

*Last Will and Testament of
Edward Sherer of Grittenham -
1639*



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In the name of God Amen the 27th day of March anno domini 1639. I Edward Sherrer of Grittenham in the county of Wilts yeoman being weak in body but in perfect mind and memory thanks I give to God for it do ordain and make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I give and bequeath my soul and spirit into the hands of Almighty God to rest in the bosom of Abraham and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Brinkworth when it shall please God to call me there to remain until the resurrection when my soul shall receive the same body again to enter into life everlasting by a true and lively faith through Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer Amen. And as for my worldly goods I willingly dispose as followeth. Item I give unto William Sherrer my brother twelve pence. Item I give unto John Sherrer my brother twelve pence. Item I give unto Elizabeth White my sister twelve pence. Item I give unto Elizabeth Sherrer and Margery Sherrer the daughters of John Sherer my brother twelve pence apiece. Lastly all my goods and chattels both moveable and unmoveable not before by me given nor bequeathed my debts being paid my legacies performed and my funeral expenses ended my will is that John Sherrer the son of William Sherrer my brother shall have whom I ordain and make my full and whole executor of this my last will and testament. And finally I do ordain and make my wellbeloved in Christ Arthur Ayliff gent and Henry Wayte senior overseers of this my last will and testament desiring them to see that all things herein be truly delivered contented satisfied and paid and for their pains taken therein I give unto them 12d apiece. The mark of Edward Sherer Those being witnesses Arthur Ayliffe, Henry Wayte

probate at Malmesbury 27 April 1639.

A true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods household stuff and implements of household stuff of Edward Sherer late of the parish of Brinkworth in the county of Wilts yeoman deceased truly taken and praised the third day of April anno domini 1639 by George Palmer John Potter and William Wayte as followeth viz.

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Imprimis one standing bedstead 0 - 6 - 8

Item one other old bedstead 0 - 3 - 0

Item all his bedding 1 - 10 - 0

Item all his brass 0 - 8 - 0

Item all his pewter 0 - 13 - 4

Item certain working tools 0 - 12 - 0

Item one chest one press and one box 0 -10 - 0

Item all his wooden vessells 0 -50 - 0

Item one coffer two chairs and two stools 1 - 3 - 0

Item all his iron stuff 0 - 3 - 0

Item two picks and one prikestale 0 - 2 - 0

Item one grindstone 0 - 2 - 6

Item two sieves 0 - 3 - 0

Item one old bible and other old books 0 -50 - 0

Item all his wearing apparell 1 -10 - 0

Item all his other lumberment 1 - 0 - 0

Item one old frame of a table board in the custody of John Sherrer the testators brother 0 - 2 - 0

Debts owing to the testator upon speciality

Imprimis one bond of £10 wherein William Beale and George Sherer Standeth firmly bounden unto the testator with condition for the true payment of £5 2s upon the 5th day of February last 1638

Item one bond of £4 wherein Walter Foskett and Jane Foskett standeth firmly bounden to the testator with condition for the true payment of £2 1s 7d upon the 21s day of December 1635

Sum is £15 2s 1d