather bedd one chaffe			
bedd one boulder one pillowe and a			
pillowe beere 2 blankettes 2 coverletes			
and a payre of sheetes a Legacie given			
in the will	2	0	0
A packe saddle wantall and overley		4	0

in flaxe halfe a stone		5	0
the deceadentes apparrell	2	10	0
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	[Sum	55	2 0]

debtes owing to the deceadent as followeth

by Tho: Mellor	5	0	0
by Nicholas Haughton	4	10	0
by Alexander Allen		7	0
by John Bradbury		12	0
by Tho: Neill	9	0	0
by Peter Heyes	2	0	0
by Hugh Wyld		10	0
by Tho: Symkyn		4	0
by Raph Bradley for the hyre of a Cowe		6	8
by Roberte Reddich		8	8
by Richard Shawall		10	0
by Edward Garnett	2	13	4
by Edward Ryle	1	0	0
by Edward Garnett		4	4
by Peter Skelhorne		2	8
by William Whitackers		14	0
by Alexander Allen		7	0
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	[Sum	28	9 8]
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	[Sum	83	11 8]

Office endorsement: probate to executrix.

83. THOMAS BEELEY OF STOCKPORT, YEOMAN. S. Pr. 10 May 1633.
Will, the unprofitable servant of God weake in bodie but stronge in mynd.
W.T. 6 March 1632/3.

In the first place commennd my soule into the handes of Almightye god my maker hopeing assuredlie through the onely merrittes of Jesus Christ my saviour to bee made partaker of lyfe everlastinge And I doe alsoe commennd my bodie to the earth whereof it is made, to bee buried in a solemme and decent manner And concerneinge that temperall estate that god of his goodnes and mercie hath afforded mee beinge myndfull to dispose of the same accordinge as in dutie conscience and naturall affection I am bound my will and mynd is, and I doe give, bequeath and dispose thereof as followeth Firste I give and bequeath unto

Mr. John Sutton, and Mr. Thomas Normansell, preachers of gods holie word the summe of Twentie shillings to be devided betwixt them, And I doe intreate the said Mr. Normansell to preach at my funerall Item my will and mynd is that the debtes which I doe owe, the said Twentie shillings formerly bequeathed, my funerall expences, and the Charges of the probacion of this my will and Testament shalbee deducted and paid forth of my whole goodes Item, I doe give and bequeath unto my two sonnes Thomas and William all my estate, tytle, terme, tenanntright, and demannnd of in and to all that and those the Mesuage, Cottage and Tenement scituate, lyinge and beinge in a Certen streete in Stockport aforesaid there called the Churchgate nowe or late in the occupacion of Anne Rushton widowe and, of, in, and to, all houses, buildinges, garden, and backsyde thereunto belonginge with thappertannces equally to bee devided betwixt them And I doe also give and bequeath unto my said sonnes in like manner to bee devided betwixt them, All those goodes houshold stuffes and ymplementes of houshold stuffe nowe beinge and remayneinge in or about the said Mesuage, Cottage, or Tenement nowe alsoe in the possession of the said Anne which I did heretofore buy of and from the said Thomas Normansell which goods where heretofore the goods of Stephan Rushton late of Stockport aforesaid hosier deceased. Alwaies provided, that it shall and may bee lawfull to and for the said Anne Rushton for her onelie use and not otherwise to have and enjoy the said Mesuage Cottage, Tenement garden, backsyde, goodes houshold stuffes and ymplementes of houshold stuffe and premisses thereunto belonginge (one stable, and hayhouse thereof excepted) For and dureing her naturall lyfe Item all the rest and residue of my goodes, moveable, and ymmoveable, Cattells, Chattells debtes with specialtie and without specialtie, Tackes of groundes and houshold stuffe and all other my goodes of what nature, sorte, or Condicion soever they bee (not formerlie, in or by these presentes lymitted, given or bequeathed[]) I doe give and bequeath as followeth That is to saie, I doe give and bequeath unto Alice my wyfe One third parte thereof (to bee devided into three equall partes) and the other two partes thereof I doe give and bequeath to the said Thomas and William my sonnes, and Beatrice my daughter to bee equally and indifferentlie devided and proportioned amongst them my said three Children Item my will, and mynd is, that Alice my said wyfe (in case the said Beatrice my daughter shall happen to marrie, by and with the consent, privitie, approbacion and good likeinge of the said Alice []) That then shee the said Alice (accordinge as her faithfull promise hath beene, and nowe is to mee, notwithstandinge any thinge herein formerlie mencioned to bee given or bequeathed) shall and will within the space of two yeares next after such my said daughters marriage (by and with her mothers consent, as aforesaid) pay forth and out of the said Alice her owne third parte of my said goodes, Cattells, Chattells, tackes of ground and debtes (herein left and bequeathed unto the said Alice) the summe of Thirtie poundes, unto, or to the use, of the said Beatrice (yf the same Beatrice shalbee then liveinge) for her further and better preferment and advanncement. And yf any of my said children happen to dye before hee, shee, or they have received their porcion or

porcions herein bequeathed unto them (not haveinge any Child lawfully issued, or issueinge then livinge, or thereafter to bee liveinge, Then I will that soemuch of his, her, or their porcion soe dyeinge, as shall happen to bee unpaid at the tyme of his, her or their death shalbee paid unto the rest of my child, or children surviveinge And it is my will and mynd that Alice my said wyfe shall have the Tuicion both of my said children and their severall porcions herein given and bequeathed unto them (hopeinge that shee will endeavor to educate them in the feare of god and by all her industrie labour to putt forth their said porcions to their most proffitt and Advantage.[])

Executrix: testator's wife Alice.

Supervisors: my worthie good frennd Hamnett Hyde Esquier and my brother in lawe William Taylier. [Testator has] hereunto subscribed my name and putt my seale.

Witness: Nicholas Brooke [other witnesses' names damaged].
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Inventory of Thomas Beeley of Stockport, yeoman.

Taken: 23 March 1632/3.

Of: goods cattels and chattels.

Prisers: William Taylior, John Sydebothom, Robert Marsland (mark), and Edward Allen.

	£	s	d
In his apparell and ready money	11	0	0
Two kyne	6	0	0
Six swyne	4	0	0
In Corne at Thomas Nicholsons threshed and unthreshed	3	10	0
In Mault and Corne in the seller	16	0	0
In a tacke of ground from Geo. Bowrehouse	24	0	0
In Hay		9	0
In Pewter	5	0	0
In Brasse	3	0	0
one standing bed in the parler with it furniture	5	0	0
One bed and it furniture over the house	5	0	0
one bed in the chamber over the parler and it furniture	5	0	0
Six sett Cushens	1	0	0
in 7 Cushens more		8	0
10 buffet stooles		10	0
11 Cheares and stooles		5	6
one table and forme in the house		10	0
Two little Tables		3	0

One Cupboard	16	0	
Two Cheasts	16	0	
Five Chests at 4s a peece	1	0	0
One trunck and two boxes		4	0
Two tables and two Formes in the kitchin chamber		5	0
In Barrels baskets tubbs measures and sives in the sellar	2	0	0
In Baskets potts glasses and kanns in the great buttrey		5	0
In Trien Ware and tubbs and potts in the little buttrey		12	0
One Fornace and grates belonging to it	2	0	0
Three Leades		8	0
In Wooden Ware in the kitchen		10	0
Two swyne trowes		2	0
In Iron Ware		16	0
In Bookes	1	0	0
In Beefe and Bacon	2	10	0
In Butter and Cheese		4	0
In seven paire of sheets	2	4	0
In 10 paire more	4	0	0
in two paire more	1	0	0
In one paire more	1	0	0
in one paire more		10	0
In board cloaths and napkins	1	6	0
In pillowe beeres	1	0	0
In one sadle		6	0
Two swords [<i>interlined</i> : and a dagger]		15	0
In three silver spoones		14	0
In goodes of severall sorts in Anne Rushtons house	5	0	0
in boards and other od stuffe there		5	0
In Drinke	1	0	0
One other bed in the chamber over the parler and it furniture	3	0	0
In Debts with specialtie	264	14	8
In Debts without specialtie	39	8	7
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Sum	430	6	9

[Copy signatures and mark of prisers at end of inventory.]

Office endorsement: probate to executors.

84. THOMAS ANDREW OF STOCKPORT, WOOLLEN DRAPER.

S. Pr. 10 [?12] December 1634.

Will: parchment. Health: sicke in bodie.

W.T. 18 April 1634.

Knowinge that nothings is more certenn then death nor anything more uncerten then the tyme and hoover there of not minded therefore to dye intestate, but willinge Rathar Aftar the Example of the good Kinge Hezechias to sett my house and goods in ordar to the End that peace and quietnes may bee had and Imbraced amongst my wiff and Childrenn Aftar my decease, doe make and ordeyne this my Last will and Testament in manor and forme followinge Ferst and principally I commend my soule into the handes of Allmightie god my makar and Creator and to his onely begotten sonne Jesus Crist my Saviouer and Redeemar, and to the holie Goste my sanktifier, most humbly beseetchinge the holie blessed and glorioues Trinitie to have mercy uppon my soule and to pardonn and forgive mee all my sines, and for my body I commend the same unto the Erth where of itt was ferst fashioned and to bee buried in Cristian buriall, att the discretion of my Executors heare Aftar named, unfaynedlie beliveinge that the same att the last daye shall Ryse agayne A gloryowes and ymortall bodie and be made partakar with the Saintes and Elect in the Kingdome of Heven as my whole trust and undoubted beeleeve in this behalfe is, and for and Concerninge sutch Temperall goods as god in his mercie hath endowed me with all my will and meind is that aftar all sutch debtes as of Right or in Contiense I owe unto any parson or parsones and my funerall expences [*interlined* : bee] discharged the same shall be disposed of in manor and forme followinge Item. ferst I give and beequeth unto Jone Andrew my welbeeloved wiff one therd parte of all my goodes Catteltes Chattelles whatsoever as well quick as dead of what nature sorte kind quallity or Conditionn soe Evar the[y] bee Item I give and beequeth unto my soonn Richard Andrew the sum of three score and tenn pounds and I give to my doughtar Ann Andrew the sum of three score pounds to bee disposed of by my Exequetors for ther good till the[y] Come to preferment and Itam for All the Rest of my goods Catteltes and Chatelles whatsoever not formarly givenn I give and beequeth unto all my Childrenn Thomas Andrew my Eldest Sonn Excepted that is to say to John Andrew and Richard Andrew my too sones and to Alles Whittingetonn and to Ellin Newtonn and to Ann Andrew my three doughtars Equally to bee devided Amongest them five, Itam I doe give and Asine unto my wiff Jone Andrew my howse and grownd beelonginge to the Recktory of Stoppard paynge sutch Rent as thearunto beelonge witch is 20d A yeare keepinge her sole and unmarried as longe as shee lives and Aftar her deseace I give itt to my sonn Thomas Andrew and to the Eres of his body lawfully beegottenn and for want of sutch Eres to John Andrew my sonn and to his Eres lawfully beegottenn and for want of shuch Eres to Richard Andrew my sonn and his Eres lawfully beegottenn allso I doe give unto my wiff the barne paynge foure pense A yeare Rent provoyded that iff shee mary itt goe to my sonn Thomas, and for that Intrest I have in the houses onn the tope of the hill I doe Asine and give unto my wiff duringe her life keepinge her sole

unmartyed and Aftar her deſeaſe or mariage I give bradlyes howſe to Mr. William Whittingtonn and his wife during ther lives and Aftar ther decaſe to the Eres of her body lawfully beegotten payinge too ſhilinges A year Rent and for want of ſhuch Eres I give my whole Intreſt unto Thomas Newtonn my god Child and alſoe for the tooe howſes theare Ajoyninge I give unto my god Child Thomas Newtonn Aftar the death or maryage of my wiff and the Intreſt theare for Evar duringe my terme, Item I give unto my ſiſtar Margret Adshed a twenty ſhilinge peeſe of gould, Itam I giv unto John Adshed her ſonn the ſum that hee owes mee what Evar itt bee and to all the Reſt of her Childrenn tooe ſhilinges ſixpens Apeeſe Item I give to Every god Child ſixe penſe Apeeſe, Item I give unto my ſonn Thomas Andrew the bedſtid in the parlar [*interlined*: and the cobard in the buttery].

Executors: teſtator's ſon-in-law George Newtonn and teſtator's ſon John Andrew. H & S. Teſtator's ſignature at foot.

Witnesses: Pronounſt in the witneſ of Gerard Heyes¹ and Robert Fallowes.

1. If this is the original will, Heyes appears to indicate that he wrote the will.

Inventory: Thomas Andrewe of Stockport, woollen draper.

Taken: 10 November 1634.

Of: goods cattells and chattells.

Prisers: Gerrard Heyes, Reginould Adshead, Thomas Newton, and Robert Fallowes.

	£	s	d
One bay Mare	3	6	8
One Cowe		50	0
One ſwyne		24	0
Oates and Barley	4	6	0
hey		50	0
Two hackney Saddles one pack ſaddle and the furniture thereunto belonginge and the harrowe and forke		12	0
One Shovell and Pickfordes		2	6
the bed above and the Clothes that are above over the Parler		50	0
The Trucle bed in the ſame Chamber with the Clothes		24	0
the Cupboard in the ſame Chamber		5	0
Two Cheſtes and one Table		8	6
the Bed in the Parlor and the Clothes		53	0
the valannces and Curtaynes at the ſame bed		10	0
the Bedſteed in the Parlor		18	0
The table in the Parlor		8	0

the table, the Coveringe and two Cushions	5	0
Two Covered Cheares and one stoole	8	0
the bed above over the howse	45	0
two Chestes in that Chamber	8	0
one Close stoole, one forme, one tubb and one stoole	3	0
One bed in the Kitchin Chamber one Chest and other Odd things	26	0
in the Kitchin, one Chest, two turnells and other odd things	10	0
in the howse Three Tables	10	0
Five Cheares	6	0
Stooles in the howse	3	0
Neene Cushions	8	0
Fower Bookes	8	0
in Iron ware	13	0
in Pott brasse	50	0
One Brasse Bassen in the howse	4	0
in pann Brasse	8	0
One Lead	2	0
in Earthen ware		20
Three score and three pounds of pewter at 10d per lb.	52	6
in Cheese	5	0
in wooden ware	14	0
in glasses		12
Two silver spoones	14	0
one Cupbord in the Buttrie	6	8
in Lynners	5	10 0
the Boards in the Barne and one Barrowe	6	8
One Ladder	2	0
in Slate and mucke	5	0
in Coales and wood and other implementes	10	0
in Gresse [?]	2	0
his apparell	3	0 0
All the wares and goods in the shopp	328	17 10

Sum 383 13 8

debtes due to the testator by specialties

Leonard Houseman	3	4	9
Alexander [?] Coparacke		40	0
Renold Bowden	6	10	0
Leonard Kelsall	28	4	7

John Davenport de Woodford	6	7	10
William Davenport de Poynton	10	12	0
William Sydebothom	5	2	8
[?]Mr Richard Warren	5	19	4
William Hyde	3	0	0
George Sandars		26	8
William Jackson	3	10	0
John Gredley		34	0
Mr Lawrence Wright	28	16	0

Sum	106	7	10
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more in readie money

Sum	490	1	6
	6	2	0

[Sum 496 3 6]

85. THOMAS HIGHAME OF STOCKPORT.

S. Pr. 15 January 1635/6.

Inventory of: goods, Catteltes and Chattelles.

Taken: 4 December 1635.

Prisers: Godfray Heronn, Hughe Daniell, Robart Cheadelle, John Wharmbie, and Thomas Bowker.

	£	s	d
eighte horssees with their			
saddles And other furniture	28 ¹	0	0
four Coultts	15	0	0
five kowes and A sterke	16	10	0
twelve sheepe	2	8	0
in Corne And strawe	5	0	0
in haye	6	0	0
two swyne	1	0	0
in pullenn		3	0
in fewell	1	0	0
in menore		10	0
in walleing stone		4	0
in candelles		2	6
in cheesse	1	3	4
cupbordes and tabelles ²	2	8	0
Chaires and stoolles ²	0 ¹	14	0
cuishons ²		9	0
brasse ²	1	12	0

iron warre ²	1	0	0
in yarne		5	0
in sackes sives and measures		18	0
2 spining wheelles		2	0
one fornace and 2 leades	1	0	0
in treinne warre	2	0	0
in pewter	3	5	0
in Arkes and cofferes	1	10	0
in bedsteades and curtaines	3	3	0
one Cadalle and 8 coverlettes	2	9	0
in chaffe bedes and Blankettes	1 ¹	16	0
[interlined: in] fetherbedes, pillowes and boulsters	3	4	0
3 tabell coveringes	0 ¹	6	0
in lynens	4	18	0
in Aparell	6	9	8
in tackes of ground	27	5	0
in debtes	20 ¹	0	0
[change of hand] Sum £161 – 14s – 6d			

1. Figures have been altered or blotted. Addition correct for figures as given by editors.
2. The first words of these lines, presumably 'Item in', have been torn away.

Office endorsement: administration to Anna Higham, widow and relict of deceased.

86. WILLIAM BRADLEY OF STOCKPORT, YEOMAN.

S.Pr. 3 February 1636/7.

Will, good and perfect health.

W.T. 17 January 1636/7.

And knowinge that nothings is more certayne then death, nor anythings more uncertayne then the hower thereof Not willinge therfore to dye Intestate but minded rather after the example of the good Kinge Ezechiah to set my house and goodes in order in my lifetime to the end that peace and quyettesse may be had and embraced amongst my surviving friends after my decease doe therfore make and ordayne this my last will and Testament in manner and forme followinge. First and Principally I commend my sowle into the handes of Almighty God my Creator and maker hopinge stedfastly in and through the meritts and mediation of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to receive mercy and pardon of all my sinnes. And for my bodie I commend the same unto the earth whereof it was first framed unfainedly beleevinge that the same att the last day shall rise agayne a glorious and Immortall body and be partaker with the Saints and Elect in the Kingdome of Heaven. And after my funerall expences beinge defrayed I give and bequeath my goods Cattels and Chattels in manner and

forme following Item [*interlined*: I give] and bequeath Assigne and sett over unto my sonne John Bradley all my estate of Inheritance which by Deede I have formerly given unto him viz the Moyetie or one halfe thereof and the other Moyetie or one halfe thereof I give bequeath Assigne and sett over unto Ellen Bradley my Wife during her Naturall life, and the Remainder thereof after her decease unto the said John Bradley my sonne. Item I give bequeath Assigne and sett over unto Ellen Bradley aforesaid my Wife all that Right Title Interest and Tearme of lives or yeares I have of in and unto all that one full Baye of Buildinge with all the proffits easements and Commodities thereunto belonging late taken of Thomas and Henry Harrup of Stockport aforesaid Husbandmen, if the said Ellen so long live. The remainder after her death if she decease before the expiration of Lives or yeares mentioned in a paire of Indentures of Lease made betweene the said Thomas and Henry Harrap and me the said William Bradley bearing date the nine and twentieth daye of July Ano 1630 unto Ellen Preistnall my daughter wife of Thomas Prestnall of Stockport yeoman paying such Rent and performinge all such things as on my part and behalfe are to be performed and are mentioned in the said paire of Indentures. Item I give and bequeath unto my said sonne John Bradley my Bible and all my Bookes, with all the Fire grates throughout every Roome of the House. And finally I give and bequeath unto my said sonne John Bradley Five Shillings of good and lawfull English money in Lieu of his Childe part. Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ellen Preistnall aforesaid the summe of Forty poundes of Lawfull English money which is due unto me from Leonard Houseman of Romiley in the County of Chester aforesaid Gentleman. And also all my personall Estate of goods and Cattels whatsoever after the decease of mee the said William Bradley and Ellen my wife.

Executrixes: testator's wife and daughter.

Overseer: James Grantham of Stockport, yeoman. H. and S., mark of testator.

Witnesses: [with interlineation noted] John Pristnall [mark], Thomas Harroppe [signed], William Davenport [signed].

Office endorsement: probate to executors.

87. HUMPHREY HALL OF HEAVILEY, TOWNSHIP OF STOCKPORT, YEOMAN.

S.Pr. 24 May 1637.

Will: [Original will, no statement about health].

W.T. 20 January 1634/5.

First I commend my soule into the handes of Almightye God my heavenlye Father humbly beseeching his Divyne Majestie of his infinite goodnes and mercye throughe the merrittes of his Sonne Jesus Christe to forgive and pardon all my sinnes and to receive the same into his blessed kingdome of heaven And my bodie I committe to Christian buryall assuredly hopinge of the resurreccion

thereof att the end of the worlde to lyfe eternall. Item I doe Give and bequeathe my howse with all the buyldinges landes proffittes priviledges and hereditamentes whatsoever thereunto belonging. Unto my sonne John Hall, and to the heires of his bodie lawfullye begotten or to be begotten, the same John or his heires payinge and satisfyinge unto my two daughters Anne and Katheryne the summe of Twentie and twoe poundes of lawfull money of England, within one yeare next after my decease to be equallie divyded betweene them. And For default of suche issue I do give the same howse landes and premisses unto my daughter Anne and to the heires of her bodie lawfully begotten or to be begotten, the said Anne or her heires payinge and satisfyinge unto my other daughter Katheryne her executors or assignes the summe of Twentie poundes of lawfull money of England within one yeare next after the decease of my said sonne John, and default of issue as afforesaid of the same John. And for default of suche issue of the said Anne I do give and bequeath the same howse landes and premisses Unto my said daughter Katheryne, and to the heirs of her bodye lawfully begotten or to be begotten And for default of such issue to the right heirs of my said sonne John for ever. Provyded alwaies that yt shall and may be lawfull toe and For my saide daughters Anne and Katheryne soe longe as they or either of them severallie and respectively shall remayne unmarried and in good name and fame, to have the little house beneathe and the highe Chamber over the same for her or their owne use but not to sett or lett the same to any other except to such as shalbe in possession of the dwellinge howse. And if default of payment shall happen to be made of any of the saide summes of money contrarye to the tenor and true meaninge of this my will before in that behalf expressed Then my will is that my Executors hereafter named and their assignes shall Imediatly enter and take possession of all the premises and thereof and of all the proffittes thereof stande possessed and interested to the use and behoof of her and them respectively to whom such default of payment shalbe soe made, untill such tyme as due payment shalbe made of the same. Item I do give and bequeathe unto my said sonne John the Cupboard standinge at the dishboard end, the great Cofer standinge under the staires in my Chamber, the third parte of all my beddinge (Except the bedsteades he haveinge bedsteades of his owne) and all my husbandrie weare. Item I do give and bequeathe unto my Lovinge kinsman William Hall 2 s. And to my Lovinge neighbour and deere Frend Lawrence Davenport 2 s. And to Everie one to whom I am godfather 12 d. And out of all the rest and residue of my goodes my will and mynde is that my debtes and funerall Expenses shalbe paide and discharged And after the payment and discharge of my debtes funerall expenses and legacies before mentioned I do give and bequeathe all the then rest and residue of my goodes Cattells and Chattells of what name nature or condicion soever Unto my said two daughters Anne and Katheryne to be Equallie devyded betweene them.

Executors: testator's said Lovinge neighbours and Frenes Lawrence Davenport and William Hall. H. & S. Testator's mark.

[On reverse of will]

Memorandum That before the sealinge hereof the within named testator did give will and bequeath unto the within named John Hall his sonne, the Fyer grate, the great turnell and the kneade troughe to remayne as heire loomes at the howse within menctioned And then theise presentes beinge by the said testator acknowledged to be his last will and testament was by him sealed and delivered to Wm. Hall one of the executors within named in the presence of us

Witnesses: Richard Browne his markes [*sic* i.e. R B], Nicholas Tayler [mark], Raphe Brocke [signed].

Inventory: Humphrey Hall of Stockport, Taylor.

[No date taken, see office endorsement].

Of: goodes, Cattells and Chattells.

Prisers: Hughe Daniell, Richard Fallowes, John Davenport, and Humphrey Hall.

	£	s	d
One Bed, one Bolster, one Coverlid, and one paire of sheets		36	8
in Coffers and one strawe Baskett		5	0
in Chaires		2	0
in Apparell		36	0
in money		3	0
due by bond from William Torkinton	60	0	0
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	[Sum]	64	2 8

Exhibited.

Office endorsement: executors renounced: George Green appointed executor. Commission for administration to be returned by June next.

88. NICHOLAUS BROOKE OF STOCKPORT, YEOMAN.

S.Pr. 7 August 1637.

Will, sick.

W.T. 9 March 1636/7.

Knoweing death to bee Certayne to all men and the tyme when uncertayne And beeing willinge to set such thinges in order as god in his mercie hath given mee I doe Constitute ordayne and make this my Testament Contayneinge in it my last will And first I bequeath my soule into the handes of Almighty god my Creator trustinge through his mercie to obtayne salvation onely by and through

the merites of Christ Jesus my redeemer And my body to decent and Christian burial in the parish Church of Stockport At the discretion of my executors And for my Landes and goodes I dispose them as followeth. first I doe give unto Margret my wyfe the one halfe of all my Landes which I have in possession or that I have any estate of reversion in lyeinge and beeing in Levensholme in the countie of Lancaster for and duringe her naturall lyfe And the other halfe of all my sayd landes in Levenshole aforesayd I doe give and bequeath unto Marie my daughter and the issue of her bodie lawfully to bee begotten And also I doe give and bequeath unto Marie my sayd daughter the <first> reversion and inheritance of the first mentionned halfe of all my sayd Landes and to the issue of her bodie lawfully begotten from and after the deceasse of margret my sayd wyfe And in case [erasure] Marie my sayd Daughter dye without issue lawfully begotten Then it is my mynd and will and I doe give and bequeath the one halfe of all my lands formerly given to my sayd daughter to [erasure] my three sisters Anne Margerie and Ellen <and> to bee equally devided amongst them and after <my> there deceasse I doe give and bequeath the sayd last mentioned halfe of my sayd landes to my owne right heyres for ever And it is my mynd and will and I doe give and bequeath the other halfe of my sayd landes given to margret my wyffe for her lyfe to my sayd three sisters Anne margerie and Ellen if they or any of them overlive her in Case my daughter Marrie bee dead without issue of her body lawfully to bee gotten for and dureinge there naturall lives and after the deceasse of my sayd wyffe and my sayd three sisters and of my daughter and the issue of her body lawfully begotten then to my owne right heyres for ever. And whereas I have an estate <of> in one message or burgage scituate and beeing in Stockport afforesayd by vertue of a lease made to mee the sayd Nicholaus Brooke by Geore [sic] Elcoke of Stockport afforesayd for the tearme of foure score years from the day of the date of the sayd lease if I the sayd Nicholaus Brooke Anne Brooke my sister or William Dikenson sonne of Raphe Dickenson of Stockport Linnen draper or any of us shall so longe live And also whereas I have an estate of twentie and one yeares after the end and expiration of the forementioned lease in the sayd message or Burgage by vertue of another lease made unto mee from the foresayd George Elcoke my mynd and will is That margret my wyfe shall have and enjoy the one halfe of the sayd message and Burgage with the appurtenances for so many yeares of the sayd tearmes as shee shall happen to live And the other halfe of the sayd message or Burgage with the appurtenances I doe give and bequeath to my foresayd daughter and if it happen that margret my sayd wyfe departe this lyffe before [the] expiration of the sayd tearmes then I doe give and bequeath the reversion and remaynder of all such estate as is then unexpired in the halfe I have before apoynted to bee enjoyed by my wiffe for so many yeares of the sayd tearmes as shee shall live to my sayd Daughter and after her deceasse to the Issue of her body lawfully [interlined: to bee] begotten And if it happen my sayd Daughter doe departe this lyffe before the expiration of the sayd tearmes without Issue of her body lawfully begotten th[en] I doe give and bequeath the reversion of the sayd estates after the deceasse of my sayd wyffe and of my daughter and the issue of her body

lawfully begotten unto my three sisters Anne, Margerie and Ellen if they or any of them bee liveinge and after there deceasse to my owne right heyres dureinge the remaynder of the tearme afforesayd. onely it is my mynd and will that my wyffe and daughter shall permit and suffer my tow foresayd sisters Anne and Ellen to have and enjoy one litle roun or Chamber in the west end of the sayd Burgage and to repose and dwell in the same so longe as they shall desire so to doe And for and Concerninge all my debtes goodes and Chattels whatsoever and wheresoever my mynd and will is that they shalbee disposed of as followeth first I give and bequeath unto Anne my Sister twentie powndes also I give and bequeath unto to Margerie my sister twentie powndes also I give and bequeath unto to Ellen my sister twentie powndes. And all the rest of my sayd goodes debtes and Chattels after my debtes and funeral expences discharged I doe give and bequeath to margret my wyffe and Marie¹ my sayd daughter to bee equally devided betwixt them.

Executors: testator's wife Margaret, his father in law Thurston Peake of Warrington, and William Bouth of Reditch.

Witnesses: Tho. Normansell, William Dickenson, Edward Harpur.
Mark of testator.

1. 'Marie' inserted in a different ink, in a larger blank space filled up with 'xxx'.

Inventory: Nicholas Brookes of Stockport.

Died¹ 18 March 1636/7.

Of: [illegible] and chattels.

Prisers: John Andrewe, Edward Harpure, John Fearnhead and John Moores.

	£	s	d
all the Linin Cloth	24	6	[?]
All the beddinge and bedsteeds	17	14	[?]
All the Linins	5	0	[?]
All the Pewter	3	7	0
All the Brasse	2	0	0
All the Linnen yarne	4	2	0
All the Quishions	1	6	0
Twoe chistes one trunke and a deske	1	16	0
All the Tables and Formes	1	6	0
All the Stooles and Cheares	1	6	8
All the Cowperie ware, Tryne ware and earthen pottes	1	2	6
In hempe	2	5	0
In Candles Tallowe and waxe		14	9
In Spyces and honnie		18	5

In Threed, sope, starch and hopps	7	10	
One Morter and pestill	10	0	
In Scales and waightes	10	8	
In old pewter, a glass bottell and browne paper	2	10	
All Chistes shilves boxes and such odd thinges in the shopp	1	0	0
One Lead withall the Iron ware	17	4	
Twoe silver spoones and a little Jugge	16	0	
In Timber bordes and all such odd Implementes	1	18	0
One Tacke of ground	2	13	4
One other Tacke of ground	10	0	0 ²
One Mare with a saddle and bridle	3	10	0
All the Corne	7	0	0
All the heye	1	10	0
In Mucke		14	0
All his Apparrell	6	11	0
All the bookes	2	3	0
In money	204	18	0
Receyved in parte of the decedentes debtes of severall persons	18	3	7

Endorsed in Latin: An addition to the inventory was made in the schedule annexed By Thurston Peake one of the executors, 27 September 1641.

Sum 330 4 0³

1. 'Died' rather than 'taken'.
2. This whole line inserted later.
3. It is not easy to reconcile this total.

Piece of paper: Debts Received after the provinge of the will of Niclous Brooke of Stopard Decessed which are to be aded to the inventory of the sayd Niclous Brooke as followeth

	£	s	d
Received of Mr John Brearton	27	0	0
of Mr Ardernes	12	0	0
of Robert Lees		4	6
of Hankinsons wife		3	2
of Dicsons wife		1	4
of Broome wife		2	9
of Margerie Ellar		8	0

of Franches Cotterill	1	6	0
of Garrat Heys		10	0
of Thomas Pristnall		7	0
of Charles Low		14	6
of John Talior		1	8
of Henry Houlme	1	2	0
of John Houlme		3	0
of Roger Wood		2	10
of John Pillmer		9	0
of Elcockes wife		7	0
of Thomas Dickinson	1	0	0
of William Dickinson		10	0
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Sum	46	12	3
[recte	46	12	9]

Endorsed in Latin: submitted by Thurston Peake, executor of Nicolas Brooke, 27 September 1641.

Tuition bond:

C.¹ 7 August 1637.

hand-written in Latin, with English condition.

1. Thurstonne Peak of Warrington, county of Lancaster, linendraper [mark], and
2. George Peak of [illegible], county of Chester, yeoman [signed].

bound in £200 to John, bishop of Chester, for 1. to bring up Marie Brooke, daughter of Nicholas [Brooke], late of Stockport.

Witness: James Moryell [signed].

Office endorsement: probate to Margaret Brooke and Thurston Peake, reserving the rights of William Booth.

1. The bond is in a separate class of probate documents from the will, inventory, and list of debts, and has been linked to them by the present editors.

89. WILLIAM COLLIARE OF STOCKPORT, CHAPMAN.

S. Pr. 20 January 1637/8.

Will, sick.

W.T. 10 November 1637.

Knowing that nothing is more Certaine then Death and being mynded not to dye intestatte do make and ordeaine this my last will And Testament in Maner And forme Followinge. First and principallie I Comend my soule into the handes of

Allmightie god my maker And Redemer Trusting to be saved by the mercie and merittes of Jesus christ my Saviour and the holie ghoste my sanctifier and my bodie to christiann burialle And for thosse Temporall goodes the lord hath givenn mee my mynde and will is that my debtes be paide and my funerall expences discharged out of the same Allsoe my mynde and will is That the rest and Residue of my goodes shalle bee equallie divided betwixte my wiffe Elizabeth Colliare and my sonne Thomas Colliare.

Executors: testator's father-in-law George Hampsonn and testator's wife.

Witnesses: George Parker [signed], and Godfray Heronn [signed].

Debtes owing to the Testatore

	£	s	d
Robert Corkare	10	0	0
Richard Howgille	3	14	0
Richard Percifalle	7	4	0 ¹
Margett Chetam		9	0
Charles Nuttall		15	0
Marget lees		12	0

[Sum 22 14 0]

Testator's mark.

1. Figures altered and blotted, reading uncertain.

Inventory, William Colliare of Stockport, chapman.

Taken: 16 November 1637.

Of: goodes and chattelles.

Prisers: William Sydalle, Godfray Heronn, and George Pagge.

	£	s	d
in pewter	2	3	10
in brasse		15	6
in Ironn Warre		6	8
2 leades		6	0
one cupboarde		19	0
2 litell tabelles 2 tresses and one forme		13	0
2 trunkes 3 coffers 3 boxes and a deske	1	7	0
in tre[?]ne warre		15	10
in earthenn vesselles		4	0
in chairs stooles and quishions		11	0
2 seves and an hower glasse			12
in esse to bowcke with	2	0	0
in yarne	10	10	6

one lome reedes wheelles warping stocke			
bobines and one inckell frame		16	0
a paire of waighes and 4 rathes		2	0
in fewell		18	0
in beding	4	14	0
in bedstockes		10	0
in lynens	4	0	0
in butter and cheesse		14	0
in Candells		1	0
in Aparell	4	14	0
in Debts	24	0	0
in money	13	0	0
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Sum	74	17	4

Office endorsement: probate to executors.

90. HUMPHRAY TURNER OF STOCKPORT, INNKEEPER.

S.Pr. 28 September 1638.

Will: In dei nomine amen, . . . sick.

W.T. 19 September 14 Chas. I [1638].

First and principally I commit and Commend my soule into the handes of allmightie god my maker and preserver hoping in the merites of Jesus Christ his Sonne to be of the number of his Ellect and my bodie to the earth from whence yt was taken. And as touching such worldly goodes as I now have or att the tyme of my death or decease I shall have It is my mynde and will that they shall be disposed of as hereafter followeth. And first and principally yt is my mynd and will that all such debts as I owe of Right or of Conscience to anye person or persons my Funerall expences and legasies hereafter mencioned shallbe taken and payed forth of my whole goodes: And It is my mynd and will and I give and bequeth unto Anne Fearnert wyfe of John Fearnert of macclesfeld my Sister fortie shillinges Item I give and beque[a]th [damaged] Robert [damaged] unckle my white sute of apparrell and allsoe [document damaged: most of two lines lost, in which a bequest was made to Humfraye Scooles. Then two inches or so in from the left margin lost on the next five lines.] [damaged] Prudence Hobson who I am unckle unto the Summe of fyve [damaged] lawefull money of England. Item I give and bequeth unto [damaged] daughter of George Smith who I am unckle unto twentie [damaged] lawefull moneye of England. Item I give and bequeth unto [damaged] daughter of Alexander Matley Tenn shillings of good and [law]efull money of England. Item I give unto John Spouner my servant my Browne sute of apparrell and Ryding Coat graye and one paire of boutes. Item I give unto George Hulme of the lane in Heaton Norres my Cloake and my best bootes. Item I give unto Thomas Percivall who I am unckle unto my Sward.

Item It is my mynd and will and I doe give and bequeath unto everie child whom I am Godfather unto Twelve pence of lawefull money of England. Item I give and bequeath unto Roger Holland and Robert Holland my kinsmen either of them Three shillings foure pence. And for the Rest and Residue of all my goodes debtes Catells and Chattells after my debtes paied my Funerall expences and these my legasies herein contened be truly paid and deducted It is my mynd and will and I give and bequeth the same unto Prudence my wife.

Executrix: testator's wife Prudence. H & S. Testator's mark.

Witnesses: Edward Fell [signed], Hamnet Heawood alias [damaged] [mark].

Inventory: Humfray Turner of Stockport, Innkeeper.

Taken: 27 September 1638.

Of: good [*sic*] Cattells and Debtes.

Prisers: Thomas Percivall, George Bowerhouse, John Bowerhouse, William Fletcher, and Franncis Cooke.

	£	s	d
in all kynd of Linins	5	6	0
in all Bedstieedes and bedinge and furnitur thereto belonging	21	0	0
in Pewter	8	0	0
in Brasse		46	8
in Leades		33	4 ¹
one Cupbord and Presse		50	0
in Tables Formes and Settles	3	0	0
in Chists and Coffers		40	0
one peece of Seeling		10	0
six sett Quisins		9	0
in all othere Cushins		12	0
in Cheres and stooles		11	0
two stoundes and one Keire		20	0
in Barrells		20	0
in Treene Ware		30	0
one Dishbord and shelve		14	0
in Iron Ware		32	0
in Malte and Drincke	3	0	0
in Butter		24	0
in Wheat flower and other		12	0
in Sacks and Poakes		6	0
one knedinge turnell and little Board		2	6
in Bread and Cheese		14	0
in Earth potts and glasses		6	0
one Cliver and one kniffe		3	0

one Lookinge glasse	12	0	
two Halbeardes and one bill	10	0	
in Haye	26	8	
one Mare	5	0	0
one ould Nagge	20	0	
Three Sadles one Brydle Wounteys and overleys	10	0	
Fower Syne ²	5	6	8
one Swynetub and three troughes		2	6
in Fewell		5	0
in his apparell	9	10	0
in Readie Coyne	4	15	6
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	[Sum	88	19 10]

Debtes oweinge to the Testator

John Pycroft by bond	20	0	
James Davenport	1	3	0
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	[Sum	2	3 0]

1. Figure altered.
2. *Sic* [? Swine].

Bond:

28 September 1638.

hand-written in Latin, with English condition.

Prudence Turner of Stockport, widow [mark].

Bound to John, Bishop of Chester in the sum of £200 for her, sole executrix of Humphrey Turner late of Stockport, to administer his goods and chattells.

Witnesses: Tho. Normansell [signed], George Hulme [signed], Thomas Percivall [mark].

Commission: [not transcribed] to Thomas Normansell

28 September 1638, noted as executed by Normansell, 1 October 1638.

Office endorsement: probate to executor. Commission returned [illegible] December 1638.

91. JOHN BOLANDE OF STOCKPORT, MERCER.

S.Pr. 30 June 1639.

Will: beinge in helthe.

W.T. 1 March 1636/7.

Firste and principally I comend my soule into the handes of Almightye God, my Creator stedfastly beleevinge to be saved by the merites of Jesus Christe my Savior and onlie Redeemer and my bodie I Comitt to the earth from whence it came. And touching such temporall goodes and estate which the lord in mercie hath bestowed uppon me, my will and mynd [is] that they shalbe distributed in maner and forme Following. First my mynd and will is that my funerall expences and due debtes shalbe defrayed and discharged out of my whole goodes. Item in regard that Samuell Bolande my Sonne at the tyme of his mariage a boutte three yeaes Since put in to my Stocke to trade with the sume of thertye fowre pound, at which tyme I promiste him if my estate increased to give him the said thertye fowre pound at the tyme of my decease, and Fortye pounce at the deathe of Isabell my wyffe or at the tyme of her mariage, if in casse shee doe marie, whether shall firste Come. In performance and accomplishment of my said promise, and in regard alsoe that by the paines and industrie of my said sonne Samuell my estate is increased, I give and bequeath unto him the sume of the thertye fowre poundes at the tyme of my death to be taken out of my goodes and more Fortye poundes at the tyme of the decease of Isabell my now wife or at the tyme of her mariage whether shall first happen. and I Desyre that the said Izabell my wyfe and the said Samuell my sone may trade together and devide the gayne and [erasure] profit therby obtened betwixt them. <Item I give and bequeath unto [?] Boland my sonne Twelve> [erasure] [*interlined*: Item I give and bequeth unto] my Sone Nathaniell Bolande Twelve pence. Item I give and bequeth unto my Doughter Margerye Jackson Twelve pence Item I give and bequeath to everyeon of my grandchildren that are then Linge at my deathe Twelve pence. Item I give and bequethe to Mr Normansell 10s in hope that hee will preche att my buryall. All the rest of my Goodes cattalls or chattalls whatsoever and wheresoever I give and bequeath unto Izabell Bolande my lovinge wyfe.

Executor: Testator's wife Izabell. H. & S. signed John Boland.

Witnesses: Samuell Boland, Hanna boland, William Garset, and henrie tor-kenton [mark].

Inventory: John Bowland of Stockport, haberdasher.

Taken: 1638 [year only given].

Of: goodes, Cattalles and Chattalles.

Prisers: Gerard Heyes, Thomas Leighe, Thomas Pristnall and Francis Harpur.

	£	s	d
twenty dossen of Course hatt bandes	1	0	0
more in hatt bandes	1	7	0

more in hatt bandes	1	1	0
more in hatt bandes	1	7	0
more in hatt bandes	5	11	6
3 Dossen of Colored hattes	1	13	0
2 Dossen of Coloured hattes	1	4	0
more in Coloured hattes	3	12	4
twenty black hattes	1	0	0
3 dossen and a halfe of black hattes	6	0	0
2 dossen and a halfe of black hattes	3	10	0
3 dossen of black hattes	2	10	8
2 dossen of hattes	3	1	6
15 hattes	2	10	0
10 hattes	1	19	0
9 hattes	2	15	0
22 hattes	3	0	0
16 hattes	3	7	6
31 Coloured hattes	1	16	0
Four score and 2 yardes of Coloured Cotton	3	8	0
more three score yardes of Course Cotton	1	0	0
in lynen Cloath and lynen and woollen	2	10	3
in Coloured sease	4	7	10
in Boulton Fusteon	1	3	0
in buckrem		10	0
in fusteon and boulstringe		10	2
in Stockinges	5	3	4
in French bodyes		15	0
in severall sortes of thread	3	5	6
in Coloured [erasure] silke	3	10	0
in black silke	3	15	0
in slave silke		15	0
in silke garters		13	0
in silke riboninge	4	12	6
in silke tape	3	7	0
in Incle	1	0	0
in buttons Fringe and lace	1	12	0
in pinnes	1	0	0
in Curtain ringes and [illegible]		9	0
in Crules and Cotton tape and broken lace	2	2	0
in small wares	2	2	0
in taffaty	3	2	0
in gloves	1	4	0
in gerdles	1	15	8
in paper leather and other small wares	1	13	0
in beese wax and redd wax		7	0

in Corrance one hundred	2	0	0
in hunney		13	4
in starch		11	6
in spices	5	4	10
in Indigoe and allow	1	16	4
in Soape	3	4	0
in hopps	4	0	0
more in starch	1	6	3
in whalle bone and other thinges	1	1	2
in Bolarmoniall brimston hookes and eyes and other small wares	1	0	6
in aquavity wooll and quick silver	1	4	0
16 dossen of Candles	3	0	0
in Cordinge, scales and other wayghtes with a lookeinge glasse	1	5	0
in boxes, Chestes and trunkes and such lyke	3	10	0
for 2 kine	7	6	8
for a nagg	4	0	0
13 load of haye	6	10	0
in wheat and Rye	1	10	0
halfe hundred of Cheese		10	0
one standinge bedd with it furniture	3	10	0
one bedd with it furniture	3	0	0
one other bedd with it furniture	2	0	0
[damaged] other bedd with it furniture	1	0	0
[damaged] table, 3 Chestes, a truncke	1	10	0
[damaged]	5	0	0
[damaged]		10	0
[damaged]		16	0 ¹
[new sheet]			
a table, Chaires and stooles	1	0	0
2 arkes and borrdes	1	5	0
in yearne, and other Implementes	1	0	0
in wooden ware	1	12	0
in pewter	3	7	0
brasse pottes	2	8	0
a Jack and Iron ware	1	6	0
Skellettes and a kettle		5	0
for a Cuppboard a twist wheele saddles and other Implements	2	0	0
in money	7	9	0
a beaker and 3 silver spoones	3	0	0
in good debtes	8	0	0
in desperate debtes		[blank]	

2 bybles with other bookes
his wearinge apparell

	13	4
5	0	0

1. It is not clear whether the sheet ends here, or whether more of the inventory has been lost.

Office endorsement: probate to executors.

92. HENRIE WRIGHT, ONE OF THE YOUNGER SONS OF LAWRENCE WRIGHT OF OFFERTON, GENTLEMAN.

S. INV. 26 May 1640.¹

Will, [no statement about health].

W.T. 9 April 1640.

And consideringe with my selfe, that nothings is more certaine then death, nor any thinge more uncertaine then the tyme thereof. And myndinge to bestowe such transitorye thinges as it hath pleased god to endowe me withall in this present lief, doe ordeine and make this my Last will and Testament in manner and Forme Followinge. First and above all thinges I Commend my soule into the handes of Allmighty god, assuredlie trustinge that by the Merrittes, and bloodsheddinge of Jesus Christ and my faith in him, I shalbe one of those that shalbe saved, And my bodie I Commend unto the earth whereof it was made to be buried, where it shall seeme best to my Executors hereafter named. Item I give and bequeath unto my brother Lawrence Tenn shillinges in gould, Item I give and bequeath to my Executors the some of one Hundred Poundes, Upon Especiall trust and Confidence, and to and for the use, benefitt, and behoofe of my brother Thomas for the obtayninge of some Rent Chardge or Annuitie yearelie out of some Landes for and duringe the Naturall Lief of him the said Thomas. Item I give and bequeath unto my said brother Thomas two of my best suites of Apparell, my best Cloake, my best hatt, and one sword with a Close hilt Item my Will and mynd is that if ytt happen my brother Thomas dye, before the Moneyes given him by theise presentes be laid out for his use, shalbe equally devided betwixt theise persons. To witt to my loveinge Cosen Richard Wright sonne of Roger Wright in the high towne in Wich Malbanke in the Countie aforesaid gentleman. My brother Edward, And my two sisters Margaret, and Elizabeth. Item I give and bequeath unto my Executors one bond of Sixtie poundes, for the payment Of twentie eight poundes, tenn shillinges, and Nine pence, bearinge date the tenth day of May 1638. wherein Peter Radcliffe, and Thomas Goddard are become bound unto mee, As alsoe one bond of Fortie poundes, for the payment of Twentie Poundes, wherein Lawrence Wright aforesaid, and Edward Wright are become bound unto the aforesaid Peter Radcliffe, which bond of Fortie poundes is assigned over unto mee by the said Peeter Radcliffe, upon especiall trust and confidence, and to and for the use behoofe and benefitt of my sister Margaret aforesaid wief to the aforesaid Peeter Radcliffe. And if it happen that this Twentie poundes be paid unto mee in my lief tyme Then and in that Case, I give unto my Executors twentie poundes

to be taken out of my estate, upon trust and Confidence to and for the use and behoofe of the said Margaret. Item I give and bequeath unto my said Executors Fiftie poundes more, upon Like trust and Confidence to and for the use [*interlined: and behoof*] of the said Margaret. Item I give and bequeath unto my said sister Margaret one Byble with a green cover of clothe; One Seeled Preesse without any goodes in itt, standinge in the house of Joyse Chapman in the Barkers street in Wich Malbanke aforesaid, and one Livery Cubbord standinge in my fathers bricke buildinges in the said Barkers street before mencioned. Item I give unto my brother Edward, the some of Thirtie poundes to be paid unto him by foure a yeare [*sic*], And I doe remitt unto him all such somes of money as hee oweth unto mee in any manner of waies. Item I give and bequeath unto my Cosen John Bradshaw Twentie poundes, One Quilte for a bedd lyinge in A Firr Chest in the house of Joyse Chapman aforesaid Item I give and bequeath unto my Cosen John Ward, and unto my brother-in Lawe James Taylor of Gorton in the Countie of Lancaster yeoman, the somme of one hundred poundes, upon especiall trust and Confidence and to and for the use behoofe and benefitt of my said sister Elizabeth, for the obtayninge and procuringe of some rent Chardge, or Annuitie yearlie, out of some lands, for and duringe the Naturall Liefe of the said Elizabeth. Item my will and mynd is, That if itt happen my said sister Elizabeth to dye, before the moneyes be Laid out as aforesaid, Then, and in that case, I give and bequeath the said hundred poundes, unto the said John Ward, and James Taylor, upon like trust and Confidence and to and for the behoofe and benefitt of the issue of John Rowbothom begotten upon the bodie of the said Elizabeth. Item I give and bequeath unto my sister Elizabeth one Byble with a small print, One feather Bedd and Woolbedd on which I lye. One boulster, two pillowes, One greene Rugg, One red blanchett, and one sheete of Linnen and Woollen. Item I give and bequeath unto my sister Margaret the other bedd, with the rest of the beddinge, I have in my house (exceptinge two Blanchettes) Item I give and bequeath unto my said two sisters, Margaret, and Elizabeth all such wearinge Lynnens in one Truncke, with some other thinges in the said Truncke, to be devided betwixt them. Item I give and bequeath unto my said brother Thomas, and my sister Elizabeth aforesaid, all my Lynnens and Naperie in one truncke which standes in the Presse at the howse of Joyse Chapman aforesaid. (exceptinge one paire of sheetes, and two pillowbeers, which are my Fathers) and have a note pinned upon them. Item I give and bequeath unto my loveinge cosen Thomas Wilbraham one gould ringe worth Twentie shillings. Item I give and bequeath unto my loveinge Cosen Henrie Harpur of the Cittie of Chester one guilt silver boule with a Cover, which hath Wrightes Coate of Armes ingraven upon itt. Item I give and bequeath unto my Cosen Martha Harpur wief to the aforesaid Henrie Harpur, one of my gould Ringes of Gouldsmiths worke. Item I give and bequeath unto my Cosen Roger Wright aforesaid Tenn shillings in gould. Item I give and bequeath unto my Cosen James Bullen Tenn shillings in gould. Item I give and bequeath unto my Cosen Richard Wright aforesaid Tenne poundes, One booke called Mr Pirkins workes; One of my

silver Kannes, One bedsted in his fathers howse, One other beddsted Varnished with yellowe, and a canopie, One Woolbedd both in the bricke buildinge in the Barkers street aforesaid, One yellowe blanchett in the keepinge of Joyse Chapman aforesaid. Two yellowe painted Curtaines of Searge, and yellowe Vallence of Silke, lyinge in the great Firr Chest before mentioned. Item I give and bequeath unto my said Cosen Richard the said Firr Chest without any goodes in itt. Item I doe remitt unto my said Cosen Richard Wright all such debtes and sommes of money as hee oweth unto mee. Item I give and bequeath unto my endeared, and well approved freinds Robert Burroughes, sonne of Thomas Burroughes of Wich Malbanke aforesaid Tenn poundes, and one Booke called Calvin his Institucions. Item I give and bequeath unto my Cosen Elizabeth Stone daughter to the aforesaid Roger Wright twentie shillings in gould. Item I give and bequeath unto John Wharmeby thelder of Offerton aforesaid Tenn shillings. Item I give and bequeath to Nicholas Knott Tenn shillings. Item. I give and bequeath unto John Wharmeby the younger of Offerton aforesaid Twentie shillings Item. I give and bequeath unto Henrie Smith of Offerton aforesaid Tenn shillings. Item. I give and bequeath unto my loveinge freind Joyse Chapman aforesaid Tenn shillings Item. I give and bequeath unto my Cosen Richard Barker of Wich Malbanke aforesaid Twentie shillings. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Cosen Margaret Cliffe Tenn shillings. Item I give and bequeath unto my Cosen William Cliffe Twentie shillings. Item I give and bequeath unto Randle Gibbons in Welch Rowe in Wich Malbanke aforesaid Fortie shillings. Item, I give and bequeath unto my Cosen William Sallmon Twentie shillings, and all such houshold goods as formerlie I lent unto him. Item I give and bequeath unto Edward Bredburie of Torkinton Tenn shillings. Item I give and bequeath to John Eaton, sonne to Richard Eaton late of Bredbury Twentie shillings. Item. I give and bequeath unto Robert Winington of Stockport Tenn shillings. Item. I give and bequeath unto my brother in Lawe Peter Radcliffe. Twentie shillings and my burdinge peece. Item I give and bequeath unto my brother in Lawe James Taylor Twentie shillings, Item, I give and bequeath unto my brother in Lawe John Rowbothom Twentie shillings. Item I give and bequeath unto my Cosen John Ward aforesaid my Falchin Sword. Item. I give and bequeath unto my Cosen Andrew Ward Twentie shillings; Item I doe remitt unto John Briskoe of Haiughton the somme of three poundes due by bond the Five and twentieth day of March 1640. Item. I give and bequeath unto Mr John Bradshawe my kinseman one great Clocke and a Bell which is in the keepinge and Custodie of his brother Henrie. Item I give and bequeath unto Henrie Barnett Clarke one booke with Expositions of Common places in the Byble, and fiftie shillings in Sillver, Item I give and bequeath unto Frauncis Weldinge servant to my Cosen Henrie Harpur aforesaid Twentie shillings; Item I give and bequeath unto John Wright of Newton Lane in the Countie of Lancaster Chapman Tenn shillings, and one booke called the Soules Conflict. Item. I doe remitt unto Joseph Kennion three poundes due unto mee by three Bills. Item. I doe remitt unto John Pycroft (by one bill due unto mee) Twentie shillings, Item. I give and bequeath unto my loveinge freind William

Booth of Reddich in the County of Lancaster yeoman, twentie shillings. Item. I give and bequeath unto [erasure] Mary Briskoe my servant (if soe bee shee bee my servant at the tyme of my death) Thirtie shillings as a Legacie, and in Consideracion of wages for the tyme shee hath been with mee, Item, I give and bequeath unto John Bowrie Clarke nowe or late of Congleton Twentie shillings; Item I give and bequeath unto my loveinge freind Richard Golborne servant now, or late unto, my Cosen John Bradshawe aforesaid Fortie shillings. Item I give and bequeath unto Samuel Rowe servant to the aforesaid John Bradshawe Tenn shillings. Item I give and bequeath unto my Cosen Katheren Wright wiefie to my Cosen Richard Wright aforesaid, one of my gould Ringes with three Linckes. Item I give and bequeath unto my brother in Lawe James Taylor Tenn poundes, upon trust and Confidence, to and for the use of my two Cosens his daughters, Katherin Taylor, and Ann Taylor; and I doe desire my said brother in lawe that hee will ymprove the same in the honest waye of trade, to the uttmoste of his endeavour. And if either of them dye before shee come to the age of twentie and one yeares, or bee married, the survivor shall have the whole Money. Item. my Will and mynd is, That my Executors shall take out of my estate twentie poundes to defray my Funerall Chardges and expences, And if any be spared, Then my will and mynd is, that the same shalbe made upp Tenn Poundes, and to be distributed amongst the poore Inhabitanes of and within the Parish of Stockport. Item. I give and bequeath unto Thomas Simpkin Clarke of the Parish Church of Stockport Tenn shillings Item. I give and bequeath unto my Executors Fyve poundes, to and for the use of the Poore of Namptwich. Item the rest of all my goodes and Chattells (the some of Twentie and Fyve poundes being paid unto my Cosen Fraunces Fyges due unto her for two severall legacies by the severall Wills and Testamentes of Margarett Slade, and Anne Wright) I give <un>to my Executors, and unto such other persons as I have entrusted mencioned in these presentes, Upon espetiall trust and Confidence to and for the use behoofe and benefitt of my brother Thomas, and my two sisters Margarett and Elizabeth to be disbursed with such other sommes of money, and by such persons to whom I have bequeathed other somes of money by these presents. Besydes that I have bequeathed unto my Executors upon trust.

Executors: testator's welbeloved cosens Henrie Harpur and Richard Wright aforesaid. H & S.

Witnesses: Thomas Pristnall, John Bradley, Nathaniell Wilson, Raph Hartley.

Endorsed: Mr Henry Wrights will.

1. Office endorsement, including any probate date, is illegible. He was buried 25 May 1640 [PR].

List of debts [separate sheet of paper, different hand from will or inventory. See reference at end of inventory to debts. Transcript:]

December
2: 1639

Debts due unto the Testator by speciallie [*sic*]

	£	s	d
by a freind my cosen Henrie Bradshaw	136	7	4
besydes the forbearance thereof for two yeares which ended in September last	[blank]		
by Raphe Cardiffe et aliter	50	0	0
by My father and brother Lawrence two bonds	15	0	0
by Henrie Fenney and others	59	18	7 ¹
by George Ridgway of Offerton	8	8	0 ²
by Briskoe of Haighton	9	0	0
my fathers and my brother Needs bond assigned over to me by my brother Radcliffe	20	0	0
Thomas Newton his foure bonds for	24	0	0
one bill of John Rowbothome for	6	0	0
one bill of Peter Radcliffe for	3	12	³
my Father truely oweth me as appeares by a note of Accompte which is in my writings	24	2	3

What moneyes are due without speciallie is
truely sett downe in my bookes And what
moneyes or goods I have in keppeinge of
freinds which booke is in the greate truncke
in my Chamber.

Moneyes oweinge wherein the Testator stands engaged by Executorshipp

unto my cosen Frances Figges			
upon my Ant Slades will	20	0	0
unto the said partie upon my Aunt Annis will	5	0	0

Vera copia, Thomas Cowper, Notary public.

1. Whole line struck through, and 'Received £59 15s 7d' added in left-hand margin.
2. Whole line struck through, and 'Received' added in left-hand margin.
3. The pence column reads 'od money'.

**Inventory: Henrie Wright of Stockport, one of the younger
sons of Lawrence Wright thelder of Offerton, gentleman.**

Taken: 26 May 1640.

Of: Goods, Cattells, and Chattells.

Prisers: [named at top, signatures and mark at foot] William Grafton, John Wharmeby, Robert Fallowes [all three sign], and Randle Gibbons [mark].

In his Lodging Chamber at Stockport

	£	s	d
One Feather bed, one bolster, one woolbed, with the rest of the Furniture to the said bed, with one Byble, and one deske	6	11	8
One Cloake, dublettes, breeches, one beaverhatt, and one close hilted Sword	4	13	4
One other Byble, one lessor Feather bed, with ytt Furniture	5	0	0
One Little Truncke, one newe Boulster, two round boxes, other Triffles with Fiftene yardes of Narrowe Cloth all	2	2	11
One Truncke with two Lockes, wearinge Apparell, One Falchin sword, and the rest of the goodes therein	6	12	6
In the Linnen Truncke, two kirtles, Wrought Vellvett, Taffetie, all the rest in the said Truncke, and the Truncke itt selfe. all	15	9	2
The lessor Truncke with three quishions of Irishe stitch, and all the rest of the goodes in the said Truncke	1	11	6
The booke of Martirs, and the rest of Bookes in Stockport	4	0	0

In the Lower Chamber, and Buttrie

One Clocke, One suite of ould Armour, one shorte Truncke, and one Iron Box Within the same all	4	5	0
Table Clothes, Napkins, galley pottes, and glasses		12	0
All the pewter, and Tynne ware there		10	8

In the Hall

All the Brasse, Barrells, bottles, and halfe a Firkin of sope	2	14	0
Fire shovell, Tongues, Grate, one burdince peece, quishions, chaires, stooles [interlined: tables] Mapps, and all the rest in the Hall	2	10	6

In Namptwich

Att Randle Gibbons house, one leaders staffe, and other goodes	3	16	10
Att Mr Burroughes house, att Mr Robert Wilkes house, goodes and att William Sallmons house	1	6	2

Att Joyse Chapmans house one fruite box, one Wainsecott presse, and all the goodes in the said Presse	5	5	4
One Chaire, two stooles, two empty Trunckes, and one olde Chest	1	9	8
One Truncke and all the Naperie in the same	8	15	4
One Iron bound Truncke, and all the Pewter in itt	8	14	6
One longe Chest, and all the Curtaines, and Carpettes in itt	2	3	10
One Firr Chest, and all the goodes therein	5	6	4
One Cypresse Chest and all the trenchers and goodes therein		17	6
One Lyverie Cubbord, playinge Tables, and all the rest of the goodes, and Lomber in Chapmans house, Sallmons, and Jellicoes	1	9	0
Rent due at Midsomer next	10	0	0
One Little olde Watch	2	0	0
In gould and silver att Namptwich and Stockport	346	13	3
In Plate, Ringes and Jewells	28	11	2
In Bondes and Spetiallties accordinge to a note annexed by the Testator to his will	263	19	4 ¹
One other bond founde amongst his wrytinges of	10	0	0
But howe much paid of theaforesaid Spetiallties, or what is remayninge due wee knowe nott			

The totall Sume comes to aboute² 757 1 6

In other Spetiallies, All which are remitted to diverse Legaties by his Will, save onely one bond of six pound due to the Testator for the use of his uncle Roger Wright	47	17	9
In desperate or doubtfull debtes aboute	39	0	0

[Sum 843 19 3]

William Grafton [signed].
[damaged] Wharmbie [signed].

Robert Fallowes [signed].
 Randle Gibbons [mark].

1. This may be a reference to the list of debts transcribed above, but, if so, we cannot reconcile this total with the total of the debt list (net or gross).
2. Our addition totals £756 19s 6d.

93. JAMES HOBSON OF SHAWE HEATH IN THE PARISH OF STOCKPORT, YEOMAN.

S. Pr. 13 March 1640/1.

Inventory of: goods and chattells.

Taken: 23 September 1640.

Prisers: Roger Massye, George Jones, John Astle, and John Browne.

	£	s	d
Three mares and Two younge fillies	17	0	0
Foure kyne 1 heifer and 5 younge beastes	22	0	0
In Sheepe	4	6	8
In corne	26	0	0
In hey	5	0	0
In husbandrie Ware	7	16	6
In Ladders		7	0
In Winnowed corne vizt Wheate Rye barley & pease	1	10	0
In Wooll		6	0
In baskettes wisketts and hopper		5	0
In sakes horse billinges and winnow sheets		8	0
One Lanthorne			8
In Pewter		18	6
In Brasse	2	0	4
In Beddinge	4	15	0
In Linnens and Napery Ware	3	2	0
Six paire of Bedstockes	1	8	0
Six Coffers and 3 Arkes	2	1	8
One cupboard three tables and seiled forme	2	4	0
Twelve Quishens		7	0
In chaires and stooles		3	0
In Presses Shelfes and a little Cupboard		14	0
Treene Ware	1	2	0
Earthen Ware		2	6
[damaged] leades		3	0
[damaged] butter and cheese	1	0	0
[damaged]inge wheeles		3	0
[damaged] grate golberds tongues potthookes potrackes [damaged]		8	0
[fe]well		12	0

[damaged] Swyne	1	0	0
In [damaged] Giese, and hens		6	0
One byble		10	0
three Swyne troughs		1	8
In Mucke	1	0	0
In Readye money	5	9	0
In One debte owinge to him	2	13	0
In Newe clothe		12	0
In his Apparell	6	0	0
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Sum	123	15	6

Endorsed: exhibited.

Office endorsement: inventory exhibited 13 March 1640/1, administration to Isabell Hobson, widow and relict of deceased.

94. THOMAS BURDSELL OF THE CHURCHGATE, STOCKPORT, CLERK, MINISTER OF THE WORD OF GOD.

S. Pr. 24 [?or 27] June 1642.

Will, infirme in Bodie.

W.T. 14 June 17 Chas I, 1641.

Knowing death to be certayne to all, and the houre thereof [*interlined*: unknownen] mea[n]ing that Amitie love and frendshipp and the continuance thereof shalbe and may be had and continued amongst Marie Burdsell my nowe loving wiffe and my kinsfolkes and frendes after my decease. And for the discharging of my Conscience and the perfecting and estating of such Burgages measuages Landes and Tenementes as god hath lent mee to settle and bestowe at my deceasse and for the disposing and distribucion of my other worldlie goodes Cattalls and debtes which god in mercie hath given unto mee, doe make and declare this present Testament contey[n]ing therein my last will in maner and forme following; That is to say First and principally I doe Commend my soule in to the handes of Almightye God my Creator, stedfastly beleeving to be saved by the death and merites of Jesus Christ my Saviour and onely Redeemer, And my Bodie I Committ to christian Buryall, in such place maner and forme as Marie my said wiffe and frendes shall thinke meete and convenient in due and decent order, Imprimis It is my mynd and Will, and I doe give grannt and Assigne unto Marie Burdsell my said wiffe, all such Rentes as are or shalbe due unto mee, out of my Burgages in Stockport aforesaid, nowe in the Tenure or occupacon of Reynald Hall and Edward Hall, from and Imediately after my decease during the tyme of her naturall life, and the Inheritance of the same Burgage presently after my decease with the same Rentes imediately after the decease of my said wiffe, I doe give will grannt and assigne the same wholie to the yssue and children of Anne Turner late of Wood Plumpton in the Countie of

Lancaster deceased To have and to hould to the same Children (the elder preferred before the younger and the Sonne before the daughter) and to [*interlined: the*] heires of their Bodie lawfully begotten, or to be begotten <for ever> and for want of such yssue then to the Right Heires of mee the said Thomas Burdsell for ever; And it is my mynd and will and I doe hereby charge and appoynt the same Marie my wiffe and the said Child or Children of the said Anne Turner such as shall happen to be my Heire That they grannt a Lease of my said Burgage for the Terme of 21 yeares when the terms [*interlined: already granted*] [*?*]are expired] unto the Children of the late deceased Peeter Whiteley of Stockport lynnyn draper or to some of them the said Child or Children desyring the same, and paying therfore a reasonable Fyne or Composicon unto the said Marie my wife, and my said heire equallye to be devyded betwixt them. And for and concerning my measuage Tenement Closes pastures and parcells of Land which I hold [almost two lines erased] of the Glebe of the Rectorie of Stockport; It is my mynd and will and I give my whole [erasure] Interest and tenantright thereof unto my said wiffe during her na[tu]rall life, and after her decease to the [*interlined: yssue and children of the*] said Anne Turner [erasure] And I hartily disyre my worthie frend and Master Mr Edmund Shallcrosse nowe Rector of Stockport to shewe all loving and kind respect unto my said loving wiffe of which I am very confident, [begins new line] And concerning my personall estate which the Lord hath endued mee withall my will and mynd is that it shalbe disposed of in maner and forme following; First it is my Will that sutch debtes as I owe of right to any person shalbe taken up paid and discharged out of my whole goodes; as alsoe my funerall expenses to be defrayed and paid out of the same; Item I give and bequeath these Legacies vizt to my uncle Olliver Burdsell Twentie shillings; To my Cosen John Ren[sha]we Twentie shillings; To Margaret Cowley of Stockport Twentie shillings; To Ellen dau[damaged] of Stockport widowe Twentie shillings; To Margerie Thorniley my maide Twentie shi[lli]nges; and to ech of my godchildren fyve shillings; Item it is my mynd and will, and I give and bequeath All my Bookes and Librarie unto the Ministers of Stockport for the tyme being for ever, in maner and forme following; That is to say That the same Librarie and Bookes shalbe kept safe by my said wiffe and such as shall hereafter dwell in my house wherein I nowe live; in the little parlor of the same house belowe the Entrie next unto the Streete; to be viewed read and used, the same Ministers onely, soe often as they please to repare unto them; and that a doore shalbe made in the said parlor unto the Churchgate street, and that ech of the said Ministers shall have a seve[ra]l key to open the same doore; and have libertie to come to the same roome and Bookes at their pleasure. All the rest of my goodes cattalls and debtes owing unto me whatsoever and in whose handes soever; I give and bequeath the same unto Marie Burdsell my said welbeloved wiffe.

Executrix: testator's wife Marie. H & S.

Witnesses: Tho. Normansell, Roger Harpur, Francis Harpur [all sign].

Memorandum that [*interlined*: the said] Thomas Burdsell the Testator did upon the 15th day of June 1641; before the wittnesses hereunder named publish express and declare and it is his mynd and will that the fyne and Composicon to be given by the Child or children of Peter Whitely deceased (the elder being preferred before the yonger) for a Lease of the measuage formerly named in this his will shalbe Ten poundes; and it is his mynd and will [*interlined*: that] his wife and heire before named shall accept of the same.

Witnesses: Isaack Allen, Tho Normansell, Roger Harpur
[all sign].

Inventory: Thomas Buerdsell, clerk. Taken: 30 June 1641.

Of: goods cattells and chattels.

Prisers: John Renshaw, Thomas Newton, Robert Marsland, and John Priestnall.

	£	s	d
In the decedents bookes	40	17	10 ¹
In Kyne	10	0	0
In Corne	4	15	0
In Sheepe and wooll	1	4	0
In Swyne		13	4
In Bedinge and bedsteds	9	2	0
In Pewter and brasse	8	1	0
In Iron ware	1	0	0
In Treene ware	1	11	2
In Erthen ware		5	0
In glasses		3	0
In Tables, Formes, Chayres and stooles	2	4	0
In Coffers, boxes, Chests, Trunkes one presse	2	5	0
In Bedeing, Cupboards, one glascase and two wheeles	1	7	0
In Napperie ware and Cushions	4	16	0
In Pullen		3	8
In Bacon		18	0
In Maulte	1	0	0
In Curtaynes	1	10	0
One Clock	1	0	0
In Yarne	1	10	0
In Plate		18	0
One pare of Ballance and two Cushions		5	0
One Screene and staves		3	0
In Menor and Marleheapes lyeing in the lane	3	1	10
In fierwood		2	0
In boardes, bedstaves, one ould Arke, and one stonetrough		16	0

In Rakes, pitchforkes, Cowsoles and other ymplementes		3	0
In the decedents Apparell	13	8	6
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Sum	112	15	8

1. This figure has been altered.

Office endorsement: probate to executors.

95. FRANCIS ROBINSON OF STOCKPORT, ALDERMAN.

S. Pr. 24 August 1642.

Will, somewhatt infirme in Bodie.

W.T. 17 November 17 Chas I, 1641.

First and principallie I Commend my soule into the handes of Almightye God my Creator, stedfastlie beleeving to be saved by the merites of Jesus Christ my savior and onelie Redeemer; And my Bodie I Committ to the earth from whence it came; to be Interred in the church of Stockport soe neare my Ancestors as may conveniently be; at the discrecon of my Executors hereafter named by mee; And concerning such Temporall goodes and estate as the Lord in mercie hath endued mee withall, my will and mynd is, That they shalbe distributed and disposed of in such maner and forme as followeth; Imprimis it is my will and mynd that the due debtes which I shall owe unto anie person or persons at the tyme of my death, and my funerall expences shalbe discharged and defrayed out of my whole goodes; Item I doe give and bequeath unto Anne Robinson my welbeloved wife one whole third parte of all my goodes Cattalls and chattalls whatsoever. Item I give and bequeath unto Alexander Robinson my Eldest Sonne my Gowne and five shillings in Monie; unto Anne his wife fyve shillings and unto Annah his daughter one Ewe sheepe; Item I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Seddon my daughter fyve shillings in full discharge of her childes parte, shee having alreadie received her mariage porcion; Item I give and bequeath unto Anne Seddon and Alice Seddon my Grandchildren eyther of them an Ewe sheepe; Item I give and bequeath unto William Skelhorne my Sonne in lawe and to Margaret his wife my daughter eyther of them five shillings in full satisfaction and discharge of what they can challenge or clayme from mee; they having alreadie received a mariage porcion from mee; Item I give and bequeath unto Anne Skelhorne my Grand child one Ewe sheepe; Item I give and bequeath unto Edward Boardman my Sonne in lawe and to Frances his wife my daughter eyther of them fyve shillings in full satisfaction of what they can challenge or clayme from mee, they having alreadie received from mee a mariage porcon; Item I give and bequeath unto Robert Boardman my Grandchild one Ewe Sheepe; Item I give and bequeath unto John Robinson my seacond Sonne my land lying in Offerton purchased of my sonne in lawe William

Skelhorne accordingly as I have alreadie granted the same unto him the same John by a deed in wryting under my hand and Seale; Item I give and bequeath unto him the said John my Sonne the terme and interest I have of Bridges Tenement in Stockport aforesaid taken from George Parker and Roberte Parker gents accordingly as I have alreadie assigned the said Tenement unto him by a deed in wryting under my hand and seale; Item I give and bequeath unto the said John my sonne one parcell of ground lying in Stockport aforesaid called by the name of Radson Croft accordingly as I have alreadie assigned the same upon him by my deed alsoe in wryting under my hand and seale; Item I give and bequeath unto the said John Robinson my sonne one parcell of ground called the Broomefield being Churchland lying in Stockport aforesaid taken of John Danyell and his mother accordingly and in such maner as I have alreadie passed the same unto him by a deed in wryting under my hand and seale. Item I give and bequeath unto the said John my sonne one doale of Churchland lying in Stockport aforesaid taken of George Newton of Stockport aforesaid thouger¹ Accordinglie as I have alreadie assigned the same unto him the same John in wryting under alsoe [*sic*] my hand and seale; Item I give and bequeath unto the same John my best Cloake; Item I give and bequeath unto Roberte Robinson my youngest sonne the summe of one Hundred poundes to be paid unto him the same Roberte in Three yeares next after my decease out of my landes, accordingly and in such maner as I have alreadie assigned the same upon the said Roberte By a deed in wryting under my hand and Seale before sufficient witnesses; to be used and ymployed [*interlined*: by my Executors] for his best benefite and advantage untill he shall come to the age of one and Twentie yeares or be preferred in Mariage; And if in case the said Roberte shall happen to die before he come to the age of one and Twentie yeares, or before he be preferred in Mariage, then my will and mynd is that the said somme of one Hundred poundes together with such benefite and increase as shall in the Interim be made therof, shalbe equally devyded betweene Martha Robinson and Sarah Robinson my two daughters. Item I give bequeathe the Summe of fyve markes for and towards a stocke to be ymployed and put [*interlined*: forth] for the use and benefite of the poore of Stockport at the discrecon and appoyntment of the Rector of Stockport for the tyme being, the Maior and twoe of the most sufficient Aldermen of the same Towne; Item I give and bequeath unto everie servant that shall live with mee at the tyme of my death three shillings fower pence; Item I give and bequeath unto my true and faythfull frend Reynald Ryle of the Highgreave fortie shillynges; Item all the rest of my goodes cattalls and Chattalls whatsoever and in whose handes soever I give and bequeath the same unto the said Roberte Robinson my sonne Martha Robinson and Sarah Robinson my said daughters equally to be devyded amongst them. And if in case any of them the said Roberte Martha and Sarah shall fortune to departe this life, before he or shee shall accomplish the age of one and Twentie yeares or be preferred in Mariage Then my will and mind is that the Survvyors or Survvyor of them shall have the said Rest and Remaynder of all my said goodes cattalls and Chattalls before menconed.

Executors: testator's wife Anne, and the said Reynald Ryle.

Overseers: testator's trustie and welbeloved frendes Michael Parker and Roger Harpur. H. & S. Signature of Francis Robinson.

Witnesses: Tho: Normansell, Roger Harpur, Francis Harpur.

1. i.e. the younger.

Inventory: Francis Robinsonn of Heaviley. Taken: 11 April 1642.

Of: goods, cattalles and chattelles.

Prisers: Rodger Harper, William Skelhorne, Tho. Shuttleworth, Roberte Marsland.

	£	s	d
Sixe kyne and Calfes	22	0	0
Sixe kyne more	21	0	0
Sixe Calfes of a yeare ould	10	0	0
Sixe younge steeres	26	0	0
Three heafors	9	0	0
Nyne Twinters	16	0	0
one Segge	6	13	4
in Sheepe	19	0	0
Seven Mares and Nagges and one Coulte	38	0	0
in Horse Harnish	2	0	0
in plowes Harrowes plowirons and Swingletrees	3	6	8
in Carttes and Wheelles one weane one paire of Cuttleghes and A Jell	9	3	4
in geares Axes bills wimbobits Chisels [?]sayes wimble braces spockeshaves and a gutteringe [?]pan	1	0	0
in Bucklinge Cheanes Fretts wedges axeltree pinnes one [?]greate Male hooches and Nogges	1	0	0
in Mattockes Shooles and forckes		17	0
in Sawne bords and bases	5	3	4
in Joyces and sparres	2	18	0
in Netherheads and Fellies		14	8
in Lattes		7	0
in Sawne trowes		7	6
in Slate and some other stones		6	0
in grindinge stones		4	0
in Ladders		6	0
in bearinge Barrowes		1	8
in Axeltrees		16	0
fourre paire of Marle Carte wheelles and one sleade		13	4
in fyre wood and Coales	2	10	0

in Corne groweing on the ground	70	0	0
in meanor redie to set on the ground	20	0	0
in speakes plowbeames and Carte staves	3	6	8
in Oates Windowed and Unwindowed	26	0	0
in Barley Windowed and Unwindowed	35	0	0
in Haye and strawe	3	6	8
in Wheate Rye beanes and Pease	3	0	0
four Cart ropes and a Corde for a bed		9	0
one Malte Coffe and a Coffe for meale			
and greats		13	4
in meal and greates		16	0
for two greates [?]garners	1	0	0
for one esse Coffe and Tresse		3	0
four [?]bordes in the [?]Chichen C[h]amber		5	4
in Mesures Wiskets hoppers sives and scattells		8	8
one table on[e] ould Chest two ould stooles			
five strawbasketes one ould straw Cheare		6	6
two hechels two swinglefootes and three wheeles		5	4
two Sittinge wheeles and ould Implements		3	0
in Unwinnes and Barlickes		2	0
in the Chamber over the house five boards one			
trest one ould Arke		3	0
in Woole twentie two stone and a hafe [sic]	10	0	0
in Lambes woole twoo stone		16	0
in Oould Iron Sixe score and ten pounds		10	0
in Barley Twelve hoopess	1	18	0
in Sackes and Window sheetes		9	0
in Pikells		2	0
in shooe shaftes beinge thirtie one and sheldreds			
beinge 22: plow shares beinge: 23: 6: pikells.			
6: Mattock hames [sic]	1	6	0
pewter weighinge a hundred and Eightie pounds	9	0	0
in C[h]amber potts and spoones	6	5	0
in Panne brasse weigeinge sixtie two pounds	2	18	0
in Pottes weighinge two hundred and seven pounds	5	0	0
two Malters [sic] and pestells		6	0
in scellets and ladles weigeinge twentie			
one pound		7	6
in the Parler below one fether bed two bouldsters			
weighing 66 pounds five blankets on[e] chafbed			
a paire of bedstockes and a forme	2	8	0
on[e] other boulder 3 blankets and one pair			
of bedstockes		16	0
on[e] Chiste		3	4

in the parler at the doore beneth on[e] bed two bolsters and one Pillowe weighinge seventie sixe pound one coveringe fore Blanketes Curtaines and Rodes	3	10	4
in the greate parlor one bedd two boulster two Pillowes weighinge 125 pound Curtaines and Iron rods and a chaff bed	4	18	4
the Siled bedstid a truclebed and a siled forme on[e] longe Table two formes too Cheares and sixe little stooles	3	0	0
in the further Chamber on[e] bed two boulsters on[e] pillow weighinge sixtie thre pound 4 blankets on[e] Covering and a C[h]aff bed	2	10	0
one Siled bedd and a Troucle bed	4	10	0
on[e] Table a greene Coveringe and a forme	1	16	4
two Cheares and sixe stooles		13	4
one little presse a twiggen Cheare and a curtain for a window		12	4
in the [<i>interlined</i> : nearer] chamber on[e] bed on[e] boulster on[e] pillow weighing: 1 16.[<i>sic</i>] pounds 4 blankets on[e] Coverlet a Canopie and a troucle bed	12	0	
seven sickles	4	0	0
in the same Chamber on[e] fetherbed two bolsters on[e] pillowe weighinge 102 pound on[e] coverlet: 3 blankets on[e] C[h]aff[e]bed	2	0	
siled bedd Curtaines and rodde	4	5	0
on[e] siled Chiste and three other Coffers	1	0	0
on[e] Presse two deskes a litle boxe and three stooles	1	0	0
on[e] little Table and a Cheare Table	10	0	
one lookinge grasse [<i>sic</i>] and two Brushes	2	0	
one screene one paire [<i>illegible</i>] sheares [?]fyre [<i>illegible</i>] paire of tongues [<i>illegible</i>] in the chamber		3	0
three little Troucle beds in the highest c[h]amber and three stooles without covers	12	0	
the parler above the house on[e] fether bed two boulsters and a pillow weighinge 81 pounds three blankets on[e] Coverlet on[e] chaffbed one little bedstid under the staires	3	3	0
one feather bed two Boulsters on[e] pillow weighinge 100 pounds on[e] Coverlet			

3 blankets a C[h]af[f]bed			
Curtaines and rods	4	8	0
three Chistes in the parler and one Cheares	1	1	0
in the same parler one Cubboard		18	0
one Lookinge glasse		1	0
one paire of gould weights, lether bages,			
linen bages, two paire of Boules			
on[e] Iron rod and a Curtaine for a window		10	0
in the Chamber above one fether bed on[e]			
boulster weighinge Eightie five pound foure			
blankettes and a Troucle bed	2	12	0
thre bestids and furniture for them in the			
same Chamber	4	9	0
in linen Cloath yorne and flaxe	1	13	4
two beds in the stable and furniture for them	1	4	0
three Chistes and two Tables	1	6	8
in Silver Plate	13	0	0
Bakon and Gresse	2	4	0
three paire of hames one paire of nostles			
four shakells and other Implementes		5	0
in Cheeses	1	2	0
one Turnell and a Tub		12	0
in Bookes	2	0	0
in Naperie ware	23	0	0
on[e] longe Table in the house two other			
little Tables foure Cheares and three stooles	1	5	0
on[e] Mape and five Sences		2	6
on[e] Clocke	1	10	0
thirtie five quishens	2	0	0
one Iron grate one paire of twonges on[e]			
fyre shoole in the house on[e] Iron barr			
that goeth over		10	0
three painted dishes and sixe little ones			
glasse bottells and desk and a nest boxe		6	0
one halebeard a pole axe two longe staves			
two greate Pikells and three little bills		10	0
one Padle staffe		1	0
one Croe of Iron		2	0
three dripinge pannes 3 fryinge pannes two			
paire of gobeaes 5 spits tostinge Irons			
gridirons back spitles hackinge knives			
the grate and all Iron ware in the Kichen	2	5	0
one board and a salte Coffe three water			
boards and od tresses and boards		10	0
on[e] ould Cheare and twelve stooles		2	0

on[e] still head		3	4
in wooden ware in the larder: 4 tresses and all other bordes	2	6	8
one knedinge Turnell		4	0
one boyler in the kichen		10	0
in the butterie one warmeinge pan		5	0
one Table and foure stooles		6	6
Eighteene dussin of Trenchers		6	8
in wooden ware and Costrells		5	0
Pottes and glasses		6	0
foure boards baskets and voydiers		5	0
Two greate graters		1	0
in the further butterie in Pottes on[e] baxston one Candlesticke and two paire of snuffers		12	0
in wooden ware	2	0	0
in the Celler two beefe tubes and the Beefe in them	2	18	0
sixe beare barrellse two little standinge barrells one beare frame one Trest and boardes	1	7	0
one paire of weights and leade weighes		5	0
two little boards and three Chistes		10	0
five steepinge keares and a beefe Tubb on[e] beare frame on[e] board to kill a swine on	1	0	0
in Pullen		3	0
two greene Carpitts in the house	1	9	0
three hackney Saddles		5	0
two muskets two pistools with ther furniture	1	0	0
his Apparell	2	10	0
on[e] tacke of ground Called little Horderne	16	10	0
in specialties as shall appeare by Bound	1	0	0
in debts without speciallties	12	8	6
on[e] Tacke of ground of Rodger Massie		14	10
in wheele nathes	3	0	0
		16	0
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	[Sum	567	18 0]

Exhibited.

Bond: [badly damaged; Latin, condition in English]. Records the marks of Anne Robinson, of John Eccleston [?Eccles junior?], and of Robt Eccles.

Witnesses: John Bickerton, Tho. Cowper.

Office endorsement: probate to executor named.

96. EDWARD RYLE, THE ELDER, OF STOCKPORT, YEOMAN.

S. Pr. 20 January 1646/7.

Will, sicke in body.

W.T. 14 August 22 Chas I, 1646.

First and Principally I comend my soule into the handes of Almighty god my make[r] and Creater; Seacondly I c[omen]d my Body to the earth whereof it was First made and Fashioned Trustinge Through the merrittes of Jesus Christ my Saviour that the same shall Rise att the Last Day a glorious and Immortall Body and bee made partaker with his glorious Saintes in his Kingdome of heaven And Thirdly for those wordly [*sic*] goodes Tenementes and Landes which god hath Bestowed upon mee I give and bequeath As followeth: vitz First it is my mynd and will and I [erasure] Give and bequeath unto Robert Ryle my sonne the somme of Fourescoore Poundes of Lawfull money of England To bee paid to him the said Robert Ryle by Edward Ryle junior sonne of mee the Foresaid Edward Ryle thelder forth of my goodes, Landes Tenementes Cattells and Chattells Att what tyme hee the said Robert Ryle my said sonne shall Accomplish and come to the Age of Twentie and One yeares for his preferment; And in the meanetyme, dureinge the minority of him the said Robert Ryle And After the death and decease of mee the said Edward Ryle thelder It is my mynd and will that the said Edward Ryle the yonger shall Allowe unto him the said Robert Ryle forth of my Landes, Tenementes and premisses Sufficient Menteynace Fitt and Convenient for his degree and Callinge; And alsoe it is my mynd and will that when hee the said Robert Ryle is or shall be Bound to bee An Apprentize That then their shalbee taken forth of the said Somme of Fourscoore poundes a sufficient Somme of moneys for the Byndinge of the said Robert [to] be apprentize Item it is my mynd and Will that Edward Ryle Junior my said sonne shall [damaged] [*interlined*: have my Best Bedsteed standing in the parler] one Fowden Board standinge in the house, one paire of [erasure] Gowboardes One great Spitt One Masleine dish and one Masleine salt seller. And alsoe it is my mynd and Will that if it happen [erasure] Anne Ryle my nowe wife Do marry; [erasure] That then shee the said Anne shall have and enjoy all the houseinge beneath the entrey of the dwellinge house of mee the said Edward Ryle Senior (conteyneinge five roome[]).

Executor: testator's nephew Edward Gatley son of Thomas Gatley of Alderley, yeoman.

Item It is my mynd and Will that my debtes and Funerall expences to bee taken <forth> First forth of all and singuler my goodes Landes and Tenementes

whatsoever and the Rest of all my goodes Cattells and Chattells to bee equally devided betweene Anne Ryle my wife and Robt Ryle my said sonne.

Witnesses: Edward Ryle Junior, James Browne, and Thomas Elcock [all signed]. H.& S. Testator signs.

Bond:

20 January 1646/7.

[hand written, in Latin, condition in English].

- (1) Edward Royle of Bothams, yeoman [signed],
- (2) George Hough of Corringham in Co. Chester, gent. [signed],
- (3) Edward Gatley of Neather Oderley, yeoman, [signed].

Bound in £200 to Edward Manwaring, Dr of Laws, principal officer of the consistory court, diocese of Chester, for (1) to administer the estate of Edward Royle late of Bothoms in the parish of Stockport, yeoman.

Witnesses: John Barkley, Tho. Bickerton [both signed].

Office endorsement: Edward Gatley renounced probate to Edward Ryle, junior, son of the deceased.

97. ISABELL BOLAND OF STOCKPORT, WIDOW.

S. Pr. 30 March 1647.

Will, somewhat infirme in Bodie.

W.T. 10 November 18 Chas I, 1642.

I comend my Soule, into the handes of Almighty God; verily beleeving to be saved by the merites of Jesus Christ my Savior and onely Redeemer; and my bodie I committ to the earth from whence it came; And concerning such temporall goodes and estate, which the lord in mercie hath endued mee withall; my will and mynd is that they shalbe disposed of, in maner and forme following And first it is my will and mynde, that my funerall expences and debtes shalbe defrayed and paid out of my whole goodes: Item I give and bequeath unto Nathaniell Boland my sonne, the Summe of Ten poundes if he be living at the tyme Of my decease; and come into the Countrie to receyve the same, within the space of one whole yeare after my death; If not then I give the same Ten poundes unto Margery Jackson my daughter wife of Rondle Jackson; to be paid unto her, immediately after the expiracion Of the said tyme; and to the same Margerie Jackson my said daughter I give and bequeath all my wearing apparell; Item I give and bequeath unto Lidia Jackson my grandchild, daughter of the said Margerie the Summe of fyve poundes; a Byble, one Trunck, one paire of sheetes, and one flaxen sheete; with a lace on the same; one great pewter dish, and two other pewter dishes, marked with the letters M: and B: Item all the rest of my goodes cattalls and Chattells whatsoever and in whose handes soever I give and Bequeath unto Hannah Boland and Marie Boland my grandchildren daughters of Samuell Boland my late Sonne, deceased; And it is my will and

mynd; that my Executors hereafter named, shall shall [sic] have the managing and disposing of the Legacies and giftes herein by mee bequeathed as aforesaid, unto the said Hannah Boland and Marie Boland, to be by them ymployed for their best benefite and advantage; untill they shall severally and respectyvely accomplish the age of one and Twentie yeares or untill they shalbe before preferred in mariage;

Executors: testator's landlord William Barret, alderman of Stockport, and testator's kinsman Gerard Heyes of Stockport.

Overseers: testator's trustie loveing frends Rondle Jackson, Thomas Pristnall testator's son-in-law, and Henrie Rogerson of Stockport woollen draper. H. & S.

I give to my executors, either of them 10s; and to Mr Thomas Normansell 10s; intreating him to preach at my Buryall.

Testator's signature and seal.

Witnesses: Tho. Normansell, Edward Harpur, William Garset.

Commission, in Latin:

5 January 1646/7.

Dr Edmund Mainwaringe, principal officer of the consistory court of Chester, to Thomas Johnson, clerk, Rector of Stockport, Thomas Joynson, clerk, vicar of Prestbury, and Anthony Elcocke, rector of Taxal, to swear the executors named in the will. Gives text of oath in English.

Signed: Edward Morgell, notary public.

Endorsed, in Latin: executed 5 March 1646/7 by Anthony Elcocke.

Office endorsement: probate to executors.

98. ROGER HARPUR OF STOCKPORT, MERCER. S. Pr. 30 October 1648.
Will, in good health. W.T. 3 December 22 Chas I, 1646.

Knowinge that nothings is more certayne then death nor anythings more uncertayne then the hower thereof. Not mynded to dye intestate, But rather willinge after the Example of good kinge Hezekiah to sett my howse and goodes in order, To the end that peace and quyetness may be hadd and continewed amongst my wyfe and Children after my decease do therefore make this my last will and testament in manner and forme Followinge. First and principallye I Commend my Soule into the handes of Almightye God my Creator and to his onelye begotten sonne Jesus Christe my Savyour and Redeemer, and to the Holye Ghoste my Sanctifyer most humbly beseechinge that holie blessed and glorious Trinitye, to have mercye upon mee, and to pardon and forgive mee all my sinnes, And for my bodie I Committe the same unto the Earth (whereof it was att the First Fashioned) and to be buryed in the parishe Churche of Stockport at the discreacion of my Executrix hereafter named, Unfaynedly beleevinge that

the same shall arryse againne att the last day a glorious and Immortall bodie and be made partaker with the Sayntes and Elect in the kingdome of heaven. Item it is my mynde and Will That my debtes and funerall Expences shalbe paid and discharged forth of my whole good cattells and Chattells (Exceptinge the giuftes and legacies hereafter particulerly mencioned) That is to saye I do give and bequeath to my Sonne Edward Harpur One Cupboard in my Buttrye, and one other Cupboard in my Dwellinge howse, The Bedstead wherein I did usually lye in the high Chamber, One other Bedstead in the same highe Chamber, The great table in the great highe Chamber The great stone troughe, The Leade Furnace, The Boyler in the Kitchen, my silver bowle which he now hath, The greater table in the howse, and all such money as he my said sonne Edward shall owe mee at the tyme of my decease, The Bedstead in the Chamber over his shoppe, with the Beddinge and furniture thereof, and all the Wainscote and Sielinge in the howse Parlor and Chambers, Provyded alwaies that Alice now my wyfe if she survyve mee shall have the use and occupacion of all the said goodes and legacies given or bequeathed to my said sonne Edward as aforesaid (Except of such money as he shall owe mee at the tyme of my decease) duringe her naturall lief, Shee leavinge them at the tyme of her decease as good as when she receives them: Item I do give and bequeath unto my Sonne Francis Harpur, my Bedstead in the Milnegate Chamber, The silver kanne, One of the Middlemost silver bowles The smother wyne bowle; Three silver spoones. The Chest Wherein the Linen Napkins have done or doe usuallie lye. One of the greatest brasse pottes that are in use, and the lesser table in the howse; (Provyded alwaies That the saide Alice now my wyfe shall also have the use and occupacion of all and every the said goods and legacies herein given to my said sonne Francis duringe her naturall lief She leavinge them as good as when she receives them.) And Whereas I promised toe give my said sonne Francis One hundreth poundes at my decease, I have alreadie performed that promisse in my lyfe tyme, in that I gave him One hundreth poundes towards his purchass of the land which he bought of Mr. Gerard. Item I doe give and bequeath Unto my daughter Anna Stringer¹ The greatest Chaire wheron two letters vizt A H are sett and made and the other Middlemoste silver bowle, and Three silver spoones; Item I do give and bequeath unto my said daughter Anna Stringer and to her Children to be Equally devyded amongst them, the summe of Seaventie poundes, which her late husbände John Stringer owed mee by severall bonndes: Item I do give and bequeath unto my grandchyld John Stringer twentie shillings. Item I doe give and bequeath unto my grandchild Marye Stringer twentie poundes. Item I do give and bequeath to everie of my sonne Edwards daughters by Mary his late wyfe six shillings eightpence a peece: Item I do give to my daughter in law Dorothy, my sonne Francis wyfe ten shillings in gould. And to his Children ten shillings a peece. Item I do give unto my brother in law William Leadbeater ten shillings; To my nephew William Leadbeater the younger, ten shillings; to my nephew George Harpur ten shillings, To my Nephew Edward Harpur ten shillings, To my sister Ellin Bradburne² I do give all such money as she shall

owe me at the tyme of or after my decease. To William Danyell all such money as he shall owe mee att my decease, To such Woman as shall happen to bee my servant at the tyme of my decease fyve shillings, Item I do give and bequeath to my said daughter Anna Stringer Fourtie shillings, And all the rest and Residue of my goods Cattells and Chattells (over and above the discharge of my debtes funerall Expences, probate of my testament, and the legacies before mencioned) I doe give and bequeath unto the said Alice my loveinge wyfe.

Executrix: testator's loveing wife Alice. H & S.

Witnesses: Robt Newton, William Sydebothom,³ Raphe Brocke.

All signed. Testator signed.⁴

1. In the copy will attached, variously spelt Strengar, Strenger.
2. Copy has Bredborne.
3. Copy has Sydbothom.
4. Copy does not have testator's signature.

Inventory: Roger Harpur of Stockport, Alderman.

Taken: 13 September 1648.

Of: goodes and chatells.

Prisers: William Leadbeader, Edward Harpur, Francis Harpur.

	£	s	d
in the house			
two tables 1 seeled forme 1 long carpett			
of rowed stuffe and 1 old greene carpet	1	0	0
1 little table and a rodd stuffe		6	0
4 seeled Cheares 7 quishens		3 ¹	4
5 Joynt stooles 8 sett quishens	1	6	0
2 roed quishins 3 bottells 2 lether plates		3	0
1 studed bible 1 little bible 1 testament		11	8
1 Jacke and waights		8	0 ²
2 brushes [erasure] 1 Cleaver 2 hacking knives			
a sriding knife 1 peare tongs a fire shovell			
1 fire potterer and 1 laron plate			
A bread Iron potrackes 1 looking glasse,			
a stoole divers peeeces of Stufe and cloth		10	8
in Closett in the house			
1 peare goberts 3 spittes 1 frying pan			
a lantrene 1 [<i>interlined: iron</i>] dripping pan			
1 grid Iron 1 Cresett 1 brandret			
1 brasse Caffing dish		13	4

In parler

1 bed steed 2 fetherbedes 1 woole bed			
2 blankes [<i>sic</i>] 1 greene Caddow			
1 peare greene Curtens and Vallince 2 bowsters			
1 pillow a setle at the bed side	8	0	0
1 truckell bed 2 wooll beds 2 bousters			
1 coverlet 1 blanket	2	0	0
1 Truncke 1 Cofer 1 twigin cheare 1 table			
3 quishins 1 Joynt stoole 1 smoothing iron			
1 long wrought quishins [<i>sic</i>]	1	6	8

In the Closett

1 Close stoole 2 Round baskettes 1 roed Curten			
1 warming pan	13	4	

In the Milgate Chamber

1 bedsteede 1 peare greene Curtins [<i>interlined:</i> and valence] 1 greene Cadow 1 fether bed			
1 woole bed 2 boulsters 2 pillowes			
1 truckell bed 1 livery cobert 1 seeled forme at bedside 2 Joynt stooles			
covered 2 red Quishins	10	10	0

In the great Chamber

2 great Cheares 1 seeled Cheare 1 long table			
1 lesser table 2 seeled formes 1 Joynt stoole	2	7	4

In midle Chamber

2 great Chests 1 long coffer 1 yellow Caddow			
1 woole bed of twill 1 boulster 1 pillow			
2 blanketes 1 little forme	3	0	0

In the New Chamber

1 Seeled bed 1 large Seeled presse			
1 Seeled Cobbert 2 greene stooles	3	0	0

In the buttery

68 li good pewter dishes and flagins 10d per li			
24 li in Chamber pottes 4 flagins candlesticks 1 Can Saltes and trenkettes	3	18	4
5 barrells 18 trenkettes 2 tin pans in pottes and glasses 1 grater 2 basketts	1	4	0
2 Knives 2 Cofers 2 Joynt stooles			
1 Case trencher and 2 pokes	16	0	

In the Little parler

1 bedsteed 1 woole bed 1 blanket 1 Coverlett			
3 Blankets 1 woole boulder 1 pillow 1 Coffe			
1 Cheare 2 serchers 2 bordes	1	16	6

In the Iron Closett

2 Axes 1 hamer 2 wedges 1 malle 1 hacke			
1 dubing Bill 1 little bill 1 peare			
dubbing sheares		6	0
1 little boxe 1 harrow with 2 swingle trees			
2 mole Rakes 1lb flaxe 1 hay hooke			
1 blacke bill 4 sacks 1 poke 1 barrell			
with a few grates in bricke in neyles	15		0

In the Kicken [sic]

1 long grate 1 peare tongs 1 fire Shovell			
1 rackentree 3 peare pott hookes 1 Crow			
1 Cowracke		12	0 ³
1 great brase pott 2 little brase pottes			
3 skelletes 1 great Lead 2 little leades	1	16	0
3 kimlins 3 pigins 1 tin dripping pan 1 py pan			
1 little kimlin 1 dishcather 1 morter and			
pestell 1 brass ladle 1 stoole earthen pottes			
and other treane ware	1	4	6

In the Warehouse

1 Turnell 1 salting Tub 1 bruig tub		9	0
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In the Milke house

1 bruig keare 1 Churn 1 great pott 1 stand			
1 butter bouke 1 butter basen A heaire Sive			
in earthen pottes and other traine ware	1	4	0

In the Kichen Chamber

1 Shovell 2 forkes 1 halfe hoope and pecke			
1 hen pen 1 hambarke and treses			
1 hopper flockes 1 window bord 1 Coffe			
1 bord 3 sives 2 wiskettes 1 heshell			
1 womans saddle and furniture	1	7	6

In the backside

3 ladders Slate and timber		6	0
in Coles		13	4
in [erasure] Menor		20	0
1 swine	1	2	0

in hay	10	0
Stray <and> pikeforkes and rakes	1	6
in Wheate from fortiaker	1	8 0
1 blacke Cow	3	10 0
1 peare roed curtins 1 bed covering	1	6 8
6 [<i>interlined</i> : Round] peare Sheetes 12 Round napkins 2 pillow beares 3 little table cloths	2	10 6
6 peare flaxen sheets 1 peare holland sheetes 6 pillow beares 13 fine napkins 1 long holland table Cloth 2 table Clothes a square Cloth 2 Shirtes 1 Cobert Cloth 2 yardes long 1 little Cobbert Cloth 1 long hand towell	6	18 8
1 long Carpett 1 fether bed 2 blankettes 1 greene Caddow 1 bolster 2 pillow 6 fine quishins <1 litle cobert cloth>	5	4 8
in Corne in padikar	4	0 0
in plate 1 silver Can 1 great bowle 3 beare boules 2 winn Cups 1 great salt 1 gilt trencher salt 12 spoones One litle Cup	20	0 0
in Money and gold	77	0 0
in Apparrell	5	10 0
in debtes upon bound	4	0 0
in debts by boundes and without	41	14 6 ⁴
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Sum	228	[erasure] 4 0

Exhibited by the executor 30 October 1648.

Office endorsement: probate to executrix.

99. EDWARD HARPUR OF STOCKPORT, ALDERMAN.

S. Inv. 24 September 1650.¹

W.T. 12 September 1650.

Will, sicke in bodye.

[Date according to the computation of the Church of England. No religious statement. Words lost in two small holes supplied].

And myndeing to settle and dispose of my Landes and Estate herein hereafter mencioned Soe as no Contencion or discord shall or may arise or [illegible] happen amongst my Family about the same after my decease Doe therefore make ordayne and publish this my Testament wherein is containyd my last will in maner and forme followinge. First my will and mynd is and I do hereby give devise bequeath and assure All that and those my severall Messuages Burgages

landes Tenementes shopps and premisses with theappurtenances in Stockport aforesaid herein hereafter mencioned and expressed that is to say The Messuage, Burgage and Tenement wherein I now inhabite [the cl]ose lyeing on the back syde of the same Messuage Two little Cottages lyeing scituate and being in a place called the Topp of the Hill in Stockport aforesaid late in the houlding of Nicholas Henshawe and Elizabeth Hurste, and now in my owne possession, and alsoe all that and those my sixe shopps scituate and being in the Markett stidd in Stockport aforesaid in the severall houlding of Peter Sydebotham, Humphray Ridgeway, Thomas Collyer, Edward Barlowe, John Whytehead and Thomas Hulme and alsoe all that and those my Foure severall Messuages Cottages or Burgages [illegible] in another place or Street there called the Underbanke now in the houlding of James Browne, John Rowlinson, Robert Lynney the younger and of John Smith, And likewise all that and those my Messuage Burgage or Tenement with the Shopps thereunto adjoyneing backesydes, gardens out houses and hereditamentes with th'appurtenances, togeather alsoe with Two Closes, Croftes or parcells of land called the Boates Croftes or the Fortye Acres or by what other name or names soever scituate lyeing and being in Stockport aforesaid, and now or late in the Tenure or occupacion of Alice Harpur my mother and of Francis Harpur my brother or of one of them, And likewise all and every other my Messuages Tenementes Landes Burgages hereditmentes and premisses what soever of or belonging to mee the same Edward my heires or Assignes aswell within the said Towne of Stockport as alsoe elsewhere within the Realme of England with all and singular their and every of their Commodities Emolumentes hereditamentes and appurtenances whatsoever unto my Executors herein hereafter nominated For and dureing the full Terme and Tyme of Thirteene yeares next ensueing the date hereof, in trust onely towardses the maintayneinge and keeping of Roger Harpur my Sonne and Heire apparent, Hannah Harpur, Sarah Harpur, Esther Harpur and Deborah Harpur my daughters with all necessaries fitt for them to have and use in case they shall continue unmarried and bee content therewith. And from and after the determination of the said Terme of Thirteene yeares herein lastly mencioned Then my will and mynd is, and I doe hereby give, devise, bequeath and assure All and singuler the before herein ment or mencioned premisses and every parte and parcell thereof with the appurtenances unto Roger Harpur my said sonne and heire apparent and to the Heires Male of his Body lawfully begotten and to bee begotten And for default of such Issue then unto Francis Harpur my Nephew Sonne of my said brother Francis Harpur and to the heires Males of his Body lawfully begotten and to bee begotten And for default of such Issue then unto William Harpur my kinsman sonne of George Harpur of Rosthorne in the said County of Chester yeoman and to the heires Male of the bodye of the said William Harpur lawfully begotten and to bee begotten And for default of such Issue then to the right heires of mee the said Edward Harpur for ever, Under and upon neverthelesse the Provisoos and Condiciones, and Charged and Chargeable to and with the severall Summes of money and payment herein and in manner and Forme hereafter severally and particulerly mencioned and

reserved (That is to weet) Provyded alwaies and upon Condicion That if it happen that the said Roger my said Sonne and heire apparent doe happen to depart this life without any Issue Male of his body lawfully begotten liveing at or after his decease and to leave behind him one or more daughter or daughters by him alsoe lawfully begotten that then such person and persons his and their heires and Assignes to whom the ymmediate possession of the said house wherein I now doe live, the said Close at the Backe syde thereof and the said Two Cottages upon the Topp of the Hill aforesaid, the said Messuage Burgage Shoppes Croftes and premisses before herein mencioned to be in the houlding of my said mother and brother or of the one of them with th'appurtenances, And all other my Messuages Landes Tenementes and hereditamentes whatosever (except such Burgages Shoppes and Tenementes as shall be charged in the next ensueinge Provisoe) shall appurtayne and belonge, shall within Twelve months next after hee or they shall or may enter into and upon the possession thereof accordinge to the purport and true meanninge of theis presentes pay or cause to be payd unto such daughter or daughters of my said Sonne, and in default of such daughter or daughters of my said sonne then and in that Case unto Hannah Harpur, Sarah Harpur, Esther Harpur and Deborah Harpur my daughters aforesaid and to the Survvyors and Survvyor of them the Summe of Fourescore poundes of Currant English money to be equally divyded amongst them towards her or there better preferment. And for default of payment thereof, or of any parte thereof according to this my provision and apppointment I doe hereby further publish and declare my will and mynd to bee and is That such said daughter or daughters of my said sonne Roger, in Case that any such shall happen to bee, and in default of such said daughter or daughters of my said Sonne then the said Hannah, Sarah, Esther, and Deborah my said daughters and the Survvyors and Survvyor of them shall and may after such failer of payment soe had made and appointed as aforesaid by Force and Virtue of theis presentes enter into and uppon all and every the said last before herein mencioned premisses and every parte and parcell thereof with th'appurtances and have possesse enjoy and occupie the same premisses and every parte and parcell thereof with th'appurtenances For and dureinge soe longe tyme and untill that out of and with the Issues Revenues and profittes thereof shee they and every of them shall and may have fully perceived [*sic*] received taken uppe and had to and for her and their and every of their owne proper Use and behoofe the said Summe of Fourescore poundes and every parte and parcell thereof over and above all Charges and reprizes, And then the same premises to bee and remayne unto such person and persons his and their heires and Assignes to whom the same premisses are formerly in or by theis presentes given devised or assured. Provyded likewise and I doe hereby further publish and declare my Will and mynd to bee and is That [the] person and persons his and their heires and Assignes to whom the Immediate possession of the said Messuages Burgages Shoppes and Cottages aforesaid with th'appurtenances in the severall Tenure of Peter Sydebotham, Thomas Collyer, Humphray Ridgeway, Edward Barlowe,

John Whytehead, Thomas Hulme, James Browne John Rowlinson, Robert Lynney the younger and John Smyth aforesaid shalbee hereby appertayne and belonge, shall pay and satisfie or cause to be payed and satisfied to my said daughters Hannah, Sarah, Esther and Deborah the full Summe of One hundred and Twentye poundes according to the dayes and times, and in such manner and Forme as the same last mencioned premises is and are Charged in and by one wryteing or deed under my hand and seale lawfully executed beareing date the Sixe and Twentieth day of May in the Foure and Twentieth yeare of the Raigne of the late King Charles, and that for default of payment thereof or of any parte or parcell thereof, at the tymes and in manner and forme as in the same deed is and are expressed Then, that is to say after such default soe had and made my said daughters or any of them and the Survyvors and Survyvor of them or any of them shall and may have libertye hereby to enter into and upon all and every or any the same herein last before mencioned premisses, and into and upon every or any parte, partes or parcell thereof with thappurtenances, and the same to have hould possesse and enjoy for and dureing [soe] longe tyme, and untill that out of the Issues Revenues and proffittes thereof They the same Hannah, Sarah, Esther and Deborah or the Survyvors or Sur[vyvor] of them shall and may have fully perceived, received, taken upp and had the said Summe of One hundred and Twenty Poundes and every parte and parcell [there]of besides all Charges and reprizes and then thereof to such person and persons his and their Heires and Assignes to whom the same is or are [damaged] herein or hereby given Devised bequeathed or assured, Anything in theis p[rese]ntes to the Contrary thereof in any wise notwithstandinge Provyded that this my last Will and Testament or any matter Clause or thinge therein Contayned shall not bee taken or extend to the prejudice or hinderance of Esther my now loveinge Wiefe in or for her haveinge houldinge and enjoyeinge of the Messuages, Cottages and Close with the appurtenances aforesaid herein mencioned to bee scituate lying and being in or upon the Toppe of the Hill by mee already heeretofore settled upon her for her Jointure But that the same and every parte thereof shall bee and remayne unto her according to such said settlement, Anything in theis presentes notwithstanding And for and concerneing my Personall estate my Will is That after my Debtes and funeralls are and shalbee Discharged That then the residue and Remaynder thereof shalbee Devyded into Three [e]quall partes One of which said partes I give unto my said Wiefe, and the other Two to my said Foure Daughters Hannah Sarah Esther and Deborah to bee equally devyded amongst them.

Executors: testator's brother Francis Harpur and testator's good friend Thomas Owen of Stockport. H. & S. Testator signed.

Witnesses: [on reverse] John Sydebotham, Roberte Newton, Roberte Steele. [All signed].

1. No office endorsement on either will or inventory; buried 18 September 1650 [PR].

Inventory of Edward Harpur of Stockport, alderman.

Taken: 24 September 1650.

Of: goodes cattalls and Chattalls.

Prisers: George Newton, Alderman, James Hall, Edward Fell, and Roberte Smyth.

In the house	£	s	d
one Table	12	0	
6 seeled stooles	8	0	
one other seel'd stoole	1	4	
one seel'd chaire	4	0	
2 throwne chaires	2	0	
2 plaine chaires	1	4	
2 little stooles covered with greene	2	0	
one childes chaire		8	
one little plaine stoole		2	
5 sett Cushions	6	0	
3 list Cushions	1	0	
4 Cushions of Kestling skins	2	4	
one childes Cradle	1	6	
one fier Iron	8	6	
one bread Iron		6	
one paire of potrackes		4	
one birding piece	6	8	
2 spittes	1	8	
one fryinge pan		8	
one grid Iron		6	
one chopping knife		3	
one shreadeing knife		6	
one bake spittle		6	
one grid Iron with narrowe barrs		3	
one basteing ladle		1	
one other ladle		6	
one plate of Iron		3	
3 leades being 79li at 1d ob qr the pound	11	6	
one gun case		2	
one Carbyne for a dragoone	3	4	
one Jacke, waightes and cordes	6	8	
one smoothing Iron	1	0	
one deske	2	6	
one lookeing glasse		4	
one Byble	7	6	
one Coate of armes		6	
one brush		2	
2 reeles		3	

one little boxe		1
one little baskett		4
one paire of tongs		4
one fyer shovell		4
one Iron Crowe	1	0
2 Iron hookes		3

In the Parlor above

one standing seel'd bedd with Cordes and rodde	2	0	0
one paire of greene Curtains and Vallens	1	0	0
one greene Caddowe		3	4
one blankett		4	0
2 blankettes more		4	0
one featherbedd 60li waight at 8d per pound	2	0	0
2 feather boulsters 31li 8d the li	1	0	8
one flockbedd		2	0
one trucklebedd with Cordes		5	0
one flockebedd with a little Case		5	6
one blankett		2	0
one Covering Arras worke		6	0
one bolster		5	6
one pillowe		2	6
<two paire of sheets and pillow beares>			
one sield presse		10	0
one seeld chaire		6	8
one Trunke and frame		3	4
one boxe		1	6
one little foulded table		6	8
one Chaire covered with greene		4	0
2 stooles covered with greene		5	0
2 stooles covered with Kidderminster stuffe		3	4
one Chest		2	0
one seeld stoole		1	6
2 wrought Cushions with redd		6	8
one Cushion wrought with needle worke		3	4
3 yellowe wrought Cushions		1	6
one Cushion of Kidderminster stuffe			6
one Cushion of a Kestling skin			6
one broade Iron plate for a grate			6
one fyer potter			2
in glasses		1	0
one white bottle			8
one skeyne and belt		8	0
one hower glasse			4
one Curtaine cloath for a windowe			4

towe paire of Sizers			4
3 wine glasses			6
2 paire of Tobacco rammers			4

In the Chamber over the house

one standing bedd		8	0
vallens and Curtaines of Kidderminster stuffe		13	4
one bedd covering of Kidderminster stuffe		6	8
one Coverlett		4	0
one blankett		2	0
one featherbedd and one feather boulder			
71li at 7d per pound	2	1	5
one chaffe boulder			8
one chaffe bedd		2	8
one windowe curtaine			4
2 pillowes in the Cradle 7li at 6d the pound		3	6
one truckle bedd and matrice		3	0
one featherbedd 49li at 8d pound	1	12	8
one feather boulder and 2 feather pillowes			
17li at 7d		9	11
one Chaffe bedd		2	0
one blankett		2	0
one bedd covering of Kidderminster stuffe		9	0
one Table 8 square		5	0
one Table 4 square		3	4
one Childes chaire		1	0
one throwne chaire		1	0
one seel'd stoole		1	6
2 stooles covered with Kidderminster		3	0
one boxe		1	0
one Cushion			4
one settle		1	4
3 halfe inch bordes 2 yades		2	0
4 bordes inch bordes [<i>sic</i>] 2 yades		2	8
2 short bordes			8
4 base bordes in the Closett		1	0
2 reales of [?]racuentes 2 yades			2

In the Chamber over the kitchen

one plaine Chest		8	0
one Trunke		2	6
one Tubb			4
one halfe hoope and 1 pecke		1	8
one corne shovell		1	0
one pitchforke			3

one spinning wheele	1	6
one little chaire		3
one plowe staffe		2
one frame to weave inckle	1	0
one paire of harrowing geares		4
one pillion with the covering	4	6
one hackney saddle and brydle	9	0
one horselocke and chayne	1	0
one male pillion		4
one wiskett		4
2 sieves and a riddle		9
one racke		2
in Cordeing		2
one overlay		4
3 poakes and 3 seckes	3	4
2 little strawe baskettes		2
one ladder	2	0

In the Chamber over the said Chamber

in Cannell	1	6
one packe Corde	1	0

In the little Workehouse

one lath, 4 augers, 6 planes, 1 locker,		
2 wimble braces and divers bitts with divers		
other odd implementes one Joynting sawe, 1		
hatchett 1 naz 1 hand sawe and in the next		
roome to it in Timber and other odd thinges	1	0 0
1 Parte of a forke and an ould Cushion		1 0
1 hooke		6

In the high loft over the worke house

1 wheele		6
1 Forme	1	0
2 forkes and 1 muck hooke	1	6
in other odd things	5	0
1 muskett stocke, and locke	1	6
1 lattice		3

In the next roome

one bedstead	3	0
1 little forme		2
1 white Caddowe	1	6
1 little wheele		6
1 scuttle		2

1 twigge baskett	2
1 ould brydle rayne	2
1 skrine	2
2 desks	6
3 dove tayles	1

In the Closett

1 paire of bedstockes	2	0
1 blankett	2	0
1 Chaffe bedd	2	8
1 flockebedd	2	8
1 boulster of flockes	1	0
1 little Coffe	1	6
2 shelves		6
1 Close stoole		8
2 Bills	1	6
2 Axes	1	6
1 bryer hooke		6
1 paire of dubbing sheares	1	0
1 yard rule		2
1 Axe		8

In the buttery

one Cupboard	3	4
1 Chest	2	6
1 grater		6
1 twiggen voyder		6
2 Cushions	1	6
2 wooden lossettes	1	0
1 salting tubb	5	0
1 salting butter bouke	1	0
1 Case of trenchers		8
6 Cheese trenchers		3
1 dozen and halfe of meat trenchers		9
1 earthen pott		4
1 great bottle		4
1 blew dish		3
1 thing of tinne		2
2 knives		4
2 twigg rowles		2
one stone pott		6
2 earthen pottes		2
1 barrell		2

In the Celler

4 barrells	13	4
1 tun-dish		2
1 throwe		4

In the kitchin

2 skellettes	4	6
1 safe or presse	3	4
1 kneadeing trough	1	6
1 Churne and Churne staffe	2	0
1 tinn dripping pan		2
1 haire sieve		3
1 paire of Bellowes		2
1 strawe baskett		2
18 earthen pottes	2	0
2 kinnells	2	6
1 lossett	1	6
5 broad garthed piggins	1	6
1 Costrell		8
1 thrower		2
1 paire of gobartes	1	6
1 paire of rackes	1	0
2 lossettes		8
1 ould barrell		4
1 sighe 8 little piggins 1 little noggen and 2 laddles		10
1 brasse Chafeing dish	1	0
1 kettle pan		6
1 posnett	4	0
1 leather Costrell		8
1 paire of hedgeing mittens		2
2 sickles		8
1 shelve		8
1 brand Iron		6
1 paire of brasse waighes	1	0
1 musterd ball	1	6
1 Iron ladle		1
2 stooles		4
in other odd things		4

In the brewhouse

1 Fornes	8	0
1 brewing keare	1	6 ¹
2 groute stoondes	3	0

3 trestes			6
1 cover for a leade			3

In Corne in the barne

5 thraves and halfe of Rye at	1	9	3
wheate and barley		3	4
in Oates 27 ryders and in barley 74 ryders	4	15	0
in heay	3	0	0
one ladder			9
4 pickells and 1 rake		1	6
1 Cradle		1	6
1 sursengle			4
1 fleake and other odd timber		2	0
3 stangs			2
in other odd timber			6

In the Shippen

one shovell			6
1 other shovell	1		0
3 bundells of radlings with other odd timber	1		0
1 barrell			2
2 wheelebarrow strangs			6
1 beareing barrowe			8
1 Knocke with other odd things			6

In the Garden

3 pieces of Timber	1		8
1 piece on the street syde	1		4
ould teynters 31 pieces	10		4
2 [erasure] essbreads			8
1 essriddle			3
1 ould bouke			6
1 stond, 1 tarr barrell, 1 tarr tubb, 2 barrells			10
2 grindlestons and 1 trough	3		0
in sclate stons and 1 flagge stone	1		6
1 trest			2
1 ould Sieth			3
in fyer wood	4		0
1 stone at the spoute			4
1 Chicken penn			4
in Turves			8
2 panniers		1	6
1 pane ladder [<i>interlined</i> : and greese ladder]		2	6
1 Cowe	5	6	8
in manure on the backsyde and elsewhere		[blank]	

53li of pewter at 11d the pound	2	8	7
8li and halfe of pewter more at 8d the pound		5	4
1 course tablecloth		1	6
1 other table cloath		2	6
1 large table cloath		7	0
1 dozen of napkins		9	0
2 fyne napkins		1	6
1 paire of flaxen sheetes 10 yarges		15	0
1 other paire of flaxen sheetes		10	0
1 odd sheet		7	0
8 pillowbeers		16	0
1 paire of sheetes on the Childrens bedd		5	0
1 paire of sheetes on the bed that Sarah lyeth on		5	0
3 paire of courser sheetes		15	0
one Cupboard Cloath		3	6
the deceedents apparell	5	16	8
in ready Coyne about	3	6	8

In the Shoppe

1 paire of great Scales	8	0
1 paire of halfe pound Scales	1	6
another lesse paire of Scales	1	4
5 bunches of leather buttons		4
15 knottes of pack threed		6
2 dozen and ten bowstrings	1	0
grease in a bladder halfe a pound		3
1 paire of bandes		4
1 Cloath yard		2
1 blacke boxe and a glue pott		4
in Iron Waightes 14li	1	2
in lead Waightes 11li	1	8
in brasse Waightes 2li	1	6
in Tinn things and some little Bole armoniack		4
1 dozen of Washballs 8d and threed 4d	1	0
in graines		6
1li and halfe of peper – 2s 4d and vardigrease 9d	3	1
Caraway seeds 2li	1	0
in [erasure; <i>interlined</i> : Cinamend] 2d		
in Fenugreeke 1d		3
in Medecines		10
in anisseedes – 4d in alowe 4d in musterdseed 2d		10
in nayles and one brasse piece		6
in Claspers and Keepers		7
in gallysand 2d in brasse buckles 2d		4
in Spanish browne		4

1 Cushion of a kestling skin	6
8 syth stones	6
1 rapier shafte	2 0
5 bookes called of Mr Angiers workes	4 6
1 byble guilt with Claspes	5 0
1 byble guilt without Claspes	4 0
1 Bible unguilt Clasped	3 4
1 Testament	1 8
4 Construeing bookes	1 0
8 sententia pueriles	1 0
7 latin bookes	4 1
2 primers	2
1 great paper booke	1 6
10 paper bookes	5 0
9 Combes	6
17 brasse buttons	2
in softe waxe	4
7 Catechismes	7
1 Essops Fables	7
in Fenugreeke 2d in turmericke and 3li of brimston	1 6
1 sheet and halfe of pins	6
3 quier of paper	1 0
6 seales	4
2 paire of Claspes	2
1 psalme booke	6
1 pint 1 gill 2 Jackes and halfe a Jacke	
1 Cruse and 1 Cuppe	2 6
in Allum	1 0
7 whettstones	2
syth sand	4
turpentyne	6
nerve oyle	2
Fusticke and one poake	6
Rotten stone	2
in Tarre and the Iron measure	2
longe pepper	1 0
parchment	3
1 gluepott, 4 wooden bobbins and some red leather	8
1 haire sieve	6
1 hood and quills	10
1 treane Cesterne of lead with it case	6 0
1 longe Counter	13 0
1 paire of gould Waightes	6
in boxes and barrells 115 at 2d a piece	19 2
2 Tun dishes	2

all the scrues and tooles and other odd things
in the said shoppe at

10 0

[Sum 73 0 1]

1. Figures have been altered.

Accounts:

C. 2 March 1664/5.

A true and perfect Accompt of Francis Harpur one of the Executors of Edward Harpur late of Stockport in the County of Chester deceased made and exhibited in to the Registry of the Consistory Court of the Bishop of Chester the 2th day of March Anno domini 1664 by vertue of his oath on that behalfe formerly taken as Followeth viz

[left margin, in Latin:] reptit coram me T. Wainwright

	£	s	d
Imprimis this accomptant Chargeth him selfe with the goods Credditts and chattels of the said decedent as they are sett forth and apprized in the Inventory here of remeaineinge in the Registrye of this Court aforesaid amountinge in the whole to the summe of	74	3	3
This accomptant further chargeth himselfe to the value or summe of twelve shillings hee findinge soe much in his private books of accompts said to bee added unto the decedents Inventory but upon what accompt or for what hee canot sett forth	12	0	

This accomptant saith that the decedent dyed about 13 yeares Agoe haveinge made his will in writtinge and did then devise all his lands tenements etc (as by the said will may more *[interlined: att large]* appear to which hee refers himselfe) unto his Executors ther in named (and soe to this accomptant whoe soly took upon him the execucion of the said will) for the speace of thirteen yeares in trust towards the maintenance of Roger Harpur sonne and Hannah Sarah Esther and Deborah Harpur daughters of the said decedent in Case they should bee Content there with and this accompt further saith that the said decedents daughters had alsoe Land of their owne to some small value and the said accomptant received the proffitts of all the said Lands as in this his Charge heerunder followeth and that for maney yeares all the said daughters were maineteined by his *[sic]* said accomptant with necessaries (as in his said accompt followinge is sett forth) and beecause the proffitts of all the said Lands was nott sufficient there unto this accomptant did further as hee Conceaved hee might Law fully doe and ought to doe layout the Residue of the said decedents estate

as was bequeathed unto the said daughters maintenance and saith Hannah Sarah and Esther three of the said daughters are well satisfied in his due performance of his trust [*interlined*: and have acquitted and released this Accomptant therupon] now therefore because <because> the disbursments of this accompt for all the said daughters are so intermixt that hee cannot separat the same soe as to knowe and sett forth or assertheine what hee hath laid out parturly for the said Deborah the party agent in this Cause or showe more separatly howe her Legacy or parte of the residue of the decedents estate is expositied or layd out, then is hereafter done as alsoe because this accomptant desireth to approve himselfe just and true in the trust reposed in him and to have his accompts approved by this Court and and [*sic*] to bee fully acquitted therupon this accomptant (quatus sibi expedit et non abr neque alio [*interlined*: de quo et] modo) further Chargeth himselfe with theis particulars Underwritten as they weare yearly received viz

Imprimis Received the first rent stave for the first halfe yeare beinge 1650 for the decedents 4 daughters Hannah Sarah Esther and Deborah for their one Lands with their 4 parts of the decedents Land his mother liveinge [s]till the most of her Rents were due to her selfe the summe of

4 6 9

Received Rents of the said foure daughters one Land for the firste whole yeare after vizt 1651 (under banske house beinge without a Tenant And alsoe a little house upon the Topp of the hill beinge then voyd) the summe of

9 3 7

Received the said 4 daughters 4 partes of their Fathers Land for yeare 1651 aforesaid (repaire and rente Charge deducted and excepted the summe of

10 5 0

Received Rents of the sayd 4 daughters one Land for the second whole yeare after their Fathers decease viz 1652 (under banks house beinge without a tennant for halfe a yeare) £9 13s 8d: As alsoe Received the said 4 daughters the 4 partes of their Fathers Land for the same yeare (repaires And rente charge deducted and excepted) £12 11s 3d the whole receipts for the yeare aforesaid amounting to the sume of

22 4 11

Received rents of the said 4 daughters one Land for the third whole yeare viz 1653 after their fathers decease comeinge to the sume of £10 2s 3¼d, As alsoe received the said 4 daughters foure parts of their fathers Land for the same yeare (repaires and rentecharge deducted and excepted) the sume of £12 15s 3d the whole receipt for the yeare aforesaid amounting to the summe of

22 17 6¼

Received rents of the said 4 daughters one Land for the year 1654 with Walbutts comeinge to the sume of £10 2s 3¼d as alsoe received the said 4 daughters 4 partes of their fathers Land for the same year (repaires and rente charge deducted and excepted the summe of £12 3s 0d the whole Receipts for the said year amountinge to the sume of

22 5 3¼

Received rents of the said foure daughters one Lande with the Wallbutts for the year 1655 comes to the summe of £9 7s 5¼d As alsoe received the said 4 Daughters 4 partes of their fathers Land for the same year (repairs and rente charge deducted and excepted) the summe of £11 14s 0d the whole receiptt for the said year amountinge to the summe of

21 1 3¼

Received rents of the said foure Daughters one Land, with the Wallbutts, for the year 1656 comes to the summe of £9 5s 0¼d As alsoe received the said 4 daughters 4 partes of their fathers Land the same year (repaires and rente charge deducted and excepted) the summe of £13 11s 1½d the whole receipts for the said year Amounting to the summe of

22 16 1¾

Received rents of the said 4 Daughters one Land with the Wallbutts for the year 1657 come to the summe of £9 7s 11¼d As alsoe received the said 4 Daughters 4 partes of their fathers Land the same year (repaires and rente Charge deducted and excepted) the summe of £12 9s 4¼d the whole receipts for the said year amounting to the summe of

21 17 3½

Received for the said foure Daughters parte of John Guy Mariner for the year 1658 1s 10d And for rents for their one Land with the Wallbutts for the said year come to £8 15s 11¼d As Alsoe received the said 4 Daughters foure partes of their Fathers Land the same year (repaires taxacions and cheife rents deducted and excepted) the sume of £11 8s 5d the whole receipts for the said year Amountinge to the summe of

20 6 2¼

Received Rents of the said 4 daughters Land with the walbutts for the year 1659 Come to the sume of £8 15s 11d as allsoe Received the said 4 daughters 4 partes of their Fathers Land the same year (repaires taxacon and Chiefe *[interlined: rent and* alsoe severall little shoppes beinge empty and void of tennants and the Charge of the *[erasure]* *[interlined: buildinge the* *[illegible]* of this accomptants shoppes deducted and excepted) and Come to the sume of 10:00:04 the whole Receipts for the said year Amountinge to the summe of

18 16 3

[Change of hand for what appears to be a subsequent insertion]

And this Accomptant sayth at about this time Hannah Sarah and Hester three of the decedents daughters [*interlined in Latin: salius inserius dicendis*] were either marryed or come to their full age <so that> and released and acquitted this Accomptant as Executor to the said decedent, for that this Accomptant did not receive in any following yeare any profitts of the Lands belonging properly to the said three daughters, but onely what belonged to the [*sic*] Deborah the Plaintiff as is hereafter set downe, and wherewith (qtnus [*quatus*] sibi expedit etc) this Accomptant chargeth him selfe (vizt) saving that Ester continued with him upward halfe a yeare after the said Hannah and Sarah, and he supposeth he might receive the said halfe yeares profitts of the said Esters owne Land, but because he doth not find it sett downe in his private booke of accompts therefore he doth not here charge him selfe therewith, yet sayth that he Accompted for the same unto the said Ester refering him selfe to the Acquittance she gave him.

[The last line of the insertion is written between the first two lines of the erased text which follows].

<This accomptant saith that Hannah Sarah and Esther three of the daughters of the said decedent are and Came to their age and have their owne lands in their possession soe that this accomptant (they having realessed him as aforesaid) is nott further chargeable further Chargeth himself for them save some small parte of the profitts for Deborahs land the youngest daughter of the said decedent and the profitts of the decedent their father and soe devised as aforesaid in trust for the [*erasure*] mantenance of the Children of the said decedent which (*quatus sibi expedit et non alr*) hee this accomptant Chargeth himself with haveinge disbursed and laid out the same for their necessary mantenance as under the following accomt appeares vizt>

Received of the Profitts of Deborah Harpures Land for her use
for the [*interlined: first halfe*] yeare 1660 beinge all which Came
to the accomptants hand the sume of £1 4s 10¹/₃d 1 4 10¹/₃

Received of the Profitts of the Fathers Land for the said yeare
1660 over and above all Chiefes repaires and taxacions <Esther
one of the daughters beinge unmarried the first halfe yeare of
the yeare aforesaid and this accomptant haveinge accompted to
her for her parte the remainder that is due to Roger and
Deborah sonne and daughter of the aforesaid decedent and that
this accomptant chargeth himself is> 8 3 4

Received of the Profitts of their Fathers Land for the yeare 1661
over and above all chiefe repaires and Taxacions the sume of 13 1 0

Received of the Profitts of their Fathers Land for the yeare 1662
over and above all Chiefe rents repaires and taxacions due of
and from the same the sume of

13 3 0

Received of the Profitts of their Fathers Land for the yeare 1663
over and above all Chiefe rents repaires and taxacions due of
and from the same

13 2 1

Soe that this accomptants [*interlined*: whole] charge accordinge
to the Inventory remaineing Upon record and the addicion
made therto of [blank] and accordinge to the particulers before
specified of Rents by him as afore said received is [*interlined* in
Latin: sub protestaion by suis plniis] £319 11s 2d

319 11 2

<soe this accomptants whole charge [*interlined*: comes] to the somme of
[illegible]>

[Subsequent note written in the left and bottom margins of this page]

And then the said Deborah dischargeing this accomptant from further
intermeddling with her said [illegible] withdrew herself from the tuition of this
said accomptant and [interlineation is illegible] sometime she went to London,
yet returned againe and stayed under the tuition of this Accomptant aboute a
yeare, and then she wholly left him. And this Accomptant sayth that Ester
one of the said daughters remained unmarried the first halfe yeare of the yeare
1660 and that for first halfe yeare this accomptant divideth the proffitts of the
decedents lands into equal parts for the maintenance of the [erasure] said
Ester abovesaid and Roger Harpur children of the decedent and of the 2 yeare
[*interlined*: halfe or theirabouts] following Ester giving a release at first into 2
partes for the maintence of Deborah and Roger aforesaid, and then the said
<Ester> Deborah wholly leaveing this Accomptant [*interlined*: as
aforesaid] [erasure] alloweth the whole halfe yeares proffittes of the said
Fathers lands unto the said Roger, as he conceiveth he ought to doe prefere ad
se ad [?] quatus de adjura [erasure] craveing the assistance of the Office of the
Judges in this cause, further chargeth himself (quatus sibi expedit [erasure]
dilueidiorem addentum a non computq et in atr nunque alio modo dequo
exptqr potestatem) he haveing expended for and on behalfe of the said Roger
wherefor this Accomptant is satisfied to the summe of a bond of £40 or some
other considerable summe for the maintenance of the said Roger other than is
contained in this Accompt, the said Robertes [*sic*] accompts being [*interlined*:
otherwise] wholly

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missing]

himselfe hath necessarily expended and craveth allowance as he haveing noe
share in the personal estate in to which this accomptant is now called.

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This Accomptants discharges Followeth vizt

paid per for the decedents Funerall	3	18	5
paid for Proveinge his will		14	6
paid for Coppeyinge his will and Inventory and for three skins of parchment pro the same		10	2
expended in travailinge to prove the decedents will for this accompts horse and himselfe		12	0
expended upon the apprizers of and att the seale of the said decedents goods		5	3
paid for nesscessarys into the said decedents house in the time of his sicknes		9	6
paid for 2 Chamber lockes haspes and stables [<i>sic</i>] pro the said decedents use		1	4
paid to Mary Harrupp due [erasure] to her from the said decedent		2	0
paid for A horse Load of Coales for the use of the said decedents family			8
paid to George Gorton which was owinge to him from the said decedent		2	8
paid to his wife for necessaryes and other things in the time of his sicknesse		4	7
paid to Anne Rydgley due to her from the decedent		2	0
paid to <Dority> Dorithy Mores for stronge beare and small		5	7
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paid to Anne Hopwood		2	7
paid to Ellen Newton		1	6
for A booke for my Accompt prayes att 18d		1	6
paid to Robert Ouldham for p[ro]c[ess]ing the sale of the decedents goods			4
paid to Mister Owen which was due from my Brother by promise		10	0
paid to John Bradley for grasse pro the cowe		1	6
paid to Joane Dickisson which my Brother borrowed of her		2	0
paid to John Whitehead which my Brother owed him			6
paid to Ellen Newton pro nessessaryes delivered pro the use of the house		5	6

paid to peter Sydbbothom which was due for worcke	8		
paid to Robert Smith Church			
warden for my Brothers grave	3	0	
paid to Roger Bancroft for worke			
which was due to him from the decedent	1	6	
for money owinge mee att his			
death as per booke Ap[pears]	3	10	0
[page] 3			
paid to John Pristner For 3 dayes Harrowinge and			
7 loades of mucke which was owinge	5	0	
paid to Thomas Sydebothom in the discharge			
<of A bond of his> A debt due to him from the			
decedent by bond	6	1	10
paid to Thomas Stocke which was due by the bond			
of the decedent	6	13	4
more paid for the intrest		10	0
paid to Will Swindles for A lay for the Church		1	4
paid to Samuel Siddall			8½
paid to John Sharman for which hee had Spectcalty for		10	0
paid to Margrett Johnson for meale and groates		1	0
paid to James Hall by my Sisters Consent for goods			
owinge by the decedent	4	6	3
paid to John Royland A debt due from the decedent	3	0	0
[in left margin adjacent to next entry:] 1650			
paid to Ann Sheyld for linen Cloath thrid and			
Inckle for Esther and Debora		3	6
paid for 3 pair of Stockings for Anna Esther			
and Debora		2	2
paid for mendinge Deboras shooes			3½
paid for mackinge 2 smockes and for sea for 2 Aprons		2	6
paid for A buske threed Inkle silk and Apron strings			
for Esther and Debora			11
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paid for thrid whale bone Inkle pins hookes and eyes			
for Esther and Debora			7
paid for thrid and bindings Esthers and deboras Coates			5
paid for mendinge 2 Coats for Esther and debora			4
paid for dyinge of 2 Aprons for Anna and Sarah			6
paid for three yards of Small ribin poynts and laces			
for Debora and Esther			9
paid for A pair of Manackles and A pair of			
gloufes pro debora and Esther			5
for A pair of shooes and shooe tyes for Anna		2	0
for silcke Cloath and Inckle pro Esther and Debora			7
for 3 hatts pro Ann Esther and Debora		5	0

one hatt for Sara	2	4
for makinge Easther <and Deborah> Coate and wascoate	1	0
for schoole wages pro Esther and Debora		
to widow Tommblison	2	0
for mendinge shooes pro red Inckle pro their hats		7
for A psalter for Debora and pinnes		11
for Cloathe to make A shute of Linnens For for [sic]		
Esther and Debora	1	8
for tape Inckle and thrid for Esther and Debora		7
for 2 yards Calicoe to make Anna and Sara 2 Aprons	2	8
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for A pair of Hose for Sara and Inckle	1	0
for 2 yards Calicoe for Ann and Sara with 1 yard		
Holland for Coiffes	5	6
for Silcke thrid and bindinge of Coates pro		
Anna and Sarah		6
for inckle pro 2 Aprons and thrid for Ann and Sara		4
for A pair of shooes for Sara and strings	1	9
for A weascote for Anna	2	0
for mendinge A pair of shooes and A Rowle for Anna	1	2
paid for 3 yards of linen Cloath pro Esther and		
Debora pro Smockes	2	6
for one yard quarter pro Esther for A Smocke	1	0½
for 2 yards quarter ½ of linen Cloath for		
Anna pro A Smocke	1	11½
for one yard of linen Cloath pro Sara pro Smocke		10
paid for 3 pair of bodyes for Anna Sara and Esther	6	6
paid for mackinge 2 Coates and A wascoate		
for Anna and Sara	1	3
paid for mendinge of 4 Coates threed and bindinge		
for Anna and Sara	1	9
paid for Makeinge of linen for Anna Esther Sara		
and Debora	5	1
paid Robt Newton for 4 yards ½ greene minikine		
pro Debora and Esther	8	3
for 8 yards lace pro Esther and Debora	1	6
for A pair of bodyes for Debora	1	4
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for 4 [erasure] dusion of [erasure] small buttons		
pro Esther and 3 vailes of Buckram		7
for 6 yards ½ and ½ quarter moeheare stufe		
for Anna and Sara for 2 Coates	15	3
for 7 yards Copper lace pro Anna and Sara	2	7
for 3 dossen silver tils for Anna		6
for 4 yards Ribin for Anna and Sara	1	0

for A quarter and ½ Fustian for Anna and Sara and pins		7
for 5 yards 2 greene minikins for Anna and Saras Coates	10	0
for 20 yards and ½ lace for Anna and Sara	1	8
for A truncke for Sara	6	0
for A truncke and A frame pro Anna	3	4
for wormeseed for Anna		1
for makinge of A wascoate and Inckle pro Annah		6
for A quoife twist and wosted for Sara	1	0
for mendinge Saras Shooes		3
for A lay paid to Raph Ashton 16th November		8
for A lay to Robert Hough which was due before	10	
for twoo black Coifes makinge and strings for Anna and Sara	1	11
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for A blacke Ribin for Annah		4
for mendinge Annals shooes and Saras		9
for [<i>interlined</i> : 2] pair of Stockings pro Hannah and Sara	2	0
for one blacke Coyfe for Hannah	2	0
for tape and footeinge 2 paire of hose pro Hannah and Sarah		1
for mendinge A pair of shoes for Sara		3
for A wastcoate pro Anna lace whalebone thred silke and makinge	5	2
for stufe for A Stomicher linen Cloth and A Buske for Anna		8
For A yard of tape for Anna for Shootyes		2
for 2 pair of Manackles pro Anna and Sara change of hand]		6
for a paire pro Debora	1	0
for 2 coifes pro Esther and Debora		6
for Anna paid more to Hen: Ardron	1	4
for 1 paire of shoes and shoe tyes pro Debora	1	2
for pins and mending of a paire of [<i>erasure</i>] [<i>interlined</i> : hose] pro Esther Debora and Anna		2
paid to Mr Warren for Chiefe rent	1	0
for mending shoes and 2 paire of gloves for them	10	
for mending hoes [<i>sic</i>] and shoes for Anna and sara		4
for shoe tyes for Anna and mending hoes		3
for mending shoes for Anna		4
for shoes shoe tyes and a thimble for Anna	1	11
for a paire of shoes and shoe tyes for Sara	1	8
for mending shoes for sara		4

paid a laye out of my Mothers estate	3	4
for mending of hose for sara and pins for Hanna and Esther		5
for 8 dayes table before Michaelmas of the foure children	10	0
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Disbursments March 17th 1650

paid for a halfe yeares table for Hesther and Debora for each of them 35s in toto	3	10	0
paid to James Hall 26th March 2 layes		1	0
paid for schoole wages for a quarter for Esther and Debora		2	0
for Anna and sarahs table and taken for a halfe yeare ending 25th March they liveing with this Accountant each 25s in toto	5	0	0
for 1 gowne which Hanna hath which was my Mothers prized at 23s 4d	1	3	4
[inserted:for pins and shooetyes for Annah and Esther			1]
for 5 yards quarter of stuffe for a gowne for Sara	11	6	
for one yard quarter cloth for Anna and sarahs gownes	1	0	
for one yard Buckram for Hana and sara	1	4	
for a lace for Esther and Canvas and Crewell for a sampler		10	
for linnens for Anna Esther and sara	4	6	
for blacke Ribbin for Hanna		5	
for hose fithers and mending shoes with other necessaries for Esther	1	4½	
for mending sara Hanna and Esther clothes	1	0	
for quarter 2 ^{li} silke thred and whalbone for Anna and sara	2	10	
for makeing Anna and sarahs gownes	10	6	
for 2 paire of gloves and quarter silke for Hanna and sara	1	6	
for a ball and 3 Rowles for Anna Esther and Sara	2	1	
for a quarter and 2 of Canvas for a sampler and a purse		11	
[erasure]			
for Galloome laces for Hana and sara		9	
for 1 Ribbin for Hanna		6	
for 1 sheet of pins for Anna Esther and sara		6	
for Inckle dyeing a sampler and mending shoes for sara and Esther		7½	
paid 4 parts of a ley for them to James Hall 22th Aprill	1	10¼	

paid for footeing apaire of Hose for Hanna	3		
paid for Hedging in the Wallbuttes	4		
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for 4 dusen of little [erasure] [<i>interlined</i> : buttons]			
for Anna	4		
for 8 yards linnen cloth for Anna and sara for smocks	8	0	
for one yard 3 quarters of linnen cloath			
for smocks for Easter	1	9	
for a lay for the children		11	
for mending hose pro Easter		3	
for a paire of shoes for Esther and tyes	1	5	
for 1 [illegible] crule for Ester		5	
for a paire of shoes and tyes for Anna	2	0	
for 2 pair of hose for sara et Anna	2	4	
for 2 Aprons of sea for Anna and Sara	2	8	
for a demicaster for Anna and Sara	7	4	
for a paire of Shoes and tyes for Debora	1	7	
for silke and paper for sarahs worke		11	
for footinge hose pro Sara		3	
for mending hose A head lace and a bowne grace			
for Ester		3	
for 2 yards 3 Neales linnen cloath thred and			
laces for sara and Ester	1	1	
paid for halfe a yeares table for Debora			
15th August 1651	1	15	0
paid for 1 yard ½ Carsey lace silke threed			
buckram and tape and hoookes and Eyes for			
Annas wascoatte and makeing	6	11	
for inck[l]e and pins and lace for Debora and Esther		5	
for schoole wages for Esther Sara and Debora	6	4	
paid to James Hall for layes for their lands	1	6	
paid for silke for Anna and sara		10	
paid for mending Esthers shoes		4	
for 3 pairs of Gloves for Anna and sara			
and Esther and knitting them	3	9	
for a pair of shoes for sara and tyes thrid and Incle	2	6	
for mending Esther shoes 3d and pins for			
Anna sara and Esther		6	
for an apron for Anna	1	0	
for thrid Inckle and mending Esthers Coate		4	
for cloath for 2 smocks thrid and makeinge for Debora	3	11	
for linnens for Esther thimble and Needls	4	2	
for 2 yards tape thrid and mending shoes		10	
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for pins for Anna Sara and Esther		3	

for a paire of shoes for Anna and tyes and needles and mending shoes	2	7	
for mending Esthers shoes and 2 gownes for Sara and Esther	1	4	
for a paire of hose and mending a paire of hose and halfe a yard of linnen and woolen to mend a coate for Esther	1	1	
for linnen cloath for Sarahs bodyes thred and whale bone and for mending two coates		11½	
for lace for Annas Coates for [erasure] [interlined: bordringe] thred and bindinge		9	
for 2 linnen aprons for Anna and Sara and Inkle	4	5	
for Cloth for Esthers sampcloth and dyinge		5	
for lay for Colonel Bradshawes souldiers provision		10	
for a lay 2 moneths pay	1	4	
for making up a Gappe in walbutts		2	
for mending a paire of bodyes a paire of shoes and a paire of hose for Anna		8	
for mending a paire of shoes a Coate sugar Gandy and treacle for Debora	1	0½	
for lay 4 Children to James Hall Constable	2	0	
for footeing Sara a paire of Hose		3	
for 10 yards 2li [erasure] [interlined: of shagge] lace Inkle bordering and makeing up of 4 Coates for 4 daughters	1	9	10
paid for a yeares Rent to James Hall for the Walbutt	13	4	
paid for repaire of Jefferie Deanes house	7	9	
paid to James Hall for Mr Barkers Rents	4	2	
paid to Thomas Johnson for his Rent for Walbutts	6	8	
paid to James Hall Mi[chael]mas Rent 1651	6	8	
paid Robert Newton for 3 layes	2	4	
for too paire of Menacles for Anna and Debora		4	
for mending Deborahs Wascoate and Esthers shoes	1	1½	
for pinns schoole wages Wormseid [erasure] [interlined: and] Treacle	1	5	
for a yard of scotch cloath and other linnens for Sara Anna and Esther	8	2	
for phisicke and other things for Debora being sicke	2	8½	
for mending hose for sara and Ester and pins and laces		7	
for a cloath wascoatts silke and makeing for Sarah and Ester	12	6	
for a paire of shoes and shoetyes for sara	2	0	

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Disbursments 1651 [in left hand margin; change of hand]			
for a paire of shoes for Esther	1	6	
for 3 yardes and 3 quarters Lime thrid and for tape for 4 Aprons for 4 Daughters	7	5	
for Inckle for their Coife stringes		4	
for mendinge their shooes att severall tymes		8½	
for a paire of hoase for Hannah and Sara	2	10	
for mendinge Esters gowne and Inckle for head Laces		7	
for halfe a yeares table and token for Anna and Sara endinge the 29th September	5	0	0
for a quarters table and token for Ester ending 1th January	3	15	0
for A quarters table for Deborah endinge 1th January	17	6	
for mending Annas shooes		6	
for 2 neckcloathes for Hannah and Sara and Poyntes	1	7	
for a Laye to Robert Newton		6	
for Linnen Cloath and thrid for a Smocke for Anna	2	7	
[change of hand]			
for a hatt a handkerchiefe for Sara and shoetyes	5	6	
for mending Anna shoes and [erasure] for tyes		5	
for wormeseed and treacle for Anna and Sara		5	
lent Sara and for Inkle and pins		8	
for a blacke Coife for Anna	3	6	
for cloth for Cresscloth and lace for Anna and Sara		6	
for mending shoes and a thimble pro Esther and Sara		4	
for 2 pair hose and 1 pair of shoes for Esther and Debora	3	6	
for mending shoes for Anna Esther and Sara		8	
for silke for Esthers sampcloth 2[?T] woostid and drawing a Coife		10	
for a lace for 2 Coifes Inkle pins and Apron-strings for Esther and Debora	1	5	
for 2 Inckhornes paper and Masters wages for wryteing for Anna and Sara	1	4	

for mending Sarahs shoes		2	
for 1 pair of hose 1 pair of shoes for Anna			
pay and shoe tyes	4	6	
for 1 yard of holland, lace thred and makeing of linnens and Incle and pins for Esther and Debora	7	0	
for the table of Esther and Debora for 1 quarter 25th of <of> March to the nurse	1	15	0
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for 2 yards of Linsey lace thred and silke for Esther and Debora for 2 wascoats and mending 2 peticoates and schoole wages for Esther	9	4	
for 2[Li] [?quarter] conserves [<i>interlined: A barbaries</i>] and white Candy for Debora		3	
for 2[L] woosted for Esther		4	
for mending Annas shoes and Allowas for Sara		6	
for cloth for 3 smocks for Anna and Sara	7	0	
for Anna paid to Harry Aldron		8	
for 6 moneths layes to bridges and maimed souldiers to Robert Newton	3	1 ¹	
for a bible for Anna	4	[?]	
for mending hose for hanna and Sara		6	

Disbursments since 1th May 1652 [in left hand margin]

for a white Wascoate of Holland for Anna and Sara	5	0	
for a paire of shoes and shoe tyes for Sara	2	2	
for mending shoes and silke for Esther and Debora		5	
for 1 yard and 7 meales of Yorkshire cloth att 4s 6d a yard for Annas wascoate	6	0	
for mending shoes and Alloewayes for Sara		8	
for makeing Hannahs wascoate and mending her shoes	1	4	
for a laye		2 ¹ / ₂	
for shoes and tyes for Esther	1	7	
for footeing 2 pair of hose and pins for Esther and Debora		[?]	
for schoole wages linnen cloath and woostid for Esther and Debora	4	4	
for mending 2 Coates and thred and cloth for a smocke for Esther and Debora	2	0	
for a paire of shoe tyes and Apron strings for Sara	2	2	

for 2 pair hose for Anna and Sara and a pair Apron stringes	2	8	
for a pair of bodyse and mending shoes for Anna	2	0	
for a quarters table ending 24th June for Esther and Debora	1	15	0
for linnen cloth for Anna and Sara and lace for a shute of linnens	12	2	
for cloth for 2 smocks and thred for Debora and Esther	4	10	
for halfe yeares table for Anna and Sara ending 24th of June 1652 each 25s the quarter	5	0	0
for a rent paid to James Hall out of the great Walbutts 24th June 1652	6	8	
[page] 13 [change of hand] paid to Thomas Johnson his Rent for walbutts 24th June 1652	6	8	
paid to Robert Newton for 4 yards lace silke and Buckram pro Anna	1	9	
paid to Robert Newton for broadcloath for A westcoate 4 yards and quarter of stufe for A Coate silcklace and Buckram pro Sara	1	8	10
for leather to mend 4 Child's shooes with paid for A quarters table pro Esther and Debora endinge att 29th September	1	15	0
for Allowayes and A pair Hose pro Sara	2	8	
for mendinge shooes pro Sara and Esther			3½
for Cloath for 4 neckcloathes for Debor and Esther	1	0	
for 3 Coifes lace and 2 neckcloathes pro Anna and Sara	2	11	
for makeing A suite linnens and A pair of hose pro Anna and lace pro A suite of Linens	4	6	
for linens and makinge of them pro Sara and footinge hose	3	9	
for makinge another suite of Linens (her best) pro Sara and lace	3	1	
for A pair of shooetyes hose and Roule Incle lace and thrid pro Sara	4	8	
[page] 14 for makinge Sarah pety Coate and weastcoate for samples Cruell and wosted pro Esther and Debora	1	6	
			10

pro seaverall layes paid to Robert Newton			
25th September for them	3	10	
for 14 yards 3 quarters Karsie for 4			
peticoats for 4 Children lace and			
silke paid to Robert Newton	1	12	7
paid for schoole wages pro Esther and Debora		3	1
pro halfe yeares table endinge 25th December			
pro Anna and Sara each 25 per quarter	5	0	0
for spices pro anna beinge sicke and A medicene		2	8
for A pair of shooes for Debora		1	6

Disbursments 1652 [in left hand margin]

for A medicen for Joynies pro Esther			7
for Saras shooes mendinge and Deborahs			4
for A pair of hose pro Anna	1	6	
[page] 15			
for ½ [?] of wosted for Esther and A			
pair of bodyes Inckle and pins	2	10	
for makeinge Petticoates for 4 Sisters	2	1	
for A pair of Bodyes Lace and thred pro Debora	1	11	
for A pair shooes and tyes pro Esther	1	5	
for mendinge shooes pro Sara and Esther		5	
for 2 layes to John Bradley Constable		6	
for 2 pair hose pro Esther and Debora	1	8	
for Cloath for 2 Coifes and other necessaryes			
pro Esther and Debora	5	4	
for A pair Hose pro Sara and A pair of			
shooes and Inckle	3	1	
to Thom: Johnson Rent for walbutts	6	8	
for a hankerchef for Anna	2	0	
for mendinge Anna shooes and Sara		8	
for 2 pair Apron strings and Cotton			
tape pro Esther and Debora		8	
for 2 smockes for Sara and thrid	5	4	
for Debora and Esthers table endinge halfe			
yeare 25th December	1	15	0
for Inckle pro Debora		2	
for 2 pair of manackles pro Esther and Debora		6	
for mendinge Esthers gown A pair of			
sissars and stringe		5	
for 1 yard 3 quarters minikins pro wastcoate			
for Anna from James Hall	3	3	
for repareinge enderbanke house and			
Jeffery Deanes	1	9	

Since the 30th January 1652 [in left hand margin]

paid to James Hall for martlemas			
Rent pro the walbuth		6	8
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to the [<i>interlined: over</i>] Seeres pro poore			
2 layes		1	0
paid to John Pristnall 24th March for a			
quarters table pro Anna	1	2	6
paid for Esthers shooes mendinge			5
paid for Saras shooes and tyes			6
paid for A pair Hose A pair shooes and			
tyes pro Anna		3	6
paid for Aley halfe of 6 monthes		1	9
paid for 2 blewe Coifes pro Anna and other			
necessaries			10
paid to John Potter for hedginge and			
dichinge in the walbuth		3	0
for A pair Apron strings			2
paid for Apron strings and mendinge shooes			
pro Sara		2	1
pro Sara writinge and peaper			5
for 2 blew Coifes pro Esther and Sara			8
for A pair Manacles 1 yard Cloath and			
mendinge shooes pro Esther		1	8
for A yard Cloath pro Debora		1	3
for hatt and band pro Sara		4	6
for 2 yards Cloath and thrid pro Sara		1	0
for A pair of shooes pro Esther		1	8

Disbursments since 1652 [in left hand margin]

for halfe a yard and neale of stufe lace			
and silcke pro Esther Sara and Debora		3	7
for A yard 3 quarters saye pro Esther and			
Debora		3	8
for 2 yards 1 neale say pro Anna and Sara		7	3
for Ribin for Apron strings		1	2
for 2 wastcoats Cloath pro Anna and Sara		7	4
for lace silcke Buckram hookes and			
Eyes pro Anna and Sara		2	2
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for A pair bodyes and A pair hose pro Sara		3	2
for mendinge hose and Inckle for Esther and Sara			6
for makinge Anna and Sara wastcoates		1	8
for saras shooes mendinge and Thred			3½

for an Apron pro Anna			8
for mendinge Deboras Gowne hose and shooes			6½
paid [<i>interlined</i> : for Rent] to Hen: Dickenson			8
paid to James Hall pro Stuffe pro Sara Anna			
and Debora beinge 14 yards at 20d a yard	1	4	4
for Buckram silke and whale bone		1	8
for mendinge Saras wastcoate Inckle and thred			3½
for mendinge Deboras shooes and wastcote Cloath		2	8
for A ley to Constables		1	9
paid for Annah table to John pristnall			
for 14 dayes		3	0
for mendinge Esther shooes and for A smocke			
and footinge hose		1	9½
for a Church lay beinge their 4 parts			6½
for 2 pair of shooes pro Sara and Anna		4	2
for 2 smockes and A pair of hose pro Anna		6	3
for 2 smockes pro Sara and thred		5	1
for A smocke pro Debora and schoole			
wages for her		2	9
for 2 yards of blacke stufe pro Annah			
gowne and mendinge her shooes		1	5²
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for mendinge Sarah shews			3
paid to nurse turckington for A quarters			
table pro Debora Endinge 25th of march		17	6
for Esthers table A halfe yeare endinge			
24th of June	2	10	0
for mendinge Esthers shooes			2
paid to Will Turckington pro Debora table a			
quarter Endinge 24th of June		17	6
for inckle and A bodkine pro Debora and			
A yard of Ribin			7
for A yard of Ribin and A bodkine pro Esther			5
for making a smocke pro Debora			2
for silke thrid hookes and Eyes and lace			
pro Debora wastcoate			6
paid for 3 yards Sea for an Apron to James			
Hall pro Debora		2	4
for A Roule pro Debora and mendinge her			
shooes and apron strings			5½
for A yard of Scoth [<i>sic</i>] Cloath and A Roule			
for their wast		2	1
paid for a quarters table to unckle			
leadbeater Endinge 11th July	1	5	0
for A pair of shooes pro Debora		1	4

for 4 yards Red Inckle pro Esther		2
for a semalpe [<i>sic</i>] Cloath and Crule pro Debora	0 ³	6½
for ½ [?]oz wormeseed and a quarter of trackle		9
Disbursements since 1653 [in left hand margin]		
for Inckle and thrid pro makinge their Cloath		9
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for 2 yards ½ quarter linen Cloath pro Debora		
gowne		8
for mendinge A Coate and for thred for Debora		4
paid to James Hall his rent pro walbuth		
17th July	6	8
paid for Repair of under Bankes house	1	4
paid Thomas Johnson Rent pro walbuth		
20th July to his sonne John	6	8
pro A pair of hose and A pair of shooes pro Sara	3	6
for A blue Coyfe and A pair of hose pro Debora		10
for Dubinge of Coufley house		1
for A pair of hose pro Annah	1	6
for A pair of hose pro Esther		11
for shootyes tyes Aprpon strings		
Coife strings and bindinge of a		
Coate pro Sara	[?] ⁴	8½
for mendinge shooes pro Sara		5
for mendinge hose pro Sara and Esther		3
for Deboras shooes mendinge		2
for wormeseed and trackle pro Anna		3
for Cloath pro 2 aprpons makeinge and		
stringinge pro Debora	1	4
for Cloath for 2 neckcloathes pro Esther	1	2
paid for halfe of 6 monthes lay and A		
bridge lay	2	0
[page][erasure] 20		
for mendinge Esthers Westcoate		2
for one yard quarter of Ribin Pro Debora		5
for mendinge Annas gowne and thrid	1	3
for makinge A peticoate and wascoate pro Sara		8
for silcke and makinge Deboras gowne and		
wescoate	2	10
for 2 yards 2 quarters Scotch Cloath and		
strings and an Apron pro Sara	3	4
for Esthers shooes mendinge		2
for Cloath for 2 neckcloathes pro Sara	1	6
for thrid lace and makinge pro Sara and		
Esthers Linen	1	8

for A pair of shooes pro Esther	1	6
for one yard 3 quarters and $\frac{1}{2}$ Kersey pro Saras Coate lace and thrid	3	8 $\frac{1}{2}$
for 3 quarters of Kerseye pro Esthers and Sarah wastcoates	1	4 $\frac{1}{2}$
for A lace pro Annah		3
for mendinge Saras Cloathes		2
for mendinge <Elizabeth> Esthers Cloathes		1
for makinge A blacke Coyfe pro Esther and Debora		6
for thrid and makinge Esther and Sarah smockes		4
for pins Cotten tape Crule and scoule wages pro Esther	2	8
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for A lay for 6 monthes laye and the newe bridge 4th of October	2	0
for mendinge Deborah shooes and thrid pro her		4

Disbursments since 1653 [in left hand margin]

for mendinge Sara and Esthers shooes and shoe strings		7 $\frac{1}{2}$
for A pair of bodyes and A hatt pro Annah	6	10
for A quarter table to my Unckle Leadbeather endinge 10th of October	1	5 0
for thrid Cloath and whale bone pro Annah bodyes and mendinge		9
for mendinge Annah shooes Coate and pro thrid	1	6
for mending A pair of Bodyes and hose pro Sara		10
paid to Robert Newton for Cloath silke and lace pro 4 Children	6	9
for thrid and Inckle pro Annah and mendinge her wastcoate		7
for mendinge Sarah shooes to Robert woods and thrid pro her		6
for 2 blewe Coifes and Inckle pro Annah		11
for $\frac{1}{2}$ an ell of holland pro Anna and Saras Coifes	3	6
for Cloath pro Esther pro Coifes	1	3
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pro Cloath pro Annah and Sara Croscloaths and lace	2	1
for thrid pro Sara and Esther		2
paid to David: Jackson 22th of November for A halfe yeares table Ending 1 of January next pro Debora	2	0 0

for owne pair of hose pro Sara	1	4
for wormeseed and trackle pro Debora		3
paid Thomas Johnson his martlemas rent 1th December	6	8
paid to Will Marstland pro 3 pair shooes Annah and shooetyes pro Sara et Esther	6	1
paid for A pair of Bodyes pro Debora and Crules	1	3
paid for Cloath pro Deboras bodyes thred and bone		9
paid for [illegible] nide and thrid pro Esther		3½
paid for A pair of hose pro Anna	1	2
paid for lace for 4 Coifes pro Annah and Sara	3	0
paid for rent to Henry Dickinson pro parckes for white thrid pro Annah		2½[sic]
for thred and [erasure] [<i>interlined: laes</i>] pro Debora		1
for A knife pro Anna and A pair of shooetyes [page] 23		2
paid for makinge linens for the 4 sisters to Ann Sheild	8	
paid for inckle pro the 4 Sisters	1	6
for baringe out Esther and Deboras Dame	1	0
for A pair of hose pro Esther		6
for pins Inckle and mendinge Deboras shooes and shooetyes	1	0
for mendinge Sara Shooes and A wastcoate makinge pro Annah		5½
for A Roule thred and pins pro Sara and mendinge her [?]Clach and Key for her Truncke	1	6
	2	2

Disbursements for Children since January 1653 [in left hand margin]

for A tafity hud and A white hud pro Sara	6	6
for 2 hankirchifs pro Sara		6
paid for sara her joyrney upto London in Carririge of her selfe and her truncke	17	8
given her with to defray her Charges up	15	0
for A pair of bodyes pro Sara	2	1
for A pair of hose pro Sara	1	6
for 2 smockes pro Sara	7	2
for 13 months table for Sara Endinge 25th January 1653	5	0 0

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paid for A quarters table pro Debora to David: Jackson Endinge the 3rd of Aprill 1654	1	0	0
paid for mendinge Annah shooes and hose pro Sara			6½
paid for mendinge Deboras hose and shooes and schoole wages	2	4½	
paid for mendinge Esthers shooes and footinge Annah and Esther hose			9
paid for pins needls and 3 pairs of glovfes pro Annah Esther and Debora	1	5½	
paid for 2 neeckcloaths thred makinge pro Annah	1	6	
paid for thrid pins and mendinge Esthers Cloathes			3½
paid for A pair of shooes and tyes and A pound of Flax pro Debora	2	9	
paid for thrid and Inckle and mendinge Annah Shooes			6½
paid for mendinge Esthers and Debora shooes and pro laces			10
paid to Ann Sheild for a pin[afo]re pro Esther			8
paid for Phisicke pro Annah to [?] Dempport	4	10	
paid for lettinge Annah blud	1	0	
for Esthers table 3 quarters of A yeare Endinge 25th march 1654 at 25s per quarter	3	15	0
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for Annah table pro A halfe yeare Endinge 6th of Aprill 1654 at 25s per quarter	2	10	0
paid to the Constable for 3 monthes laye 5th of march 1654		1	7
paid to the Church wardnes pro A Church Laye	2	0	
paid to James Hall 10th of march 1654 pro Cloath lace silkthrid and mr Parkers rent pro last year	1	9	3
paid for linen Cloath thrid Inckle hookes and Eyes and [erasure] makinge Esthers Cloathes pins		3	0
for Cloath pro Debora smockes and A pair of hose	2	6	
pro footinge hose Shooe tyes and pins for Anna			6½
paid to James Hall martlemas [erasure] [interlined: rent] [erasure] pro walbutts	6	8	
paid to Robert Newton 13 May pro Cersey and [?]Castilion [interlined: stufte] lace sie silcke and buckram and 2 Aprons pro Esther and Anna	18	8	

Disbursments for 4 Children since may 1654 [in left hand margin]

paid for A pair of hose and mendinge shooes pro [erasure] Annah	2	5½	
for hose pins treackle wormesed and shooetyes pro Esther	1	1½	
for 8 yards of Round Cloath pro Annah Esther and Debora	8	6	
for 4 yards of linen Cloath pro Smockes pro Annah Esther and Debora	4	8¼	
[page] 26			
for shooes shooe tyes and thrid pro Anna	2	5½	
paid for schoole wages pro Debora tape footinge her hose and other things	1	10	
for table pro quarter of A year and one month Endinge 28th July 1654 pro Debora	1	6	6
paid 3 layes to Constables pro them	2	3	
for mendinge Deboras shoes and thrid		5	
for A pair of shooes pro Annah and A pair of hose pro Esther	4	1	
for footinge one pair of hose pro Debora and 2 pairs pro Anna		11½	
for hose and mendinge shooes pro Esther and thrid	1	5	
for A testement pro Debora and 1 lb of Flax	2	8	
for A pair of hose shooes [<i>interlined</i> : and] tyes pro Debora	2	7	
paid James hall rent [erasure] and Thomas Johnson rent pro walbuth pro midsummer Last and <Thomas Johnson> to his sonne John 31th July	13	4	
for A pair of hose pro Anna thrid and tape and Holland	3	11	
for A yard ½ quarters Cloath pro Esther and Debora	4	6	
paid pro phisicke to mr Dampont pro Esther	3	0	
paid to Robert Newton 31th July for 5 yards Simpeter and 3 yards quarter of minikine lace and silcke pro Annah	1	3	6
paid to Thom Bamford for Carringe Annah and her truncke to London	16	0	
[page] 27			
paid for Sara Cloathes and Apparell and dyet to George Ramlet pro 5 monthes as by his noate appeares	9	11	11
for shooes and money given Sara att London		5	0
for money given to Annah to bringe her up and for Linens	13	0	

paid pro Annah gowne att London	1	6	0
paid pro Annah table in London		11	0
for nescessarys pro Anna goweinge to London with a white lind A Coife and A pair of shooes		8	6
pro A pair of bodyes and other nescessarys pro Esther		2	9
for annahs table to me from 6th Aprill to 23th of August beeing 20 weekes	1	18	0

Disbursements for 4 Children since september 20th 1654 [in left hand margin]

for Esthers table Halfe A yeare endinge 29th September 1654 at 25s per quarter	2	10	0
for A say Apron strings and Footinge of hose pro Esther		2	4
for 1 lb of Flax thred and Inckle pro Debora		1	3
paid Henery Dickisson Rent			2 ³ / ₄
paid 31th of October pro 3 months lay to Constables and another		1	8
for lace pro Esthers Linens and other necessaries for her		3	2 ¹ / ₂
sent Annah by Edward Fell to London to by her linens		10	0
paid to Cosen John Jackson pro Deboras table 8th December which halfe yeare ends at Candlemas 54	2	0	0
paid to Thomas Johnson and James Hall pro walbuth pro halfe A yeare endinge 11th 9ber[sic]		13	4
for 1 lb Flax pins footinge hose pro Debora [page] 28		1	5
for mendinge shooes pins needles and shooe tyes pro Esther		1	1 ¹ / ₂
for A pair of shooes pro Esther thrid and Inckle		2	5 ¹ / ₂
for 1 lb of Flaxe pro Debora		1	0
for A wastcoate Cloath hooke and eyes and thrid pro Debora		6	8
for searge gowne pro Esther and makinge of itt and A peticoate	1	5	0
for 2 peticoates silke thred and lace pro Esther of Kersey	1	6	3 ⁵
for a say Apron pro Debora		3	0
for mendinge of A Coate A pair bodys Inckle and other nescesseryes pro Esther		1	3

for 6 lb of Flax mendinge and makinge of cloathes and other nescesseris pro Debora	9	2	
for A yard bayes pro Esther and A pair of shooes	2	0	
paid more to Robert Newton for 2 yards 3 quarters [erasure] or red kersey and 2 yards quarter red minikins 9 yards of lace and 2 yards ½ gallowne with silke pro Debora	14	11	
for mendinge twice Esthers shooes with wormeseed and trackle	10½		
for repair of their house in the under Bancke	7		
for hedginge the walbuths	6		
for A pair of Apron strings and needles and pins	5½		
for mendinge Deboras shooes and Apron strings [erasure] thred bindinge pro Debora	1	1	
for thrid pro Sara 2d and pro 2 smockes	7	6	
for A pair of bodyes pro Debora	1	8	
for makinge Esther and Deboras Linans	2	0	
for A pair of shooetyes thred and mendinge Esther shooes	7½		
for a pair hose pro Debora	1	0	
paid for 6 months lay and A bridge laye [page] 29	1	0	
paid to Anne Sheild pro teachinge Ester to sowe	1	0	0

Since Second May 1655 [in left hand margin]

for A pair hose pro Esther and mendinge A pair pro Esther	2	5	
for 4 yards hempcloath pro Esther	4	0	
paid Thomas Johnson 27th June his Rent pro walbuth	6	8	
paid James Hall 23 July 55 his rent pro walbuth	6	8	
paid for makinge Esther A wastcoate pro Fustian and other nescessarries	2	5	
for A pair gloves and pins pro Debora		5	
for mendinge Ester A Peticocate wastcoate and bodyes		8	
for A pair hose thred Cloath and lace pro Esther	4	1	
paid to John Jackson 17th August for A halfe yeares table endinge 25th July last past pro Debora	2	0	0

for A years table pro Esther endinge 29th september 1655 at 25s per quarter	5	0	0
for 3 yards and a quarter linnen cloath and thrid pro Deboras Smockes	4	6	
for halfe yard lace pro Esther and mendinge her shooes			6½
for mendinge Deboras shooes			6
for 2 yards of Cloath pro Esther smockes and makinge	3	0	
paid Robert Newton pro A wastcoate and furniture pro Esther	7	8	
for makinge A peticoate pro Debora		6	
paid to mr will Houge att London which Anne Borrowed	5	0	
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paid for A Serge wastcoate pro Anna att London	9	0	
paid for A Coate of Serge pro Sara att London	14	0	
more given to Anna and Sara att London	2	0	
[Line erased]			
paid for mendinge Esthers shooes A pair Apron stringes Inckle and other necessarys pro Esther	1	4½	
paid six months Layes pro them to Constables	1	2	
for A pair hose A blacke taftety [erasure] Coife A pair of shooes and tyes pro Debora	5	8	
for mendinge Deboras shooes		4	
for A wastcoate silck lace Buckram hookes and eyes and thrid pro Debora	4	6	
for A pair hose and shooes and shooe tyes pro Esther and mendinge shooes	4	1	
Paid for repair of Jeffery Deanes house		8	
paid for teachinge Debora	1	3	
paid for makinge Debora Coate and wastcoate	1	9	
paid for 3 yards Karsye silcke borderinge and lace pro Debora [erasure] Peticoate	11	6	
for mendinge Esthers shooes and wormeseed and treacle		6	
paid to Thom: Johnson and James hall rent for walbuth	13	4	
Since 20th December 1655 [in left hand margin]			
paid to mr Davenport for Phisicke pro Esther	2	6	
paid for Deborahs schoole wages	1	0	
paid to Alderman Dickinson mr Parkers rent	2	2	
paid 2 layes for 4 Children to Constables	1	7	

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paid to John Jackson 8 February 55 pro			
halfe yeares table last past ending			
2nd February last pro Debora	2	0	0
paid A lay for Bridges to Constable			4
paid for schoole wages pro Debora for			
Knittinge		1	0
paid A lay for Hye wayes			8
paid for mendinge Esthers hose and shooes			
and a lace			8½
paid for A pair of bodyes pro Esther	3	10	
paid for Annah Apron pro Esther strings			
and makinge	2	0	
paid for Debora schoolewages	1	0	
for makinge steeles in walbuth	1	0	
sent Sara by Thomas Bamford to London			
20th February	1	0	0
for an Apron pro Debora and Inckle		2	1
for linen pro Debora		3	4
for A pair of hose and other things pro Esther		2	2½
for A pair of hose and gloafes pro Debora		1	7½
for A pair of Bodys pro Debora		3	4
for one yard and A halfe of searge silcklace			
and furniture pro Esthers wascoate	11	8	
for Aquavita pro Debora			3
sent Annah per Thom Bamford to London			
4th June 56	10	0	
for mendinge Esthers weastcoate shooes and			
for Sissers and tape			9
for A pair of shooes and for mendinge shooes			
and shooetyes pro Debora	2	4½	
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for A pair shooes and tyes makinge of A			
wastcoate and mendinge hose pro Esther	3	7	
for 2 Coifes pro Esther thred Inckle and			
Apron strings pro Esther			11
paid to Thomas Johnson rent pro walbuth			
3th of August	6	8	
for mendinge Esthers shooes thred and hooke			
and eyes			9
paid to Robert Newton for 1 yard and A halfe			
pinck Couloured kersey 3 yards minikine			
7 yards gallowne lace silck and buckram	13	9	
for bindinge Esther Coate thred and makinge			
her aforesaid suite up	1	11½	

paid to John Jackson for A halfe yeares table Endinge 25th July 1656 pro Debora	2	0	0
paid James Hall rent pro walbuth 5th September		6	8
paid to Alexander Newton pro Cloath lace and silcke pro peticoate pro Esther		11	10
paid for whittinge yorne pro Debora and Esther		1	3
paid for mendinge hose and shooes pro Esther 4d and pro Debora			7½
paid for A 6th monthes laye and other Layes to the Constable		4	2½
paid to Annah att London myselfe 2nd of October		10	0
1656 [in left hand margin]			
paid James hall his halfe yeares rent 17th December pro walbuth		6	8
paid Thomas Johnson rent to his sonne John 29th of December		6	8
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paid to John Jackson pro A quarters table 1th November	1	0	0
paid to Sara att London myselfe		5	0
paid pro repair of Jeffery Deanes house		2	0
paid for A pair hose and mendinge A pair shooes pro Esther		2	2
paid for makeinge Esthers Linnens and Inckle		1	2½
paid for weaveinge cloath pro Esther and Debora		3	10
for Pins thred and tape pro Debora			3
paid to Alderman Raphe Dickinson pro rent and Capon already due to the 23th December 1656 for the walbuths		4	6
paid for A pair shooes pro Debora Incle and thred and hookes and Eyes		2	3
paid for 2 yards 3 quarters of Cloath pro Debora		3	8
paid for A pair bodyes 2s 6d pro tape 2d and mendinge shooes pro Esther		3	1
paid for A pair shooes pro Esther and pro thred		2	3
paid to Constables pro A six monthes lay pro Children		1	4
paid to Robert Newton 16th January 1656 pro Cloath pro A peticoate and stufe pro A Wastcoate as alsoe pro bayes silcke lace and Buckram pro Debora		19	5
paid for makeinge Deboras shute of Cloathes		1	6
for whallbone 2d and a buske [?] all			4

for A yeares table pro Esther Endinge 26th september 1656 att 25s per quarter	5	0	0
pro A Caster pro Debora		8	0
for thred pro Debora and mendinge her wastcoate			4
[page] 34			
sent up to Annah 20s and sarah 10s the 4th of March 1656 by Thom Bamford	10	0	
paid Thom Bamford pro carriage of Anna and her truncke downe from London	14	4	
pro tape pro Esther thred and mendinge her shoes			5
pro A letter per post pro Sara			4
for Linens Hose and other things pro Esther	4	3	
for a blacke hudd and A pair glovies and mendinge shooes pro Esther		6	3
more given to Esther att her goinge to London	1	10	0
for halfe yeares table pro Esther endinge 25th march 1657 att 25s per quarter	2	10	0
25th March 1657 [in left hand margin]			
paid for Carriage Esther to London and her box	15	0	
for A wastcoate cloth and furniture pro it pro Anna	5	11	
paid to Thomas Browne pro Carriage of Anna up and Truncke	16	8	
given to Annah att her goinge up to London	1	4	0
for a Cloath hud which Annah lost in goinge up	5	0	
paid to John Jackson and his wife pro a quarters table endinge the 1th of May	1	0	0
paid for makinge Annah linens to Mary Cooke		6	
for A pair hose pro Debora		10	
for A pair bodyes pro Annah	3	0	
for tape hookes Eyes thred and pins pro Anna and Inckle	1	2	
for 2 white Coifes pro Anna and 2 yards scotch cloath	6	1	
for mendinge Annahs shooes A pair shooes and 1 yard and ½ linen cloath	4	5½	
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paid pro makinge A wastcoate and mendinge A Coate pro Anna	1	8	
for A bible pro Annah	4	2	
for 2 holland Coifes pro Anna	1	3	

paid to Jo Jackson 17th July pro Debora pro A quarters table Endinge 25th July	1	0	0
paid James Hall 18th July his rent pro walbuths		6	8
paid Thom: Johnson als williamson 14th December A yeares rent pro walbuths	13	4	
paid for 3 months lay	1	1	
paid pro A pair hose pro Esther	1	8	
paid pro A pair shooes and shooetys pro Debora	2	5	
paid 6 months lay and pro Constables Charges	3	3	
paid to mr Davenpot pro Phisicke pro Esther and pro spices pro her	4	4	
paid for A post letter pro Anna and Sara		4	
sent up to London by Thom Bamford 21th October pro Anna Sarah and Esther	2	0	0
paid to Jo: Jackson pro A quarters table pro Debora 23th October	1	0	0
for A post letter from Sara		4	
for linens pro Debora	1	10	
for Another post letter from Sara		4	
paid for repair of Thom Callons house which was Jo: Pottes and alsoe Mackerelse to Alderman Newton	3	7½	
paid for repair of Under [erasure] [interlined: erasure] Banckes house 1657	13	7½	
sent to mr Philipe [erasure][interlined: Bucher] 15th December 1657 by a bill which hee had Laid Downe pro Esther	1	0	0
paid for 1 yard and A halfe Cloath pro Debora [erasure] wastcoate pro making Inckle and thred [page] 36	4	0	
for A pair of hose pro Debora	1	0	
paid to Jo: Jackson 12th February pro quarters table pro Debora	1	0	0
paid 3 monthes lay to Constables	1	0	
paid for a post letter		4	
paid for A pair of shooes and tyes pro Debora	2	2	
paid for A yeate pro hilgate Croft mendinge		8	
paid to Jo: Jackson pro Deboras table 30th Aprill 58	1	0	0
for Apron Incle and Apron strings pro Debora	2	8	
for A steele and Hedginge walbuth	1	8	
for mendinge Deboras shooes A pair of bodyes hookes and Eyes	6	7	
for linnens and other necessarys pro Debora	6	10¼	

paid 2 bridge layes and 2 layes for [erasure] maimd souldiers	2	0
paid 6 months lay 29th June	2	0
paid James: Hall rent pro walbuths pro A yeare	13	4
for A pair shooes and shooe tyes	2	2
pro mendinge Deboras shooes and pins		11
paid two layes pro bridges and 3 months layes	1	6
for A wastcoate pro Debora makeinge and furniture pro Debora	8	4
for A boxe pro her linens A bible and pracktice of Pietye	6	4
for 2 pair of hose A buske and a Roule alsoe pro Debora	3	2
for A gowne pro Debora	1	10 0
for mendinge shooes pro Debora		6
for holland and lace pro Debora	7	6
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for A man and A horse to Carey her to A service	1	8
for deborah table 23 weekes	2	10 0
paid to mr philipe Butcher 17th September 1658 pro Phisicke dyet and attendance pro Esther	6	10 0
paid to Doctor Clarcke 19th September 58 in parte pro Esther towards her Cure and recovery	3	0 0
more Laid out att London myselfe	17	0
given to Anna	1	0
given alsoe to Sarah	5	0
paid for Carienge Esther downe from London to Browne	15	0
paid for her dyet partlie way to the Carrier alsoe	8	2

1658 [in left hand margin]

more sent up to Anna per Thomas Bamford 2d January 58	1	10 0
paid for Deboras table at burrye for a quarter	1	0 0
more laid out at bury for her in gloves shooes and other things	5	6
paid to Alderman Will Dickinson pro mr Parkres rent and pro 2 Capons for walbuth their parte beinge for 2 yeares last past beinge 18 January 58	5	3½

paid to Alderman Newton Anne Andrewes rent for her part of walbutts pro last halfe yeares rent att Martlemas	3	4
paid Alderman Johnson als Williamson rent pro walbutts	6	8
paid in my accompts to Alderman Newton and Thom williamson for repair of Tho: Chaltons house Raphe Calvellflye and John Guye the sume of	18	11½
more Laid out pro them		6
[page] 38		
paid pro Debora when shee was sicke pro Julepe a glister spices and other necessaries	4	11
paid for Phisicke to Doctor Win Debora	1	6
paid for 5 yards of Linen Cloath pro Debora at 14 per yard	5	10
for linens which ware mad pro Debora when shee Came from bury	5	9
for A pair gloufes and mendinge shooes pro Esther		9
for 2 piners and footinge stockings pro Esther	1	0
for A pair shooes and shooetyes pro Esther	5	0
for A holland whiske pro Esther	3	6+ ⁶

March 1658 [in left hand margin]

for a gowne and Peticocate of stufe pro Esther	2	10	0
for holland pro Esther		7	6
for A tafitie hude 5s and a blacke tafity Coife pro Esther		9	6
for a guilt bible pro Esther		5	0
for A pair hose and a pair bodyes pro Esther		4	6
for A pair gloves and moneys lent to Esther		1	4
paid to Ann Sheild for makeinge of Linnens thred and Inckle pro Esther		3	6
paid to will Ouldham pro worcke pro Esther		2	10
for mendinge of her shooes			7
paid for A post Letter pro Sara			4
paid to Alderman Newton for a cloath wastcoate and 2 petticoates lace and furniture and scotch Cloath pro Esther	2	0	10

1658 and 1659 [in left hand margin]

paid to Adam: Orme pro A hat, band and Lininge pro Debora	5	8
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paid for mendinge A pair of shooes pro Esther			6
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paid for mending Esthers bodys			2
paid for A post letter			4
sent Annah 11th May by Thomas Bamford	1	0	0
paid for Esther her carriage up to London			
and her Cloathes		15	4
given Esther to beare her charge to London		12	0
for necessities pro her Journey and a box			
pro her Cloathes		6	0
paid for Deboras table to yonge Jo:			
Jackson pro quarter	1	0	0
paid for A 6 months lay pro their Land		2	0
for mendinge Esthers Cloathes thred			
Inckle and other things		1	1
for 5 yards of Linnen Cloath pro Debora		5	10
for A pair of hose and shooes and shooe			
tyes thred and neeldes [sic] pro Debora		3	8
for one yard of Calicoe and 2 yards of			
blewe tape and an apron pro Debora		1	8
for A tafity hud pro Esther		5	0
for 2 yards of blewe Calicoe 4 yards of			
tape and thred to make Esther 2 Aprons		3	7
pro holland tappe and thred pro Esther		6	4
for Cloath pro A Smocke and ther [sic]			
pro Esther		3	9
for A Chincloath pro Esther			6
for A black tafity hud pro Debora		5	0
for a whiske pro Debora		2	0
for 2 yards and A halfe and ½ quarter			
of Holland att 3s 4d a yard pro Debora		9	2
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for thrid Inckle and lace pro Debora		1	8
for 2 yards 1 quarter red minikines at			
3s 4d per yard		7	6
paid for A post letter from sarah			4
paid Will Ouldham for makinge A peticoate pro Debora			6
paid for Esther for mending a gowne			4
sent Sarah by Thom Bamford 13th July	1	10	0
paid Alderman Johnson rent pro walbutts			
July 10th		6	8
paid for 3 yards Jallowne lace and silke pro Debora			10
paid for 3 post letters from Sara att			3
severall times		1	0
for mendinge Deboras shooes and 1 pair of			
gloufes for her		1	0

paid Mr Parkers Rent pro walbutts

16th July 59

2 2 $\frac{1}{3}$
1 0 0

sent sara by Robert Hobson 18th November
for A newe yeate pro hilgate Croft and
settinge 2 stoods

6 4

paid Ann Andrews rent pro walbutts to
Alderman Geo: Newton 5: December 59

3 4

1659 [in left hand margin]

paid mr Parkers rent pro walbutts 15 November

2 2 $\frac{1}{3}$

paid 5 December Alderman Johnson rent pro walbutts

6 8

paid to Alicander Newton for a serge peticoate

a red gray cloth wastcoate with 7 yards

of gold and silver lace silke and A

green Apron pro Debora

1 11 0

more other furniture pro her and making her

peticoate and wastcoate

2 1

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for [?] Lane pro Debora and pro wormeseed

1 3

sent to Anna by Thomas Bamford 29th of October

2 0 0

paid to Alderman Newton for more repairs for

Jo: Gughs house as I remember

4 6

paid Thomas Collier for halfe A yeares

table endinge November 1659 pro Debora

2 0 0

paid for A hatt lineing and band pro Debora

6 4

more paid to mr warren A counselle 2 of

Aprill 1660

10 0

to A Clarke to Examine the accompts

2 0

paid for steele and A Roald and makinge pro walbutts

2 6

paid for A post letter from Anna

4

sent Esther by Thom Bamford 2 of may

10 0

paid for 5 yard of Linencloth pro Deboras

Smockes att 18d per yard

7 6

for thrid pro her

2

paid A 6 monthes Lay 1th of June

4 2

paid for A pair of shooes and stockings

and 2d in shootyes pro Debora

4 1

paid Alderman Johnson als Williamson rent

pro walbutts 10th July pro last

halfe yeare endinge 24th June last

6 8

paid Alderman Newton same time andrews

rent alsoe

3 4

paid for repair of widdow Ha[damaged]sons house

to Alderman Newton

3 2 $\frac{1}{2}$

paid for A post letter from Esther

4

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1660 [in left hand margin]

paid Thom Collier the 2d of July pro 3 quarters table pro Debora endinge att the latter end of June last	2	12	0
paid to Thom Colliers wife pro A quarters table pro Debora endinge this 8th of october		12	6
given unto sara att London and Annah		6	0
paid A [?]Rale [sic] lay pro Debora		1	0
paid for two other Layes to Constables for repair of Jeffery Deans house		1	11
paid Thomas Johnson his rent pro Walbutts 14th December			6
		6	8
for A pair bodyes A pair of glovfes and A pair of hose alsoe 3 yards Ribbin thred and bindinge pro Debora		5	5
paid A ley pro her			3+ ⁷
paid Tho Collier pro A quarters table 25th January		12	0
paid for A ley for poore			2
paid for A lay for 3 monthes pro her			3
paid for A sarge Peticocate bordering and silcke pro Debora 26th Aprill 1661 to Robert Newton		14	2
paid for A pair of glovfes pro Debora to Jo: Cooke		1	0
given her att her goinge up to London		5	0
paid to Alexander Newton pro 1 yard sarge at 6s 6d per yard lace silke Bucram and gallowene lace pro Debora		14	4

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1661 [in left hand margin]

paid to Olliver Livo[?] by his wife pro Debora carriage downe from London and for [erasure] 15s laid downe for her att London and by the way	1	10	0
for A pair hose A pair shooes and shootyes pro Debora		4	6
paid to mr Parker for rents pro walbutts for last yeare		2	3
for Inckle and thred pro Debora			3
for stockinges and shooes pro Debora		5	2

for A say apron and a yard of scoch cloath	5	5
for a box for her linens	1	6
given her for to mak up her linens	1	0
paid for 5 weekes table to Tho: Collier	7	6
for mendinge her shooes		8
for one Ell of Holland pro her	7	2
A black tafity Coife	5	0
for whale bone and linen Cloath		5
paid for A scollope for A Coife	2	6
for a yard and ½ lace for a Coife		10
paid for Incle thred and for makeinge her linnens	2	0
more for one pound Flaxe Corne Butter etc		
to Deborah	7	2
lent Debora when shee over went mee to London	5	0
laid forth pro Debora for necessareys for		
her use as in my debt booke [erasure]		
appeares	6	7 0

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322 [in left hand margin]

paid Debora Harpur for Candles Inckle and		
thred per John Armstrong man		5
paid for thred laces per selfe		1
[line erased]		
paid for Candles per Anne Stockport		2
lent her per Joan Bibbey 7th March	1	0
sent her per Anne Stockport 9th March	1	0
paid for a quarter of sugar and a nuttmeg		
pro her		3¼
paid for prunes Hony Cro Candy and mace		7
paid for viniger pro her		[?]
paid for rose water		2
paid for seeds		1
paid for sugar		2
paid for sirrop of Rosses		9
paid for sallit oyle		1
paid for milke and egges		1
paid for casting her water		6
paid for sugar per Joan Bibbey		2
paid for sack and settwalle for her		6
Lent her per Anne Stockport		6
paid Anne Stockport		8
lent her per Joan Bibbey	1	0
paid to Mr Dampord	1	0
more lent her a paire of sheets at	5	0

Lent her a wascoat and a Croscloth a pinner and a hood at	6	0
paid for tob per Joan Bibbey		1
paid for stone neales per Armestrongs man		1
paid for tob per Joan [erasure] Bibbey		1
paid for a wheat Manchet		2
paid for a Rack of veale		10½
sent per Joan Bibbey 21st March		6
paid for sope per Joan Bibbey		1
paid for sugar seeds and Currance per Joan Bib:		4
paid for sallitt oyle pro her		1
paid Joan for 1 weeke	1	0
paid for a fillet		1
paid for Candles per Joan Bibbey		1
lent her per Joan Bibbey		6
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paid for sope and tob per Joan		1
sent her per Joan Bibbey	1	0
paid to Mr Damporth for phisicke	4	4
paid for Milke		3
paid to Joan Bibbey for 1 weeke	1	0
sent by Joan Bibbey		6
sent her per Joan 2th Aprill	1	0
sent her by Cozen James Hall	2	0
paid Mr Chorton for a Cordyall	4	4
sent by Cozen James Hall	1	0
sent by Anne Armestronge	1	0
£2 7s 4d [in left hand margin]		
paid to Mrs <Bradshaw>[interlined: Bruckshaw] for sirrup	1	8
paid for a paire of Bodyes	2	2
paid for a paire of shoes	2	4
paid for 1 yard of Cotten tape		2
paid for mending her shoes to Hamson		3

For Deborah Harpur 1662

more given her with her to Crew	7	0
paid her for horse hire	4	0
paid for a messenger to goe along with her	3	4
paid for a gowne Coate	14	0
paid for meate to Mary Wamersley	1	8
delivered to sister Stringer 24th June to buy her a gowne and other necessaries	1	12 0
[erasure]		
paid William odcraft for a Cordiall for her	2	8

paid for pair shew and stocking for her [erasure]	4	0
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paid to John Stankfield for table for her 17 weeke	11	0
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[Latin] Sum of the discharge	316	9	8
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[Latin] Sum of the charge	319	11	2
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[Latin] Remains in hand	2	18	6
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this accomptant prayes allowance of the charges hee hath beene putt to and
necesarilly expended and is to expend here after in this suite those for the
present hee hath expended beeing as

Followeth viz

1664 19 January [in left hand margin] for Counsell to his Advocate	1	0	0
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for the proctors Fee that day	2	0	
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for the proctor and the seale and extinge	3	2	
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3 February [in left hand margin] for the proctors Fee and act	1	4	
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for drawinge thease accompts and Coppyeinge (beinge above 22 sheetes of paper	[blank]		
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2nd March [in left hand margin] for the proctors Fee	1	0	
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for this accomptants travalinge Charges in Comeinge twice to Chester about his accompts for himselfe and his Horse	[blank]		
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Item wheras this Accomptant hath above (sub
potestaes pr) charged him selfe with the

3d part of the <decd> profittes of the

decedents Land <anno domini 166> for the

first ha – yeare Anno domini 1660,

amounting to the summe of £1 – 7 – 3 and

with one moyety of the profittes of

the same Landes for the 2d ha – yeare eodem

Anno 1660 <amounting to the sume of 11>	32	19	2
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and of the whole yeare 1661, and of the

first ha – yeare Anno 1662 amounting to

the summe of 11 – 17 – 11 and allsoe

with the whole profittes of the said Landes

the 2d ha – yeare eiusd Anni 1662 and the

whole yeare 1663 [*interlined*: amounting to

the summe of £19 – 14 – 0] all which said

severall summes belong to Roger Harpur sonne

to the decedent, who had noe share in

the decedentes personall estate this
 Accomptant craveth to be allowed and
 withdrawne from his charge.
 (Signed) Fra; Harpur.

1. Perhaps altered from 8.
2. Altered from 8.
3. The amount in the shillings column could be 6.
4. A blot in the shillings column could conceal 0.
5. 00 in pence column overwritten 3.
6. *Sic.*
7. *Sic.*

ADDENDUM¹

100. ELIZABETH BIKARSTAFFE OF STOCKPORT, SPINSTER.

S. Pr. 24 December 1599.

Will: [some damage along folds], visyted with godes corectyone.

W.T. 17 December 1599.

Knowing death To be certen to every creature and the houre thereof most uncertayne, do make ordayne and declare this present testament herein conteyning my last will in maner and forme followinge, first and pryncipallie I do Comend my soule Into the handes of Almightye god my creator redeemer and onelye savior by the merytes of whose Sonnes most precyous bloode sheedinge I truste to be saved and to Inherytt his Eternall Kyngdome, and my body and boones I comytt to chrystyan buryall in the parish churchyard of Stockeport as nere as may be unto my late deceasede father and sister Ales and for the order and distribution of my worldlie goodes cattells and dettes It is my mynd and will as hereafter followythe: first I gyve unto my sister Margarette Mason my best petycote with the Silke bodie doale, and one white petycote which I had of John Hampson my brother in law and one other thicke petycote without body doale, my best wastcoate and my best chist of lynnyn clothes, Item I gyve Margerye Holme my halffe Sister my seco[nd] [damaged] petycote one whyte wast cote, and one nekarchaffe A crosse cloth and [damaged] Item I gyve to Elizabethe Holland a stamell petycote which I had of John Hampsonn my brother in law. Item I gyve Margarette Mason my Sister my best Scarffe and my best payre of hose, Item I gyve lyttle Katie Holme my hatt An apron a partelytt and A nekarchaffe and A crossecloth Item I gyve Jane Bancroft a nekarchaffe a partelytt Item I gyve Jane Danyell A partelytt and A wollen Apron, And to Anne Byron A partelytt and a Savegard, Item I gyve my said sister Margarette my best coiffe and to Katye Holme my werster [*interlined: coiffe*] and my best shoes, and to Margerye my halffe sister my werste shoes. Item I gyve John Hampson my brother in law my coffer and my Silver pynne, I gyve little Katye Holme my stamell wast cote, and to lyttle Katie Norres A partelytt and [?]²black

box, to Margaret my sister my best smocke Item I gyve my brother in lawe John Hampstonn my better blanckett and to Margrett my sister my worsher blankett my coverlett and chaffe bed and a rownd sheet I gyve lyttle John Mason my blacke sheepe, and to my brother in law John Hampstonn my other fyve sheepe, I gyve lyttle John Mason my Brasse pot and to Margaret my sister I gyve my two leades, to Margerye my halfe sister I gyve my lyttle panne and my skellett the greater and my frying pan, I gyve Margaret my sister my spitt and to my brother in law John Hampstonn my lyttle skellett, Item I gyve John my brother in law 2 pewter dishes, to Margrett my Sister other 2 and to Margerye my half sister <in law> other twoe, and my worst sasar and salt sellor and to Margaret my syster my other 2 sasars. I gyve John Hampstonn [erasure] one of my arkes and An other to Katie Holme the lyttle one and to Margrett my Sister my other arke, The rest of my goodes I gyve to John Hampstone my brother in law, Item it is my mynde to be brought home of 5s 6d which John Mason owethe me, and of 12s John Diconson owethe, and the other 10s I gyve as I have left with John Hampstone my brother in law, and if the sume afforsaid be not enough to brynge me home any one to whom I have gyven anything to beare a porcion toward my brynging [erasure] home.

Executors: John Hampstonn and John Mason. The mark of Elizabeth Bykarstaffe in margin.

Witnesses: [on reverse] Godfrey Heron, John Hampson [mark], George Reddich.

Inventory: Elizabeth Bykarstaffe of Stockport, spinster.

Taken: 22 December 1599 42 Eliz [I].

Of: goodes cattells and dettes.

Prisers: George Hampson, George Adshed, Reynold Meykyn, and Edward Greaves.

	£	s	d
Sixe sheepe	18	0	
in brasse	6	0	
pewter	4	0	
in Iron ware		14	
in earthen ware		2	
in leades		12	
in woodden ware		4	
in spynnyng wheelles		12	
in arkes		12	
one slipping of yarne		4	
one wyskett and A baskett		2	
in bedding	8	0	
in apparell	26	8	
in lynnyns	13	4	

one silver pynn and one gyrdle	2	6
one coffer	3	0
bedstockes		4
in dettes	27	6
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	Sum	5 14 6

Office endorsement: name spelt Bikerstaffe. Probate to executors.

1. We should have included Elizabeth Bicarstaffe in vol. I. She was buried as of Stockport 21 December 1599.

QUERY STOCKPORT TOWNSHIP

101Q. WILL OF HENRYE SMYTHE OF STOCKPORT, TANNER.

S. Pr. 22 September 1575.

Will, [no statement about health. Debts and credits in two columns at end of will].

W.T. 12 June 17 Eliz [I].

Knowing nothinge more sure then death and nothinge more uncertene then the howre of death being of good and perfect Remembrance make and ordeane this my last will and Testament in maner and forme Folowinge. First I geve and bequeath my soule to Almightye god my maker and Redemer Trusting onely to be saved by the death and blodshed of Jesus C.[hrist] And my body I commytt to the earth to be buried in due and decent order according to the discreation of my executors, And further for the discharge of my duty and quietnesse to be had After my decease my will and Testamernt is that my debts and funerall expences discharged and payd all my goods debtes and Cattall shalbe devided into thre just and equall parts, whereof the first I geve and bequeath to Alis my wyffe According to the costom the second part to Margery Smythe my doughter, And the third and last part I reserve to my self to geve and bequeath the same as I shall think heareafter good and convenient. Item I wyll that Alis my wyffe shall have and enjoye the howse wherein I now dwell by lycens of my Rightworshipfull master, Mr. Ardren of Hawardene Esquire keping her sole And unmarried, The backesyde of the howse reserved to my doughter Margery if she do mary any man that is a Tanner or be perswaded by the Counsell and advise of her frends to use the same Occupation withalloomes and Instruments belonginge to the same and she to paye the one halff of the rent by the licens of my sayd master And if she do not Occupy the tanners occupation that then Edward Smyth my servant shall have all my instruments belonging to the same Craft Item for all Tacks leases or grannts which I have of any man person or persons as more largely by wrytings thereof shall and maye apeare I wyll geve and bequeath And

by this my last Testament I resign the same unto my wyff Alis And Margery my doughter, that is to say the third part to my wyffe kepinge her sole and unmarried and the other tow parts to my doughter Margery, And if it fortune my sayd wyff to depart this lyfe or to mary before the yeares and Tearme in the same wrytings specified be fully complet and ended then I wyll the same third part to come to the use of my sayd doughter And if it fortune my sayd doughter to depart this lyfe before the yeares before specified be fully ended without Issue of her body lawfully begotten then I wyll wyll [*sic*] that the reversion of all such leases shall come to the use Commodity and proffit of Richard Smyth my brother and his Children Item I geve to William Swyndels a bend of lether or 5s. in mony, Item I geve to Thomas Burdsell a bende of Lether or 5s. in monye, Item to Alexander Torkenton a bend of lether or 5s. in mony, Item I geve to the wyffe of Hugh Ridings 6s 8d, Item to every godchild – 12d. Item to Edward Smyth my servant 20s. and the same to be taken up of the first monye that shall in after my decease and to be delyvered into the hands of Alexander Torkenton to be bestowed for the behove and proffit of the sayd Edwarde and such skynnes as shalbe bought with the sayd 20s. to be Tanned uppon my Costes and Carges for the space of one wholl yeare after my deceasse. Also my wyll is that [*interlined: the*] sayd Edward Smyth shall remayne at my howse so long as all my lether is untanned that I have now in my lyff tyme, And to be found at the charge of my wyffe and daughter Margery with sufficient meat drinck and clothes Item I geve to Hugh Riding my brother in law my best cotts, my best peare hoze, my best dublet my best shirt, my best peare shows and my best hatt, Item I geve to Edward Smyth the reversion and rest of all my apparell not geven or bequeathed I give to Ellen Awen my servant 3s 4d Item to the wyfe of Rauffe Brock – 3s. 4d. Item to the wyfe of Thomas Mosse 12d. Item my will is that the cupbord in the howse, the standinge bed in the chamber wherein I now lye and the longe bord in the howse shalbe in my third part and the use thereof to remayne to Alis my wyffe keping her in my name and Tarieng there where she now dwelleth and after her decease to remayne to my daughter Margerye Smythe. Item I geve to Thomas Williamson curat of Stockepord tow peare of soles, Item to John Smyth my brother - 3s. Item my wyll is that the rest and remaynder of all my goods cattall or debts not geven or bequeathed shalbe and remayne unto the use commodity and proffit of my forsayd doughter Margery Smyth.

Executors: testator's wife Alis Smyth and testator's brother John Smyth and testator's daughter Margerye Smyth.

Supervisors: Thomas Burdsell and William Swindels.

Witnesses: Thomas Williamson cleark, John Bradley, Alexander Torkenton with others.

Debts which I the within named Henry Smyth do owe	£	s	d
to William Swindells	8	13	0
to William Robinson of Heaton Norris		20	0
to Edward Bate		12	4

to William Davinport Knight	24	0
to Ellen Awen	52	0
to Alexander Torkenton	3	6 8
to Mr Hulme of Rediche		14
to William Davenport Knight	13	4
to Edward Hulme	8	4
to Thomas Jacson		12
unto Hughe Smyth my brother	6	8

[Sum 18 18 6]

Debts which are owing unto me the sayd

Henry Smythe

Jane Basnet of Barneton Widow	5	0 0
Thomas Stretch of the Northwich	13	4
Mr. Buckley Esquier	2	8
a sonne of long John of Chedle		8
Richard Blackshaw		20
John Browne		10
Henry Piggot		20
John Walker of Didsbury	2	6
John Thumpstones		20
William Wakefield		20

[Sum 6 6 8]

Office endorsement: probate to one of the executors, John Smyth.

102Q. JOAN SMYTH OF STOCKPORT, WIDOW.

C. 1580.

Inventory of: goodes and cattells.

Taken: 12 October Anno Regni Regis Elizabeth 20 [1578].

Prisers: Raphe Reddich and Otwell Dand.

	£	s	d
one cowe		33	4
half a swyne		3	4
on[e] pott		7	0
one litle pann		3	4
2 skelletes			12
one channnder		2	6
one drying pann one skymer			12
In pewter 2 brod disshes 3 smal disshes			
4 sawsers		10	4
2 Arkes		3	4

In treen ware	5	0
one fether bedd one flock bedd	16	0
2 coverlettes one blanket 2 payre sheetes	10	0
2 litle coffers	4	0
7 thrave barley	10	0
one hop malt		14
3 chayres	2	0
2 litle leades	2	0
31 yardes lynnin cloth	25	0
hir apparell	13	4
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	[Sum	7 13 8]

103Q. JOHN BEXWEKE OF STOCKPORT, YEOMAN.

C. Pr. 6 October 1580.

Will [the right hand margin of the document is damaged]: partley troubled with infyrmities in my bodye.

W.T. 6 March 1573/4, 16 Eliz.[I].

First I commend my soule unto Almightye god my Maker and Redeemer and my bodie and bones to chrystian buryall in suche place as my wiffe and frendes shall thinke most apte [damaged] convenyent Also whereas I have taken by leasse to me and myne assig[n]es of my worshippfull Master William Dokenfield Esquire One crosse with thappurtenances Called preston croft Sett lying and being in Stockport afforsaid in A Certen place there commenlye called the Turnecroft lan[e damaged] and nowe in tholding of me the said John Bexweke from the feast of thannuntiacon of our ladye which was in the yere of our lord god A thousand fyve hundreth three score and nyne unto thend and terme and for and during all the terme of 21th yeres then and from thence next and Immedyatlye [damaged] as by the said leasse more att large yt will and mey appere I do geve [damaged] grant and assigne unto Jone my wiffe aswell the forsaid leasse as also thoccupacon of the said crosse therein conteyned from the Daye of the [damaged] of me the forsaid John Bexweke for and Duringe all the liffe Naturall of [damaged] the said Jone, And yf she do depart this liffe before the yers in the same l[ease damaged] fullie expyred and ended I will that then the revercion of the same leasse and [damaged] of the said close therein containd shall remayne unto suche of my children [damaged] assignes as shall then and att that tyme be in most povertie and have most [damaged] same by the discrecion and oversight of my trustye frends frances Elcock [damaged] Dodge and William Wakefield and the Survvyvor or Survvyvors of them. Also wher[eas damaged] the forsaid John Bexweke by my dede Sealed delyvered and executed [damaged] past did not onlye geve grante bargainye and Sell unto James Ridgeway [of damaged] Offerton Rodger Danyell of Merpoole and Hugh Danyell of bramall [damaged]

and singuler suche and those goodes and Cattalls as I the said John then [damaged] that tyme had, As also all suche goodes and cattalls as I the same John [damaged] after might fortune to have as by the same dede more at large yt will or maye appeare I the sayd John do now will and grant that the said [damaged] shall stande Remeyne Abyde and be good staple fyrme and effectuall to all Intentes and purposes And that the saide James Ridgewaye¹ Rodger Danyell and Hugh Danyell by force of the said dede and this my last Will and testament shall have take and Receave all the forsaid goodes and Catalls (the forsaid [damaged] whereof I have made An assignment by this my last will onely excepted Also I will that all suche covenantes and bargaynes as I the forsaid John Bexweke and Jone my wiffe have made with Alex walker shall Immedyatlly after my deceasse Remyne unto the said Jone my wyffe as Survyvor [damaged] to the lawes of this Realme in such cause provyded.

Executors: James Ridgwaye, Rodger Danyell, Hugh Danyell. H. & S.

Witnesses: William Ridgewaye Deacon, Alexander Lowe, Nicholas Wenynghon, Olyver Robinson, Thomas Boson with others. True copy.

1. The letter d in Ridgewaye interlined.

Document attached: copy of the deed assigning testator's goods to his executors.

Court Record [Latin, calendar:]

6 October 1580.

Executors appear in person and argue that they should not be required to produce an inventory, because the deceased's goods are theirs, witness the copy deed which they produced.

104Q. JANE LEDBETER OF STOCKPORT, WIDOW.

C. 1587.

Account: [initial lines damaged].

[damaged] Ledbeter Executors of [damaged] Testament and Last Will of Jane Ledbeter Widow late of the parishe of Stockport Deceasid exhibitid the 19th Day of October Anno 1587.

ONUS

Imprimis these Accomptantes Doe Saye that the goodes of the [*interlined: said*] Decedent apparant By the Inventori thereof made and exhibitid Before Mr Hide Deane of the Rurall Deaneri of Macclesfield Do amount too £28 17 0

EXONERATIO

All whiche goodes the said Accomptantes have gevyn and Delyverid acording too the Will of the Testatrix in forme folowing.

Imprimis too William Ledbeter the younger on Foulding Bourd.

Item too Alice ledbeter on Shepe.

Item all the residew of the same goodes they have gevin and Delyverid too Elizabethhe and Jane Ledbeter naturall and Lawfull Daughteres of the said Testatrix according too hir will as doithe and may appeare.

And so the said Accomptantes do request that they may Be dischargid from being cauld too make any forther accompt in this behalfe for that they have fully and truly administrid according too the will of the Decedent.

Office endorsement: [damaged] Whittaker [and] William Ledbeter, executors of Jane Leadbeter.

105Q. LAWRENCE DANYELL OF STOCKPORT, LABOURER.

S.Pr. 10 May 1588.

Will, [some damage to the right margin and along folds].

Partelie troubled with sicknes in my bodye.

W.T. 20 March 30 Eliz.[I] 1587/8.

Dreading the uncertayne tyme of deathe knowinge the same to be uncertayne [*sic*] to every liveing creature and the hower thereof unknowen I not willing to dye intestate do make <this my> declare this present Testament, contayning hereing [*sic*] my last will and testament in maner and forme folowing that is [illegible] fyrste and principallye I doe comende my soule into the handes of almighty god my [erasure] creat[or] Redeemer and saviour by the meryttes of whose sonnes precioues bloud sheeding I trust [erasure] unfaynedlye to [be] Saved and to be one of thos that shall inherytte his everlasteing Kingdome. And body and bonnes I doe commytt I doe commytt [*sic*] to the earth from whens it came to be buryed in the parishe church yarde of Stockport afforesayde in such maner and as my executors and frendes shall think meett and convenient. Item it is my wyll that my debtes shallbe payd and my funerall expences dischargd of my whole goodes before anie devis[ion damaged] therof, which being done I will that the rest of my goodes remayning shallbe equallye devided Amongst my fyve Chyldrenn. Item my will ys that my sonne Williame shall have my consent and good wi[damaged] to have and enjoye after my decease all such groundes and houses as I shall hold of the right worshyppfull Richard Gerrard Parson of Stockport and Master Francis <Eloke> Elcocke and Master Nicholas Elcocke trusting that they of ther goodnes will thereunto consent and [erasure] agree. Item my will is that my twoe sonnes John and William Danyell in considerationn that I have geeven unto them such landes and tenementes as I hold shall geve unto my daughter Jone when she shall be maried or accomplysh the age of 23 yeares ether of them 40s and a bedde over and besydes her portionn any thing before wryten not withstandinge. I geve unto my daughter in lawe Jane Danyell

petticote saving one that was my wyffes and her best [damaged]slyfe of linenn Clothes the rest of my wyffes apparell and that excepted which I have geeven unto my daughter in lawe I will that my daughter Joane have. Item my will is that my sonne William in considerationn I have geeven unto hyme the house where John [?]Partington latelye dwelled shall geeve unto my sonne Alexander att such tyme as he doth accomplish the age of 22 yeares the some of sixe pounes 13s. 4d. of lawfull money of England. Item my will is thatt my sonne [?]Francis shall have over and besyde his chylds parte such somes of money as the sayd ryght worshyppfull Mr. Gerrard shall allow in consideration of the chardes I made uppon a house in the Church gate wherin William Thurnelye now dwellest which as I [?look] uppon my conscyence was £13 or more.

Executors: testator's loving brother George Danyell and testator's son William Danyell.

Witnesses: Frances Elcoke gentleman, Nicholas Elcock, and George Reddich with others.

Inventory: Lawrence Danyell of Stockport, labourer.

Taken: 15 April 30 Eliz [I,1588].

Of: goodes and cattles.

Prisers: William Wakefield, James Wilkinsonne, Thomas Holine, and Raphe Holine.

	£	s	d
twoe kyne	4	0	0
4 calffes		40	0
5 ould shepp and a lambe		12	0
in pewter		32	4
in pott mettall		26	8
in panne mettall		33	4
2 leades		2	0
frying panes and a drypping panne		2	6
2 fyre yronne and the yrone ware		6	? ¹
2 bordes and a forme		13	4
coffers and an Arke		29	0
certe[n] od boordes and bredes		5	0
a turnell stondes and other treen ware			10 ²
in earthen pottes			12
in bassens dishes and spones			20
in chears			16
in bedestockes		10	0
a feyther bed and other [erasure] bedenns	4	4	0 ³
in paynted clothes		3	0
in sheetes and other napree ware		27	0
in silver spones		5	0

in corne	[blank]
in salt fleshe	27 0
in apparell	20 0
in woole	6 0
4 horses and all thing belonging to them	5 10 0
in haye	10 0
in husbandrye ware	30 0
in fewell and other od tymber	5 0
in the stable	4 0
one payr of wayghtes and a hachett	2 0

1. Erasure.
2. Not given whether shillings or pence.
3. Could be 4s 4d.

Office endorsement: probate to executors.

106Q. ROBERT MARSHALL OF THE PARISH OF STOCKPORT.

S. 1593.

Accounts: [Latin, calendar in translation].

17 December 1593.

Account of Jane Marshall Relict and administratrix of the goods and chattells of Robert Marshall, formerly of parish of Stockport.

	£	s	d
The deceased's goods totalled ¹	10	10	9
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The accountant disbursed:			
for the deceased's funeral expenses		3	4
for probate fees etc		3	6
on a bond for £9 to Radulph Taylior before the court of Edward Wood, Mayor of Macclesfield, plus 21d costs	9	1	9
on a bond for £7 to Alice Didesburye before the same court, plus 21d costs	7	1	9
on a bond for 49s [<i>sic</i>] to William Fowden before the same court, plus 21d costs, but only 41s awarded	2	2	9
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Concluding calculation:

Sum of the inventory	10	10	9
Sum of the disbursements	18	13	1
Spent more than the sum of the inventory	8	2	4
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1. The term inventory is not used.

Commission: copy commission from Dr David Yale to Jane Marshall.

107Q. JOHN BRIDGE OF PARISH OF STOCKPORT.

I. Pr. 20 July 1604.

Will, [no statement about health].

W.T. 28 January 1603/4.

First and especialle I bequeath my soule to the almightie god by whose precious death I hope to be saved at the last daye, secondlye my bodye to be buried in the parishe Church of Chedle or ells where the lord shall appoynt it Item I doe give Alis Reade my bedd with all belonging unto it and if she doe mislike of it to have the same in money as much as it is worth and one Arke at the Bridge hall which standeth in the lodge. Item I doe give to my sister Ann the wyffe of Edward Garnett 12d Item I doe give to George Aldcrofte sonne of Ellis Aldcrofte 2s And all the rest after my buriall expences to be devided betwixte my two sisters Catherin and Isabell.

Executors: Ellis Aldcrofte and testator's sister Catherin.

Overseer: Mr Parker.

Witnesses: Ellis Aldcrofte, Houmfrey Bridge, Peeter Warburtonn with others.

Debtes owinge unto mee John Bridge	£	s	d
Ellis Aldcrofte		35	0
William Cheadle of Edgley		12	0
William Bridge		4	0
the mother of the sayd William		2	8
Houmfrey Davonporte		2	0
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Sum		55	8

Inventory: John Bridge of Stockport.

[No date taken.¹]

Of: goodes and Cattells.

Prisers: John Burges, Humphre Bridge.

2 kye
Item his Apperell with his bed

£	s	d
2	13	4 ²
	9	0
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Sum	3	2 4
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Deptes owinge to the sed John Bridge

Ellis Aldcroft
William Cheadle off eadgley
the mother off the said William
Humphrey Bridge

	35	0
	12	0
	2	8
	2	0
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[Sum	2	11 8]

1. Buried 7 February 1603/4 in Cheadle parish church [information from Dr G. V. Chivers].
2. Expressed as 'Four markes'.

Office endorsement: probate to executors.

108Q. WILLIAM DICKONSON OF STOCKPORT, LYNNEN DRAPER.
C.1614.

Accounts: [n.d.]

The accompt of Edward Hulme administrator of the goodes and cattells and chattels of William Dickonson late of Stopporte in the county and dioces of Chester lynn timer draper deceased made by virtue of his corporall oath aswell of and upon all such goodes cattels chattels and debtes of the said intestate as sithence his death by virtue of the said administracion came to the handes and possession of this accomptant as all soe of and upon all such debtes and sommes of money etc as this accomptant hath payd satisfied and laydout as administrator to the said decedent as followeth

The charge:

Imprimis Whereas the total somme of the Inventory of the goodes cattells and chattels of the said decedent being valued and preised, and exhibited into this court (besyde the desperat debtes mencioned in the foote of the same amounteth to the somme of seaventie three poundes seven shillings and six pence of good and Lawfull money of England this accomptant sayth and allegeth that all the said goodes cattels and chattels comprised in the totall aforesaid did not come to his handes or possession, for that the Relict of the sayd decedent keepeth goodes in her handes which never came to the possession of this accomptant, valued at £16, and that there are some tackes in Variance Valued at £8 whereof this

accomptant hath not yet receaved possession, neither hath he made or had any proffitt out of the same which said sommes of £16 and £8 being deducted out of the said totall there will remayne onely the somme of £49 7s 6d wherewith this accomptant doth charge himself and noe more.

Item this accomptant further sayth and alleageth that if any more of the goodes cattels chattels or debtes of the said decedent shall at any tyme hereafter come to the handes and possession of this accomptant he is tyed to pay the same as hereunder is declared.

The discharge:

This accomptant sayth and alleageth that [erasure] after this accomptant had taken out an administracion of the goodes of the said decedent he was sued in the towne court of Macclesfield for a bond of £400 due by the sayd decedent (as by the sequele appeared) to the Reverend Father in god the Lord bishop of Chester which said somme was recovered in that court against this accomptant and an execucion for the same and for 8s 7d costs and charges awarded and served upon this accomptant. In part of satisfacion whereof he hath payd and delivered all the sayd somme of £49 8s 6d or the value thereof in goodes, to the handes of John Birche of Lensholme in the County of Lancaster shoemaker, (who had a Letter of attorney from the said Reverend Father for the recovering and receaving of the <somme> said somme of £400) and to the handes of John Dicconson brother to the said intestate by the consent and appointment of the said John Birche, soe that this accomptant hath layd out and payd all that came to his handes and possession of the goodes cattels chattels and debtes of the sayd intestate, and is lyable to pay all the said execucion (if there come into his handes goodes sufficient of the said intestats to pay the same) otherwise to pay soe muche as shall come to his handes towards the satisfaccion [*interlined: there*] of <the same> And therefor this accomptant craveth to be allowed the sayd somme £49 7s 6d which he hath payd and delivered as aforesaid, and the rest that shall come to his handes (yf any [erasure] doe come) towards the satisfyeing of the sayd debt and [*interlined: of*] the sayd execution thereupon obteyned and soe to be discharged from further accompting in this behalf.

Edmund Hulme.

109Q. RICHARD GLOVER OF STOCKPORT. S.Pr. 23 January 1618/19.
Inventory of: goodes, Cattells and Chattells.

Taken: 15 September 1618, 16 Jas I.

Prisers: Francis Robinson, Milles Herrod, Peeter Heyes and George Newton.

	£	s	d
in Swyne	3	0	0
in the parlor two bedes with furniture	2	13	4

in Sheetes and pillowbeares and other Linnenns	4	0	0
in the same parlor five Chistes	1	10	0
In the Lower parlor next the haule two bedsteedes with Course beddinge and one litle Chist		18	0
In the little Chamber one troklebed and beddinge	5	0	0
in the same Chamber one table one forme one Cheare		16	0
in the great Chamber in Trestes formes and bordes		10	0
In the parlor in the yord one standing bed one trokell bedd with furniture	2	8	0
In the haule tables Cheares and stooles	1	6	8
In the same Rome one Carpett and six quishens		15	0
one fyre Iron and Implementes belonginge and three Iron Wedges		14	0
In the Kitchen two paire of gobertes fower broches one dripping pann two fire Irons and other Implementes	1	0	0
fower Brasse Potes and Potleedes	2	0	0
In the Brewhouse one furnis and other Panbrasse	3	12	0
more two axes and husbandrie ware		3	0
in Pewter and brasse and Candlestickes	2	0	0
one litle Morter		3	0
more in the Kitchen one turnell one kneding trough and other wooden wares		10	0
in the Brewhouse two brewing Keires and barrells with other vessells	1	14	0
in the sellor three Little tables with all and other Implementes	1	10	0
in the Buttrey bred and butter and other Implementes		14	0
more in Mault and flower	2	4	0
in Coles and Wood	1	0	0
in Hey	3	10	0
the defunctes apparrell and in money	5	0	0

[Sum] 48 11 0

Bond: [hand written, in Latin, condition in English].

23 January 1618/19.

1. Margaret Glover [damaged] widow. [mark].
2. William Gerard [damaged] gent. [signed].

Bound in £100 to Thomas, bishop of Chester for

(1) to administer the estate of Richard Glover late of Stockport.

Witness: Rich. Yale.

Office endorsement: probate to deceased's widow, Margaret Glover.

110Q. WILLIAM DAVENPORT NOW OF STOCKPORT, GENTLEMAN.

S. Pr. 2 April 1621.

Will: [no statement about health].

W.T. 15 January 15 Jas I, 1617/18.

First I commend my soule into the handes of almightie god my maker and Continuall preserver hopinge by the merrittes of Jesus Christ to be one of the number of those that shalbe saved and my bodie to be buried in what place shall seeme good by my executors. First concerninge an estate which it hath pleased almightie god to blesse me withall in a certaine messuage and tenement scituate in Baguley within the Countie of Chester for and during all the time and terme mencioned in a certaine Indenture of lease graunted unto me and my assignes By Richard Leighe of Baguley in the Countie of Chester afforsaid esquier Marie his wife and Henrie Leighe gent sonne and heire apparant of the said Richard Leighe bearing date the last daie of August in the eleventh yere of his highnes raigne of England France and Ireland And of Scotland the sixe and forteeth [*sic*] with Certaine Clauses of redempcion therein comprised Relacion thereunto being had at large app[ear]eth And whereas I by Indenture of assignement bearing date the Eighteenth daie of December in the yere of the raigne of our Sovereigne lord James by the grace of god of England France and Ireland King defender of the faith etc thirteenth and of Scotland the nine and forteeth [*sic*] Have assigned the said messuage and tenement with all and everie it appurtenances unto my loving frendes William Davenport of myle end and humphrey Davenport of Sutton in the Countie of Chester Esquiers for and during all the time terme and space of one hundred yeres, if the lives recited in the same lease or anie of them soe longe doe live to and for such use and uses as I shall nominate limite and appoint my minde and will is that if it fortune the said messuage to be redeemed accordinge to the tenor of the Redempcion upon which redempcion their is to be received the summe of foure hundred poundes which I doe thus geve and bequeath That is to saie that foure hundred poundes or the lease above mencioned not redeemed which is then absolutelie my owne to dispose of duringe the lease above specified with the rest of all my goodes or chattells moveable or unmoveable whatsoever not to be separated but kept together for the good and maintainnance of my wife and children And that after my decease that all my estate which hath pleased god to blesse me withall That it be ordered and governed and soe bestowed of as shall seeme best for the good of my children for their bringinge up till the[y] come to the full age of one and twentie yeres by my executors And if it happen the said lease be not redeemed

then I doe geve and bequeath the one halfe unto my wife duringe her life if the lease soe longe Continue and the other halfe to my sonne William Davenport And after my wifes decease I doe geve and bequeath my whole estate of the lease above mencioned to my sonne William Davenport and to his assignes and for my daughter Jane Davenport alias Weatt porcion I referre it wholie to the discrecion of my executors But if it fortune otherwise and that the said lease be redeemed then I doe geve and bequeath my estate thus, First I do geve and bequeath to my loving wife Ellen Davenport the third part of all my estate in goodes or chattells whatsoever my debtes being first discharged out of the whole And for the other two partes of all my goodes and Chattells whatsoever my will is to devide it into three partes whereof I geve and bequeath to my sonne William Davenport two partes and to my daughter Jane Davenport alias Weat the third part be it more or lesse And if it please god my daughter Jane die before she come to be preferred in marriage or that she come to the age of one and twentie yeres Then I geve and bequeath all my daughters Janes porcion to my sonne William Davenport, but if it fortune otherwise and that it be the will of god that my sonne William Davenport die before he come to have issue of his owne bodie or to the age of one and twentie yeres Then I geve and bequeath that two partes to my daughter Jane Davenport alias Weat.

Executors: testator's very loving friend Raphe Cartwright of Baguley and testator's loving wife Ellen Davenport. And I doe charge my loving wife Elen Davenport that she be directed advised and councelled by my executor Raphe Cartwright And if it [erasure] fortune that my wife die before my Children come to their full age That then my will is that my executor Raphe Cartwright take the possession of all my estate in goodes or chattells whatsoever and my children to be at his disposinge of, and for their estate of goodes or chattells whatsoever to be used accordinge to the discrecion of my executor as he shall thinke best for the most good and profit of my children.

Supervisor: testator's good frend Raphe Cartwright of Baguley, son of testator's executor. H. & S.

Witnesses: John Fauckoner, Thomas Hampson and Richard Cartwright.

Accepted of and assented unto by me Raphe Cartwright the 24th day of Januarie in the yere of his majesties raigne within written.

Endorsed in Latin: Copy compared with original which remains in the registry of the consistory court.

Johannes Bickerton
Notary Public.

Office endorsement: probate to Ellen, testator's relict, named in the will, saving the rights of the other executor named.

111Q. ELLEN BURGESS OF STOCKPORT.

C. Pr. 25 March 1625.

Inventory [damaged, name from office endorsement].

Prisers: John [damaged]illing and William [damaged].

Taken: 25 March 1625.

	£	s	d
a bedd		40	0
a gowne		16	0
a Coat		7	0
2 Coates		4	0
a hatt		3	0
3 bandes		3	0
one wastcoat		2	0
one Coffe			16
2 aprons		2	0
one wiskett			1
one stoole			1
in debtes	10	0	0
more in debtes	5	0	0
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[Sum	18	18	6]

Office endorsement: administration to William Burgess of Stockport, mason.

112Q. FRANCES JODRELL OF STOCKPORT, SPINSTER.

S. Inv. 17 June 1631.

Will, weake in bodie.

W.T. 24 January 1630/1.

Knoweinge that nothings is more certaine then death nor any thinge more uncertaine then the hower thereof doe thereof ordaine and make this my last will and testament in maner and forme followeing That is to saye First I give and bequeath my soule into the handes of almightie god my maker and Creator hopeinge to bee saved by the merittes of Jesus Christe my redeemer, and my bodie to bee buried in christian buriall at the discrecion of my Executors hereafter named, And for such temporall goodes as god hath endowed mee withall my will and mynde is that the same shalbee disposed of in maner and forme followeing, That is to witt first I give and bequeath onto my sister Mary Shalcrosse Edmond Shalcrosse his [sic] sonne and Margaret his wife the sume of one hundred poundes of lawfull Englishe money to bee equally devided amongst them three into three equall partes, Item I give to my Cosen John Shalcrosse of Shalcrosse and his Children the sume of one hundred poundes of like lawfull Englishe money, Item I give to my brother Edmond a Cofer, a byble my greatest gould ringe, Item I give to my sister Antrobus to her sonne and

daughter to every of them twentie poundes a peece Item I give to my brother in lawe Francis Ashenhurst and his wife each twentie pounds a peece Item I give to my brother Pott and and [*sic*] his Children a hundred poundes Item I give to Elline Bennett wife to Edward Bennett the sume of five poundes Item I give to Franc[?]is Davenport twentie poundes Item I give to the poore of Taxall ten poundes to bee put forth for them Item I give to every of my brother Rogers tenantes wives of Yeardsley that have bine with mee at Stockporte since my comeinge hither to every of them one Edward Shillinge Item I give to every man servant at Yeardsley two shillings, Item I give to every maide servante here [*illegible*] five shillings a peece Item I give to my maid Margery ten poundes Item I give Mrs Davenporte widowe liveinge at Yeardsley two poundes Item I give to my Cosen George Jodrell and Edward Jodrell of the Carre two pounds a peece Item I give to Anne Hadfeild fortie shillings, whereof shee oweth me twentie Item I give to Thomas Wilshawe and his wife 7s betwixt them Item to the servants of my brother at the Greene 2s a peece Item I give to my sister Barn[?]es £10 Item I give to all my god daughters ten shillings a peece Item I give to Mrs [?]nicholls fourre royall and to her sonne Mr Robert Tatton a twentie shillings peece and to either of his sisters twentie shillings a peece and to the poore of Stockporte two poundes.

Executors: Edmond Jodrell my brother, Francis Pott my brother in lawe and Edmond Shalcrosse my Cosen.

Witnesses: John Bolland, John Winne and William Hartley. H. & S. The mark of Frances Jodrell.

Inventory: Frances Jodrell.

An Inventory of such [*interlined*: goodes] of Frances Jodrell deceased as are come to the handes and possession of Francis Pott gentleman one of the Executors of the said deceased will taken the 17th of June 1631 as followeth

In the Cupborde

	£	s	d
her purse and the money in it		2	7
one smocke, ould bandes and linnens		6	8
in blew yorne and starch			4
in sugar			2
a silver bodkin and a pinne Casse			18
a paire of sisers and a Combe			3
in other trifles			4
in money and silver and golden trifles			
in a little boxe		9	0
one boxe of marmolett and other			
[<i>interlined</i> : little] boxes			
and glasses		2	0

a little Byble and other two bookes	5	0
a flatt boxe with a little round locke and spices therein	3	4

In a flatt blacke boxe these particulars followinge

Gold and silver rings in a little boxe	26	0
Golde in the same boxe	15	6
one Jewell	5	0
in ould golde in a little purse	6	0 18
in bracelettes in a white box	16	0
in threed [<i>interlined: lace</i>] Crue, and small trifles	5	0
in another purse	3	0
in linnens	2	0
one little silver spoone	2	0
in gloves and Mittens	2	0
an ould scarfe	4	0

In the Clossett

In linnen Cloath and linnens	16	0
in apparrell for her bodie	34	0
in bottells and little pottes		16
in money delivered by Mrs Marie Shalcrosse	36	10
two barren kyne at Pott	4	6 8
more at Pott, two silver spoones and a thimble	13	0
a peece of ould branched silke		4

Sum 20 11 4

Exhibited 22 June 1631.

Additional inventory: Frances Jodrell.

An [?]addicional [erasure] Inventorie of the goodes of Frances Jodrell taken the 17th of June 1631 and exhibited into the Court 23 Junii praed [i.e. aforesaid] A true and perfect Inventorie of Certaine goodes which were conceived to be of late the goodes of Frances Jodrell deceased, received the 11th daye of August 1631 by Francis Pott gentleman executor of the last will and Testamente of the said Frances Jodrell deceased, at the handes of Rog[er] Jodrell Esquire and prized the 13th daye of the same moneth by Thomas Jackson Clerke and John Davenport yeoman as followeth,

	£	s	d
One stuffe petticote Whyte and Redd		8	0
in two redd Cloath petticotes		2	0
one other stuffe petticote		5	0
a stuffe Apron			14
a little round boxe			1
12 round trenchers			12
a peece of whall finne			1
one paire of french bodies			20
one redd upper bodie			12
bandes upon wyre			18
one paire of greene stockings			14
one Cuppe of yellow mettall			12
one furr			1
one lookeinge glasse		5	0
one blacke hatt			6

In a round boxe these particulars followinge

3 papers with powder in them 3 paire of gloves 6 paire of Cuffes one Apron, a whyte scarfe with a silver fringe 2 neckcloaths of Tiphanie 3 Coyres one haveinge a little Tiphanie and a Ribben on it, A falling band laced, another falling band with lace on, another falling band with lace on, another paire of Cuffes, another peece of Tiphanie, 7 peeces of networke or laces, another plaine band, two handcarchiefes and a little peece of linnen Cloath 2 narrow peeces of Cloath wrought 2 little ribbens 2 little Boxes and a little glasse, a bobin lace, a point a peece of velvet lyned with Cloath 7 peeces of linnen raggs, 2 little boxes of bone, 2 Rose Cakes, pinions of an ould gowne		11	0
a smocke skirt with yorne in it and some in Clowes and some in [?]sheenings		6	0
One silke gowne		33	4
One hood, Cloake and safegard		20	0
two Redd cloath petticotes laced and a stuffe petticote		26	8

a yellow rowle, an ould silke fringe	
and an ould girdle	6
one ould whyte taffatie dublett	2 0
a little remnant of fustian	3
one peece of ould whyte stuffe	12
two remnantes of woollen Cloath	2 0
a head wyre	1
one painted dish with bisket bread on it	2
two hankes of whyte threede	12
a pinne casse, a smocke and a maske	2 0
4 little parcellis of stuffe whereof	
two have networke on them	8
one paire of gloves two peeces more of nett worke	3
a little furr and a peece of lether	2
two little stripps of linnen Cloath	1

More in the Presse

a peece of plate of yellow mettall	12
a little quishon and a pin-casse	6
12 trenchers in a Case	6
one stuffe waste Coate	2 6
an Apron and two paire of french bodies	3 6
one pewter dish	12
two little remnantes of new Cloath	3
a sleeve of an ould gowne	6
a little round boxe, with a gold ringe,	
another Ringe, one paire of bracelettes	
poyntes Ribbens and other little trifles	
in the same	6 8
one little greene boxe, with a	
necklace and beades in it	2
a peece of lace a knyfe and a paire of	
Twichers	4
a Case for sisers bodkins etc	1
2 knyves sheaths	1
2 ould waste Coats	8
a little Canne a little boxe and another	
emptie boxe	6
one boxe with 4 bookes in it	8
one boxe with 53 bookes in it most of them	
ould historie bookes	4 0
a little psalme booke	4
an ould Apron and one ould paire of shoes	12

an ould smocke, and about a yarde of new linnen Cloath	12
received of Mr Edmund Jodrell, a dublett, a Jerkin, a paire of Bootes, all over worne and short Cordes	3 4

In a Coffe in the parlour

A shooting glove, bracelettes and ould raggs in a paper	2
in a little wiskett gerths, buckles, spurrs, and other odd things	6
a byble in quarto	10 0
one hatt with a bande rose and fether	4 0
a band wyre, a boxe wherin are hanks hoodes and wryteings	6

a [?]greate boxe in the same Chiste,

wherein is a wrought girdle, a paire of greene silke garters, a tiaphanie, silke of diverse Colours, another wrought girdle, endes of ould gold lace, a silke lace and Ribbens, endes of silver lace, golde [?]One lace, silver fringe, an other Ribben, one little wrought purse, 3 paire of gloves, a booke string of silke, a skeane of silke, a point of silke and silver and a shell purse	15 0
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lapt in a Cloath, one Apron and 32 parcells of networks, Coynes and other necessaries	5 0
two shreades of branched stuffe	4
one sheete of whyte paper	0
2 parsells of fyne whyte threed and one maske	16
gold threed, and [?]purk a patch of velvet and a sleeve of branched silke	3 6
a whyte and redd fether one remnant of lawne, and another of holland	10 8

**In a flatt boxe in the foresaid Coffe
these particulars followinge**

A paire of network sleeves, a greene scarfe with gold fringe a peece of parchment whyte taffatie, a black wrought	
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handcarchiffe a wrought penn a little
 purse of velvet, another ould sattin purse
 wrought, a little sivet purse wherein is
 2 peeces of gold of two shillings neene
 pence a peece

In the foresaid flatt box

A little Carnacion girdle two black wrought
 handcarchiefes an Artificiall Cherrie and a
 little Carnacion Ribben

13 6

in the said Coffe 3 parcells of whyte
 threed a bone grace a peece of ould sattin
 a bugle Chaine, an ould sattin purse a
 Combe with a Case, bugle bracelettes,
 a little Pin-casse and endes of laces and
 silke, silke flowers, ould [*sic*] ould taffatie
 lyneing for a hatt, two torne shirtes a
 table napkin marked with redd silke F
 and J a little boxe with a Copper
 Chaine in it, A pearle and golden hat
 band, A peeceof an ould shirt, a drawne
 worke Coyfe wrought with gold and
 silke A pin-quishnet wrought with
 gold and silver, ould patches of stuffe,
 stripps for a womans necke, an end of
 gold and siler lace, little bottomes of
 sowing silke, Carnacion and blew ribbens,
 A note book

32 0

In a little flatt boxe in the parlour

A little boxe with spices in it samplers
 and Crue, bone lace lapt in a peece of a
 Ruffe, two paire of Cuffes, an ould hatt
 band, threed and threed pointes and other
 small tryfles to the value of

2 0

Received from Mrs Davenport one new hatt

6 8

Received from Mr Edmund Jodrell a little ould hatt

6

more in odd tryfles received the same daye

5 0

a Bill from Ellen Davenport widdow for
 payment of

5 4 0

[Sum 19 1 8]

Court papers:

C. 1631.

[The court papers are in the Court class, and have been put with the will and inventories by the present editors. Summary:]

John Shalcrosse and John Berkley guardians of Elizabeth, Francis, and John Shalcrosse, minors, children of the said John Shalcrosse, against Francis Pot, executor of Frances Jodrell.

1. Libel [i.e. statement, Latin] for Shalcrosse and Berkley, 6 October 1631.
2. [Draft?] articles [damaged, Latin, n.d.] on behalf of Shalcrosse & Berkley.
3. Answers [damaged, date lost, Latin and English] of Francis Pot to the articles.

According to his answers, Pot cannot pay the legacies due to the Shalcrosse children because he does not have enough of the deceased's estate to do so, because Roger Jodrell¹ detains her goods. Pot has sued him in the Exchequer² at Chester, but Jodrell thwarts the judgement against him. Pot thinks there will be enough money to pay legacies if Jodrell delivers the goods, but not otherwise.

1. Note that Roger Jodrell is party to another Court class suit of 1632.

2. Mr Stephen Hindle tells us that his sample study of the Chester Exchequer cases for 1602 shows testamentary cases to be the most common type of cause.

113Q. ISABELL HERWOOD OF STOCKPORT, WIDOW.

S. Pr. 8 April 1641.

Nuncupative will:

Schedula de qu[?] f[?] mentis in allegan [illegible] <The 9th day of March Anno domine [illegible] 1639/40> Memorandum that Isabell Herwood late of Stockport widdowe deceased, a few daies before her death made her will in expresse words without writeinge beinge in good and perfect memorie before credible wittnesses hereafter named, in manner and forme followinge First she bequeathed her Soule to Almightye God, And concerninge her goods shee disposed of them as followeth. First it was [*interlined: her*] mynde and will that her debts and funerall expences should be payd out of her whole goods; Item all the rest of her goods Cattalls and Chattalls she gave and bequeathed to the Children of Roberte Smythe of Stockport in lieu and recompence of the Costes and paynes that the said Robert had disbursed and payd on her behalfe.

Witnesses: George Newton of Stockport, Katherine the wife of Robert Smith, Ellen the wife of Richard Smythe, and John Smyth.

Court paper

8 April 1641.

[Summary:]

Catherine Fallowes of Stockport against Robert¹ Smith of Stockport, administrator of the goods of Isabell Herwood.

[The grounds of Catherine Fallowes' action are not stated].

1. The court upheld the nuncupative will, annexed [copy transcribed above], accepting that the deceased was, in January, February and March 1639/40, in a fit state to make a will and dispose of her goods.
2. After the will had been made, the witnesses made its existence widely known.
3. The court made Robert Smith executor and administrator of the will, and goods, credits and chattells, of Isabell Herwood, and awarded costs against Catherine Fallowes.

1. Richard rather than Robert is used twice in the document, but in one of these instances has been struck out and Robert written in.

114Q. GEORGE KELL OF STOCKPORT.

C.1642.

Tuition bond: [parchment, in Latin, with condition in English on reverse, faded].
19 April 1642.

1. Elizabeth Kell of Stockport, widow. [mark].
 2. John Moores of Stockport, yeoman. [signed].
 3. Thomas Orrell of Chorley, Cheshire, yeoman. [mark].
- Bound in £200 for 1 to bring up Geoffrey Kell, son of George Kell late of Stockport.

Witnesses: Tho. Humphreys, Tho. Couper.

115Q. GEORGE RIDGWAY, SENIOR, OF STOCKPORT, LINEN WEBSTER.

S. Pr. 16 February 1646/7.

Letter:

Thes are to certife them whom it may Concearne that George Ridgway senier, of Stoppot lininwebster late deceased; did make awill of the goods and Cattells that then he died possessed of, wherein he the said George Ridway did apoynte to be his executor Ursaley Ridway his then wife and George Ridgway his sone; which will when that the Prince Armeý Came, throwe Stockporte the said Armeý did take, away and now is not to be showed; the said will beinge hitherunto performed accordinge to the Contents ther of and the parties ther in Conserved agreed. That this berer George Ridgway shall take Letter of Administration of the said goodes and Catelles that are or that shall Come to his handes, wherfore it is desired that he may take the same with protestation, ether to Ade or deminishe to the said Inventory as the said debts will be gotten or lost that is expresed – the said inventory or more debtes as he shall here of them to be aded to the said Inventory; Forther we doe Certify that the said Ursalie Ridgway doth renounce; the Excetorshippe, if the will were in beinge, and is fully agreed that her sone

George Ridgway shall take all the poure in to his one handes, in wittnes here unto we have sett our handes this 28th day of December 1646.

Geo: Newton [signed].

A Alex Bradley his marke.

H Hughe Johnson his mk.

Gentlemen I did write the will that the above named George Ridgway did make, he was but apooore man he did leave the said goods betwixte his wife and his sone only gave 12d apece to some 3 of his Douters which before had ther portions; this berer hath not shurties to put in for the performance of the said Administrations, the <the> Chardge ther of would have beene soe grete and the value of the thinge soe smalle that it is desired by his mother <and> whom prinsipally it Concernes and by other of his freinds that you would grante the same to him with out shurties; his mother hath here unto subscribed her marke; Written by me the above named will:

Geo: Newton [signed].

Ursila U Ridgway
her marke.

Inventory: Geo Ridgeway of Stockport.

[No date taken].

Of: goodes and Cattells.

Prisers: Allexander Bradley, Hugh Johnson, and George Newton.

	£	s	d
3 bedsteedes 3 chaffbeds with other furniture thereunto belonginge	2	10	8
2 webstar loomes with reedes and other furniture there unto belonginge	1	6	8
2 Coffers 1 arke 5 Cheeres 3 stooles 1 dishboard 2 tables 1 paire of waighes 1 Iron pot 2 kettle pans 2 skelletes with some other treen ware	1	6	8
1 furnice of leade 1 keare with other od thinges		13	4
1 fire iron 1 Crow 1 paire of tonnges 1 smoothing Iron 1 paire of brass waightes		8	0
2 Ladders 2 pickfortes 1 shoovell 2 shelves		3	4
In the desedentes aparell	1	0	0
In debtes by Luke [?]Lamskin and Elizabeth Hall and John [?]Purost the summe of	4	0	0
by bound by Roger Lawton of Macc.	2	2	6
by John [?]Purost oweinge		10	0
by Tho. Beneson bound	2	13	4
by Tho. Whilton		10	0
by William Rowbothome	1	6	8
Sum	18	10	6

Exhibited.

Bond:

16 February 1646/7.

1. George Rigway of Stockport, webster. [mark].
2. Daniel Cutler of Stockport, glover. [mark].

Bound in £40 to Edmund Mainwaring for 1. to administer the estate of his late father George Rigway.

Witness: Tho. Bickerton.

Office endorsement: probate to George Ridgeway, deceased's son.

116Q. MARGARET HALL OF STOCKPORT.

S.Pr. 28 April 1647.

Bond:

28 April 1647.

[hand written, in Latin, condition in English].

(1) James Hall of Stockport, draper.

[signed].

(2) George Didesburie of [illegible], cowper.

[mark].

Bound in £200 to Edmund Mainwaring for (1)¹ to administer the goodes, cattells, chattells, credits, and debts of Margaret Hall, (1)'s late wife.

Witness: John Bennett [signed].

1. The condition refers to James Hall as 'her', presumably a clerical error.

Office endorsement: administration of goods of Margaret Hall, wife of John [*sic*] Hall of Stockport, to the said John [*sic*] Hall.

117. HENRY HEYWOOD, ALIAS DICKENSON, SENIOR, OF STOCKPORT, BLACKSMITH.

S. Pr. 13 September 1649.

Inventory: [extensive damage] of goodes cattals and chattalls.

Taken: 23 July 1649.

Prisers: Roberte Fallowes, John Johnson, and [damaged].

In the Great Chamber One Cupboard
one standing beddstead
1 featherbedd, 1 flockbedd, 2 blankettes
1 beddcovering, 1 feather boulder,
1 chaffe boulder 1 pillow Curtaines and
vallens

£ s d

[damaged]

[damaged]

[damaged]

one Table and one Carpett	1	0	0
one other ould Table		4	0
one sieled bench and 2 Formes		9	0
3 Chaires, 2 stooles and 8 Cushions		13	4
4 Chestes and one Trunke	1	0	0
one ould paire of Tables and 3 twigg-baskettes		3	6
in linnens	4	5	0

In the house

one Cupboard and one Table	2	0	0
one Bench and sieleing		6	0
4 Chaires and 8 stooles		6	0
in pewter 75li waight at	3	0	0
in Pott brasse 58li waight at		[damaged]	
in ould brasse more 1li waight		[damaged]	
2 skellettes, 3 brasse ladles and 1 skimmer		[damaged]	
Iron Ware 35li waight		[damaged]	
one little Clappeboard one little seate and one breade		[damaged]	
9 Cushions		[damaged]	
2 Fyer Irons, rakentrees; one shovell and 1 ould mattocke		[damaged]	
2 paire of bellowes	2	?	¹

In the little Buttery

some odd [damaged]	2	0	
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In the great Buttery

2 [illegible – damaged] and other odd thinges	8	0	
one mustard ba[damaged]	1	0	

In the Kitchin

one Leade	1	[6] ¹	0
all the treene ware, brewing loomes barrells etc		[damaged]	

In the Kitchin Chambers

3 paire of beddstockes		[damaged]	
2 chaffebeddes and other beddinge		[damaged]	
2 round tables and some little tressles and formes		[damaged]	
1 little spinning wheele		[damaged]	

In the parlor above the house

one bedsteade and 1 truckle bedd		[damaged]	
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bedding for the 2 beddes, Curtaines and vallens	1	? ¹	4
2 little Chestes, 1 table 1 forme and other implementes		6	8

In the little Chamber

1 standing be[dd] ¹ 1 truckle bedd	1	0	0
[bedding for the 2 beddes with Curtaines and vallens] ¹	2	0	0
1 Table 1 F[orme] ¹ 1 ould Coffe and 1 Chaire		10	0
in ould Timber	1	0	0
in earthen ware		[damaged] ²	
in Fewell		[damaged]	
in heay		[damaged]	
1 Nagge with pack saddle and furniture		[damaged]	
2 kyne		[damaged]	
1 swyne		[damaged]	
2 swyne troughes		[damaged]	
in Apparell		2 [damaged]	
	<hr/>		
	Sum	49	? ¹ 8

1. Readings uncertain or lost due to damage.
2. Value in shilling column only.

Endorsed in Latin: exhibited by the relict [not named] of the deceased 13 September 1649. No office endorsement on outside of bundle.

118Q. ROBERT LEES OF STOCKPORT.

S. Pr. 8 January 1649/50.

Inventory: Robert Lees.

Taken: 1 January 1649/50.

Of: goodes and cattales.

Prisers: William Swindels, John Wharmby, Thomas Owen, Thomas Goodier.

	£	s	d
tow keyne	8	13	4
one horse a packe sadle wounty and orely	3	10	0
one hacney sadle pillow and bridle		6	8
a framing sawe		1	8
a shovell and pikell		1	0
on pan and brundret		10	0 ¹
Iron golbortes		1	6
3 potts one skellet and a litle ladle and a lead and mustard bale		16	0

trine ware	9	0
on axe and bille	2	0
in pewter	1	10 0
in butter and beefe	5	0
in parchment	2	0 0
[?] cheeaes and stooles	8	0
[?] quishens	6	0
Iron ware and smothing Iron	7	0
in sacks and pokes	2	0 0 ¹
in bedding and tow bedsteades	2	6 8
7 Chests	8	0
in linnen yorne	13	4
in Chests and boxes and an arke	13	4
in wearing apparell linin and wolen boots and showes	5	0 0
in Cowper ware	6	0 0
in timber twigs and bothernes	[damaged]	
in packclothes and Cordes	13	4
a great arke	5	0
in hay	5	13 4
in Linnen cloth	1	0 0
one packe of piggins	1	0 0
debtes owing	40	0 0
in taks of ground	12	0 6

1. These values have been altered.

Bond: [hand written in Latin, condition in English.]

8 January 1649/50.

1. Elizabeth Lees of Stockport, widow. [mark].
2. <Nicholas Heginbothom of Holford,[?Hartford] Cheshire. gent>.
3. Robert Ouldham of Stockport, mercer. [signed].

Bound in £200 to Edward Mainwaring, Dr of laws, principal official of consistory court of Chester for 1. to administer the estate of Robert Lees of Stockport her late husband according to letters of administration granted.

Witness: Thomas Bickerton.

Office endorsement: administration to Elizabeth Lees.

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- 1 Indicates a place identified in, or spelt from, *The Place Names of Cheshire*.
- 2 But perhaps Arden, in Bredbury township, a possibility not noticed in volume 1 where these places are attributed to Stockport on the basis of the evidence on p. 104.

INDEX OF SUBJECTS AND GLOSSARY

The editors of these two volumes of probate records have been concerned to provide texts on which scholars can work without the editors' efforts being intrusive. The name and place indexes therefore left to the reader's judgement the identification of people, and many places. The requirement to provide a glossary presupposed a subject index, and an index in which a considerable degree of editorial intrusion would be necessary. Nevertheless, we have tried to minimize the impact of our own judgement on the index, though the glossary is by definition our own conclusions. This index is very much an index of words; it does not offer an analysis of the contents of the documents.

The subject index and glossary refer to both the volumes (vol. CXXIV and the present one). For convenience in each index entry a colon follows the last reference to volume CXXIV, which ended on p. 142; multiple entries on a page have not been noted. We have not indexed standard terms such as will, inventory, soul, God, executors, witnesses, supervisors, prisers, 'goods and cattals', and unspecific terms for example, 'things' and 'furniture'.

The index and glossary both take some account of the context in which words appear. We decided against a concordance index because the context of an item can be so large; there are, for example, eleven lines relating to the little parlour on p. 125. Pages 166–171 are good examples of contextual uncertainties. How many of the twenty-two cloths listed after the reference to kersey on line 22 of page 167 are kersies, when but one is so called and the others are described usually by length? One might presume that sheets listed in the midst of items specified to be linen were in fact linen sheets, but were they? And in those inventories which do not give a clear location of goods room by room, the reader's interpretation of an item may well depend on the room in which it is construed to be. It should be noted that index entries of relationships, for instance son, refer to the words used, and do not necessarily define a relationship.

Items are indexed in the singular where appropriate, and usually in the form closest to modern spelling, sometimes by a modern spelling, with variant spellings given between commas; major variant spellings are also cross-referenced to the main entry. Capital letters have been avoided wherever possible. Entries are sub-divided by semi-colon. We have deliberately left much of the judgement involved in cross-referencing to readers, but we have provided cross-references for cloths. The process of indexing and glossing has thrown up a few suspected errors, either ours, or those of the original writers and copyists, and we have indicated where we think these occur. It will be for the reader to identify the few books whose titles are paraphrased in the documents. Phrases in () in *italic* represent the editors' interpretation or organization of the index material.

The glossary was compiled from an examination of the major secondary works listed at the end, the compilers exercising their judgement on the context in which words were used in the documents.

We are particularly grateful to Mrs Barbara Smith for her help with the glossary.

While the glossary naturally follows the order of the index, it also explains some common words and phrases not indexed, and also some of the measures and currency in use. The secondary source(s) of our conclusions are indicated in brackets. *Italicized* type indicates our own interpretations, including in parentheses the secondary sources which influenced us. If there is a blank opposite a term, we do not know what it means. We would be glad to hear of suggested explanations of these, and of alternatives to our own judgements in both the glossary and the index.

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GLOSSARY

- acre. A measure of land. The Cheshire acre was 10,240 square yards, the statute acre 4,840 square yards. (Holl)
- agricke. *Query: agaric*, i.e. a fungus or mushroom. (SOED)
- alabaster mortar. Stone mortar and pestle, made of sulphate of lime, gypsum. (SOED)
- alderman. *In Stockport, one who had been mayor.*
- alembic. *I.e. limbeck*. A still. (SOED)
- alias. Otherwise called or named. Another name. An assumed name. (SOED)
- alkakinga. *I.e. alkanet*. A dye material yielding a fine, red colour. (SOED)
- aloes succafrina. *I.e. sp. socotorine*. A medicinal juice extracted from the leaves of the common aloes tree. (SOED)
- allum, alum. A whitish, transparent mineral salt. (SOED)
- anendest, anend. At last. To end. (SOED)
- angel. A coin. Its value varied between 6s 8d and 10s. (SOED)
- anisseedes, aniseed. The seed of the anise. (SOED)
- annuity. A yearly allowance of income. (SOED)
- Annunciation. The church festival commemorating the intimation of the incarnation. Celebrated on 25 March. Otherwise Lady Day. (SOED)
- apothecary. One who prepares and sells drugs for medicinal purposes. (SOED)
- apparator. The servant or attendant of a civil or ecclesiastical officer. (SOED)
- apparel. Dress or external habiliments. (JD)
- apprentice. Learner of a craft, bound for a period of years. (SOED)
- appurtenance. An appendage, minor property, right or privilege belonging to another and passing with it. (SOED)
- apron. Article of dress, originally linen, worn in front of the body to protect clothes. (SOED)
- aquavity, aqua vitae. Ardent spirit taken as a drink, e.g. brandy. (SOED)
- ark. A chest, coffer, close basket. Especially in the north, a bin for meal. (SOED)
- armour. Defensive covering for the body. (SOED)
- Arras work. Rich tapestry fabric. (SOED)
- artificer. Craftsman. (SOED)
- ash, esse. Residue of fire. (SOED) Ashes may be forest trees. (SOED)
- assaphetida. Resinous gum used in cookery or as an anti-spasmodic in medicine. (SOED)
- assigns. Those appointed to act for another or to whom a right of property is transferred. (SOED)
- auger. Carpenter's tool for boring holes in wood or an instrument for boring in the earth. (SOED)
- axeltree. The fixed bar on the rounded ends of which the opposite wheels of a carriage etc. revolve. (SOED)
- backside. The back premises of a property. (SOED)
- backspittle. Wooden shovel or board used in baking oatcake. (EDD)
- backstone, baxston. A baking stone (SOED). In the north usually made from quarried shale and used for the baking of unleavened oat cakes. (See AW for backstone making).

- baize. Probably a northern cloth of coarse wool, rather than the lighter 'new drapery' bays. (B, pp. 51, 56)
- balkes. Generally, a roughly squared beam of wood. (SOED)
- band. A flat strip to encircle or confine an article of clothing; the neck band of a shirt. Falling b.: band or collar worn falling flat around the neck, or a woman's veil. Strips of linen to swathe the body. (SOED)
- Saddle bands are pieces of iron which hold the bows of the saddle. (SOED)
- barmskin. A leather apron. (SD,TB)
- barringe out. Literally keeping out of the school, the dame who had been teaching the two girls. (Mg)
- bases. *Trestles*.
- basket. A vessel of wickerwork, made of plaited cane, osiers, rushes etc. (SOED)
- battledore. A beetle (or mallet) used in washing and for mangling linen clothes. (SOED)
- A flat board. (JD)
- bay. Division of a barn etc. generally 15 to 20 feet in breadth. In a house the space lying under one gable or between two party walls. (SOED)
- Of an animal, reddish-brown coloured.*
- beaverhatt. Superior felt hat made from beaver fur. (JHS)
- bedstead, bedstocks. The framework of a bed. (SOED)
- bend leather. The stoutest kind of leather. Sole leather. (SOED)
- bend silver. *Bend is thick*. (SOED)
- bill. Long bladed implement used for pruning, cutting etc. (SOED)
- bill, bond. Written document, letter, note or memorandum. (SOED) *In these contexts, refers to financial transactions.*
- bindings. Braid, banding or fastenings. (SOED)
- birding piece. A gun.
- boake, bouke, bowck. Bucket of bend-ware; wooden pail with upright handle. (EDD)
- boards. Flat wooden planks used as tables, supported on trestles. (H)
- bobbin lace. Lace made on a pillow with bobbins. (SOED)
- bodkin. A small pointed instrument used for piercing holes in cloth. A long pin used by women to fasten up the hair. (SOED)
- body doale.
- bodies. Inner garment of upper body strengthened with whalebone; also part of the woman's dress above the waist as distinct from the skirt. (SOED)
- bolarmoniall, bole armoniack. An astringent earth used as an antidote and styptic. (SOED)
- bone grace, bowne grace. *Bone grease*.
- bone lace. Lace of linen thread made by knitting with bone bobbins. (SOED)
- bore franck. Pigsty. (JD)
- bosse. A plasterer's tray or hod. A seat of straw, a hassock. (SOED)
- bothernes.
- boucke. A wooden pail with upright handle. (EDD)
- bowe caste.
- bowking. *Steeping*.
- bowling, boulding. Sieving, as for flour. (H)
- bowstrings. Stringing for an archery bow or a hatter's bow. (JHS)
- brake. Toothed instrument for breaking flax or hemp. (SOED)
- brand iron. A gridiron, also used of andirons. A stand for a kettle. A trivet. (SOED)
- brandreth, brandereth, brendreth. A gridiron, tripod or trivet. (SOED)

- breads. (*Query: bread flakes or flecks or boards from breds – SOED*).
 brimston. Vernacular name for sulphur. (SOED)
 bringing forth, forth bringing, brought home. *Funeral rites*.
 broach, broche, brotch, bruche. A spit, a piercing instrument, a chisel. (SOED)
 broad cloth. A dressed, double width cloth made from fine English wool. (B, p. 43; SOED)
 broilinge plate. Gridiron. (SOED)
 bucklinge cheanes, teame. Harness for horses or oxen. (SOED)
 buckram. Probably a coarse linen cloth stiffened with starch, but could be a fine linen or cotton fabric. (SOED)
 buffinge. A coarse cloth in use for gowns. (SOED)
 bugle (of braceletts, chaine). Tube shaped glass beads, usually black, used to ornament wearing apparel. (SOED)
 burgage. Town house, lands, held by certain yearly rents. (SOED)
 bushel. Measure of capacity containing four pecks or eight gallons. (SOED)
 buske. A strip of wood or whalebone passed down in front of a corset to stiffen and support it. (SOED)
 buttery. A store room, originally for liquor but later for general provisions. (SOED)
 cabb. A measure of capacity of about two and five sixths Imperial pints. (SOED)
 cadda, cadowe, cadowe. A rough woollen bed covering. (SOED)
 cade. Young animal usually abandoned by the mother and brought up by hand. (SOED)
 cader. A cradle. (SOED)
 caire. *See* kayre.
 Cales lace. *Presumably lace of Calais*.
 calico. Cotton cloth imported from the East. (SOED)
 caliver. *A draft horse collar*.
 cambric. Fine white linen originally made in Flanders. (SOED)
 can. Vessel used for drinking. (M)
 Candlemas. Feast of the Purification of the Virgin Mary, or the Presentation of Christ in the Temple. Celebrated on 2 February. (SOED)
 candy. Crystallized sugar and confections made with it. (SOED)
 cannell. Bituminous, bright-burning coal that could be cut and polished like jet. (SOED)
 canopy. A covering suspended over a couch, bed etc. (SOED)
 cantharides. A dried beetle used externally as a vesicant, internally as a diuretic and an aphrodisiac. (SOED)
 canvas. Coarse unbleached cloth of hemp or flax. (SOED)
 capitall lord of the fee. *In effect, of the manor?*
 capon. A castrated cock. (SOED)
 caraway seeds. Seeds of the caraway, used in confectionery. (SOED)
 carbyne. Fire-arm, shorter than a musket, used by mounted soldiers. (SOED)
 cards. Implements used for parting, combing out and setting in order the fibres of hemp, wool etc. before spinning. (SOED)
 carpet. A thick fabric, commonly of wool, used to cover tables, beds etc. (SOED)
 carsee. *See* kersey.
 cart staves. Rods, bars, poles etc. used on carts. (SOED)
 casse (tobacco). Case.
 casser trenchers. *Case of trenchers*.
 casting her water. *Diagnosis based on the examination of urine. (See Doe, 1978, p. 249*

where an old man brought Dr Clegg of Chinley in Derbyshire 'a water' from Southwell, 36 miles away).

caster, castor. Felt hat made entirely of beaver fur. (JHS)

catechism. Instruction books in the elements of the Christian religion. (SOED)

catells. Livestock. It appears as a matter of form in virtually all inventory headings.

cathalouge, A catalogue, list or register. (SOED)

cawltherne, cauldron. A large kettle or boiler. (SOED)

cellar, seller. Store room, often on ground floor. (C)

ceres. *Probably wax.*

cesterne. *See* cistern.

chafing dish. Vessel to hold burning fuel for heating anything placed upon it. (SOED)

chandler, channlder. A candlestick, a chandelier. (SOED)

chapes. The metal plate of a scabbard. (SOED)

chapman. *In the north of England perhaps until the end of our period a chapman might be a merchant rather than a pedlar.*

charger. A large flat dish or plate. (SOED)

chattel. Property other than real estate, or real estate held by certain types of lease. (SOED)

chaufer, chuffen. A small portable furnace. (SOED)

cheese crate. *See* crate.

cheese hecke, cratch, rake. Racks for drying cheese. (EDD)

cheese press. Apparatus for pressing the curds in cheese making. (SOED)

chesfatt. Mould in which the curds are pressed and the cheese shaped. (SOED)

cheynet lace. *Query chain lace or china lace.*

chincloath. A muffler. (CB)

churn, chorne, chourne. Vessel for making butter. (SOED)

cinamend, cinnamon. East Indian bark used as a spice. (SOED)

cistern. Tank or vessel for supplying water. (SOED)

clach. *Query: in context – miswriting of lock or latch.*

clappeboarde, clapboard. Small split oak for barrel staves and wainscotting. (SOED)

claspes, claspers. Metal fasteners. (SOED)

clerk. *Either a man in holy orders, or the parish clerk.*

clevesse, clyvis. Piece of iron bolted to the end of a beam to which tackle may be attached. (SOED)

cliste. *Query: chist or chest.*

cliver, cleaver. Butcher's knife. (SOED)

close. An enclosure about or beside a building. (SOED)

close stool. A chamber utensil enclosed in a stool or box. (SOED)

clowes. Cloves or clews, i.e. thread wound on bobbins. (JD)

clukin.

codicil. A supplement to a will. (SOED)

coffer. A box chest. (SOED)

coiffe. Close fitting cap covering top, back and sides of head, worn by both sexes. (SOED)

colaquintida. Bitter apple furnishing a purgative drug. (SOED)

combe. Could be for the head or for preparing wool or flax for spinning. (SOED)

commission. Authority entrusted to anyone. (SOED)

commodities. Things of use or advantage. (SOED)

composicon, composition. *See* fine.

- conserve. Medicinal or confectionery preparation of some part of a plant preserved with sugar. (SOED)
- consistory. Of or pertaining to Church government. (SOED)
- conveyance. Transference of real property from one person to another by deed or writing. (SOED)
- cooler. Vessel for cooling, especially the wort in brewing. (SOED)
- cooper, cowper ware. Wooden vessels made of staves and hoops. (SOED)
- cordial. Medicine, food or beverage which invigorates the heart and circulation. Aromatized and sweetened beverage. (SOED)
- cording. Cords connecting the treadles and heddles on a loom. (SOED)
- cornesole. *I.e. corneole*. Semi-transparent quartz of red or reddish white used for seals etc. Or, to do with the Corneli cherry tree. (SOED)
- costrel. Large bottle or keg with ears by which it could be suspended from the waist. (SOED)
- cotton. A woollen cloth with a frizy nap, i.e. a cottoned nap, made in the north, in Wales, and in Kent (SOED, B)
- counter. A table or desk for counting money. (SOED)
- court roll, rowle. *Written record of business on a roll of parchment or paper, kept by a court*. (SOED)
- covenant. A mutual undertaking between two or more persons. (SOED)
- cowper. *See* cooper.
- cowracke. Hay rack for cattle. (JD)
- cowsoles. *Probably part of the yoke for oxen*.
- coy. *See* kine.
- coyre.
- crab presse. *Apparatus for pressing the juice (verjuice) from crab apples*. (T)
- cradle. A little bed. A light frame of wood attached to a scythe to lay the corn evenly in the swathe. (SOED)
- cratch. A rack used to hold fodder for cattle and horses. (SOED)
- crate. A hurdle. A basket, hamper, case or box of open slats or wickerwork. (SOED)
- resset. Vessel, usually of iron, to hold materials to burn for light, usually mounted on a pole. (SOED)
- crewel. Thin worsted yarn used for tapestry and embroidery. (SOED)
- crocus. Saffron. (SOED) Used for yellow dyeing. (CB)
- croft. Piece of enclosed ground used for tillage or pasture. (SOED)
- crosscloth. Linen cloth worn across the forehead. (SOED)
- crow. Bar of iron. (SOED)
- crule parchment.
- cruppes. *I.e. crupper*. Leather strap on back of saddle. (SOED)
- cruse. A small earthen vessel for liquids. (SOED)
- cubler. Stall, pen or hutch. Crib for fodder. (SOED)
- cuffs. Bands of linen worn under the sleeve. (SOED)
- culter. Iron blade in front of ploughshare. (SOED)
- cupboard. Board or table to place cups and plates on. A sideboard. (SOED)
- curricombe. Instrument of metal for currying horses. (SOED)
- curtell. Man's tunic, woman's gown or skirt. (SOED)
- custihon.
- cuttlebone. Used for a polishing material. (SOED)
- cuttleegges. *From cut and leg in SOED, and in context, a sawhorse for cutting wood. But*

shearlegs are three poles bolted together at the top which carry tackle for lifting heavy weights. (SOED)
 cypresse chest. Made of wood of cypress tree. (SOED)

damaske. Ornamented steel. (SOED) *In context, apparently not cloth.*
 daper, diaper. Cloth, usually linen, with woven pattern of lines crossing, diamond-wise, the spaces filled by other devices. (SOED)
 deed. An instrument in writing. (SOED)
 demicaster. Felted hat, probably of beaver and other fur. (JHS)
 deposition. Court testimony, statement or allegation in writing. (SOED)
 deshen, doshen. *In Lancashire, a tub for kneading oatmeal dough.* (EDD)
 desk. Box or case, often portable, for writing materials, letters etc. (SOED)
 devise. To give by will. (SED)
 dishcather.
 disheboard.
 dole. A share, portion or lot. (SOED)
 draught. The action of pulling or drawing. Harness or a team of horses or oxen so used. (SOED)
 drawn work. Patterned by drawing out threads. (SOED)
 drayge. *Query dray, a sled without wheels. In context, not a cart without sides.* (SOED)
 dressing. Preparation, trimming, smoothing etc. (SOED)
 dressing beame. *Work bench, from dressing in SOED.*
 dubbing, daubing. Material, especially mortar or clay used in daubing roughcast. (SOED).
 dubler. Large plate or dish. (SOED)
 dublet. Close fitting body garment worn by men. (SOED)
 dung. Manure. (SOED)
 durance. A durable cloth, a variety of the new drapery tammie. (SOED)
 dyet. *See table.*

easement. Accommodation. The right or privilege of using something not one's own. (SOED)
 eldorado. *SOED says gilded, i.e. golden.*
 elect and chosen. Statement indicating knowledge of Calvinistic beliefs. (NS)
 ell. Measure of length. 45 inches. (SOED)
 ellectuaries. Medicine mixed with honey, jam or syrup. (SOED)
 escripts. Writings. (SOED)
 eshen. Esshen. An ash pail or shallow tub, often used for milk. (Lowe) Made of ash wood. (SOED)
 essbreads. *Query: breads made of ash wood.*
 ess riddle. Coarse sieve for separating ashes from cinders. (SOED)
 ewer. Pitcher with a wide spout. (SOED)

falchin. Broad sword more or less curved with the edge on the convex side. (SOED)
 falling band. Band or collar worn falling flat around the neck, or a woman's veil. (SOED)
 fellies. *I.e. felloes.* Rim or part of rim of a wheel. (SOED)
 fenugreeke, fenigreek. Seeds of leguminous plant, used by farriers. (SOED)
 feoffees. *Owners of land for other than personal benefit.*
 feyffe. *Five.*

fillet. A head band, or a bandage. (SOED)

fine. Sum paid by a tenant at the commencement of his tenancy. Fee paid by tenant on transfer or alienation of tenant right. (SOED)

firkin. Small cask for liquids etc. (SOED)

firrett silke. Rough silk. Broken off in winding of cocoons. (SOED)

fisken. Rough basket (SOED).

flake. *See* fleake.

flasket. *I.e.* *flashkeet*. Small flask. (SOED) Long, shallow basket (SOED), similar article made of metal. (JD)

flax. *Plant from which linen yarn is made.*

fleake. *Flake*. Bundle of parallel threads or fibres. (SOED) But in the north-west flake or fleck is also a hanging wooden frame on which herbs and, more commonly, oatcakes were hung. (SOED)

flesh hook. Hook for removing meat from the pot. (SOED)

flich. Side of an animal, salted or cured. (SOED)

flockes. Coarse tufts and refuse of wool etc. used for stuffing bedding etc. (SOED)

fowling peece. Light gun for shooting wild fowl. (SOED)

frame. Supporting structure. (SOED)

 Inckle frame. Loom for weaving tape. (SOED)

freehold. Tenure by which an estate is held in fee simple, fee tail or for term of life. (SOED)

frett. A net. Ornamented network consisting of jewels and flowers. (SOED)

frieze, fryce, fryse. Coarse woollen cloth usually with a nap on one side only. (SOED)

fringe. Ornamental bordering consisting of a narrow band with attached threads of silk etc. (SOED)

frost upon greene. Frost is a silver grey colour. (SOED)

fryce. *See* frieze.

furnace. A boiler, cauldron or crucible. (SOED)

fustian, fustion. Coarse cloths made of cotton and flax. (SOED).

fustic. Wood used for dyeing yellow. (SOED)

galley potts. Small earthen glazed pots. (SOED)

galloon, galowne. Narrow close-woven ribbon or braid of gold, silver or silk thread. (SOED)

gallysand.

garner. Storehouse or granary for corn. (SOED)

geares. Harness or riding equipment. (SOED)

geldinge. Castrated horse. (SOED)

gemewe. Jaws of a bag worked on pins at the sides. (CB) Gem-like. (EDD)

gerthes. A saddle band or girth. (SOED)

gill. Measure holding one quarter or, more commonly in the north one half, of a pint. (SOED)

gilt, guylt. Covered with a thin layer of gold. Adorned with a gold colour. (SOED)

girdle. Leather belt worn around the waist. (SOED)

glebe. Land assigned to clergyman as part of his benefice. (SOED)

glister. *Query: clyster. Pipe or syringe used in injection.* (SOED)

glover. One who makes or sells gloves. (SOED)

 God's living correction. *Illness.*

golbart, gaubert. The iron rack in the chimney that supports the pot hooks. (Lowe)

- gorge. *I.e. gouge*. Chisel with a concave blade. (SOED)
 grape colour.
 greats, groats. Crushed grain, chiefly oats. (SOED)
 greek color.
 grogoram. A thick and coarse taffeta, originally of silk and mohair. (CB)
 gross. 144.
 growle stound. *I.e. grout stound*. A barrel used for fermentation of malt. Also grout = small beer. (SOED)
 gryene leese. *I.e. green lace?*
 gutteringe pan. *Probably a dripping pan*.
- halbert. Combination spear and battleaxe, 5 to 7 feet long. (SOED)
 half houpe. Measure of corn of varying capacity. (SOED)
 hall. The large public room in a dwelling which was greater than the bowers or private rooms. Later a stately room. (SOED)
 hambark. *I.e. hombarghe*. Horse collar. (TB)
 hames. Each of two curved pieces of wood or metal placed over, fastened to or forming the collar of a draught horse. (SOED, EDD)
 hamper. Large basket. (SOED)
 handle stockes. Wooden handles. (SOED)
 hanger. A sword, hung from a belt. (SOED)
 harriot, hariott, heriot. Render of best live beast or dead chattel of a deceased tenant due by legal custom to the lord of the manor. (SOED)
 headpeece. A cap. (SOED)
 healds, helds. Small cords through which warp passes in a loom. (SOED)
 healdstones.
 heifer. Young cow that has not had a calf. (SOED)
 hereditament. Anything that in the absence of a will descends to the heir at common law. (SOED)
 hetchell. An instrument for combing flax or hemp. (SOED)
 hiere pigre, hiera picra. Purgative drug composed of aloes and canella bark. (SOED)
 hogg. Male weaned sheep, usually castrated. (EDD)
 hogshead. Cask. Measure containing 52.5 imperial wine gallons or 100 to 140 gallons of other commodities. (SOED)
 holland. Linen fabric. (SOED)
 holmes fustyne. A kind of fustian. (CB)
 hombarghe. Horse collar. (TB)
 hoop, hoopes. Measure of varying capacity. (SOED)
 hopper, hopper wisket. Basket. (TB)
 horse hillings. Coverings for a horse. (SOED)
 horselocks. Shackles for horses. (T)
 house. *Dwelling house*. *Or, room in a dwelling with cooking hearth*. Sitting room or fore-kitchen. (Mars)
- implasters. *Probably plasters for curative purposes*.
 implements, ymplementes. *General term used for many types of tools*.
 imprimis. Latin: in the first place. (SOED)
 inckle, inkle. Linen tape. (SOED)

- indenture. Deed between two or more parties, the copies having their edges indented. (SOED)
- indigo. A blue dye. (SOED)
- intayle, entail. To settle land or estate on a number of persons in succession so that it cannot be dealt with by one possessor as absolute owner. (SOED)
- Irishe stitch.
- isinglasse. Gelatine used for making jellies or clarifying liquors. (SOED)
- issues. *By context, returns on money lent.*
- jack. Machine for turning the spit. (SOED)
- jallowne. *See galowne.*
- jeanes. A fustian cloth, cloth of Genoa. (SOED)
- jell. Deal or plank. (EDD)
- jerkin. Close fitting jacket or short coat. (SOED)
- jointure. Sole estate limited to the wife to take effect upon the death of her husband for her own life. (SOED)
- joyce of licorishe. *Liquorice juice.*
- joynies. *Query: jaundice.*
- julep. Sweetened drink used in medicine as a vehicle. (SOED)
- jystes, joyces. *Joists.*
- kan. *See can.*
- kayre, cair, keare, keir, keyre. Tubs and vats used for many purposes. (SOED)
- keepers. The keeper keeps the clasp in place. (SOED)
- kelter. A coarse cloth. (SOED)
- kersey. Coarse narrow cloth woven from long wool and usually ribbed. (SOED)
- kestling skins. Kestling – calf born before the usual time. (TB)
- Kidderminster stuff. Carpet with the pattern formed by the intersection of two yarns of different colours, originally made at Kidderminster. (SOED)
- kimmel, kimlin, kymnell. A tub for household purposes. (SOED)
- kine. Cows. (SOED)
- kirtle. Man's tunic or coat. Woman's gown, skirt or outer petticoat. (SOED)
- knead turnell. Tub in which curds were kneaded to squeeze out the whey. (EDD) Trough or tub in which to knead dough. (SOED)
- knocke.
- kyddes. Faggot or bundle of twigs, gorse etc. (SOED)
- labourer. *Man of status below that of husbandman.*
- laches. *Probably part of the gearing of the loom.*
- ladder, haie and gresse. *I.e. cart side extensions.*
- Ladie Day. 25 March. (SOED, Ch)
- lane. *I.e. lawn cambric. See sub cambric.*
- lapis tutie. Tutty – sublimate of zinc, or calamine. (JD)
- laths. Wood used in building to form a wall or partition. (EDD)
- lattice. Structure of laths with open spaces used as a screen. (SOED)
- lawne. *See cambric.*
- lay. A local rate.
- liberties. Privileges, immunities or rights enjoyed by prescription or by grant. (SOED)

- lind. *I.e. line.* Flax or flaxen thread, or the longer finer fibres of flax or hemp. (SOED)
- linen cloth. Woven from flax. (SOED)
- linsey. Coarse linen fabric. (SOED)
- linesey wolsey, linsey-woolsey. Cloth with linen warp and worsted weft. Originally made at Lindsey in Suffolk. (CB)
- linseed. Seed of flax, the source of linseed oil used as a medicament. (SOED).
- list, listes. Selvage border of cloth. (SOED)
- liverie cupboard. Cupboard in which food and drink was kept. Usually had pierced doors. (H)
- lockbands.
- locker. Box or chest with a lock. (SOED) Small open box attached to a spinning wheel. (EDD)
- lohocsann. A linctus. (SOED)
- longettes. *Longart is the tail end or board of a cart.* (EDD)
- looms. Used for tools and utensils of many trades.
- lossett. Large, flat wooden dish resembling a voider. (EDD)
- lyves, lives. *Term for which a lease lasted.*
- mace. Spice made from outer covering of nutmeg. (SOED)
- malasses. *Molasses.*
- male. *I.e. maul.* Wooden club or heavy hammer. (SOED)
- manackles, menacles. Gauntlets. (SOED)
- mark. Unit of account equal to 13s 4d. (IM)
- marle. Calcareous clay used to improve the land. (HOL)
- marmolett. Marmalade.
- Martinmas. 11 November. (Ch)
- maske. Covering for the face worn for a variety of purposes. (CB)
- masleine. Mixed metal or brass. (EDD)
- master. *Title of respect for a gentleman. Also, from context, a reference to a feudal superior landowner.*
- mattock, mattyocke. Pickaxe with one end shaped as an adze. (H)
- mattock hames. *Query: mattock handles.*
- maundes. Wicker baskets with handles. (SOED)
- meane field. Common or unenclosed land. (EDD)
- meeringe at the water. *From mere = boundary (SOED): boundary at the river.*
- melch kine. Milking cattle.
- mercurie precipitat & sublimat. Quicksilver, used in medicine. (SOED)
- Merebilaus.
- message. Dwelling house with outbuildings and assigned land. (SOED)
- metheredat.
- Michaelmas. 29 September. (Ch)
- minikine. A plain weave worsted cloth akin to bayes. (CB) But also the northern version, a form of cotton. *q.v.* (B, p.56)
- miscarie. To fail in purpose or objective. (SOED)
- moccadoe. An imitation of velvet, usually of wool. (CB)
- moeheare, mohair. Closely woven stuff of hair of Angora goat, some plain, some watered, *i.e.* given a wavy, lustrous pattern or finish. (SOED, CB)
- moiety. Half.
- mole racks.

- mortuary, mortuarie. Customary gift claimed by incumbent of a parish from the estate of a deceased parishioner. (SOED)
- motley. Cloth similar to Kentish cloth. (CB)
- muckhooke. Fork used for spreading manure. (EDD)
- musterd ball. Ball used for grinding mustard seed. (EDD)
- nager. *See* auger.
- narke. *See* ark.
- nassee. *Query: naze.*
- nathe. *The nave, i.e. hub, of a wheel. (SOED)*
- neales. *From context, a measure of linen cloth; query: from ell.*
- neelds. Needles. (EDD)
- neild work. *Query: needle work.*
- nerve oyle.
- netherheads.
- netherstocks.
- new draperies. Collective name for cloths whose manufacture began in England in Elizabeth I's reign, which typically comprised a mixture of fabrics; also stuffs. (B, pp. 41, 43)
- Nigella Romana. Seeds of *Ranunculus* used for medicinal purposes. (SOED)
- nippers. Pincers, forceps or tongs. (EDD)
- noble. Gold coin worth 6s 8d. (IM)
- nogens, noggins. Small drinking vessels, mugs or cups. (SOED)
- noger. *See* auger.
- nogges. Pegs, pins or blocks of wood. (SOED)
- norne oyle.
- nostles, nosteles. Leather fillet, horse's nose band. (JLF)
- notary public. Person publicly authorized to draw up or attest contracts etc. (SOED)
- oger. *See* auger.
- oriell. Large windowed recess usually projecting from upper storey. (SOED)
- ounce. *Measure of weight, sixteen ounces to one pound, avoirdupois, twelve Troy. (SOED)*
- overlaye. Coverlet or cloak. Girth or surcingle. Cravat or neckcloth. (EDD)
- overplus. Surplus. (SOED)
- ox bowe. Part of yoke for oxen. (SOED, JD)
- oyle debay.
- oyle of mace. Oil from outer covering of nutmeg. (SOED)
- padle staff. Long staff with an iron spike at the end, much used by mole catchers. (H)
- pannell. Soft saddle. (EDD) Saddle cloth. (SOED)
- pannier. Large basket. (EDD)
- parlour. Room used as principal bedroom or as sitting room; its use is changing in this period. By 1708 in Manchester the front parlour was a sitting room reserved for company. (A)
- parragon. A cloth of mixed fibres. (CB)
- partlett. Sleeveless jacket. (CB) Neckerchief, collar, or ruff (SOED)
- peck. Measure of liquids of varying capacities. (EDD)
- peine (of ribbon). *Appears to be a measure of fineness; perhaps six penny ribbon.*

- pence. Unit of currency. *There were twelve pence to the shilling, twenty shillings to the pound.*
- penn, wrought. *Probably a steel pen.*
- pennars. *Query: pinnars, which see below, but (C) suggests pannier.*
- perpetuana. One of the new draperies, a glossy woollen fabric. (CB)
- pewter. Alloy of tin or lead used for making pots, pans and other domestic implements. (H)
- philip and cheyney. Glossy cloth made of wool and silk. (CB, SOED)
- pickell, pikell. Hayfork or pitchfork. (EDD)
- piggen. Small pail, tub or can. (C) Usually of cooper ware with one stave longer than the others. (M)
- pigg foot.
- pin casse. *Case.*
- pinchett.
- pinions.
- pinner, piner. A cap or neck-cloth. (CB)
- pin-quishnet. *Pin cushion.*
- pint. Measure of liquid or dry measure equal to half a quart or one-eighth of a gallon. (SOED)
- plowbeames. Central longitudinal beam of a plough. (SOED)
- plowstaffe. Plough handle. (EDD)
- points, poynts. Ties for fastening or adornment. (CB)
- pokes. Pouches or large bags. (CB)
- pomell. Saddle bow or projecting front part of a saddle. (SOED)
- portion. *That part of the personal estate of deceased person which by law or custom descends to wife and children.*
- posnet. Cooking pot with a handle and three feet. (H)
- posset cup. Cup used for drinking hot milk curdled with ale or other liquors, often spiced. (SOED)
- pothers. *Query: pot herbs.*
- potrackes. Plate racks. (EDD)
- potter, fire. Poker. (EDD)
- pottingers. Soup bowls with ears or small ear-like handles. (H)
- poudering tub. Tub for salting and pickling meat. (H)
- pounds. Unit of currency. *The pound was divided into twenty shillings each of twelve pence.*
- presents. *Present writings, the document being read.*
- presse. Early type of cupboard. (H) Usually shelved. (C)
- primers. Elementary reading books. (SOED)
- prisers, appraisors. *Neighbours perhaps selected by the family or executors to value the personal estate of decedents.*
- probate. Official proving of a will. (SOED)
- proctor. One who manages causes in civil or ecclesiastical courts, corresponding to a solicitor in courts of equity and common law. (SOED)
- prynes. *Part of a webster's loom.*
- psalter. The book of psalms. (SOED)
- pullen. Poultry. (C)
- pullis. *Query: pulleys.*
- Pulvis Pectoral. *Expectorant.*

punches. Piercing tools. (SOED)

Purification of Our Lady. 2 February. *Also see Candlemas.* (Ch)

purse of sivett. *Fur of the civet cat.*

pylbordes.

pyne wheele. *Wheel with cogs* (SOED), *so probably part of the cloth beam on a loom.*

pynsars. *Pincers.*

quart. Measure of capacity equal to two pints or quarter of a gallon. (SOED)

quietus est. Acquittance. (SOED)

quill. A spool on which weft is wound for placing in the shuttle. (EDD)

quishens. Cushions. (H)

quoife. *See coiffe.*

rack. Frame for holding plates; range or fireplace; tenters; apparatus for roasting meat. (EDD)

rackentree, racquenties, rakentree, rucketrie. Bars used to support a spit and other cooking utensils. (SOED)

radlings. Slender rods fastened between upright stakes to form a partition or wall. (SOED) Usually hazel. (EDD)

rainge, range. *Grate.*

rathes. Shelving or framework round a cart. (EDD)

ream pot. Cream pot. (EDD)

redemption. Clearing of a liability. (SOED) *In context, paying off a mortgage.*

reeds. Part of loom through which warp threads pass. (EDD)

reeles. Frames for winding yarn. (EDD)

relict. Widow. (SOED)

remainder. Residual or further interest in an estate, coming into effect when it has been determined and created by the same conveyance by which the estate was granted. (SOED)

remlantes. *Remnants.*

reparrell. *See* apparel.

reservacion of rent. The retaining of a right or interest. (SOED)

rest. The remainder. (SOED) *In context, hemp outstanding, money outstanding.*

reversion. That part of an estate which falls into the possession of the grantor or his representative after its determination. (SOED)

ribbininge. *I.e. Ribbon.*

ring, gemewe. Gem-like. (SOED)

roald. *This may be a mis-writing of road.*

rootes and simples. Herbs and medicines. (SOED)

rose cakes.

rose water. Water distilled from roses, essence of roses used as a perfume. (SOED)

rotten stone. Friable stone used for polishing silver, glass and stone. (Tom)

round cloth. Canvas. Round = coarse, thick. (EDD)

rowle. Rail. (EDD)

rugge. *From SOED, a large piece of coarse woollen cloth used on a bed.*

rundlett, ryndlett. Cask, usually for wine. (H)

russett, grey russett. Coarse homespun woollen cloth of reddish brown, grey or neutral colour. (SOED) Dark brown. (CB)

ryder. Piece of wood with which a pair of harrows is connected. (EDD)
 rysshes. *Rushes*.

sack. White wine imported from Spain and the Canaries. (SOED)

saddle, Hackney. Any riding saddle. (SOED) Sumpter. Pack or saddle bag. (SOED)

safe. A ventilated cupboard or chest for storing foodstuffs. (SOED)

safegard. Outer petticoat worn by a woman to protect her dress when riding. (EDD)

sailleskin. *Probably sealskin*.

St Andrew's day. 30 November. (Ch)

St John the Baptist, Nativity. 24 June. (Ch)

St Martin the Bishop in winter. 11 November. (Ch)

sallit oyle. Salad oil. (EDD)

salt. Salt cellar or container. (H) Small vessel placed on table for holding salt. (SOED)

salt Icm.

salt pyc. Salt box or earthenware container. (SOED)

salting butter bouke. *Pail or wooden vessel for butter-making*.

salting tubbe. *Tub for salting meat*.

sampler. Piece of embroidered canvas. (SOED)

sangius draconis. Dragon's blood – bright, red gum from the fruit of the palm. (SOED)

satin. Silk cloth, or cloth made from other fabrics to look like satin. (SOED)

satute lace. *See statute*.

sawcer, sasar. Small pan or platter in which sauce is set on the table. (JD)

sawne trowes. *Query: trowe = trough* (EDD)

scamonie. Resin from convulvulus roots used as a strong purgative. (SOED)

scattels.

sclate. *From context, slate*.

scollope. Rod used to fasten down straw in thatching. (EDD)

score. 20 (SOED)

scotch cloth. Linen woven with nettle fibres. (SOED)

screene. High backed wooden settle. (EDD)

scrues. *Probably screws*.

scuttle. Shallow wooden or wicker basket. (EDD)

searge. *See serge*.

sease. *See sey*.

seelinge. Panelling or wainscoting. (H)

seena. *I.e. senna*.

segges. Castrated bulls or pigs or wether sheep. (EDD)

seller. *See cellar*.

semalpe. *Probably a miswriting of sampler*.

sences.

serce, searcer, sercher. A sieve (EDD)

serge. Woollen or part-worsted twilled cloth used in clothing. (SOED)

sett. Stitched or embroidered work. (M)

settells. Settle. Long wooden bench with arms and back. Raised shelf for supporting barrels. (EDD)

setwalle. The plant Valerian. (SOED)

sew. Sow.

sey. Fine textured cloth, formerly silk and wool, latterly all wool. (SOED)

shakells. *I.e. shackles*. Shackles = couplings; or, horse hobbles. (SOED)

- shearman. One who shears woollen cloth. (SOED)
- shelbreades. *Bread flecks. Racks for hanging oatcakes.*
- shillings. *Unit of currency. There were twenty shillings in one pound, and twelve pence in one shilling.*
- shippon. Cattle shed or cow-house. (C)
- shoates. Young weaned pigs. (H)
- shod (of wheels). Rimmed with iron. (SOED)
- shooe shaftes.
- showing horn. *Shoe horn.*
- shuttle. Carries the weft in the loom. (SOED)
- sighe. *I.e. scythe.*
- simpeter. Sempeternum, twilled woollen stuff resembling serge. (SOED)
- skeane. Skein. Hank of yarn. (EDD)
- skellett. Metal pan with long handle and three short legs for setting in the open fire. (H)
- skeyne and belt. Dirk or dagger and belt. (EDD)
- skimmer. Scummer, perforated ladle. (JLF)
- skonce, sconce. Screen, partition, seat, or stone shelf in kitchen; kitchen utensil set before fire. (EDD) Lantern or candlestick. (M)
- skrine. *See screen.*
- sleade. *Sled, sledge.*
- slipping. Large skein or hank of yarn. (EDD)
- soles. Of a shoe or boot. (SOED)
- sorrell. Used in salads, cookery or as a medicine. (SOED)
- souldier's provision. *Charge on community to pay for army.*
- Spanish browne. Type of earth giving a brownish red dye. (SOED)
- sparres. Beam or bar to fasten door, rafters or small transverse timbers of roof. (EDD)
- spatula. Flat, long instrument of wood or metal used for many purposes. (SOED)
- speakes. Pieces of wood used to fasten down thatch. (EDD)
- specialties. Contracts, obligations or bonds expressed in a written instrument under seal. (SOED)
- spermaceti. Whale fat used in medicine and candle making. (SOED)
- sponnge horn.
- spur. Short supporting timber. (SOED) Device to prick a horse with. (SOED)
- spurryals of gold. Coin of value 15s. (IM)
- squares. Tool for setting out right angle. (SOED)
- stamett. A new drapery cloth, perhaps fulled and usually dyed red. (B, p. 43; CB)
- standish. Tray of metal for inkstands and pens. (H)
- standing. Fixed. (SOED)
- stones. *Stones.*
- stangs. Pieces of wood on which beast carcasses are hung, or the side pieces of ladders. (EDD)
- statute lace. Lace woven according to statute. Probably native-made for those forbidden to wear foreign lace. (CB)
- stave. Stick or staff. (EDD)
- steares, steers. Young oxen. (EDD)
- steele glasse. Glass backed with steel for a mirror. (SOED)
- steele. *Stile.*
- steeping keares. Steep is to soak. (EDD)
- sterke. Heifer or young bull between one and two years old. (EDD)

- stibium antimonn. Chemical used as a cosmetic or emetic. (SOED)
 stillatorie. A still, for distilling. (SOED)
 stille glasse. *See* steele glasse.
 still head.
 stocke. A stand or frame. (EDD)
 stomacher. Bib of an apron or a busk. (EDD)
 stone neales. *Query: stone nails.*
 stoods. Studs: upright pieces of wood to which lathes were nailed. (EDD)
 stoond, stand, stound, stownd. Wooden vessel in which small beer was put. (EDD) *See also sub* grout.
 stopps. Small well-buckets. Milk pails. (EDD)
 strangs. Shafts. (EDD)
 stuff. New draperies. (B, p. 43). Worsteds, without nap or pile. (CB)
 sugar gandy. *See* candy.
 surceasse. Cessation. (SOED)
 suretie. Person who offers a guarantee on behalf of another. (SOED)
 swaler. Wholesale corn or provision dealer. (EDD)
 swifts. Reeling machine. (EDD)
 swinglefoot. *Lower half of a swingle used in dressing flax; from swingle, foot, in SOED, and context.*
 swingletree. Levers that yoke the horse to the plough. (SOED,EDD) *From context, not a board used in dressing flax or hemp. (SOED)*
 syffe. *I.e.* Sieve.

 table, dyet. Payment for board. (SOED)
 table scucheons. Scutcheon = badge. (SOED)
 tack. Hired, *i.e.* leased, pasture for horses, cows etc. (EDD)
 taffeta. A glossy textile. (SOED, CB)
 tawnie. Woollen cloth, usually yellowish brown. (CB)
 teame. A chain to which oxen are yoked in lieu of a pole. (EDD)
 temples. An instrument for stretching the cloth on a loom. (EDD)
 tennet. *I.e.* tenet. Tenon, hence tennet saw – a back saw. (EDD)
 tenters. Stone or wooden posts with beams for stretching cloth. (EDD)
 tester. Canopy over a bed. (C)
 thacke. Thatch, material for thatching. (EDD)
 thill. Cart shaft. (JLF)
 thill hames. Two curved pieces of wood or metal resting on the collar of a draught horse to which the traces are attached. (EDD)
 thrave. A measure of corn, straw etc., consisting of two ‘stooks’ of twelve sheaves each. (EDD)
 threshing bay. *Part of barn used for threshing corn.*
 throw. A turning lathe. (EDD)
 throwen. Of wood: turned on a lathe. Of pot: shaped on a potter’s wheel. Of silk: cleaned and prepared for spinning. (EDD)
 thrower. A kind of knife used for cleaning lathes and hurdles (EDD)
 Ticknall metall. Metal here means earthenware (SOED), especially of a coarse common kind, made at Ticknall in Derbyshire. (EDD)
 tiphanie. (*I.e.* tiffany). A transparent cloth, of silk. (SOED)
 token. A coin, a piece of money. (EDD)

tordwith.

tornets. *Probably small fasteners.*

tow, toawe, towe. Flax or hemp before spinning. More strictly, the shorter fibres. (SOED)

trackle. *See* treacle.

treddles. Treadles. Of a weaver's loom (EDD)

treen, tryne ware. Wooden, made of wood. (EDD) Usually thrown rather than sawn.

trencher. Wooden or pewter plate or dish. (EDD)

trenkett. An iron heel put on a shoe. (EDD)

tresseboards. *Table boards to stand on trestles.*

trestles, trestes. Frame or support of a table. (EDD)

trifle. Small article of little value. (SOED)

tripan. Trepan – surgical instrument in the form of a crown-saw. (SOED)

trivit. *I.e. travers.* Anything laid across by way of a bar. (EDD) e.g. fire bars, door bars.

truckle, truckell bed. A low bed running on truckles or castors pushed beneath a high or standing bed when not in use. (SOED)

tufted. In the case of taffeta, left with a pile. (CB)

tuition. *Upbringing.*

tumbril. A farm cart, especially a heavy cart used for manure. A wagon. (EDD)

tundish. A funnel. (SOED)

tunn. A cask or barrel. (SOED)

tup, tupp. A ram. (EDD)

turf, turves. Peat, blocks of peat, pieces of cut turf used for fuel. (EDD)

turfcoat. *Turfcote. Storehouse for turf.*

turmericke. Powder from an East Indian root, used as a dye and in medicine. (SOED)

turnell. A large oval tub especially one used for salting meat or scalding pigs. (EDD)

twichers, twichers. *A pair of tweezers.*

twigg rowles. *Light wooden rails. (EDD from rowles).*

twinter, twyneter. Sheep, cattle or colts two years old. (EDD)

uwe. Yew.

unguentum. Ointment. (SOED)

unwinnes. *Onions.*

uxor. Wife. (SOED)

valure. *See* velour.

vargis. Verjuice. Acid juice of sour fruit. (SOED) Usually of crab-apples in the north-west.

velour. Velvet, *or perhaps*, imitation velvet. (CB)

velvet. Silk textile fabric. (SOED)

verdigrasse, verdigris. Substance used in medicine and dyeing, derived from acetate of copper. (SOED)

vintner. Wine merchant. (SOED)

voider, voyder. Table basket for dishes, knives etc. Pail-like article of wood or wicker into which bones etc. are shelved or thrown during a meal. (EDD)

void, voyde. *Of no effect.*

vuela of silver.

- wain. A wagon, especially a long narrow two-wheeled wagon. An ox-cart without sides. (EDD)
- wallet. A long bag, open at the middle and closed at the end. A workman's bag. A handbag. (EDD)
- wantall. *See* wountall.
- ware. Articles of merchandise. (SOED)
- warpstock, warstock. Stock is a stand or frame. (EDD) Warpstock is probably a frame for warping yarn.
- washebales. Balls of soap. (SOED)
- waterboard. Water bord is a bench or board for setting water buckets on. (EDD)
- water plate.
- waynescotte, wainscot. Panel work of oak or other wood. (SOED)
- webb. A raw, i.e. undressed cloth; cloth in the loom. (SOED)
- webster. *Weaver*.
- wether. Male sheep, especially when castrated. When weaned it is called a hogg. (EDD)
- wether hog. Male sheep of the second season. (EDD)
- whalle finne. *Whale bone or fin*.
- wheat manchet. A small loaf of white bread. A hot cake. A muffin. (EDD)
- whiske. A brush, made in W. Yorkshire by binding heather. A machine for winding yarn on a 'quill' or 'clue'. (EDD)
- whitlime. *White lime*.
- whitting. Bleaching. (EDD)
- whittle. A knife, especially a large one. (EDD)
- whyte leade. Compound of lead carbonate and hydrated oxide of lead, used as a pigment. (SOED)
- wimble. *See* auger.
- window board. A shutter. (EDD)
- winn. *I.e. wine*.
- winnow sheet. A winnowing sheet. (EDD)
- wisket. A basket. In Cheshire a small, flat basket. (EDD)
- wismille fustian.
- withen. Willow. (EDD)
- wollcombe. *Wool comb*.
- wormeseed. Plant medicines thought to kill intestinal worms. (SOED)
- worsted. Cloth made from long staple wool, not fulled. (B, pp. 41-3)
- wort. Infusion of malt or other grain which after fermentation becomes beer. (SOED)
- worthinge. Manure. (EDD)
- wountall. Wantoe, wantall. Horse's belly band. (JLF)
- wrought. Worked. Woven or knitted. (EDD)
- wymble. *See* wimble.
- wyndowe sheete. Winnow sheet. *But see context to distinguish window curtains*.
- yarn beame. *Warp beam on loom. Query: beam = scales for weighing yarn*.
- yeate. Gate. (SB)
- yereings. *Yearlings*.
- Yorkshire. Thick, coarse cloth made in Yorkshire. (SOED)

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