

SUMMARY: The document below is the will, dated 17 August 1499 and proved 27 February 1501, of Sir Henry Wentworth (c.1448 - August 1499) of Nettlestead, Suffolk, great-grandfather of John Darcy (d.1581), 2nd Baron Darcy of Chiche, co-guarantor of Oxford's debt to the Court of Wards. For the will of John Darcy, 2nd Baron Darcy of Chiche, see TNA PROB 11/63/135.

The testator was an associate of John de Vere, 13th Earl of Oxford. See Ross, James, *John de Vere, Thirteenth Earl of Oxford (1442-1513), 'The Foremost Man of the Kingdom'*, (Woodbridge, Suffolk: The Boydell Press, 2011), p. 236.

FAMILY BACKGROUND

For the testator's family background, see Rutton, William Loftie, *Three Branches of the Family of Wentworth*, (London: 1891), pp. 1-13, 138-40, 145-6, 193-4 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=YhY5AQAAMAAJ&pg=PA138>

See also Richardson, Douglas, *Plantagenet Ancestry*, 2nd ed., 2011, Vol. II, pp. 214-17 (hereafter *PA*).

Testator's grandparents and their children

Roger Wentworth (d. 21 October 1452), esquire, younger son of John Wentworth of North Elmsall, Yorkshire, by Agnes Dronsfield, sister and co-heiress of Sir William Dronsfield (d.1406) of West Bretton, Yorkshire, married Margery Despenser (d. 20 April 1478), daughter and heiress of Sir Philip le Despenser (d. 20 June 1424), and widow of John Roos (d. 22 March 1421), 7th Baron Roos of Helmsley. She was heavily fined for marrying 'so far beneath her'. See Richardson, Douglas, *Magna Carta Ancestry*, 2nd ed., 2011, Vol. III, pp. 234-5 (hereafter *MCA*). See also the History of Parliament entry for Sir William Dronsfield at:

<http://www.historyofparliamentonline.org/volume/1386-1421/member/dronsfield-sir-william-1406>

[Since he] left no issue, all Sir [William Dronsfield's] property eventually found its way, through his two sisters, into the hands of the Bosviles and the Wentworths.

Roger Wentworth and Margery Despenser had three sons and three daughters:

-Sir Philip Wentworth, the testator's father (see below).

-Henry Wentworth (d. 22 March 1482), esquire, of Codham Hall, Essex. By his first wife, Elizabeth Howard (c.1410-c.1476), the daughter of Henry Howard, esquire, of

Boxted, Suffolk, he was the father of Margery Wentworth Waldegrave (buried 7 May 1540), for whose will see TNA PROB 11/28/96. By his second wife, Joan Fitz Simon, the daughter and heiress of Robert Fitz Simon of North Shoebury, Essex, he was the father of Sir Nicholas Wentworth (d.1553?), for whose will see TNA PROB 11/39/237.

-Thomas Wentworth, a priest.

-Margaret Wentworth, who married Sir William Hopton (d. 7 February 1485), Treasurer of the Royal Household. See Richardson, Douglas, *Magna Carta Ancestry*, 2nd ed., 2011, Vol. II, p. 401.

-Elizabeth Wentworth, who married John Calthorpe, son and heir apparent of Sir William Calthorpe (30 January 1410 - 15 Nov 1494) by his first wife, Elizabeth Grey (d.1437). See *PA, supra*, Vol. I, p. 169. John Calthorpe was living in 1469, but died during the lifetime of his father, leaving by Elizabeth Wentworth a son, Sir Philip Calthorpe (c.1464-1535), who in 1494 was heir to his grandfather. Sir Philip Calthorpe married firstly Mary Say (1464-1501), daughter of Sir John Say (d.1478), and secondly, Jane Blennerhassett (d.1549), daughter of Sir John Blennerhassett of Frenze. For Jane Blennerhassett, see the Blennerhassett pedigree available as a pdf file online, and Manning, C.R., 'Church Plate in the Deanery of Norwich', *Norfolk Archaeology*, Vol. X, (Norwich: A.H. Goose and Co., 1888), pp. 65-116 at pp. 93-4:

<https://archive.org/stream/norfolkarchaeol15socigoog#page/n146/mode/2up>

By Mary Say, Sir Philip Calthorpe (c.1464-1535) was the father of a son, Sir Philip Calthorpe (1480 - 7 April 1549), and three daughters, including Elizabeth Calthorpe (d. before 1518), who married firstly Sir Robert Southwell (d. 31 March 1514), and secondly Thomas Brooke (d.1529), 8th Baron Cobham.

See TNA C 1/452/8 dated 1515-18 ('executors of Robert Southwell, knight' versus 'Thomas Broke, lord Cobham, late the husband of Elizabeth, formerly the wife of the said Robert'); the will of Sir Robert Southwell, TNA PROB 11/18/38; the will of George Brooke (c.1497 – 29 September 1558), 9th Baron Cobham, TNA PROB 11/43/628; and Eller, George, *Memorials, Archaeological and Ecclesiastical, of the West Winch Manors*, (King's Lynn: Thew & Son, 1861), pp. 82-3 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=MKYLAAYAAJ&pg=PA82>

See also:

<https://groups.google.com/forum/#!topic/soc.genealogy.medieval/Gt5OCRnLOk0>

See also the entry for Elizabeth Calthorpe in 'A Who's Who of Tudor Women' at:

http://www.tudorwomen.com/?page_id=667

Elizabeth Calthorpe was the daughter of Sir Philip Calthorpe of Burnham Thorpe, Norfolk (c.1464-1535) and his first wife, Mary Saye (1464-1501). Her first husband was Sir Robert Southwell (d. March 31, 1514). She was his second wife. They were married c.1511 and had no children. In 1515, she became the second of three wives of Thomas Brooke, 8th baron Cobham (d. July 19, 1529). Her name is sometimes mistakenly given as Dorothy Southwell. A lawsuit in 1516 in the court of Common Pleas, identifies Lady Cobham as the widow of Sir Robert Southwell. She and her husband were at that time acting as co-executors of the Southwell estate. Elizabeth had no children from her second marriage and died before 1518.

See also the will of the Sir John Say, TNA PROB 11/6/459; the will of Sir William Calthorpe, proved 23 May 1495, TNA PROB 11/10/408; and the inquisitions post mortem taken after his death, TNA C 142/10/10, TNA C 142/10/11 and TNA E 150/608/3 at:

Maskelyne and H. C. Maxwell Lyte, 'Inquisitions Post Mortem, Henry VII, Entries 951-1000', in *Calendar of Inquisitions Post Mortem: Series 2, Volume 1, Henry VII* (London, 1898), pp. 407-430. *British History Online* <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/inquis-post-mortem/series2-vol1/pp407-430> [accessed 21 December 2017].

See also the Calthorpe pedigree in Lee-Warner, James, 'The Calthorps of Burnham', *Norfolk Archaeology*, Vol. IX, (Norwich: A.H. Goose & Co., 1884), pp. 1-19 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=imhIAAAAYAAJ&pg=PP1>

For the marriage of Elizabeth Wentworth and John Calthorpe, see also the pedigree in Rutton, *supra*, p. 138 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=YhY5AQAAMAAJ&pg=PA138>

For Sir William Calthorpe, see also:

<http://knight-france.com/geneal/names/4447.htm>

-**Agnes Wentworth**, who married Sir Robert Constable.

Testator's parents and their children

The testator was the son of Sir Philip Wentworth (c.1424 - 18 May 1464), and Mary Clifford, daughter of John Clifford (1388/9-1422), 7th Baron Clifford, by Elizabeth Percy, daughter of Henry 'Hotspur' Percy, and sister of Thomas Clifford (1414-1455), 8th Baron Clifford. Sir Philip Wentworth's younger brother, Henry Wentworth (d. 22 March 1482), esquire, of Codham Hall, Essex, was the grandfather of Sir John Wentworth (1494 – 15 September 1567) of Gosfield Hall in Essex, friend and executor of John de Vere (1516-

1562), 16th Earl of Oxford. For the will of Sir John Wentworth, see TNA PROB 11/49/288.

The testator had two sisters:

-Margaret Wentworth (d. 28 April 1479), who married Sir Thomas Cotton (d. 30 July 1499), esquire, of Landwade, Cambridgeshire, by whom she had two daughters. After Margaret Wentworth's death, Thomas Cotton married Joan Sharpe (d.1496), daughter and heir of Nicholas Sharpe, by whom he was the father of five sons and two daughters, including his eldest son and heir, Sir Robert Cotton (c.1477 - 18 July 1517) of Landwade, who married Dorothy Clere, daughter of Sir Robert Clere (c.1452 - 10 August 1529) of Ormesby. See the will of Dorothy Clere's sister, Elizabeth Clere Peyton, TNA PROB 11/31/102; the inquisition post mortem taken after the death of Sir Robert Cotton, TNA C 142/33/25; his will, dated 17 July 1517 and proved 19 August 1517, TNA PROB 11/18/539; Rutton, *supra*, p. 138; and *The English Baronetage*, Vol. II, (London: Thomas Wotton, 1741), p. 197 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=SY9cAAAACAAJ&pg=PA197>

See also:

A F Wareham and A P M Wright, 'Landwade: Manors', in *A History of the County of Cambridge and the Isle of Ely: Volume 10, Cheveley, Flendish, Staine and Staploe Hundreds (North-Eastern Cambridgeshire)* (London, 2002), pp. 470-472. *British History Online* <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/camb/vol10/pp470-472> [accessed 24 December 2017].

-Elizabeth Wentworth, who married, as his second wife, Sir Martin de la See (c.1420-d. before 15 December 1494) of Barmston, Yorkshire, by whom she had two daughters, Joan de la See, who married Peter Hildyard, esquire, and Elizabeth de la See, who married Roger Kelke. See *PA*, Vol. II, pp. 214-15, 199, Vol. III, p. 216; and *MCA*, Vol. III, pp. 236-7. Elizabeth Wentworth and her husband, Sir Martin de la See, are not noticed in the pedigree in *Rutton, supra*, p. 138. For the will of Sir Martin de la See, see *Testamenta Eboracensia*, Vol. IV, (Edinburgh: Blackwood & Sons, 1869), p. 100 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=5FFDAAAAYAAJ&pg=PA100>

MARRIAGES AND CHILDREN

First marriage

The testator married firstly Anne Say (d. before 22 October 1494), the daughter of Sir John Say (d. 12 April 1478), Speaker of the House of Commons, by his first wife, Elizabeth Cheney (d. 25 September 1473), widow of Frederick Tilney (d. before 11 November 1446), esquire, of Ashwellthorpe, Norfolk, and daughter of Laurence Cheney (c.1396 – 31 December 1461), esquire, of Fen Ditton, Cambridgeshire. By Frederick

Tilney, Elizabeth Cheney was the mother of Elizabeth Tilney (d. 4 April 1497), wife of Thomas Howard (1443-1524), 2nd Duke of Norfolk. From the *ODNB*:

On 30 April 1472 Howard married Elizabeth, daughter of Frederick Tilney and widow of Humphrey Bourchier, who had been killed at Barnet, and took up residence at her manor of Ashwellthorpe, Norfolk.

See the will of Sir John Say, TNA PROB 11/6/459 (in which he mentions his late wife, Elizabeth, his now wife, Agnes, his sons, William, Thomas and Leonard, his unmarried daughter, Genevieve, and his married daughters, Anne Wentworth, Elizabeth Sampson, Katherine Bassingborne and Mary Calthorpe); the *ODNB* entry for Sir John Say, and *PA*, *supra*, Vol. I, pp. 526-7, Vol. II, pp. 215, 274, and Vol. III, pp. 307-8.

See also the inquisition post mortem taken after the death of Sir John Say's son, Thomas Say (d. 26 June 1497) at:

Maskelyne and H. C. Maxwell Lyte, 'Inquisitions Post Mortem, Henry VII, Entries 1151-1200', in *Calendar of Inquisitions Post Mortem: Series 2, Volume 1, Henry VII* (London, 1898), pp. 504-535. *British History Online* <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/inquis-post-mortem/series2-vol1/pp504-535> [accessed 21 December 2017].

See also the will of Anne Say's step-mother, Agnes Danvers Baldington Fray Wenlock Say (d. June 1478), 'Testament of a city-dwelling knight's widow' at:

<http://users.trytel.com/tristan/towns/florilegium/lifecycle/lcdth18.html>

See also Macnamara, F.N., *Memorials of the Danvers Family*, (London: Hardy & Page, 1895), p. 147 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=rdYKAAAAYAAJ&pg=PA147>

By Anne Say, the testator had two sons and four daughters:

* **Sir Richard Wentworth** (c.1480 - 17 October 1528), *de jure* 5th Baron Despenser. He married Anne Tyrrell, the daughter of Sir James Tyrrell (d. 6 May 1502) of Gipping, Suffolk, the alleged murderer of the sons of Edward IV, by Anne Arundel, the daughter of Sir John Arundel (d. 12 November 1473) of Lanherne, Cornwall. See TNA C 1/228/68, a Chancery suit brought by Sir James Tyrrell against Sir Henry Wentworth for 'performance of the covenant made at the marriage of Richard, son and heir of defendant, with Anne, eldest daughter of complainant'. Sir James Tyrrell is mentioned in the will below.

By Anne Tyrrell, Sir Richard Wentworth had three sons and five daughters, including Thomas Wentworth (c.1500 - 3 March 1551), 1st Baron Wentworth, who married Margaret Fortescue, daughter of Sir Adrian Fortescue, and Margery Wentworth (d.1587), who married Christopher Glemham (d.1549), esquire (for the Glemham family, see the

will of Sir Philip Tilney (d. 8 January 1533), TNA PROB 11/25/71, and the will of Nicholas Crispe, TNA PROB 11./56/44). See *MCA*, Vol. III, pp. 183-5; *PA*, Vol. II, p. 216; the will of Sir Richard Wentworth, TNA PROB 11/22/654; and the *ODNB* entry for Thomas Wentworth, 1st Baron Wentworth.

In 1507 Sir Richard Wentworth was a feoffee of John de Vere, 13th Earl of Oxford. See Ross, *supra*, p. 236.

* **Edward Wentworth**, of Harston, Cambridgeshire, mentioned in the will below.

* **Elizabeth Wentworth** (living 1542), not mentioned in the will below. She married firstly Roger Darcy (d. 30 September 1508), esquire, by whom she was the mother of Oxford's uncle, Thomas Darcy (1506-1558), 1st Baron Darcy of Chiche, whose son, John Darcy (d.1581), 2nd Baron Darcy of Chiche, was a co-guarantor of Oxford's debt to the Court of Wards.

Elizabeth Wentworth married secondly Sir Thomas Wyndham (d.1522) of Felbrigg, Norfolk, for whose will see TNA PROB 11/21/53, and thirdly John Bouchier (d. 30 April 1539), 1st Earl of Bath. See *PA*, *supra*, Vol. III, pp. 548-9.

Elizabeth Wentworth's third husband, John Bouchier, 1st Earl of Bath, was succeeded by John Bouchier (d. 10 February 1561), 2nd Earl of Bath, only son of the 1st Earl by his first wife, Cecily Daubeney. John Bouchier, 2nd Earl of Bath, married firstly Isabel Hungerford, secondly Eleanor Manners, by whom he had a son, John Bouchier (1521 – 28 February 1556), Lord Fitzwarine, and thirdly Margaret Donnington, widow successively of Sir Thomas Kitson (d. 11 September 1540) and Sir Richard Long (d. 29 September 1546). See the will of Sir Thomas Kitson, TNA PROB 11/29/2. John Bouchier (1521 – 28 February 1556), Lord Fitzwarine (see above) died in the lifetime of his father. He married Frances Kitson (buried 4 April 1586), daughter of his stepmother, Margaret Donnington, and Sir Thomas Kitson. After his death Frances Kitson, married, about September 1557, William Barnaby of Great Saxham, Suffolk, 'land agent to the Earl of Bath, which marriage gave great offence to her friends'.

William Bouchier (1557 – 12 July 1623), 3rd Earl of Bath, son of John Bouchier (1521 – 28 February 1556), Lord Fitzwarine, and Frances Kitson, succeeded his grandfather. He married firstly, in 1577, in a secret marriage at night, Mary Cornwallis, the youngest daughter of Sir Thomas Cornwallis (1518/19–1604) of Brome (whose eldest son and heir purchased Oxford's lease of the mansion of Fisher's Folly). See the will of Sir Thomas Cornwallis, TNA PROB 11/105/106. He married secondly, on 7 August 1583, Elizabeth Russell (d. 24 March 1605), second daughter of Francis Russell (1526/7-1585), 2nd Earl of Bedford.

See Cokayne, George Edward, *The Complete Peerage*, Vol. II, (London: St Catharine Press, 1912), pp. 16-18.

* **Margery Wentworth** (d. October 1550), who married Sir John Seymour (d. 21 December 1536), by whom she was the mother of Queen Jane Seymour and Edward Seymour, the Protector Somerset. See *MCA*, Vol. III, pp. 110-11. She is not mentioned in the will below.

* **Dorothy Wentworth** (d. before 1506), unmarried in the will below. She married Sir Robert Broughton (d. 10, 17 or 28 August 1506) of Denton, Suffolk, whose first wife was Katherine de Vere, said to have been an illegitimate daughter of John de Vere (1442-1513), 13th Earl of Oxford. See the will, dated 20 June 1504 and proved 10 July 1507, of Sir Robert Broughton.

* **Jane Wentworth**, unmarried in the will below.

Second marriage

The testator married secondly Elizabeth Neville (d. September 1517), widow of Thomas Scrope (d. 23 April 1493), 6th Baron Scrope of Masham and Upsall, and daughter of John Neville (1431 – 14 April 1471), Marquess of Montagu, slain at the Battle of Barnet, by Isabel Ingaldesthorpe (c.1441 – 20 May 1476), only daughter and heiress of Sir Edmund Ingaldesthorpe (d. 2 September 1456) and Joan Tiptoft (c.1425 – 21 June 1494).

Isabel Ingaldesthorpe and John Neville had one son, George Neville (c.1461 – 4 May 1483), Duke of Bedford, and five daughters:

-**Anne Neville** (d. before 5 November 1486), who married, by late 1481, as his third wife, Sir William Stonor (d. 21 May 1494) of Pyrton, Oxfordshire, by whom she was the mother of John Stonor (d.1498) and Anne Stonor. From the *ODNB*:

William was still childless and by late 1481 had married again, this time to Anne, daughter and, from 1483, heir of John Neville, Marquess Montagu.

Anne Stonor married Sir Adrian Fortescue, by whom she was the mother of Margaret Stonor, wife of Thomas Wentworth (c.1500 – 3 March 1551), 1st Baron Wentworth. After the death of Anne Stonor, Sir Adrian Fortescue married Anne Rede (d. 5 January 1585), widow of Sir Giles Greville (d. 1 April 1528). Sir Adrian Fortescue was beheaded on Tower Hill on 8, 9 or 10 July 1539 for refusing to take the oath of supremacy. His widow married Sir Thomas Parry (d. 15 December 1560). See *PA*, Vol. I, pp. 216-17, Vol. III, pp. 295-7, and the *ODNB* entries for Sir Adrian Fortescue and Sir Thomas Parry. For Sir Giles Greville, see the will, dated 7 July 1544 and proved 14 April 1546, of William Arden of Park Hall, said to have been a second cousin of Mary Arden, mother of William Shakespeare of Stratford-upon-Avon, TNA PROB 11/31/109. For Sir Giles Greville, see also the will of John Neville (17 November 1493 – 2 March 1543), 3rd Baron Latimer, TNA PROB 11/29/303.

-Elizabeth Neville, who married firstly, Thomas Scrope, 6th Baron Scrope of Masham, and secondly the testator (see above).

-Margaret Neville, who married firstly Sir John Mortimer, and secondly, before 7 February 1507, Charles Brandon (d. 22 August 1545), 1st Duke of Suffolk. Her second marriage was declared void about 1508. She married thirdly Robert Downes, gentleman. See *PA*, Vol. I, pp. 369-70, and Gunn, S.J., *Charles Brandon, Duke of Suffolk c.1484-1545*, (Oxford: Basil Blackwell, 1988), pp. 28, 48, 85-7.

-Lucy Neville (d. 25 March 1534), who married firstly Sir Thomas Fitzwilliam (d.1498?), and secondly, as his second wife, Sir Anthony Browne (d. before 17 November 1506), by whom she was the mother of Sir Anthony Browne (c.1500-1548), and the grandmother of Anthony Browne (1528-1592), 1st Viscount Montagu (1528-1592), grandfather of Henry Wriothesley (1573-1624), 3rd Earl of Southampton, dedicatee of Shakespeare's *Venus and Adonis* and *The Rape of Lucrece*. See the *ODNB* entries, and *PA*, Vol. I, p. 179.

-Isabel Neville, who married firstly William Huddleston, esquire, third son of Sir John Huddleston, and secondly Sir William Smyth (d. 10 January 1526).

See the inquisition post mortem taken at Ipswich on 30 May 1495 after the death of Joan Tiptoft Ingaldsthorpe by which her great-grandson, John Stonor, and her granddaughters Anne, Elizabeth, Margaret, Lucy and Isabel (see above) were found to be her next heirs, Suffolk Record Office HD 1538/1, Vol. I, f. 201, listed in the National Archives online catalogue. See also *PA*, Vol. I, pp. 511-15.

There were no issue of the testator's second marriage to Elizabeth Neville Scrope (d. September 1517). For her will, see TNA PROB 11/20/300. See also *MCA*, Vol. II, pp. 453-5.

OTHER PERSONS MENTIONED IN THE WILL

Sir Henry Tey

For the testator's executor, Sir Henry Tey (c.1455-1510), see Ross, *supra*, p. 236.

Robert Crane

The testator's executor, Robert Crane, was likely Robert Crane (d. 20 October 1500) of Chilton, Suffolk, who married firstly Katherine Darcy, and secondly Anne Ogard (d.1521). See the will of Thomas Appleton (d. 4 October 1507), TNA PROB 11/16/283, and Appleton, William S., *Memorials of the Cranes of Chilton*, (Cambridge: John Wilson and Son, 1868), pp. 59-60 at:

https://books.google.ca/books?id=p_8HAAAAQAAJ&pg=PA59

See also the pedigree in Howard, Joseph Jackson, ed., *The Visitation of Suffolke*, Vol. I, (Lowestoft: Samuel Tymms, 1866), pp. 162-3 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=ExI2AQAAMAAJ&pg=PA163>

Margaret Beaufort

For Margaret Beaufort (1443-1509), Countess of Richmond and Derby, mother of Henry VII, whom the testator appoints as supervisor of his will, see the *ODNB* entry.

Thomas Naunton, son and heir of William Naunton

For William Naunton (by 1511-1552/3), grandfather of Sir Robert Naunton, author of *Fragmenta Regalia*, see the History of Parliament entry at:

<http://www.historyofparliamentonline.org/volume/1509-1558/member/naunton-william-1511-5253>

For the Naunton family, see also the will, dated 20 January 1558 and proved 29 November 1558, of Ursula (de Vere) Knightley, sister and co-heir of John de Vere (1499-1526), 14th Earl of Oxford, TNA PROB 11/42A/10.

Anne Sampson

She would appear to be related to the testator's sister-in-law, Elizabeth Sampson.

LM: Testamentum Henrici Wentworth

[f. 158v] In the name of God, Amen. The 17 day of August the year of Our Lord God 1499 and the 14th year of the reign of King Henry the 7th, I, Sir Henry Wentworth, knight, being of whole and perfect mind, make, ordain and dispose this my last will and testament in form following:

First I bequeath my soul to Almighty God and to his Blessed Mother, Our Lady Saint Mary, and to all the blessed company of heaven, my body to be buried at the pleasure of Almighty God;

Also I bequeath to Jane, my daughter, 400 mark to her marriage;

Also I bequeath to Dorothy, my daughter, for her marriage 400;

And that the said sums of 800 mark shall be taken and perceived of such issues, revenues and profits of the manor of Gedney and of other manors and tenements and lands as I have more plainly declared in my last will hereunto annexed;

Also I bequeath to Elizabeth, my wife, all my implements of household to dispose them at her will and pleasure;

Also I bequeath to the said Elizabeth, my wife, all my plate and jewels to dispose them for my soul as by her shall be thought most necessary;

Also I bequeath to my son, Richard Wentworth, my Clothis of Rosis with mine arms upon them newly made;

Also I bequeath to my said son, Richard, 50 mark owing to me by Sir James Tyrrell according to [+an?] award made by my Lord of Oxenford;

Also I bequeath that my said wife have and occupy all my sheep in Goxhill during her life so that at the time of her decease she to leave the sheep-cots in Goxhill aforesaid sufficiently instored with as many sheep as she shall find in them;

Also I will that all my sheep in Lymber [=Great Limber?] be sold to the best value, and the money thereof coming to go and be for the contentation of my debts and marriage of my said daughters;

Also I will that if my said daughters, Jane and Dorothy, or either of them happen to decease or die afore they be married, that then all the sums afore bequeathed to her or them that so happeneth to decease forever to cease, and mine executors to be discharged thereof;

Also I will that all my sheep of Immingham(?) be sold to the best value, and the money thereof to go and be for the first payment of such money as shall be paid for the marriage of Anne Sampson;

Also I will if that Anne Sampson to whom I have bequeathed by my will £100 to and for her marriage happen to decease afore she be married, that then the said sum of a £100 to go and to be to the payment of my debts and performance of my last will;

Also I will and bequeath to my said son, Richard, all my goods and chattels being in Nettlestead so that he suffer without any let or impediment mine executors to perform my last will and testament, and if so be my said son, Richard, interrupt or will not suffer my said will and testament to be performed by my said executors, then I will and bequeath all my said goods and chattels being at the said Nettlestead to my said wife, them to dispose as she thinketh most convenient and necessary;

Also I will that the residue of all my goods and chattels not afore bequeathed nor disposed shall be in the disposition of Elizabeth, Lady Scrope, my wife, Henry Tey, knight, and Robert Crane, esquire, whom I make mine executors, they to perform and execute this my last will and testament, taking every of them for their labour and business of the same 10 marks of lawful money of England, given at Goxhill the day and year abovesaid;

Also I ordain and make Margaret, mother unto our Sovereign Lord King Henry the 7th, to be supervisor and to have the oversight of this my last will and testament, beseeching her Grace at the reverence of Jesus to see this my last will and testament to be performed, taking for her labour and business touching the same £20 to be paid of the issues, revenues and profits coming or growing of all my lands and tenements in Gedney, Chatham and Kingston afore rehearsed.

This is the last will of me, Sir Henry Wentworth, knight, made the 17 day of August the 14th year of King Henry the 7th:

First I will that th' issues and profits coming or growing of my manor in the county of Lincoln, the manors of Chatham, Sibton and Kingston in the county of Kent, with all other my lands and tenements and also other mine hereditaments being or lying within the said towns and manors of Gedney, Chatham, Sibton and Kingston, be perceived and levied by Elizabeth, my wife, Henry Tey, knight, and Robert Crane, esquire, to and for the marriage of my daughters, Jane and Dorothy, and for payments of my debts and for the execution of this my last will;

Also I will that the revenues, issues and [f. 159r] profits coming and growing of all the manors, lands and tenements of William Dronsfield being in my keeping by the King's grant because of the idiocy(?) of the said William, be levied and perceived or sold by the said Elizabeth, Henry and Robert to and for the marriages of my said daughters and payment of my debts and to perform this my last will;

Also I will that the marriage of Charles Dronsfield, son and heir apparent of the said William, be sold by the said Elizabeth, Henry and Robert, and such money as shall come or grow by reason of the same sale to be employed to the marriage of my said daughters, payments of my debts and performance of this my last [+will?];

Also I will that where and upon a bargain and sale made by me, the said Sir Henry Wentworth, to Henry Tey, knight, of the ward and custody of Thomas Nawnton [=Naunton?], son and heir of William Nawnton, and of all the lands, tenements and hereditaments of the said Thomas during his nonage, reserving yearly to me, the said Sir Henry Wentworth, £20 of annuity going out of the same lands and tenements unto such time as the said Thomas come and be of full age of 21 years, as by an indenture made betwixt me and the said Sir Henry Tey more plainly appeareth, I will that Anne Sampson have to her marriage a £100 of lawful money of England to be levied in form following, that is to say, that the said £20 of annuity shall be taken and yearly perceived by the said

Elizabeth, Henry and Robert during the nonage of the said Thomas Nawnton for the marriage of the said Anne Sampson, and also £20 which the said Sir Henry Tey oweth to me, the said Sir Henry Wentworth, and over that the residue of the said £100 shall be taken and perceived by the said Elizabeth, Henry and Robert of th' issues, revenues and profits of my manors of Gedney, Chatham, Sibton and Kingston afore rehearsed to and for the marriage of the said Anne Sampson;

Also I will that my lands and tenements in Cleyton [=Clayton?], Frykley [=Frickley?], Studfold, Thyrnscogh [=Thurnscoe?], Hoton [=Hutton?], Pannell and Bentley which I bought of John Wythes be sold by the said Elizabeth, Henry and Robert, and the money thereof coming to be taken and perceived to and for the marriage of my said daughters, payments of my debts and execution of this my said will and testament;

Also I will that if Sir Richard Wentworth, my son and heir apparent, disturb, let or will not suffer Richard, Bishop of Durham, William, Bishop of Carlisle, George FitzHugh, Dean of Lincoln, and other their co-feoffees of and in all such lands and tenements and hereditaments in the counties of York, Lincoln and Essex whereof they stand seised during the life of Elizabeth, my wife, or will not suffer my said wife peaceably to take and perceive the issues and profits of all the said lands or any part of them, or if the said Richard or any other by his procuring interrupt or disturb Edward, his brother, of the 3rd part of the manor of Harston and of or in the lands or tenements called Butlers in Harston or any part thereof in the county of Cambridge, which manor, lands and tenements I have given to the same Edward and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten, as by a deed thereof made more plainly appeareth, or if the said Richard or any other by his procuring make any interruption or will not suffer this my last will and testament to be fully performed and clearly executed, that then the said Elizabeth, Henry and Robert shall make sale of all my manors, lovetotes(?), wood-house and hovel with th' appurtenances with all my lands and tenements of my purchase with the lovetotes, wood-house and hovels in the county of Suffolk to such person or persons as the said Elizabeth, Henry and Robert thinke most necessary at their will, and that at my said feoffees in the said lands, tenements and hereditaments shall stand and be feoffees to the use and behoof of such person or persons to whom the said manors or lands shall be sold, and the money thereof coming shall be taken and perceived by the said Elizabeth, Henry and Robert and to be employed to th' use and behoof of the said Elizabeth, my wife, with the same to perform this my last will as she thinketh most necessary and convenient.

Probatum fuit sup^{ra}scriptum testamentum Coram Mag^{ist}ro Will^{el}mo Barons Legum doctor^{is} p^{re}rogative eccl^{es}ie xpi Cant^{uariensis} sede Archiep^{iscop}ali vacan^{te} comissarario(?) xxvijmo die mensis february Anno domini Mill^{esi}mo Quingentesimo Iuramento d^{omi}ne Elizabeth^e Scroope nuper Relict^e & executric^{is} dictⁱ Defuncti in h^{uius}mo^di testamento nominat^e Ac appr^obat^{um} & Insinuat^{um} Et com^missa fuit administracⁱo dict^e Executricⁱ De bene et fidelit^{er} administrand^o Ac De pleno & fideli Inventario citra festum pasche p^{ro}ximo futur^o exhibend^o Necnon de plano & vero compoto

reddend{o} Ad sancta Dei Eu{a}ngelia iurat{e} Res{er}uat{a} p{otes}tate simile{m}
Com{m}issionem faciend{o} Henrico Tey militi executori eciam in eodem testamento
no{m}i{n}at{o} cum ven{er}it

[=The above-written testament was proved before Master William Barons, Doctor of the Laws, Commissary of the Prerogative [+Court?] of the Church of Christ of Canterbury at the Archiepiscopal seat, [+now?] vacant, on the 27th day of the month of February in the year of the Lord the thousand five hundredth by the oath of Lady Elizabeth Scrope, late relict & executrix of the said deceased named in the same testament, and probated & entered, and administration was granted to the said executrix sworn on the Holy Gospels to well and faithfully administer, and to exhibit a full & faithful inventory before the feast of Easter next to come, and also to render a plain & true account, with power reserved for a similar grant to be made to Henry Tey, knight, executor also named in the same testament, when he shall have come.]