# Will of Sir Henry Vernon of Haddon.

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HE following will affords a characteristic illustration of testamentary dispositions prior to the Reformation period, when the chief concern of testators for the welfare of their souls is testified by the ample pro-

vision and detailed instructions for that object usually contained in the wills of persons of rank or station. In other respects also, and more especially in regard to the distribution of articles of household plate, jewellery, etc., as well as to references occurring in it to Haddon Hall, and to bequests to members of the household and others, the will in question will be found of considerable interest.

The testator, Sir Henry de Vernon, Knt., son and heir of William de Vernon, succeeded his father, who died 14th July, 1467, when he was found to be then twenty-six years of age. (*Inq. p.m.*, 6 Edward IV.) This Sir Henry was governor to Prince Arthur, son and heir of Henry VII. He married Anne, daughter of John Talbot, second Earl of Shrewsbury, by whom he had a large family. She died 17th May, 1494, and was buried at Tonge, co. Salop. Sir Henry died 13th April, 1515, aged seventy-four, and was also buried at Tonge, to which place he gave the great bell of forty-eight hundredweight and six yards round, "for the tolling of it when any Vernon comes to town." He was succeeded by his eldest son and heir, Sir Richard de Vernon, then thirty years of age (*Inq. p.m.*, 2nd June,

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7 Henry VIII., 1515), who married, in 1507, Margaret, daughter of Sir Robert Dymmok, Knt. (mar. sett. 7th November, 1507). Sir Richard de Vernon died 14th August, 9 Henry VIII. (1518), and was buried at Tonge, leaving issue only Sir George Vernon, then ten years of age (Inq. p.m., 16 Henry VIII.), who was afterwards generally styled "King of the Peak." Margaret, the widow of Sir Richard and mother of Sir George Vernon, married for her second husband Sir William Coffin, Knt., who in the reign of Henry VIII. was sheriff of Devonshire, and afterwards highly preferred at Court, being Master of the Horse at the Coronation of Anne Boleyn, and afterwards one of the eighteen assistants of Henry VIII. at the tournament of Guiennes, in France, in 1519. At his death, in 1538, he bequeathed to his master, Henry VIII., all his hawks, his best horses, and a cart, and, leaving no issue, he conveyed all his estates in the co. of Devon to his nephew, Richard Coffin, Esq., of Portledge. His monument in Stanton Church is mentioned in "Weever's Sir William Coffyn and Margaret, his Funeral Monuments." wife, are described in various deeds in the possession of the Duke of Rutland, at Belvoir, as of Haddon. Margaret, the widow of the said Sir William Coffin, and formerly the wife of Sir Richard Vernon, married, thirdly, Richard Manners, Esq., son of Sir George and brother of Sir Thomas Manners, afterwards first Earl of Rutland, and died without issue by him in It is evident from the last marriage that a connection 1550. had been formed between the families of Manners and Vernon some years prior to the marriage of Dorothy Vernon, granddaughter of the said Margaret, with Sir John Manners. Sir George Manners died 31st August, 1565, and was buried in Bakewell Church, leaving two daughters and co-heirs, Dorothy, already mentioned, and Margaret, who married Sir Thomas Stanley.

**3n the Hame of god Elmen** in the yere of o<sup>r</sup> lord god M<sup>1</sup>CCCCC & xiiij the xviij<sup>th</sup> day of Januar' in the yere & Regne of Kyng Henry the viij<sup>th</sup> the vj<sup>th</sup> yere I **Sir Ibenry Vernon** Knyght hole of mynde & of body in goode prosperyte often

tymes thynkynge of thys wrechyd lyffe Seyng by Sircuts of days & revolucon of yeres the daye of deth to ffall whych nothyng lyffyng may passe therfore of thys helthfull mynde thus I make my testament, ffyrst I bequeth my Sowle to Allmyghty god and to or lady Saynt Mary and to all the holy Company of hevyn & to blyssid Saynt Anne and to be dyfendyd agenst all wycked Sprets (spirits). Itm I bequeth my body to be buryed in the place at Tonge where I have assigned my selfe to lye And for as muche as w<sup>t</sup> good prayers and almes deeds the soule ys deliured from eurlastyng dethe & payne / therfor ytt ys that I wyll and bequethe that a Covenable (fitting) preste shall syng for my Sowle my wyffe Sowle my ffathur & Mothur & all my Chyldern & all Crysten Sowlys and say dayly wt ffull offes of dethe in the sayd Churche of Tonge or in the Chappell when ytt ys made takyng for hys Sawde\* Cs yerely duryng the space of v yeres next after my dethe & that iij Trentalls+ be sayd wt conuenable prestys the day of my burying yff yt may so be done and ells (else) to be done afore my monythys mynd<sup>±</sup> and ou<sup>r</sup> this I wyll that vij Trentalls our the sayd thre win a halfe yere aft<sup>r</sup> my dethe be sayd And of thys my testament afore wrytton and after truly to be done I ordeyne constitute and make my Trew executors Richerd Vernon my Sone and heyer Arthur my son Antony ffitzherbart sergeant at the lawe and Sir Thomas

\* Sawde. Hire; pay.

**†** Trental. The service of thirty masses said for the soul of a deceased person ; also the allowance to the priest for performing the Service.

"Trentalls, quoth he, delivereth fro penaunce

Their friendis soulis, as well olde as younge."-

Chaucer's Sonynour's Tale.

<sup>‡</sup> Month's mind. This term is frequently found in old wills and testamentary dispositions. Where mention is made of a month's mind, and a year's mind, they were greater or lesser funeral solemnities ordered by the deceased to hold him in remembrance, and at which masses were said for his soul. The custom ceased at the Reformation.

" I see you have a month's mind to them."

"For if a trumpet sound or drum beat,

Who has not a month's mind to combat?"

Hudibras.

Two Gentlemen of Verona.

Rawson my Chaplen the whiche executors allthyngs afore wrytton and affter motte (must) truly do as they wyll answere afore the hygh Juge at the dredefull day of dome / Itm I wyll that my wyffs bonys be taken vp and layde w<sup>t</sup> me when o<sup>r</sup> tombe vs made ther as I have appoynted / Itm I wyell that my sayd tombe and Chappell be made win ij yeres next aftur my deceasse or erst and the bettur and the more hon'able for the blode that my wyffe ys comyn of / Itm I bequeth and gyff for Makyng of the sayde tombe and Chappell C<sup>li</sup> Itm I wyll and bequethe that my sayde executors have CCC marks to purches x marks land or ells to haue so myche owt of some Abbey or pryorye for the savd money in a perpetuyte and that to be gyffyn and to be imployed to a conenable preste to syng in the sayd Chappell and to pray for my soule and the soulys aforesayd and to say all manere servics win the sayd Chappell and eury halyday to helpe them and synge in the quere (choir) at the hygh masse w<sup>t</sup> suche other ordynaunces as my sayde executors shall devyse for the sayde preste for the well of my Soule and soulys aforesayd / Itm I wyll that eury almys man and woman in the Almes hows at Tonge haue the day of my burying xiijd to pray for my soule and the soulys aforesayd / Itm I wyll that ther be ij tapers Set apon me one at my hede and a nother at my ffete w<sup>t</sup> a herce vpon me and the sayd tapers or one of them to be lyght duryng the masse whyle that ys sayd for my soule and so to contenve as longe as my Tombe ys onmade / Itm I wyll that there be geffyn the day of my buryall to prestys and Clerks as many as shall com to my derige\* and masse and eury preste viij and eury preste wt an amyes (amice) xijd and eury Clerke wt a Surples iiijd and eury pore man and woman mate and drynke and j<sup>d</sup> that comyth to my masse and requyem / Itm I wyll that yer be xij pore men aboute that careon body of myne eury of them hauyng a whyght ffriers gowne wt a hode accordyng to the same our ther hed holdyng eur of them a torche in hys hande brennyng

<sup>\*</sup> Dirige. A solemn hymn in the old English Church, commencing *Dirige* gressus meos. It was part of the burial service.

(burning) as long as the sayde derige and masse be in saying and suche lyght to be sett abought my foull body as can be thought be my executors worchypfull for me / Itm I wyll att my monythys mynde that there be taken of the moste porest men and as many as I was yeres of age (74) the day of my dethe eury of them heryng the masse of requiem praying for my Soule and other as aforsayd and aft<sup>r</sup> the sayd masse eury of them to haue conuenient mete and drynke and v<sup>d</sup> in redy money when they have dyned and then to go in to the place where I am buryed and say v pater nosters v Aves and a Credo for my Soule my wyffs Soule and all the soulys aforsayd / Itm I wyll that the lande in Rysshall in the County of Stafford whyche vs the yerely valuee of xijs be made suer to the Warden for the tyme Beyng of the College of Tonge and the prestys there beyng to thys intent that the sayd Wardens and prestys there beyng be bounden to myn heyres & myne executors that they shall truly kepe my obbet (obit) and masse of requiem yerely the day of my dethe and so for eur or ells to lose the sayde londe and ytt to be att the wyll of my sayd heyres / Itm I wyll that the sayd Warden gyff in almes aft<sup>r</sup> the sayd masse to xijj pore men and women which shalbe at the heryng of the same masse beyng none of the Almes hows of Tong have  $eu^ry$  of them  $j^d\/$  Itm I wyll that the hows and prior of Stone haue in the honor of god and saynt Wolfade Cs that to be imployd to the honor of god and the sayde saynt to pray for my soule derige and masse / Itm I wyll that the dean of Lichfelde vicars and chanons beyng resydent haue x marks to say deryge and masse of requiem to pray for my soule and to have forgyfnes of all maner maters that hath bene betwixt them and me aswell in neglegence of tythyngs as otherwyse / Itm I wyll that the abbote of ravcettur\* and Convent of the same doyng as aforesayd haue xxs / Itm I wyll that the prior and Covent of lenton doyng as aboffesayd haue v marks / Itm I wyll that there be a preste perpetuall

\* Roucestor, near Uttoxeter, a Priory of Augustinian Canons.

syngyng and there abydyng in the Chappell\* in neddur hadden accordyng to the wyll of my grauntfather there to serue god Saynt Nycholas and saynt Anne and to pray for my soule my grauntfathers soule my wyff soule and for all the soulys that com of my sayd grauntfather takyng for hys wages all thos launds and Teñts whech Sir John Smythe otherwyse callyd Sir John peneston latly hade duryng hys lyff that ys for to say the lands now in the holdyng of Robert Bagshawe and Robert Wodruffe the land in sekynton Tamworth Wegynton and Chelmardon / Itm I bequethe to the Churche of bakewell and to makyng of the Rode lofte vj<sup>li</sup> / Itm I bequeth to my Chappell att Tonge my greate and fayrest masse boke and a Chales which I bought and ys of the olde facion / Itm I wyll that all the stuff remaynyng in the Chappell att haddon contenew there styll except such as I wyll gyff in thys my wyll or aftur / Itm I wyll that all my detts as sone as they can be covenyently knowyn be payd / Itm I wyll that all my Boles and Ore my Son Richerd shall haue and all maner peces of leede go to my executors to performe my wyll / Itm I wyll my eldest Son haue my Coler of gold and also att eury maner that I have and for beldyng of the same all maner of stuff that belongithe to beledyng / Itm I wyll that my sayd son haue my beste gowne and the remanent of myn aray to be dystrybuted evenly betwixt Thomas Humffrey Arthur and John my Sonnys and all other abelyments (habiliments)

"Orate pro aïabus Ricardi Vernon et Benedicite uxoris ejus qui fecerunt año dñi milesimo ccccxxvii."

<sup>\*</sup> Reference is made to the chapel of St. Nicholas in a deed, still in existence at Belvoir, by which William Avenell, about 1170, made a partition of his manor of Nether Haddon between his sons-in law, Richard de Vernon and Simon Basset, who had married his two daughters and co-heiresses, Avice and Elizabeth. By deed 18 Henry VIII. (1526), the Executors of the will of Sir Henry Vernon, in fulfilment of his instructions, granted and surrendered to Richard Rawson, Chaplain, the Chantry of St. Nicholas and St. Anne, in the Chapel of Nether Haddon, together with the lands specified in the said will, for his maintenance.

<sup>+</sup> Sir Richard Vernon, Treasurer of Calais, Captain of Rouen, and Speaker of the Parliament that met at Leicester in 1426, was born in 1390, and died in 1450. He married Benedict, daughter of Sir John Ludlow of Hodnet, co. Salop. The insertion of the stained-glass window in the east of the chancel of the chapel at Haddon is commemorated by the following inscription underneath :---

of warre to remayne in thys place at haddon except suche as I bequethe in thys my last wyll / Itm I wyll that Thomas my Son haue my Chayne w<sup>t</sup> cros of golde that I weire dayly and my son Humffry a cros w<sup>t</sup> stonys set in yt and a litle cheyne and all of gold at the same cros / Itm I wyll that John my Son haue the Cheyne of gold that my Son Richerd had at his mariage and ells my sayd son shall not haue my best Coler of golde / Itm I wyll that my doughter Margaret haue vijc marks to hir mariage beyng maryed by the advice of hir wurchipfull ffrendys and of goode and honest dealyng and she to fynde hir self w<sup>t</sup> parte of suche money and land as I haue bequethyd hir And yff itt fortune the sayd Margaret to deceasse afore hir mariage then I wyll that hir parte which ys lafte and not spent she to dispose ytt for the weyle of hir Soule / Itm I wyll that my Sone Arthure haue five hundred Marks to his prferment and my Son John a Thowsant pounde to purchase hym lande or to get hym Mariage / Itm I wyll that my Son Thomas and Anne his wyffe haue lx weydors lx Ewes and lx stone of woll / Itm my son Humfrey and Alis hys wyffe asmoche / Itm my dougther Mary and hir husband asmothe / Itm Margaret Breton I woll haue xx stone woll and lx Ewes / Itm I wyll that my Son Richerd haue ij of the best potts gilde and ij the best standyng Cuppys gyld the best bason and the best ewer of Syluere and my godson hys son a litle Cruse of Syluere wt a keure (cover) / Itm my sayd son Richerd shall haue ij of the best Syluere disshes and my doughter hys wyffe one / Itm I wyll that my Sonnys Thomas and Homfrey and eyther of them haue a pott of syluere of the best and eyther of them a boll of Syluere / Itm I wyll that my Son Arthure haue one of the litle potts of syluere and a boll of syluere wt a Keure / Itm I wyll that John my Son haue the othur pott ffelaw (fellow) to Arthurys and a boll of Syluer / Itm I wyll that eury one of my sayd iiij sonnys haue a dyshe of syluere / Itm I will that my doughter Margaret haue a pott a boll of Syluere / Itm I wyll that my doughter Mare haue a boll of Syluere a standyng Cuppe wt a kewre pcell (partly) gilt and a dishe of Sylur / Itm

I wyll that George my Son Humfrey son hau a litle Cruse of Sylure / Itm I wyll that my son Richerd haue my ij best salts w<sup>t</sup> a kew<sup>r</sup>e and all suche plate as I gyff to hym to be and to stand as hever lomes to hym and to hys heyrs males / Itm I wyll that my other ij salts of the best the one of them to Arthur and the ov<sup>r</sup> to John / Itm I wyll that the other ij salts the one gylt and the oy<sup>r</sup> chasyd pcell gylt the one of them to Thomas and the other to Humfrey / Itm ij bassyns ij yewrys of sylur the one of them to Arthure and the other to John my Sonnys / Itm I wyll that my lady Corbett haue a owche\* of gold Sett wt Rubye and perelys whiche owche ys made losenge wyse and a dishe of sylur and the best goblett of Sylur /. Itm I wyll that my Son Richerd haue all the hangyngs and beddys in the new Chambers grete chamber wt the wedraught+ of the same / Itm I wyll that my sayd son Richerd haue the bedds and hangvngs in the Chamber callyd the arres Chamber and the parlure vnder ytt and the hangyngs in the Hall and all suche hangyngs and beddyng in the chamber where I lye my selfe / Itm I wyll that my Sonnys Thomas and Humfrey haue the hangyngs and beddyng in the Rows Chamber and hunters Chamber evenly devydet / Itm I wyll that all that be fetherbedds haue ij good pyllous wt berys (pillow-cases) and all thyngs that appertenyth to a bed shetts and other of the best as they be sett in order above / Itm I wyll that my doughter Mary haue the Chamber our the yatts (gates) bed and hangyng furneshyd as aboffesayd / Itm I wyll that my Son Richerd and hys wyffe haue the beddyngs and hangyngs where they lye them selfe ffurnesshyd as aforsayd and the Chamber our them my Son John to haue furnesshyd as other aforsayd /

\* Owche, Ouch. An ornament of gold or jewels. "Of gyrdils and browchis, of owchis and rynggis, Pottys and pens and bollis for the fest of Nowell." *Mss. Laud.*, 416. "A crown on her hedde they han idressed,

And set it full of owches grete and small."

Chaucer's C. of Oxenford's Tale.

† Wede, Clothing.

Itm I wyll that my Son Arthur haue hangyngs in the Chamber next that our the yemen\* Chamber wt all manr of thyngs belongyng to the same ffurnesshyd as aforsayd / Itm I wyll that my doughters Margaret and Mary haue the hangyngs and beddyng in butterflee Chamber and the Chamber next to ytt evenly devydet ffurnesshyd as aforsayd / Itm I wyll that my doughter Alice chamber and the Chamber vndr wt all the stuff in them shall remayne styll to my son Richerd / Itm I wyll that the grene Chamber next the Arras Chamber and all the stuff of the same remayne styll vnto my Son' Richerd / Itm I wyll that my Son Richerd haue vi of the best Quoshions (Cushions) and eur of my Childern aftr iij vff they wyll com so many to / Itm I wyll that my son Richerd haue ij chavres of ledder (leather) all the brasse potts cadrons brochys (cauldrons and spits) pewter vessells and all other vtensyles of howsholde natt bequethyd to remayne styll / Itm I wyll that all ffetherbedds that I have bequethed eu<sup>r</sup> of them haue a counterpane of vardure (tapestry) besydys the couryng they have now and in lykewyse eury bed that shall remayne in the place to haue the same and the residew to John and Arthur / Itm I wyll that eury one of my chyldern haue a bordeclothe a Towell and a napkyn of the best and my son Richerd to be fyrst choser and so aftr as they be of Age and for the Hall vj corse bordeclothys shalbe lefte and as ij for my Chambur / Itm I wyll that all the Chappell stuff in haddon shall remayne except that I wyll gyff any away / Itm the Resydew of all my Napry (Linen) shalbe distribute evenly in iiij parts betwixt my son Richerd Arthur John and Mary / Itm the hangyngs of the plure (parlour) ondr the grete chamber shall remayne att the place of Haddon and all man<sup>r</sup> of houshold stuff att Harlaston shall remayne there styll to the behoff of my heyres as heyer lomes / Itm all such stuff of beddyng and howsehold stuffe as I haue att London my Sonnys Arthure and John shall haue / Itm I wyll that all my seruaunts as I

<sup>\*</sup> Yeman. A servant of rank next below a squire; a person of middling rank,

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haue made a byll wt myne owne hands here in closed the one halfe or all in redy money and ells the other halfe in Cattell our ther hole yere wages whiche I wyll they have aftr my deceasse whether that they tary or departe / Itm I wyll that my houshold be kept to gether by the space of a yeare att my Son Richerds charge of mete and drynke and yff any of them wyll departe and go hys way myne executors shall pay them ther wages besyds ther reward afore grauntyd / Itm I wyll that my Son Richerd haue Cli to se that he breke no parte of thys my wyll / Itm I wyll that my Son Richerd haue xij Oxen xij kyne and ij of the best wayns and althyngs apperteynyng to them / Itm I wyll that my sayd Son haue C ewys C wedders (wether sheep) and my best horse next the Churche\* / Itm I wyll that my Son Humfrey haue vj Oxen and vj kyne and my doughter Mary as many / Itm I wyll that my doughter Margarett my son Richerds wyffe haue lxxx ewys to move my son hyr husband that he breke no parte of this my wyll and also a paier of beds of Corale+ gawdet wt sylur and gylt to pray for my Soule / I wyll that eu'y of my Sonnys haue a horse / Itm the Resydew of all my goods nott bequethyd my detts payde my Chappell made and my tombe I wyll be evynly distributed betwixt my sonnys Arthure and John forsen (provided) allway that my detts be payd of the hole / Itm I wyll that all the blakeworke at my boles go to the performyng of my wyll except the bole wallys and as moche blakeworke as wyll keuer the blokkys of the bole<sup>+</sup>

+ A pair of Beads or Necklaces of Coral adorned with silver.

A pair of bedes, black as sable, She toke and hynge my necke about, Upon the gaudes all without. *Gower's "Confessio Amantis.*"

 $\ddagger$  Bole, to burn again properly. Boles are places where, in ancient time, the miners melted and refined their lead ore,

<sup>\*</sup> Customary gifts or Mortuaries to the incumbent of a parish church, claimed on the death of his parishioners for the recompense of personal tithes and offerings not duly paid in their life time, which, before the statute of 21 Henry VIII., were payable in Beasts. After the Conquest a Mortuary was called a *cors-present*, because the beast was presented with the body at the funeral. So early as Henry III. it became an established custom; insomuch that the bequest of Heriots and Mortuaries were held to be necessary ingredients in every testament of chattels.

to brenne honest agayne / Itm yff ther be nott sufficient lafte of my goods to performe my wyll then I wyll that myne executors shall take ytt vp of all my Ore and mynes in eury place notwtstondyng ony bequest made before / Itm I wyll that Benet and Elizabeth doughters to my son Humfrey haue C marks which he owthe me / Itm to Mare and (sic) doughters to my son Thomas C marks / Itm to my doughter Mare 1 marks to the mariage of hir doughter yff god send hyr any / Itm to the doughters of my doughter Corbett which be vnmaryed 1 marks evenly to be devydet / Itm to the Church of Pype Rudware a vestyment the price xxvj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> / Itm I gyff to my Son Richerd a noy<sup>r</sup> (another) C<sup>li</sup> to begyn hys hows w<sup>th</sup> for hys kyndnes that he promysed to ffulfull my last wyll / Itm I gyff to the Churche of Harlaston a vestiment wt that that belongythe to the same price xls and a boke such as they have moste nede to have / Itm I wyll that eury of myn executors for laboryng and executyng of this my wyll haue for ther labor x<sup>li</sup> our and above ther costys / Itm where the kyng that dede ys caused me to be bounden to pay ix<sup>Cli</sup> (£,900) wherof iiij<sup>Cli</sup> ys payde and which some in my conciens I ought not to have payde or paye butt to have restitucon of that that I have payd and so appereythe by a byll assigned wt the hands of Edmunde Dudley And for asmuch as this my wyll may be takyn doughtfull in many poynts therfore I wyll that yff any Ambyuguyte Contrariositie or ony mysrehersall or doubulnes be foundyn in ony of the Articles presedent of this my wyll I wyll that ytt be intrpretate reformyd ordered and amended by the advice of my sayd executors ij or iij of them to whom I have declaryd more playnly my mynde by mouthe so that the same may be executed accordyng to the trew entent and mynde of me the sayd Sir Henry / Itm I wyll that Robert Tunsted haue Cs / Itm Martyn Eyer Cs / Itm Alyn Sutton Cs / Itm John Neell Cs / Itm Robert Neell Cs / Itm Robert Dakyn Cs / Itm John Ryse Cs / Itm Raffe Downs v marks / Itm Henry Carlton Cs / Itm Roger Bagshawe iiij marks / Itm Homfry Barker iiij marks / Itm Thomas Lawley iiijli / Itm Richerd Vernon of Shyle x1i / Itm Thomas Vernon vjii / Itm

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Edmunde Ellvote C<sup>s</sup> / Itm Homfry Halle iij<sup>li</sup> / Itm Willm Bennet iij<sup>li</sup> / Itm Thomas Coker iij<sup>li</sup> vj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> / Itm to Roger Wagstaffe xl<sup>s</sup> / Itm Willm Arculand xxvj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> / Itm Raffe Bramall xxvj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> / Itm to Richerd Gladwyn xvvj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> / Itm Thomas Newton xxs / Itm to Willm Thornelegh xxs / Itm to Richerd Hethcote xxvj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> / Itm Willm Ashburn xx<sup>s</sup> / Itm Thomas Hechkynson xx<sup>s</sup> / Itm Roger Rodyard xxvj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> / Itm Jone Brokesop xx<sup>s</sup> / Itm to Annes Sharpe xiijs iiijd / Charlys Kyrke Cs / Itm Thomas the childe of the Kechyn vjs viijd / Itm Richerd Smethley xiijs iiijd / Itm to the shepperd of Cowdon xs / Itm Thomas Browne x marcs / Itm Elizabeth Vernon xiijli vjs viijd / Itm Willm Stafford iiij marcs / Itm John Carte xls / Itm Willm Eyton iiij marks / Itm Sir Thomas Rawson my Chaplen xxli / Itm Sir Jamys Marshall C<sup>s</sup>/ Itm Sir Henry Shaw C<sup>s</sup>/ Itm to Sir Roger Lyne x marks / Itm Jamys Bargh C<sup>s</sup> / Itm Willm Rose xl<sup>s</sup> / Itm Willm Bagshaw xxvi<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> / Itm Thomas froste xx<sup>s</sup> / Itm Jamys Chapman viij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup>/ Itm Thomas Longley xiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> / Itm Richerd Wallwen xiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> / Itm John Hadfelde xiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> / Itm Raffe Sent xiij<sup>s</sup> iiij<sup>d</sup> / Itm Perus Olrinshaw xx<sup>s</sup> / Itm Robert Browne xx<sup>s</sup> / Itm to by a Cocher\* to Bakewell Churche vj marks / Itm for mendyng Pynwall lawne besyde Harlaston x marks / Itm to my doughter my Sone Richerds wyffe a pomaunder+ / Itm to Hameworthe wyffe of Longvsdon xxvj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> / Itm to my doughter Mary a Ryng / Itm to pore peple xxvj<sup>s</sup> viij<sup>d</sup> / Itm to by tymber for the belfry and fflores of Bakwell churche as myn executors thynke moste for the same expedyent And for the knowledge that thys my wyll I the sayd Sir Henry haue set to my Seale thes wyttnes Arthure Vernon Sir Thomas Rawson and Charles Kyrke wrytton the day and yere above sayd / Itm I wyll that yff my Eldest Son intruppe my Sonnes Arthur and John of thos londs and tents

<sup>\* &</sup>quot;Cocula est vas quod libet ad officium coquinœ paratum." (Du Cange.) In the tower of Frencham Church, Surrey, is still preserved a fine specimen of one of these old church cauldrons standing on its trivet in the tower basement. They were used by the churchwardens for brewing church ales and cooking for the village festivals.

<sup>+</sup> Pomander. A perfumed ball, formerly carried in the pocket, worn about the neck, or suspended to a string from the girdle, as a guard against infectious diseases,

which I haue gyffyn them in this my last wyll aforesayd then I wyll that Arthur and John haue all my purchassed londys in eu<sup>r</sup> / place duryng ther lyffs and my Son Richerd no parte thereof

Proved in the Consistory Court of London, 5th May, 1515, by Richard Vernon, Arthur Vernon, and Thomas Rawson, Chaplain, power being reserved to Anthony Fitzherbert, Sergeantat-law, the executors named in the will. *Register 9 Holder*.

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