

A Schedule of Wills proved in the Court of Faringdon Peculiar 1580-1636.

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AMONG some stray sheets in the Oxford Archdeaconry Papers deposited with Bodley is a schedule of wills proved in the Court of Faringdon Peculiar, between 1580 and 1636. For the most part these wills are not calendared in the volume of Berkshire wills published by the Oxford Historical Society. A few, however, may be, but probably are not duplicates, and where the possibility occurs these are marked with a star in the transcription that follows—

FARRINGDON MAGNA. WILLS THERE PROVED.

- 1582 Thomas Phillips of ffaringdon husbandman, pr 2 Januarii, 1581(-2).
- 1552 William Blagrove of ffaringdon, will pr by Margery his relict before John Steele, official of the prebendall peculiar of ffaringdon in Edward ye Sixth time king of England.
- 1586 Margaret Pratt of Westbroke in ye p'sh of ffaringdon, widow, pr July, 1586 before Thomas Glaseor, the Official.
- 1580* Alice Wright of Little Coxwell pr by John Wright her son & extors before Thomas Glaseor doctor of Laws and Official 5 Decembris, 1580.
- 1583 Avice Reason of Chipping ffaringdon, widow, pr by Robert Thomas Reason 16 September.
- 1590* Edmund Spicer of great ffaringdon pr by Agnes Spicer the relict & extors 14 Dec. 1590 before Edward White Bachilor of Law & Official.
- 1589 Thomas Birt of Westbrook in ye p'sh of ffaringdon pr by Avelin, relict & extor, 30 August 1589 before Thomas Glaseor doc : of laws Official.
- 1593 Alice Willis of Little Coxwell, widow pr by Robert Willis, sonne & extor 21 Jan 1593 before Robert Crane, Official M^r of Arts.
- 1593 Richard Townsend of Littleworth, pr by Elizabeth the relict & one of the extors 21 Jan. 1593 before Robert Crane M^r of Arts, Official.
- 1593 William Keeling of ffaringdon pr by Joane Keeling the relict & extor 21 Janⁱⁱ 1593 before Robert Crane.

- 1593 William Smith of Littleworth pr by Margaret Smith one of ye extors & relict, 14 ffebruary 1593 before Robert Crane Official.
- 1595 Gyles Champneis of great ffaringdon, pr by Joane Champneis, relict & extor 17 July, 1595, before Robert Crane, Official.
- 1595 Robert Eliot of Little Coxwell, pr by his relict & extor, 17 July, before Robert (*as before*).
- 1596 John Hicks of Little Coxwell, pr by Elizabeth the relict and John the sonne, extors, 29th of december 1596 before Richard Jones, Bactillor of divinity, surrogate to Mr. R. (*as before*).
- 1596 david deacon of ffaringdon pr by Margery deacon, relict & one of the extors, 15 December, 1596, as before.
- 1598 Thomas Wellyer of great ffaringdon pr by Emma Wellyer, relict & one of the extors, 22 March 1598, before Robert (*as before*).
- 1599 W^m Withers of ffaringdon pr by John Withers the executor 7th of ffebruary 1599, before M^r Wilmot, M^r of Arts and then Official there.
- 1599 Alice Greene of great ffaringdon, widow pr by Thomas Greene, her executor, 7 ffebruary 1599 (*as before*).
- 1599 George Smith of ffaringdon pr by Constance Smith, relict & extor, 7 ffebruary 1599 as above.
- 1601 Thomas Hicks of Little Coxwell, pr by Thomas Heth the extor, the 2^d of April, 1601, before Ralfe Bradill, M^r of Arts (*B.N.C. Oxon.*) and Official.
- 1601* Michæl Holiday of Little Coxwell pr by Will. Holliday, son & extor, 2^d April 1601, before Ralfe Bradill, etc.
- 1602* Edward Deacon of Westbrook, pr by John Deacon, brother & extor, 2^d April 1602, before Ralfe Bradill, etc.
- 1604 Richard Kent of Chiping ffaringdon pr by Alice Kent, relict & ex^r, 23 Sept. 1604 before Ralfe Bradill, etc.
- 1606 Thomas Cooke of ffaringdon pr by Elizabeth, relict & ex^r, 10th November 1606, before Ralfe Bradill, etc.
- 1606 Richard Hore of Little Coxwell, pr by Magdalen Hore, relict & ex^r, 10th November 1606, before Ralfe Bradill.
- 1608 Thomas Quarrier of Westbrook, pr by Elizabeth, relict & ex^r, 4 November 1608, before Ralfe Bradill.
- 1608 Administration of the goods of Charles Mills of Coxwell parva, died aged 20 years, a minor, to Richard Mills, 14 Nov^r 1608.

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- 1609 Richard King of great ffaringdon pr by Joan King, relict & exé, q7 July 1609, before Ralfe Bradill.
- 1609* John Cox of Thruppe pr by Alice Cox, relict & executrix, 3 April 1609, before Ralfe Bradill.
Joane Porter of Littleworth, pr by William Porter, sonne & exr, 3 day of April, 1609 before Ralfe Bradill.
John House of great ffaringdon pr by Susan his relict & exr, 5 December, 1609, as above.
- 1610 John Dorman of Westbrook, pr by Mary Dorman, relict & exr, 4 May 1610, as above.
Avice Joye of Little Coxwell, widow, pr by William Joye, sonne & exr, 4 May 1610, as above.
Thomas Maylard of ffaringdon (*entry confused by erasures and corrections*) an administration of his goods with his will thereunto because none exr was therein appointed & named was granted to Martin Maylard the brother of the deceased according to the tenour of the s^d will, 4 day of May 1610, as above.
John Horne of Westbrook pr by (*omission*) Horne the relict & ex^{tr}, 30 May 1610, as above.
- 1611 Hamond Shipton of ffaringdon pr by Mary Shipton, relict & ex^{triss}, 7 May 1611, as above.
- 1611 Thomas Hedges of ffaringdon pr by John Hedges, the sonne & ex^{tor}, 8 January 1611, as above.
- 1612 Edward Cowels of Thrupp pr by Mary, the relict & ex^{triss}, 27 May 1612, as above.
- 1612 William Badnoll of Littleworth pr by John Badnoll & Thomas Badnoll the brothers & ex^{rs}, 5 May 1612, as before.
Elizabeth Shaw of ffaringdon, spinster, pr by Henry Godfrey one of the ex^{rs}, 5 May 1612, as before.
Robert Pullock of Westbrooke, pr by Alice, relict & ex^{trix}, 5 May 1612, as before.
Jasper Stratton of Little Coxwell pr by ffraunces Hore, the ex^{tor}, 5 May 1612, as before.
- 1614 John Willes of great ffaringdon, his will not proved because none ex^{tors} therein was appointed & named but Ad^{roa} of his goods with the will thereunto was granted to Jane Britten, 21st day of Jan. 1614, to administer according to the effect of the s^d will.
William Browne of ffaringdon pr by Mary Browne, relict & ex^{iss}, 10 October 1614, before Ralfe, etc.
Thomas Martin of ffaringdon pr by Thomas his sonne & exr, 10 October 1614, as above.

- 1615 John Hill of Chipping ffaringdon pr by Anne, relict & ex^{iss}, 21 July, 1615, as above.
 Thomas Surnam of Littleworth pr by Ann, relict & ex^{iss}, 5 May 1615, as above.
 Edward Withers of ffaringdon, pr by Edith Withers, widow, mother & ex^{iss}, 21 July 1615, as above.
 John Badnoll of Littleworth pr by Margaret, relict & ex^{iss}, 5 May 1615, as above.
- 1616 Elizabeth Hicks of Little Coxwell, widow, pr by John Hicks the sonne & ex^{or}, 10 May 1616, before etc.
 John Withers of Littleworth pr by Margaret, the relict & ex^{iss}, 10 May 1616, etc.
 Editha Withers de Littleworth pr by W^m, the sonne & one of the ext^{ors}, 10 May 1616, etc.
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- 1632 ffrancis Cunlife of ffaringdon, his will pr. 18 September 1632 by ye executors.
- Elizabeth Purejoy, will pr at ffaringdon, 27th of August.
- 1636 Edward Hicks of great ffaringdon, pr 23 May.

F. 95. FARINGDON MAGNA, COM. BERKS.

LICENCES OF MARRIAGE GRANTED BY MR. RALF BRADILL, OFFICIAL.

15 May, 1623, dispensation to W^m Williams de Wantage et Sarra Willey de ffaringdon, spinster.

16 June, 1623, dispensation to W^m Orchard de Coxwell magna et Maria Mills de Coxwell parva, spinster.

11 July, 1623, dispensation to Charles Holliar de ffaringdon magna et Agnes Swaile de Westwell.

7 Octobris, 1624, dispensation to Robert Hollier de Burford, Vintner, et Avis Scott de ffaringdon, spinster.

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F. 65. FARRINGDON PAPERS.

“ These are to certify all those to whom these presents shall or may come that Thomas Hayes of the p’sh of Great farringdon in the county of Berks, Chiurgeon, hath been three years past in his Maties service agst the dutch in the late Warre as a Chiurgeon and that to the best of our judgment he is a p’son whose skill and judgment in Chirugery is and ought to be tollerated and . . . to make use of his skill & practice in the said . . . we having of late had and received sufficient knowledge of his late cures of & upon several p’sons. In testimony whereof we have hereby sett our hands this thirtieth day of July A^d Car. 2nd XXI.”

Edw. Goulding, Chyrurgeon.

Ezekiel Langdon, Dr. of Phisicke.

Frank Hayes, Chyrurgeon.

19 May 1670.

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