

The last will and testament of William Scott 1586

In the name of God Amen in the yere of our lord God 1556 and in the 2 and yere of the reigne of our most soveraigne Philippe and Mary by the grace of God King and quene of England France both C and and Ireland defender of the faith Archduke of

I William Scott clerk and vicar of the parishe of Ikleforde and pirton in the county of Hertford being deceased in body and of good perfitte mynde and memorye thanks therefore onlie to be geven unto allmyghtie God my onelie redemere and savioir to whom I hartelie rendere and bequeath my soul and my bodie to be buryede in the churche of Ikleforde when as it shall so please hym to take it out of this present worlde and first? for as much as I have here to do this mortall life within this said parish of Ikleford

I will and bequeath towards the reparacons of the churche of Ikleford in redye money 11/s 111/d

Item to the church of Lincoln 11/d

Item I will and bequethe to the inhabitants being householders and my poore neighbours dwelling within the town in redy money to every of them 111/d a peece

Item I be towards my buryall hereafter to be brought in or the in redy money XXs to be ordered and geven to the poore eg the discredcon of my executors

Item and likewise my monyth
I will and bequeath among the porre in readye XXsh

Item I will and bequeathe unto my siser elsbeth Marshall my best gown with my payre of sheets and the bedde h whiche I do lye in with all manere of things there belonging being in and upon the same bedde and also all the hangings of the same chambere with one coffere in the same chamber

Item I will and bequeath unto Elisabeth Ratcliffe daughter unto my sister Elisabeth in redy money 20 sh

Item to my Rafe Radcliffe in redy money towards the bying of a ryng for a remembrance 10 shill

Item I give to his said wiff 3 pyre of sheats

Item I will and bequeath unto Margaretts of London my kinsman my shorte violette gown lynede with saten with 3 payre of sheats with suche fetherbede as it is being in the loft over and above my own chamber with all things appurtaynyng unto the same and all my hangings in the same chamber

Item I will and bequeath to Jone man my and
my long gown lined partlie with Wurstede with a little broken to of myne
and 2 payre of sheats and the cubbard in the hall with all the vessel and m that
standeth upon it except 2 platters the which are my sisters

Item I will give her besides a brasse potte

Item to Thomas Turner sumetyme 6s 8d

Item to Marrie Pars sumetyme my mayde that I browght The day of her
maryage 10 shillings beside here owne stuffe that I have in my kipinge

Item agayn to her a peyre of sheets

Item to William Parkyn for his paynes taking to come to shave me 6 shillings 8d

Item to his Wiff a peyre of sheets

Item to Katheryne my mayde 4 sh 4d

Item to her agayn a peyre of sheets

Item I will and bequeath unto Ralfe Ratcliffe of hichyn Jentelman and my cosen
Elsabeth his wiff and their heirs for ever all that my fore land belonging to my sonne
And conteynyng 7 acres now in the tenure of Nicholas Olastoke tenant ther

Item I bequeath to my clerke my Wursted coate and 12d in money

Item I bequeath to George Marshall 2sh

Item to my cosen Joane Chambers children Margaret and Elsabeth eich of them 5
shillings a peace

Item to Thomas Marshall the youngare 6 shillings 8 pence

Item I ordyn and make my executor Raffe Ratcliffe of hichyn in the countie of hertford
gent to shome my legacies performyde and detts paid I leave the rest of my goods to
be bestowed according to his discession bysechyng hym according as he loveth me
in my life tyme to se this my last will and testament performyde according to my full
trust and faith in hym - William Scott

Witnesses to this will George Marshall William Faryan Joane Mompasse

4th November 1557 at Hitchin

