

SOME SURREY WILLS IN THE  
PREROGATIVE COURT OF CANTERBURY,  
1383-1570

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PART II

“STRETEHAM” is on the Roman road from London to Croydon and the south coast. Its parish church of St. Leonard stands on the site of a chapel mentioned in Domesday Book, which itself occupied the position of a former Roman military station. The road is one along which sheep and cattle were driven from Surrey and Sussex to London markets. A strip of common lay on each side of the road, for grazing, and the river Effra followed the line of the road on the east side, forming a swampy lake at the foot of Brixton Hill, where a causeway was built. This, as the wills show, was constantly in need of repair. The name Brixton is probably, like the Brittox at Devizes in Wiltshire, a corruption of the Norman French word “bretasche,” meaning a wooden structure, this being most likely a stockaded road. Robert Forthe, Doctor of Laws, in his will 1595, P.C.C. 65 Scott, refers to Bristocke Cawesey. Stockwell Green lies close to the road at Brixton, and Chantry Lane may indicate the former site of Sir John Legh’s manor house. There are no wills for Brixton at this early date. Streatham remained a village up to the middle of last century. A small part of Rush Common still remains, enclosed in front gardens, between Brixton Church and Streatham Hill.

1487 P.C.C. 4 Mylles

John KNIGHT, KNIGHTS HILL LAMBETH STREATHAM DULWICH

Dated 13 April 1487. Before Symond Arnold and Roberd Knight of Lambeth, husbandmen. Nuncupative will. To be buried in churchyard of our Lady of Lambeth. To said church XIII<sup>s</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup>. To the high Altar of the Parish church of Strettenham co. Surrey V<sup>s</sup>. To parish church of Croydon XIII<sup>s</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup>. To ffelys wood his moder X<sup>l</sup> V<sup>s</sup>. To Eleanor his wife all lands and tenements at Strettenham, Lambeth and the Lordshypp of Dylwich except a parcel of land called Brondefeld in lordship of Lewisham co. Surrey aforesaid for life she to repair and to maynteyn all the said land and close the hedges and make no waste of wood. After her death the lands to remain to Thomas Knight the younger his son. If Thomas die before age 21 lands to remain to Richard Knight and Henry

Knight the younger and if they die to Thomas Knight the elder brother of the said John Knight if he then be on lyfe or else he than dede to remayn to the next heirs of Thomas Knight the elder. And Thomas Knight the younger his son at 21 or marriage to have the said parcel of lande called Brodesfeld. After the decease of the said Eleanor a tenement with a garden thereto lying that he hath in Stretcham which he late purchased of Richard Goodehert of Stretcham and all his lands that lyen on the west side of the highway that lyeth from London to Croydon in said parish of Stretcham to remayn to the said Richard Knight his son with remainder to Henry Knight the younger and otherwise to son Thomas Knight After the decease of said Alianor his wife a tenement with a garden thereto lying that he hath in Stretcham which he late purchased of John Knoweshale of Stretcham and his land called Rydon being on the East side of the way that lieth from London to Croydon in said parish of Stretcham to remain to Henry Knight the younger his son with remainder as aforesaid to Thomas Knight the younger and Richard Knight and to Thomas Knight the elder or his next heirs. Three acres of land lying in horse croft in parish of Croydon to be sold to Richard Bodeley Citizen and Grocer of London he paying to the Executors of said John Knight five marks the which Richard Knight his son shall have. To daughter Agnes ten marc sterling and six silver spoons with knoppes of lyme silver overgilt at age 21 or marriage. To Marion the daughter of Christian now of parish of Camewell XX<sup>s</sup> at age 21.

A priest of good and honest Christian facon to sing for his soul and for the souls of Thomas Blanshert and Agnes his wyf in sd parish of Stretcham by the space of half a year. Executor the said his wife Eleanor and the said Thomas Knight the elder his brother and their overseers Henry Knight the elder and Peter Palm

Probate October 1487 to Executors.

*Note.*—See 1457 P.C.C. 10 Stokton Wm. Knight. London. Dilwiche. See 1505 P.C.C. 3 Adeane, the will of Henry Knight of Knights Hill, Lambeth, dated December 11, 1505, with son Henry Knight, a minor apprenticed to his godfather Henry Wodecok gent of City of London.

In 1488 Richard Bodley was a Warden of the Grocers' Company.

Knights Hill, a house on summit of a hill near Tulse Hill station, was demolished in recent years. (Not to be confused with the road called "Knights Hill.")

1488 P.C.C. 17 Milles (Latin will)

John FAYREFELD STRETHAM

Dated 23rd November 1487. To be buried in parish church of S. Leonard Stretcham. Bequests to the Cathedral Church of Winchester, parish church of Stretcham the chapel of S. Mary on the east side of the church there. To the Vicar of Ardyng. To the priest celebrating Mass at my death. To Johanne my wife all my lands

tenements etc in Lokyngge co. Berkshire and all I possess in Ardington co Berks and in Toting Graveney co. Surrey and all my lands in Strettenham co. Surrey and those that were John Grene's and a tenement called Nicholas and lands called Holdense and others in co. Surrey. To Alice Noke my wife's daughter XX marks. To Clement Flowr and to John Flowr his son. To Richard Eylton junior. Matilda Tull. Residue of all my goods etc to my wife Johanne Fayrefeld and to Master Edmund Munville, clerk. Witnesses James Daddysley Thomas Neylor John Manchester Thomas Towth William Brynkley and others. Executors the said Johanne and Edmund.

Proved at Lamehithe 13th January 1488/9 by James Daddesley John Brynkeley and William French witnesses of the Inventory shewn by Johanne, relict, and Sir Edmund Runnvil the Executors

1490 P.C.C. 25 Milles (Latin will)

John SAUNDERSON, STRETEHAM

Dated 10th June 1490. To be buried in the church of S. Leonard Strettenham. Bequest to the Rector there and to repairs of the church. All residue of my goods to Sir Clement Saunderson my brother Canon of S. Mary the Virgin of Merton Winton diocese and I make him Executor. Witnesses Sir William Aykerode Rector of forsaid church Thomas Lee John Croft and others

Proved at Lamehith 15th July of same year by Sir Clement Saunderson Canon Executor. Inventory to be shown after S. Peters Day.

1504 P.C.C. 7 Holgrave

Thomas A LEE STRETEHAM

Dated 15th Aprill 1504. I, Thomas a Lee in co. Surrey beyng in hole mynde and in good memory thanked be God make and ordayne this my present testament and last will first I recomende my soule unto Almighty God and lady saynt Mary and to all the holy company of heven my body to be buried in the parisshe church of saynt Leonarde of Stretm aforesaid. Item I bequeth to the high awt of the same church for my tithes negligently forgoten and witholden III<sup>s</sup> IIII<sup>d</sup>. I bequeth to our moder church of Wynchester IIII<sup>d</sup> to the high awt of the pisshe church of Michm for tithes XII<sup>d</sup>. and to the psshe church of Totynge likewise XII<sup>d</sup> Item I bequeth unto John Lee my sone IIII oxen and IIII kyen of yonge mare suche as shalbe taken by the discrecion of his moder and theym to be delivered to the said John at Mychelmas next comynge of III yere age. Item I bequeth to Jamys a Stabutt the yong and Agnes his sister eche of theym a wonyer calf of this yere. To Alice Hasylwode my servant a newyer calf of this yere. Item I bequeth to Thomas Knyght a mare and a horse colt in the keping of Bartholemew holand. To John Lee my son aforesaid a tabull with two trestylls and a rede coverynge of a bed and a bolster. To Richard Goodhert

my servant an ewe and a lambe The Residue of all my goods aft my detts paid I bequeth unto Eleanor my wiff which Eleanor and John Lee my sone joyntly I make and ordeyne myn executors. And Rauf a Legh gentilman the overseer. To the which Rauf I bequeth for his labour XIIi<sup>s</sup> IIIi<sup>d</sup>. I the said Thomas a Lee also strately charge my wif Eleanor and my sone John myn executors afore Sir Richard Wancon preest that they cawse truely IIIi<sup>h</sup> to be distributed in reparacon of high wayes afore Michelmas next comynge which IIIi<sup>h</sup> I received for the same cawse.

This ys the last will of me the said Thomas Lee the day and yere abovesaid First I will that my sone John Lee aforesaid have immediately after my decease and be in peaceable possession of all my lands tenements pastures med(ows) as well of copyhold as of freehold sett and lying in the parishes of Totynge Graney Stretham and Micham or ellswere in the co of Surrey and that my feoffez shall release all their right title and interest in the same at any time whan they shalbe desired by the said John my sone. Theis berynge witnes Sir Hugh Woodcoke parson of Stretham Ric holond Willm Croft Nicholas Sheinford and many other.

Probate at Lamethith 24th April 1504 to Relict, Executrix.

*Note.*—Refer to Stockwell wills 1509. Rauf Legh.

1522 P.C.C. 3 Bodfield

Sir Richard CAREW, Knight, of BEDYNGTON MICHAM  
STRETHAM HORLEY

Dated 10th May 1520. To be buried at parish church of Bedyngton within the parsonage chapell on the south side under the wall. To Nicholas Carew my son all maner of harness and arms I have in Calais or elsewhere and all interest and term of yeres I have in the manor of Bansted and Walton on the Hill and all other lands I have in Surrey which I hold from the Kings Grace. Residue of goods between my wife Malyn and son Nicholas, and I make them Executors. Overseers Sir Goddard Oxenbrige<sup>1</sup> knight and Sir John Oxenbrige clerk. My wife to have the manor of Wartlyng in Sussex and lands in Rukkenham in psh of Cullledon (Coulston) co Surrey which I late bought of Thomas Rukkenham for her life in recompence of her dower. My son to suffer my wife to dwell in the Manor place of Bedyngton, and he to have all other lands in Micham Stretham Horley and Horne, and in co. Lincoln. My son to have the manor of Hatfield Peverell during nonage of John Sent John, son and heir of . . . . . Sent John deceased upon condicion that Nicholas suffer one William Buttrye<sup>2</sup> of London Mercer peaceably to take profits of same manor until such time as William be fully satisfied and paid such sums of money as one Hugh Eton now being Baily fermoe and Receyve of the said manor standeth bound to the said William Buttrye. Whereas Sir Thomas West, knight Edward Lewkenor the younger Esquire Laurence Stoughton and John Loffekyn now stand seized of my manors of Bedyngton Bandon and Horley and all my land in Croydon and Bedyngton by deed bearing

date 14 Nov. X<sup>th</sup> Henry VIII to fulfil all agreements on behalf of me and my heirs between me on the one part and Robert Copley and Richard Devenysshe of the other part etc—if Nicholas my son do acquit and kepe harmless the said Copley and Devenysshe, then Nicholas to have the said manor and lands. My wife to have messuage and lands beyond the sea in parish of . . . . . in the Countie of Gynes<sup>3</sup> which I late bought of Thomas Thwayts and Magdalen his wife.

Probate — day of February 1522-3 to Sir Nicholas Carew Executor.

*Note.*—See I.P.M. 12<sup>th</sup> Henry VIII.

<sup>1</sup> Sir Richard Carew married Malyn Oxenbrigge.

<sup>2</sup> William Buttrye (Botery) Citizen and Mercer see his will P.C.C. 30 Hogen, of St. Lawrence old Jurye London Thorp Market, etc, Norfolk, Buckinghamshire, Suffolk, made his "cosyn" John Gresham his heir (John Gresham of Titsey Park, Lingfield, Surrey). He left the reversion of the manor of Asshe called More Hall, Suffolk, to Thomas Gresham, son of Sir Richard, citizen and mercer. William Botery provided much of the material for the Field of the Cloth of Gold, 1520 (see accounts, P.R.O.). His sister Dame Ede was Prioress of Cannsey Ash, co. Suffolk. See Norfolk Feet of Fines 1329, Milo Botrys and Iabella his wife lands in Thorpe, etc, Norfolk. William Botery was executor 1530 of the will of Hugh Acton of Streatham, who is probably the same as Hugh Eton mentioned in the above will.

<sup>3</sup> Guines, five miles south of Calais.

1527 P.C.C. 27 Porch

Roger NORTON, clerk, St PAUL'S LONDON, STRETEHAM

April 9<sup>th</sup> 1527. 17<sup>th</sup> Henry VIII. To be buried in S. Paul's Cathedral, City of London, before the blessed rood at the Apostle altar there. If I dye at my benefice at Streteham co Surrey my body to be buried right before S<sup>t</sup> Nicholas in the chancel of the said church under the wyndowe there that I last caused to be made. To parish church of Oye in the marches of Calais one jewel value V<sup>l</sup>. To church of Stowe in Essex. To reparation of the parish church of Streteham where I am now parson XL shillings sterling. To John Sharp and to my sister his wife a coverlet of Tapestry and my peece of paynted cloths, etc. To my uncle James Nayler dwelling in Upton beside Stowe co. Lincoln XL<sup>s</sup> that he pray for my soule. To my cosyn Marjorie Nayler sister of Chicksand Abbey Bedford XX<sup>s</sup> to the like intent. My cosen Maister Scoill, my sister Joan Scoyll and Roger her Son. To Nicholas Stubbys my servant. Henry Noke. Thomas Maltby. My executors to make sale of the residue of my goods the money to be distributed among my poor kynnsfolk, to poor people in Streteham and amending of highwayes. To brotherhood of Hounslow III<sup>s</sup> IIII<sup>d</sup>.

Executors Maister John Cole subdean at the Kings most honour-

able capell and maister Thomas Hikman clerk maister of the queresters of S<sup>t</sup> Paul's Witnesses Nichas Stubbes Thomas Maltby William Cohar Clerk, and others.

Probate 28 Jan 1527/8 to executors named in will.

See will 1534 P.C.C. 15 Hogen, of Thomas Hykman, S. Paul, London.

1530 P.C.C. 26 Jankyn

Hugh ACTON, Citizen and Merchant Taillour of London, Greyfriars, LONDON, STRETHAM, Surrey

Dated 17th June, 26th year of Henry VIII. To be buried in Chapel of S. Francis in church of the graye freres in London before the pictour of S. Mary Magdalen standing in the South Ile of the quere of the same church whereas I have memory. To parish church of St Auntelyn whereas I am pochianer for tithes and oblations negligently forgotten or withheld in discharging my soul XL<sup>s</sup>. To St Thomas Spital in Southwark XI<sup>s</sup> to be bestowed in shets and coverletts for poor people resorting thereto and harbored. To parish church of St Leonard in Stretcham and churches of Toting Graveney Micham and Whitechapel without Aldgate XL<sup>s</sup> each. To every one of the six lazarhouses next aboute London VI<sup>s</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup>. To the prisoners of the Marshalsea and of the Kings benche in Southwark and Newgate and Ludgate to each IX<sup>s</sup>. VI<sup>s</sup>. VIII<sup>d</sup> to be distributed in bred quarterly till money be spent. To the convict prison of Westminster XXXV<sup>s</sup>. Item to my goddaughter Joan Lakes daughter V<sup>s</sup>. To John Read Skynner, Henry Hough Thomas Cooke my servant Thomas Spicer XX<sup>s</sup> apiece, 12<sup>d</sup> every quarter till spent. To repairing of the highways between Bristowe Cawsey<sup>1</sup> and Stretcham Church co. Surrey from the church to the foot of the same cawsey XX<sup>s</sup> sterling to be expended in one yere upon condicion that thonest men of the same countree will doo their charitie and putt their helping hands for the sufficient making of the said highway. And if the said honest men refuse so to do then the same legacy to be void and the same to be given to the marriage of poor maidens. To Margaret Bond my servant XX<sup>s</sup> over and above the X<sup>s</sup> of which she hath a speciality. To Rowlande Hampton John Shoter John Barton my servants. To every one of my apprentices XL<sup>s</sup>. I give to my daughter Margery Mayett wife of William Mayett one hundred pounds. To the children of my daughter Margery and to come forty pounds sterling—ten pounds to each at 21 or marriage. To the five orders of freres X<sup>s</sup> each. To the Maister and Wardeyns of the misterie and fellowship of Merchant Taillours C<sup>1</sup> for four honest young men of the misterie to borrow for a year free of interest, they putting in security for the same. To the Ycomanry of the fellowship of Merchant Taillours my standing cupp with a cover of silver overgylte which hath a bezall on the top of the cover. To the fraternity of Jesus founded in the Crowde<sup>2</sup> of the cathedral church of S. Paul London whereof I am a brother and one of the assistons XL<sup>s</sup>. To repairs of Steple and church of S. Anntelyn XXXVI<sup>s</sup>. I will that my

executors cause to be glazed the west window of the middle Ile of the pshe church of Aldermary in Watling Street of London and I give for every foote of glasse of the same window XII<sup>d</sup>. To each of my godchildren an angell noble. My executors to sell my land in Toting and Toting Graveney in parish of Stretham, the residue to be laid out in deeds of piety and charitie.

Executors Nicholas Jenyns the elder late Alderman of London Paul Withepoll William Wilford<sup>3</sup> the elder Merchant Taillour and William Botery mercer, citizens of London.

Witnesses Maister Thomas Cudnor doctour ffrater James Payne Barnard Jenyns Martyn Coose notary and William Chartesey.

CODICIL To Robert Detlacre XX<sup>1</sup> and I forgive John Singleherst all detts. Bequests to Rowland Hampton John Shoter Th. Coke and Jn Barton to be void. To Hugh Banks my godson V<sup>l</sup>. To John Banks Citizen and Merchant Taillour the lease of my gardens with the Dove cote. To Margery Mayett my house in Stretham with all the household stuff in the same and a silver salte with a playn cover. To 25 pour men torche bearers and taper holders at my funeral 25 gowns at iii<sup>d</sup> the yarde. Ten lodes of coals yearly for four years to the Wardens of the Yeomanry of Merchant Taillours for poor members and two lodes for seven years to poor householders of S. Antholin.

Witness Sir Robert Thorneham Maister of Art John Banks<sup>3</sup> Wm Banks Robert Barforde Wm Mayett Richard Donyngton and other moo.

Probate 13th August 1530 to Executors.

<sup>1</sup> Brixton Causeway, a raised road at the swampy foot of Brixton Hill. Raleigh Park stood here on the east side until it was built over about 1890, land said to have been given to Sir Walter Raleigh by Queen Elizabeth.

<sup>2</sup> Compare 1535 P.C.C. 30 Hogen, the will of William Botery (or Butttrye) Citizen and Mercer. "I bequeth to the fraternity or gylde of the most glorious name of Jesu founded in the crowde under the Cathedral Church of S. Paul in London XL<sup>s</sup>." This fraternity was in existence by 1436, and was dissolved in 1551. Old St. Pauls stood on an escarpment running parallel to the course of the Fleet river. Halliwell gives: "Croud," among other meanings, "crypt."

<sup>3</sup> See the wills of John Banks, Paul Withypole, William Wilford in the P.C.C. 1543, 1547, 1551.

1532 P.C.C. 22 Thrower

Nicholas JENYN, Alhalowes Barking LONDON, STRETHAM, Surrey Sussex Essex Hants Beds. Kent. Citizen and Skinner.

Dated 6<sup>th</sup> Sept, 1531. To wife Margaret one third of estate, to son Barnard and daughter Julian one third.<sup>1</sup> To be buried psh church of Alhalowes Berking a preest to sing there for tenne yeres at salari VII<sup>l</sup> yerely. To five orders of freres in London X<sup>s</sup> each for a Masse of Requiem. To psh church of Wulners in Sothery XL<sup>s</sup>.

To psh church of S<sup>t</sup> Nicolas Gilforde and Trinity church XL<sup>s</sup> each. To my cosyn Barnard Jenyn and William Jenyn Sir John Mundy<sup>kt</sup> Roger Mundy Anthony Elderton John Pike Thomas Pike mourning gowns furred (with martorns sabulls feymes chamlet boge) To Nicolas Gibson a doublet of crymsyn sattin. My household stuff to wife Margaret. I was executor to hugh Acton decessed my wife and Anthony Elderton to stande in my stede. To the Abbes of Stratford XL<sup>s</sup> and a silver cup I have of hers in plege To John Pike of Ylford X<sup>ii</sup> sterling and my lands at Hamme beside Kingston on Thames and to his wife Alice my sister the lease of a house in Syding Lane<sup>2</sup> and all lands at Wansted which she standeth ioyned purchaser with me To Avys Pike my sisters daughter X<sup>ii</sup> To my cosyn Thomas Pike son of the said John Pike X<sup>ii</sup> and two salts that were sometime Hugh Actons and I give to him all the terme of yeres of his aprentishode and myne executours to make him free. My great place at Barking Essex. Unto Anthony Elderton I bequeth the keping of William and Mighell Wendover till they come to lefall age and all the profits of the Landes that longeth to their fathers lyvelode in St Martyns S<sup>t</sup> Mary and the Clink in Southwark and psh of Hampstede upon condicion that he shall see the childern well kept and be good always to my wife and myne own childern To my cosyn Anne Blackgrave X<sup>ii</sup>. Residue of goods and lands to wife Margaret she to have the keping of my son and daughter till they are age twenty one every of my childern to be each others heir. To wife the place that I dwell in in Alhalowes Berking and lands in S<sup>t</sup> Clements Lane Estchepe and S<sup>t</sup> Dunstaine in the Est that I purchased of John Tate gentilman, for life. (other lands and tenements listed). My lands and tenements called the Manor of ffamd in Goddelmyng. To Barnard my sonne all that my place sett lying and being in Stretcham co surr. and all maner of implements and howsehold stuff remayning and appertayning to the same place All my lands and tenements in Parys gardyn<sup>3</sup> in psh of St. Margaret in Southwarke All my lands in psh of Stretcham Totyngbeke Wymbultyn gilford and Wulids in co Surr and at Depeford Strond in Kent at Rake in Hampshire Radcliff Whitechapell Chidwell and Barking in Essex and in Bedfordshire called Poloxhill and at Lewisham that I hold of my lord Abbot of Bermondsey at Grosham co Sussex and lands at Popeler that I hold of my Lord Abbot of the Towre Hill. To Julian my daughter lands at Willesden (many other lands listed with names from whom purchased) To the maister and wardeyn of the crafte of Skinners in London for ever a tenement called the Rammes hede in Estchepe that Martin Bocher dwelleth in which I bought of Isaac Abraham which is by yere value V<sup>li</sup>st. upon condicion they keepe a yerely obite forever in psh church of Alhalowes Berking on the day I shall depart this life. (Full directions given with list of fees to those present.) Whereas I stand bound to Rauf Worsely to leave him in londes X<sup>ii</sup> a yere I give him and Joane his wife lands in Alhalowes London Wall, S<sup>t</sup> Botulphe without Bisshoppesgate and S<sup>t</sup> Mary Magdalen in olde

ffish strete. Executors Margaret my wife and Anthony Elderton stokfishmonger of London. Barnard Jenyn of London Skynner to be myn Overseer Witnesses John Naylor vicar Dom William Wyman Richard Griffyn William Smyth Thomas Walker John Davyd.

Probate to Executors 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan. 1532

<sup>1</sup> By the custom of London a Freeman's widow may require a third part of his estate and his children another third part, and he may by will give away a third part.

<sup>2</sup> Seething Lane.

<sup>3</sup> Paris Gardens Southwark. 100 acres south of the Thames extending back on each side of the present Blackfriars Road (part of the dowry of Jane Seymour).

1550 P.C.C. 5 Bucke

Barnard JENYNS, STRETEHAM

Dated 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb 4<sup>th</sup> Edward VI. To Frances Jenyns my wife three silver and gilt saltes given me by my father and one cup of silver given me by myne annte Twiselton. The X<sup>l</sup> in ready money given me by my grandfather Sir John Munday being in the hands of my uncle Vincent. A cover and a Tester for a bed which with cloth of crimson velvet with cloth of bowdekyn gold with a connterpointe of the same valued at XV<sup>l</sup> in the custody of Sir Anthony Knevet. To my wife all my household stuff in my house at Stretham. Item all my part of my fathers goodes due to me monie in the Chamber of London with my part of the goods of my said father to me growing I give to William Saunder my wives father not doubting that he will be good father to my said wife. My wife to have all the residue of my goodes and debts whatsoever they be she paying my debts and also my lands and tenements whatsoever they be within England that the laws customs curtesies and statutes of this Realm will permit her to have during her life whom I make myne executrix these being witnesses William Saunders Frannces Mynne and Anthony Cleme.

Proved 13<sup>th</sup> February 1551/2 by Executrix

1552 P.C.C. 15 Powell

Barnard JENYN, Citizen and Skinner of LONDON

Dated 6<sup>th</sup> July, 5<sup>th</sup> Edward VI. to be buried in parish church of St. Anthonye in City of London near the graves of my two wives. I am a parishioner of S. Mary Bothawe. To my brother William Jenyn Dean of Gloucester CC<sup>l</sup>. Rauf Jenyn my son. Sir Andrew Judd. For my grave my picture and the pictures of my three wives my three children, two boys one daughter with four Escutcheons of myne arms and the armes of my craft. St Nicholas Gilford where I was christened. Executors Ralf Jenyns my son and William Jenyn my brother Deane of Gloucester. Overseer Sir Rowland Hill Knight and Alderman of London. I give to my lady my mother in law wiefte to Sir Richard Gresham, etc. My wife Elyn.

Probate 26th May 1552 to Ralph Jenyn.

*Note.*—Sir Richard Gresham married (1) Audrey Lynne daughter of William Lynne of Southwick, Co. Northants. and Margaret his wife, daughter and co-heir of William Laxham. She was the mother of Sir Thomas Gresham. She died 28th December, 1522 and was buried S. Lawrence Jewry. Sir Richard married (2) Isabell, daughter of John Worpfall otherwise Worsopp and relict of — Taverson. She married Sir Richard Gresham before 1532. See her will 1565 P.C.C. 16 Morrison.

See the will of Elyn Jennyn, formerly Cortez, S. Mary Bothawe, London, Clapham, Surrey. 1553 P.C.C. 6 Tasche.

1552 P.C.C. 22 Powell

(Will Filed)

James REVELL, STREATHAM, Surrey.

28th July, 6th Edward VI. To be buried in church of Stretham. Executors my wife and William Morrante Residue to wife. Overseer John Channer. To poor mens hope X<sup>s</sup>. To poor folks dwelling within the streete of Upper Toting Jolyan Notlynga Nicholas butlar Thomas Whinhed Marryus wief John Goodlade Elizabeth Lanson Johan Lanson XXIII<sup>s</sup> VI<sup>d</sup> distributed between them To John Lanson a bullock of a yere old. To all my godsons VI<sup>s</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup> apiece. To Agnes my mayde XIV<sup>s</sup>. I give my mother Channer for her paynes  $\frac{1}{4}$  malt and to her husband fyve poundes. To my sister Morrante and to Mr. Edmond paynam an old angel apiece. To Thomas Wyte John butts Elizabeth Lane. To mother grovys half years rent of her house and for to remayne from Michelmas come twelvemonth ther paying the rent. I give to all Mr. Paynams servants and Alice Prygeat 12<sup>d</sup> apiece. To my brother Morrante the Land at Mycham and Martey to him and his heirs after my wifes death and X<sup>l</sup>.

These being my debts. Mr. Goodman oweth me IV<sup>l</sup>. John Child XV<sup>l</sup> XII<sup>d</sup> John Noxe VI<sup>l</sup> John Ingam VI<sup>l</sup> Henry Boyden IV lodes haye the price III<sup>l</sup> XVI<sup>s</sup>. Thomas Holgate boucher at batersey XXIII lode of haye at XVII<sup>s</sup> ane lode of the which I have received XL<sup>s</sup> III<sup>d</sup> parte of payment therof Howe oweth me XX<sup>l</sup> and for XXVIII sheppe at IIII<sup>s</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup> the shepe. George Gryene the butchar XIII<sup>l</sup> Mathew Holand XII<sup>l</sup> XIII<sup>s</sup> for four oxen and money that I dyd lend him. I forgive John Holande XX<sup>s</sup> Item Richard blake VI<sup>l</sup> and Harryson oweth XIII<sup>s</sup> III<sup>d</sup> Item Kendall of Dowgate oweth me for VI lodes of haye XVI<sup>s</sup> VI<sup>d</sup> the lode. Thomas Butchar of the garrate<sup>1</sup> V<sup>l</sup> black wife of nether Toting XX<sup>l</sup> and ten quarters of barley at VIII<sup>s</sup> the quarter. Ann my Malte maker wief XL<sup>s</sup> John Pender XL<sup>s</sup> (and other names) Mystris Lovell III<sup>l</sup> and there servants deliver her XII bushels of Rye. William Battemun of Stretham X<sup>l</sup> by me. Wytnes William Morrante John Lanson the elder and John Lanson his son and Agnes Spereman.

Probate 11th August 1552 to Executors.

<sup>1</sup> The name "the Garrate" survives in Garratt Lane, Tooting.

1557 P.C.C. 38 Wrastley

William IBRY, Canon of S. Paul, London. STRETEHAM

April 5th 1557. One of the canons or prebendaryes of the Cathedrall of S. Paul in London, and parson of S. Mary Mounthals.<sup>1</sup> To be buried after the olde Catholic and faithful maner and custom with placebo and derige solemnly and devoutly sung. To the poor people and needy householders of my parish of Strettenham XX<sup>s</sup>. To the house company of Syon a vestment of cloth of gold and my books that shalbe thought necessary to the fathers and preachers of said house. To the house and company of Sheyn a challis of silver and over gilt and vestments of silk chamlett withall and apparell that belong for a bishop. To my lord of London a book called Cronyca Cronycarum. To Master Doctor Harpffylde Archdeacon of London V<sup>s</sup> and my great black desk. To Mr Dr Chadsey VI<sup>s</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup>. To Mr Morton. To Mr Wyllerton my damask cassock and dublett. To Sir Baynald Tomson a prest in Norfolk V<sup>s</sup>. To Elizabeth Sakfyld<sup>2</sup> sometime prioress of Clerkenwell nere London my best gown and best linen kercheffe a flat hope of silver and gilt because I have none of gold for an I had had but one she shulde have had it for I lost her a good one of golde. Also to her two pewter potts one of silver facon another like a Tonne and a small bason of pewter they were all of her gifte before and full gently she gave them to me and now hartelye I give them to her agayne. Also a payer of beads with a knop of gold and a written psalter that was her owne one of the salters according to the form before wryten out at her own church with such other like things also and I hartelye desire the said Elizabeth if it might please her of her charity to say for my soule one of the salters of David and for a poor reward for her paynes II<sup>s</sup> IIII<sup>d</sup> and more fyve shillinge.

To Justinian Johnson my godson V<sup>s</sup> to my brother Thomas IV<sup>li</sup>. To Henry Chapman and every one of his sisters III<sup>s</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup>. To John Ibry my nephew X<sup>li</sup> at age twenty four. To my neece Margaret Ibry my beste corste girdyll and V<sup>s</sup> so that she and her husband be Catholics or else never a penny. To her sister Margery the next beste corste girdyll and III<sup>s</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup> on same condition or else to be given to my brother Thomas Wiess. To Jesus Comons XX<sup>s</sup> and XX<sup>d</sup> to the augmentation of their dynner. To Mr Day X<sup>s</sup>. To Sir William Smythe of S. Nicholas Cole Abbye my best clok furred with velvet. To William Chapman my nephew X<sup>li</sup> and all remaining goods I give to William franklye and freely whom I do make sole executor. To John Molyne my ladde. To Mr Thomas Jenyns parson of S. Michell in Wood Street supervisor of this will XX<sup>s</sup> with Sir William Smyth prest coadjutor and helper with the said Master Thomas Jenins.

Probate 15th October 1557 to William Chapman, Executor.

<sup>1</sup> S. Mary Mounthals (Mounthaw) named after the family of Montalt (de Monte Alto) co. Flint and of Norfolk. See ligulate inscription at East Riddlesden Hall near Keighley, W. Yorks.

<sup>2</sup> Elizabeth or Isabel Sakvile. See bequest to, of an annuity of £6 in the will of her nephew Sir Richard Sakvile K<sup>n</sup> 1566 P.C.C. 14 Crymes, "Privy Counsell and Under-Treasurer to the Queen's Exchequer." See her will 1570, P.C.C. 29 Lyon. "Isabel Sackvile late priorys of Clerkenwell Mdx" which disposes of her few possessions. To her servant Ellen Stokes widow and to Rose Bennet to each the furnishings of the bed "which she doth now lie in wall." Beds in the wall were still in use in the Pas de Calais up to 1914. They consisted of a shelf hollowed out in the wall about three feet wide and high, and the length of the human form. Some had wooden doors like a cupboard.

<sup>3</sup> The corselet (old French "cors" a body) in medieval armour covered the body from the neck downwards. In ancient Egypt and Persia the corslet was made of linen which was probably the material used for these girdles.

1566 P.C.C. 8 Crymes

Francis BODELEY, Citizen and Fishmonger of LONDON  
WALTHAMSTOW, Essex, STRETHAM, Surrey

Dated 10th February 8th year of Elizabeth. To my wives mother and my brother in law William Slywrighte and his wife and to my brother in law Vincent Amcotte and my sister his wife. My brother in law Thomas Collett and his wife and my brother in law Robert Collett to each a mourning gown. To my brothers in law Humphrey John Peter Willia and Nicholas Collet VIII<sup>a</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup> for rings. To my sisters in law Agnes Margaret and Margerie Collett X<sup>a</sup> each for rings. To my brother in law Vincent Amcotte my riding cloake faced with fox and to my sister his wife my little nagge with a flaxen meyne and a flaxen tail that runneth to graze at Stretham. I give to Jone Amcotte my goddaughter XX<sup>s</sup>. Browne my carpenter at Walthamstow to have the plowing of his close which I plowed with my plow. Marie my wife to have the governance and gardenshippe of my two children with her porcons to bring them up in lerning. Residue to Marie my wife executrix. Overseer my brother in law William Slywrighte and Vincent Amcott. Witnesses John Sikelmore John Knight

Proved 3rd April 1566 by relict Marie Bodeley

*Note.*—See pedigree of Bodley, *Sy.A.C.*, Vol. X, "Visitation of Surrey, 1623." The expression brother in law was often used in early wills for step-brother, father in law for step-father, etc. Henry Amcotte was Lord Mayor of London, 1548. Henry Colet was Lord Mayor 1486 and 1495.

Sir John Bodley of Stretham, Knight, contributed in 1625 to a loan to King Charles I.

Elizabeth, daughter of Bartholemew Fromonde of Cheam, and wife of William Bodley, has an interesting brass in the chancel floor of Ashtead Parish Church. She was "daughter in law" of Francis Bodley.

1542 P.C.C. 13 Spert (will filed)  
 Sir Richard WESTON of SUTTON, parish of Woking,  
 Surrey, Knight.

Dated 16th May 1541. To be buried in parish church of Holy Trinity, Guildford within a chapel I have caused to be made there. To the said church my best cope and best vestments of cloth of gold and best altar cloth of gold and crimson velvet. To my lady Kingston the pownse cupp<sup>1</sup> with the cover that Mr Wyngfeld gave. To my daughter Rogers L<sup>h</sup>. To Henry Dingley L<sup>h</sup> To Richard Stafferton To Gylles Cowke my servant. To my wife Anne all my lands for life and after to Henry Weston according to the Infeofment which I have made. And for lack of the said Henry Weston my lands to remain equally to Richard Denys and Richard Rogers the sons and heirs of my said daughter My plate and household goods to Henry Weston my wife to have the keeping of them for life or as she shall think best unto such time as Henry Weston come to age 21. If he die before age 21, then to the sons of my daughter. Executors Anne my wife and my lord Pryve Seal and my lord Admirall Lord Russell (XX<sup>1</sup>) Overseer Sir Christopher More, Knight (XX<sup>1</sup>). Witnesses Sir Richard Griffen vicar of Woking Anthony Cawsheys clerk my chapleyn Richard Byng.

Probate 26 November 1542 to Dame Anne, relict and Executrix, power reserved for a like grant to Lord Russell on application.

*Note.*—See the will of Henry Weston 1592, P.C.C. 41 Harrington, son of Francis, son of Sir Richard Weston. Francis Weston was executed at the same time as Queen Anne Boleyn upon a like pretext.

See 1623 Visitation of Surrey, also *Sy.A.C.*, Vols. IX page 6 and XII.

*Surrey Feet of Fines.* Instances of the name of Weston in Surrey.

1369	John de Weston, Citizen and Baker.
1371	John de Weston, Citizen and Breadseller.
1409	William Weston, Citizen and Breadseller.
1458	John Weston, Esquire.

Sutton Place near Guildford was built by Sir Richard Weston. The manor was granted 1521 by Henry VIII to his "well-beloved Privy Councillor." King Henry was entertained there August 6, 1533. The manor was held by descendants of Richard Weston for close on four hundred years. See Frederic Harrison's *Annals of an Old Manor House*.

<sup>1</sup> A pouncet box was a box perforated with holes for carrying perfume.

1451 P.C.C. 16 ROUS (Latin Will)  
 Wiliam BARNET, clerke, SUTTON, Surrey.

Rector of parish church of Sutton. Dated 17th March, 1450-1 29th Henry VI. To be buried at discretion of Executor in church

of the parish where God ordains that I die. Residue of goods etc. after payment of debts and funeral to my Executors John Hicheman and Matilda his wife, my kinswoman.

Probate 20th April 1451 by aforesaid Executors.

1461 P.C.C. 23 Stokton (Latin Will)

John SHERFIELD, St. Thomas the Apostle, LONDON, SUTTON, Surrey.

To be buried in Church of St. Thomas Apostle LONDON. To Cathedral Church of St. Paul London XX<sup>d</sup>. To ch. of St. Thomas Apostle XX<sup>d</sup>. My lands and Tenements which descended to me in Sutton I give to my sister Blanda. All residue of goods etc and of lands in Surrey to be sold by my Executors and feoffes to pay my debts. Executors, Edmund Reed gent. and John Snype. Witnesses, Robert Grene Thomas WyndSOR gentlemen, Thomas Ive John Busshe and others.

Proved at Lamehith 17th October 1461 by the Executors named. Inventories to be shewn St. Andrew's Day next April.

1492 P.C.C. II DOGETT (Latin Will)

William MORLAND clerk St. Stephen Westminster. Sutton, Surrey.

To be buried in the Low Chapel of St. Mary under the Chapel Royal of St Stephen Prothemartyr in Westminster in presence of the Chaplain of said Low Chapel of St Mary and Masters John Fowkes sometime clerk of said Chapel of St Stephen, Benedict Burgh (and other dignitaries). My two volumes MSS to the said chapel of St. Stephen and to the Minister there for my burial. Also my book called Henry Harpe. To Master William Kelett clerk my kinsman my book of Statutes and my Register of Briefs in Chancery. To John Chapman my server X<sup>l</sup>. To — Philipp my server L<sup>s</sup>. To Robert Brown XXVI<sup>s</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup> To William Lewen chaplain to pray for my soul XX<sup>s</sup>. and to said Master William Kelett my kinsman for his life all my lands and tenements freehold by Custom of the Manor in town and parish of Sutton, Surrey the remainder to Henry Morland son of Hugh Morland my kinsman and his heirs. If said Henry die before William Kelett then reversion to said Hugh Morland at death of William Kelett. Also all my residue to Hugh Morland my sole Exectuor.

Proved (here only a blank follows)

*Note.*—William Morland was instituted Sutton March 13, 1461/2, resigned 1488.

1494 P.C.C. 12 VOX. (Latin Will)

Richard COKE the Elder, Sutton, Surrey.

Dated 1st May 149— To be buried in the parish church of St Nicholas of Sutton in the Chapel of St Mary the Virgin. To the

mother church of Winton VIId also IIs to the High Altar To Sutton Church for repairs XXs and masses to be celebrated for a quarter year for my soul, for soul of my father William Cooke and my mother Joan and wife Joan, and the souls of all my relations and benefactors, the Easter next after my death, and to continue yearly for four years at discretion of my Executors concerning payment. To each grandson of mine a measure of wheat. My wife Joan to have all she had at the time of our marriage and her share of my goods at my decease and to enjoy my tenement called the Heggens for her lifetime and farm at VI marks (? rent) and keep all in good repair. After decease of said Joan said tenement to be to John Cooke junior, my son and his heirs with remainder to heirs of me Richard Cooke. My son Richard Cooke to relinquish all right and title to said tenement and lands of his brother John and his heirs the said John has demised to his brother Richard and his heirs all his right to the Manor of Sutton and all lands and tenements from me Richard Cooke I also will that my Executors keep in repair my dwelling at Streend. I ordain as Overseers my wife Joan and Master William Kelett Rector of Sutton and Nicholas Stoner Executors my sons Richard Cooke and John Cooke the younger.

Cedula made by me 13th June 9th Henry VII

Richard Morlond gent, John Yew gent John Compton yeoman Nicholas Scowyer yeoman, to my son Richard Coke of and in one tenement in Croydon Surrey one time Thomas Fowlers to him and his heirs, and if it happen the said Richard Cooke and his heirs die I will that the said tenement may remain to my own heirs for ever. Let it be known by John Coke my son and my wife Joan that they are to have the tenement called Lakelys with reversion to heirs of Richard Coke senior. My tenements in Croydon called Bersham fyld to said Richard my son and the lands in Sutton and Chaham (Cheam?) Surrey. Thomas Playstowe and Agnes his wife to have my tenement in Sutton called Gaddys, for life and to their heirs.

Probate at Lamethith 27th July 1494 by the Executors named. Inventory to be shewn the Day of St. Bartholemew next ensuing.

1500 P.C.C. 20 Moone

William KELETT clerk one of the Clerks in Chancery of the Lord King and parson of the Parish Church of Sutton.

Dated 2nd October 1500. To be buried in the Chancel of said church at St. Nicholas. To the High Altar of same church one surplice and vestment red (satin?). Also I will that Elizabeth Nykson may have that tenement in Crassalton (Carshalton?) in which I dwell for her lifetime. My Executor to be Hugh Morlond.

Proved in the P.C.C. 20th November 1500 by John Reed notary public and admon granted to Hugh Morlond the Executor named in this will. Inventory to be shewn at next feast of St. Hilary.

*Note.*—William Kelett instituted Sutton November 15, 1488.

## 1515 P.C.C. 14 HOLDER

Richard WELBECK, Esquire, Kent. Sutton co Surrey etc.

Dated 28th April, 5th Henry VIII

of Oxynother, Kent. To be buried church of West Peckham. To Joyce my daughter XL<sup>1</sup>. Any of my other daughters XX marks. Residue to my wife Margaret,<sup>1</sup> she to depart her household equally among her children and mine. My sons Richard William and John. Daughter ffaythe which is a nun, all under age twenty-one. Richard my eldest son to have my lands in co. Kent and in psh of Godstone Oxted co Surrey and all my lands in Essex and Suffolk after decease of said wife Margaret which lands were appointed to her for her joynture. Richard to have residue after the decease of my annt Water. My son William Welbeck to have lands in Wymbildon Putteneth Kingeston Wandsworth and Sutton, Surrey, with remainder to John, Richard, or equally divided among all daughters. To youngest son John XX<sup>1</sup> at age 22. Executors wife Margaret Lord Edmond Howard and Thomas Nevell.

Probate 5th February 1515-16 to Edmond Howard, Executor.

<sup>1</sup> Margaret, daughter of Richard Colepeper by his wife Isabel Wurseley (who married (2) Sir John Legh, K.B.) married (1) Richard Welbeck and (2) William, a younger son of Sir Thomas Cotton of Landwade in Cambridgeshire. (See Visitation of Kent, 1574, Harleian Soc., 74, pp. 41-2.) William Cotton acquired Oxenhoath by his marriage to Margaret. See the will of their son Sir Thomas Cotton, P.C.C. 1585, whose younger son Robert obtained possession of some of the Colepeper property at West Peckham.

Several members of this family were buried in Putney church between 1477 and 1494.

*Correction.* See *Sy.A.C.*, Vol. LI, p. 89, Note 1. For William read Richard Welbeck.

## 1539 P.C.C. 32 DYNGELEY

Alice LORDE of Westminster, Sutton, Surrey. Widowe.

Dated 26th July 1539 To be buried in parish church of St. Margaret in our Lady Chapell as nere my husband as may be. To High Altar for tithes III<sup>s</sup> IV<sup>d</sup> and X<sup>s</sup> for a trentall of masses to be said what time I am in extremis of deth. XX<sup>s</sup> to poor householders of Westmynster. To godchildren XII<sup>d</sup>. To Edmond Lorde my eldest son furniture and lease of my house in Westmynster called the bell<sup>1</sup> which I have by lease of the Abbot—and convent of the monastery of Westminster. (furniture, plate, masers, paynted cloths, etc., fully described, room by room, of the house.) Bequests to second son James Lorde XX<sup>1</sup> and third son George Lorde and fourth son John Lorde, XX<sup>1</sup> To Bartilmew Lorde my fifth son the lease of all my tenements in Theiving Lane<sup>2</sup> which I have by lease of the Abbott of monastery of St. Peter Westminster. To William Lorde my sixth sone my lease and terme of yeres in Sutton co Surrey which I have of the letting of the Abbott and Convent of

the monastery of Chartsey (Chertsey). To Henry Lorde my youngest son my lands and tenements in said co. Surrey in Moreday (Morden) and a maser with the figure of the George made in the bottom and a garden in Says Alley Westminster which I have of the grant of Nicholas Nightingale of said town of Westmynster for a terme of yeres yet to come. Unto my youngest son Henry Lorde all the copyhold land lying and being in Moredoy in co. Surrey.

Executors my sons Edmond and James. Overseers are John Swallow of Bocking co. Essex and Robert lyster of ffynchley co Middlesex. Witnesses John Swalowe the elder Thomas Russell preest and many other.

*Note.*—See will of George Lord, Westminster, 1533, P.C.C. 9 Hogen.

<sup>1</sup> The Bell, an Inn in King Street, Westminster.

<sup>2</sup> Theiving Lane in Great Smith Street.

1543. P.C.C. 20 Spert

Richard ELYOT, clerk, parson of Sutton in Diocese of Wynchester.

Dated 29th April, 1543. To be buried in church of Sutton at High Altar end afore the picture of Our Lady. To said church XXVI<sup>s</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup>. A prest to sing for me one year. To Thomas Bullyng X<sup>s</sup> a bed and a ketil. To George Beglay a bed, my gelding and three cushions. To Roger Pope the bed in the parlour and all belonging thereto. To Mother Mottram III<sup>s</sup> IIII<sup>d</sup> To — Kellour VI<sup>s</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup> to Henry Cotteryll two of my best hoggs in the gate to Nicholas Pope two hoggs and  $\frac{1}{4}$  barley to Rychard Marshall four jugges. I forgive goodman Perker William Bist and John Best the whetage of their kyne dewe to me last Easter and I forgive all them that dwell in parish of Sutton all their tithe lambes. corn sown on glebe land I give to Sutton Church. To Thomas Roger a counter tabill to Thomas Joderay poulting faate and appoint them my Executors. All residue to my Exors to give to needy persons in Sutton parish. Witnesses John Morpith clerk, John Smythe Thomas Lowen Thomas Bullyng and certeyn other.

Proved 19th May 1543 at London by the Executors named in the person of John Goodman notary public, their attorney. Inventory to be shewn 2nd day after St. John Baptist day next to be, and full account to be returned.

1568 P.C.C. 2 SHEFFIELD

Anthony GRIUELL (Grivell?) Gryuell, Sutton Surrey.

Dated XI<sup>th</sup> November 1568, X<sup>th</sup> yr of Elizabeth our most gracious Sovereign Lady. Anthony Griuell of parish of Sutton co Surrey diocese of Winchester. To be buried in churchyard of Ichingfelde co Sussex in which parish I now lye sick. To poor of psh of Sutton VI<sup>s</sup> VIII<sup>d</sup> to poor of Ichingfelde ii<sup>s</sup> and to Sutton likewise. To my

sister Johan Stronger XX<sup>s</sup>. To my child which my wife goeth with so many of my shepe as be reasonable worth XX<sup>l</sup>. same sheep to be in keeping of Robert Moyes of Banstead gent and Nicholas Lamberd for the use of my child until 20 years. If the child die then sheep to be to the children of Alice Wyet to the children of Elizabeth Huet and to the children of Johan Stronger. To my kinsman George Greuell twenty ewes to brother John Greuell XL<sup>s</sup>. Residue to Alice my wife Executrix. Overseers are Robert Moyes gent Nicholas Lambard XX<sup>s</sup> each. Witnesses John Lorkyn parson George Grenell Thomas Marshall and Edward Wednall

Probate to Alice Griuell relict, Executrix, last day of January 1568-9. Francisci Clerke, notary public.

*Note.*—The name may be the same as Grevell or Greville.