

SUMMARY: The document below is the Prerogative Count of Canterbury copy of the will, dated 26 May 1585 and proved 4 April 1587, of Alice Cloville Tyrrell Forster Golding, widow of Oxford's uncle, Henry Golding (d.1576). For the will of Henry Golding, see TNA PROB 11/59/98.

Henry Golding was steward of the household to John de Vere (1516 – 3 August 1562), 16<sup>th</sup> Earl of Oxford, witnessed the indenture for the 17<sup>th</sup> Earl of Oxford's marriage drawn up by the 16<sup>th</sup> Earl on 1 July 1562, and was named as an executor of the 16<sup>th</sup> Earl's will of 28 July 1562.

For a lawsuit mentioning Henry Golding as one of the officers of the 16<sup>th</sup> Earl, see TNA C 3/5/26 (bill and answer) and TNA C 3/1/115 (replication).

### ***FAMILY BACKGROUND***

According to the Golding pedigree, the testatrix was 'Ales daughter of Clovyle of Hanyfelde in the counte of Essex esquier'. See Metcalfe, Walter C., ed., *The Visitations of Essex*, Part I, (London, Harleian Society 1878), Vol. XIII, p. 9 at:

<https://archive.org/stream/visitationsofess13byumetc#page/8/mode/2up>

Although the testatrix does not appear in the Cloville pedigree in the 1558 visitation of Essex (where the surname is variously spelled Clovile, Clovill, Clouville, Clouville and Colvile), her cousins Eustace Cloville, Priscilla (nee Cloville) Bramston, and Anne (nee Cloville) Stutvile, all mentioned in the will below, appear in that pedigree. Since these were her cousins, she may have been the daughter of Thomas Cloville, executor in 1562 of the will of his brother, Francis Cloville. See the will of Francis Cloville, proved 19 June 1562, TNA PROB 11/45/169, and Metcalfe, *supra*, pp. 36-7 at:

<https://archive.org/stream/visitationsofess13byumetc#page/36/mode/2up>

### ***MARRIAGES AND ISSUE***

#### ***Testatrix' first marriage***

The testatrix married firstly Edward Tyrrell (d. 16 June 1541), the eldest son and heir of John Tyrrell (d. 25 October 1494) of Beeches (for whose will see TNA PROB 11/10/311):

*John the eldest son and heir held this manor of Beches, the manor of North Bemfleet and Scotts in Canewdon, and divers lands in Hockley. By Catherine his wife, daughter of John Walden, Alderman of London, he had two sons, Edward and William. He made his will in 1493. He died 25<sup>th</sup> Oct. 1494, and the will was proved 23 Nov. 1494. . . . He was*

*succeeded in Beaches by his eldest son Edward, then 18 years old. He married Alice Cloville, but dying the 16<sup>th</sup> of June 1541 without issue, he was succeeded by his brother William Tyrell then above 54 years old, who had to wife Elizabeth, daughter of William Cromer of Kent, but he dying 28<sup>th</sup> Sept. 1543, also without issue male, Edward or Edmund Tyrell son of his uncle Jasper above mentioned, by Anne, daughter of (blank) Goring, of Sussex, inherited this and the rest of the estates. . . . This Edmund Tyrrell was a man of considerable political importance, being elected member for Maldon in 1<sup>st</sup> 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> of Mary. He was a bigoted member of the old faith, and made himself conspicuous as a Magistrate in apprehending the so called hereticks, and forwarding them to Bishop Bonner for examination. . . . Edmund Tyrell died 8<sup>th</sup> of November, 1576, at Whitestaple in Kent, surviving to see the Reformation firmly established.*

See Benton, Philip, *The History of Rochford Hundred*, Vol. II, (Rochford: A. Harrington, 1888), pp. 653-60 at p. 654:

<http://books.google.ca/books?id=ioYuAAAAMAAJ&pg=PA654>

The Tyrrell pedigree in Metcalfe, *supra*, states that by her first husband, the testatrix had a son, Edmund Tyrrell of Beeches. See Metcalfe, *supra*, p. 111 at:

<https://archive.org/stream/visitationsofess13byumetc#page/110/mode/2up>

However the above-mentioned pedigree appears to be in error since, if Benton is correct, the testatrix had no issue by her first husband, Edward Tyrrell (d. 16 June 1541), and moreover the pedigree confuses the testatrix' first husband, Edward Tyrrell (d. 16 June 1541), with Edward or Edmund Tyrrell (d. 8 November 1576), son of Jasper Tyrrell. For the will of Edmund Tyrrell (d. 8 November 1576), see TNA PROB 11/58/499.

Benton states (p. 656) that the testatrix' first husband, Edward Tyrrell, was buried at Rawreth on 21 June 1541.

### ***Testatrix' second marriage***

The testatrix married secondly George Forster (d.1556), the son of Robert Forster (d.1545) of Little Birch, Essex. See Benton, *supra*, p. 656, and the Forster pedigree:

#### *Forster of Syleham*

*Arms: Quarterly, 1 and 4, Azure a lion rampant argent guttee or (Forster) 2 and 3, Azure a fess between two chevrons argent (Tendring) an annulet for difference.*

*Robert Forster of Birch, county Essex, gentleman, married Margaret, daughter and one of the heirs of (blank) Tendring, county Essex, and by her had issue George, son and heir; Thomas, second son; Robert, third son; Michael, fourth son; William, fifth son; Margaret, first married to Gregory Bassett, after, to Eustace Sulyard of Runwell, county*

*Essex, esquire; Bridget, married to George Christmas of Colchester, county Essex, esquire; Elizabeth, married to John Southwell of Barham, county Suffolk, esquire; Jane, married Thomas Tyrrell of Rettendon, county Essex, gentleman; Katherine, married to (blank) Phylloll (Filioll).*

See Metcalfe, Walter, ed., *The Visitations of Suffolk made by Hervey, Clarenceux, 1561, Cooke, Clarenceux, 1577, and Raven, Richmond Herald, 1612*, (Exeter: William Pollard, 1882), pp. 29-30 at:

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By George Forster (d.1556), the testatrix had two daughters:

\* **Joan Forster**, who married firstly Henry Peryent, by whom she had a son, Thomas Peryent (d.1612), esquire, and a daughter, Mary Peryent (buried 19 April 1631), who married Sir Edward Burton of Eastbourne, Sussex. Joan Forster married secondly Robert Spring (d.1593?), esquire, of Icklingham, Suffolk, by whom she had a son, William Spring. For a detailed discussion of Joan Forster's two marriages and children, see the will of her grandfather, Robert Forster (d.1545), TNA PROB 11/39/125. See also the will of Robert Spring, dated 26 November 1592 and proved 7 May 1593, see TNA PROB 11/81/337.

Joan Forster Peryent Spring is not mentioned in the will of her stepfather, Oxford's uncle, Henry Golding, and it appears likely she had died by the time he made his will in 1576. In the testatrix' will below, she is referred to as deceased:

*I will and bequeath unto William Spring, the son and heir of Robert Spring of Icklingham in the county of Suffolk, esquire, and the son of Jane, my daughter, late his wife, deceased*

\* **Mary Forster**, who married Robert Waldegrave, by whom, according to the will of her stepfather, Henry Golding (d.1576), she had a daughter, Elizabeth Waldegrave. The marriage is mentioned in the will, dated 14 September 1559, of Robert Waldegrave's brother, Sir Edward Waldegrave (1517-1561) of Borley (see TNA PROB 11/44/318), a Privy Councillor under Queen Mary who died a prisoner in the Tower under Queen Elizabeth for his Catholic beliefs:

*And whereas I have to my charges provided and bought a marriage for my brother, Robert Waldegrave, that is to say, one of the daughters and heirs of George Forster, esquire, deceased, by whom he shall have some inheritance for term of his life if he have issue by her, the which as yet he hath not, and for want thereof, or of other assurance to him to be made by her of her said inheritance, he should by her death be nothing advanced, therefore my mind and will is that if it shall fortune my said brother's wife to die, living my brother, without issue by him, or having not of her lands, tenements or hereditaments to the yearly value of £20 assured to him for term of his life, then I will and give unto him one annuity or yearly rent of £4 by year out of my manor of Chewton in the county of Somerset . . . .*

Mary Waldegrave subsequently contracted two bigamous marriages with William Sankey (d.1577) and Robert Crispe (d.1588?). The testatrix states in the will below that Mary and Robert Crispe were currently living at the manor of Little Birch in Essex. However Robert Crispe did not long survive the testator, as indicated by an inventory of his goods taken in 1587/8 (see TNA E 178/7080).

For a discussion of the lawsuits brought by the testatrix' daughters Joan and Mary and their husbands against Oxford's uncle, the translator, Arthur Golding (1535/6-1606), concerning the manor of Little Birch, see the will of Henry Golding, TNA PROB 11/59/98, and Golding, Louis Thorn, *An Elizabethan Puritan*, (New York: R.R. Smith, 1937), pp. 77-81, 90-111.

See also:

'Easthorpe: Manors and other estates', in *A History of the County of Essex: Volume 10, Lexden Hundred (Part) Including Dedham, Earls Colne and Wivenhoe*, ed. Janet Cooper (London, 2001), pp. 200-202. *British History Online* <http://www.british-history.ac.uk/vch/essex/vol10/pp200-202> [accessed 10 October 2017].

*Robert Peyton, (fn. 7) who sold the manor [of Easthorpe] to Sir Thomas Audley in 1536. Audley sold it in 1542 to Robert Forster and his son George. (fn. 8) Robert died in 1545 and George in 1556, leaving George's daughters, Mary and Joan, both minors, as coheirs. (fn. 9) In 1564 Mary and her husband Robert Waldegrave sold their moiety to Henry Golding and in 1570 Joan and her husband Robert Spring sold the other moiety to John Bacon who sold it in 1576 to Henry Golding. (fn. 10)*

### ***Testatrix' third marriage***

After the death of George Forster, the testatrix married thirdly Oxford's uncle, Henry Golding, by whom she had no issue. See Benton, *supra*, p. 656.

### ***OTHER PERSONS MENTIONED IN THE WILL***

The testatrix appears to have spent the last years of her life at Bradwell Hall, the home of Anthony Maxey (d.1591), son of John Maxey, and nephew of George Maxey of Saling, to whom Oxford and his second wife, Elizabeth Trentham, transferred title to the rectory of Messing on 5 May 1592 (see TNA CP 25/2/135/1725/34ELIZIEASTER, Item 43). The testatrix appoints Anthony Maxey (d.1591) as supervisor of her will, and leaves bequests to his four children and household servants. For the will of Anthony Maxey, proved 21 December 1591, see TNA PROB 11/78/423.

According to the inscription on a monumental brass in the church at Runwell, Essex, Anthony Maxey married Dorothy Basset (1527-1602), the only child of Gregory Basset

(d.1528), esquire, of Bradwell-juxta-Coggeshall, Essex, and Margaret Forster (d. 5 February 1586/7), the daughter of Robert Forster (d.1545) of Little Birch, Essex. After her father's death, Dorothy Basset became the ward of Thomas Bonham (d. 18 June 1532) of Stanway Hall, Essex, and married his son, Robert Bonham. See the will of Thomas Bonham, TNA PROB 11/25/90, and Kidston, G.J., *The Bonhams of Wiltshire and Essex*, (Devizes: C.H. Woodward, 1948), pp. 65-81 at:

<https://archive.org/details/bonhamsofwiltshi00kids/page/n75>

Margaret Forster married secondly, Eustace Sulyard (d. 26 February 1546/7), by whom she had several children, for whom see her will, and thirdly, of William Aylofffe (d.1569), esquire, of Brittens in Hornchurch, by whom she had no issue. See Christy, Miller, W.W. Porteous and E. Bertram Smith, 'Some Interesting Essex Brasses', *Transactions of the Essex Archaeological Society*, Vol. IX, Part I, New Series, (Colchester, 1903), pp. 22-67, at pp. 35-7:

<http://www.archive.org/stream/transactionssess01socioog#page/n56/mode/1up>

See also Wright, Thomas, *The History and Topography of the County of Essex*, Vol. I (London: George Virtue, 1836), p. 143 at:

<https://babel.hathitrust.org/cgi/pt?id=uc2.ark:/13960/t9p275472;view=1up;seq=175>

Margaret (nee Forster) Basset Sulyard Aylofffe (c.1508 - 5 February 1587), was thus the sister of the testatrix's second husband, George Forster (d.1556), and Dorothy (nee Basset) Maxey (1527-1602) was the testatrix' niece.

For the will of Margaret (nee Forster) Basset Sulyard Aylofffe, see TNA PROB 11/72/1. See also the will of Robert Forster (d.1545), *supra*, in which he mentions his son-in-law, Eustace Sulyard, TNA PROB 11/39/125. See also the will of William Aylofffe (d.1569), TNA PROB 11/51/50.

The testatrix also leaves a bequest to her sister-in-law, Jane (nee Forster) Tyrrell, another of the sisters of the testatrix' former husband, George Forster (d.1556). Jane (nee Forster) Tyrrell, her husband, Thomas Tyrrell of Rettendon, gentleman, and their son, Edward Tyrrell, are also mentioned in the will of Margaret (nee Forster) Basset Sulyard Aylofffe For Jane Forster Tyrrell, see the Forster pedigree, *supra*, p. 30.

Another legatee is the testatrix' cousin, Eustace Cloville (d.1589?) of West Hanningfield, Essex, whose son, also named Eustace, was one of the original Jamestown settlers.

Throughout the will, the name 'Peryent' is spelled 'Peryn'.

LM: T{estamentum} Alicie Golding

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In the name of God, Amen. The six and twentieth day [+of] May in the year of our Lord God one thousand five hundred fourscore and five, and in the seven and twentieth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lady Elizabeth by the grace of God of England, France and Ireland Queen, Defender of the Faith etc., I, Alice Golding of Bradwell near Coggeshall in the county of Essex, widow, late the wife of Henry Golding of Little Birch in the said county, esquire, deceased, being in good and perfect remembrance, thanks be given to Almighty God, do ordain this my present testament containing in it my last will in manner and form following, that is to say:

First, I bequeath my body and soul to the tuition of Almighty God, my Maker, and Jesus Christ, my Saviour, through whose merits and precious death only I steadfastly trust and doubt not to have redemption of my sins, and through his great mercies eternal and everlasting salvation;

And my body to be buried in the parish church where it shall please God to call me out of this world, at which burial or funeral I will and bequeath forty shillings to be distributed amongst the poor by the discretion of mine executor, and further I do will and bequeath to a learned preacher for a sermon by him then to be made ten shillings;

I will and bequeath to the poor of the parishes of Little Birch and Great Birch twenty shillings, and to the poor of Easthorpe ten shillings, and also to the poor of the parish of Bradwell other ten shillings, to be paid to every of the said parishes within one month next after my decease;

Item, I will and bequeath unto Robert Crispe of Little Birch, gentleman, and Mary, my daughter, all my household stuff that is now remaining in Birch Hall in their custody or keeping whatsoever except my great brewing copper and the long green table that did stand in the parlour of Birch Hall aforesaid, which copper and long green table I will and bequeath unto Thomas Peryent of Gray's Inn in the county of Middlesex, gentleman, to be delivered unto the said Thomas Peryent by the said Robert Crispe as my special trust is in him;

And where there is certain money due unto me, the said Alice Golding, by the said Robert for my cattles, as namely horse, bullocks, beef, sheep, swine and other things which amounteth unto the sum of fifty pounds, and other twenty pounds of which I have received thereof ten pounds, which said twenty pounds I lent unto him, and whereas heretofore the said Robert Crispe hath laid out certain money for me, my will and minding is that upon his true account made unto my executor of the said money laid out by him, that my executor do allow unto him of the said several sums of fifty pounds and ten pounds which is due unto me so much as he hath then laid out, and the residue of the said sum of fifty pounds and ten pounds which shall be then remaining I give and bequeath unto Hatton Crispe, son of the said Robert, except one year's rent and a half for my manor of Little Birch as it hath been and is now by me to him demised, and four pounds for a black gelding which he bought of me only excepted, which shall be to th' use of this my last will;

Item, I will and bequeath unto Mary Peryent, the daughter of Jane Peryent, wife of Henry Peryent, my daughter, seven hundred pounds of good and lawful money of England, to be paid out of such debts as shall be due unto me and other such sums of money as shall be hereafter set down in the latter end of this my said last will, to be paid unto her at the day of her marriage or at the age of one and twenty years, which of them shall first happen;

Moreover, I give and bequeath unto the said Mary Peryent my black chest bound with iron with all manner of thing or things that is therein contained whatsoever, the key of which chest is now in the keeping of the said Mary, and four of my best featherbeds, bolsters and pillows, coverlets and blankets to them belonging, with my best hangings that did belong to the chief chamber of Little Birch aforesaid, and also my best table and twelve joint-stools, a frame for the same table, and my best carpet to the same table belonging, and my press for apparel, two of my best chairs, the one of needlework, the thother of green cloth, and my little woman's chair and two of my best livery cupboards, two brass pots and one brass kettle, and one brass posnet and all my pewter whatsoever that is marked with these letters M and P, and the two best bedsteads, a trundle-bed, and two of the best testers belonging to the same bedsteads, with my silk curtains of red and yellow, one stillatory, one mortar with a pestle, and two long window cushions of the best, and two spits, and the new tester which is now a-making, and a new cover for a chair which were and be embroidered by the said Mary Peryent and Mrs Stutvile, and all other my wearing linen which is meet for her own wearing;

And the rest of my wearing linen I will and bequeath unto my maidservants;

Moreover I will and bequeath unto the said Mary Peryent all my jewels of what quality or kind soever they be, except my signet of gold;

And further I do will and bequeath unto the said Mary Peryent my virginal and two chests which is in my chamber where I lie, a window carpet and seven cushions of needlework, and all my coffers and my best pair of cob-irons with the tongs and fire-pan thereunto belonging, to be delivered unto her by my executor at the day of her marriage or when she come of th' age of one and twenty years, which shall first happen;

I will and bequeath unto William Spring, the son and heir of Robert Spring of Icklingham in the county of Suffolk, esquire, and the son of Jane, my daughter, late his wife, deceased, fifty pounds of lawful money of England, to be paid out of the profits and commodities of all the lands, rents, fee-farms, pensions and commodities whatsoever lying and being in Little Birch and Great Birch or elsewhere in the said county of Essex which I late bought of the foresaid Robert Spring, his father, during his natural life, if the said Robert Spring do so long live, which said profits and commodities I will that Anthony Maxey of Bradwell shall have, take and receive all the profits and commodities of all the said lands, rents, fees, pensions and all other profits whatsoever until the said Anthony hath fully received the full sum of the said fifty pounds to be paid unto the said Robert Spring, father of the said William Spring, within five years next after my decease (if the said Robert do so long live), upon this condition notwithstanding, that the said

Robert Spring do enter into bonds with two sufficient sureties unto the said Anthony Maxey and to my executor to pay the said fifty pounds with such convenient profits as may grow and rise of the same fifty pounds as shall be thought meet by the said Anthony Maxey and mine executor at the full age of three and twenty years of the said William Spring;

And if the said Robert Spring shall depart this present life before the said Anthony Maxey shall receive the rents and profits of the foresaid lands to the full sum of fifty pounds, then I will and bequeath all such money as the said Anthony shall receive before such the death of the said Robert Spring of all the lands and profits as aforesaid unto the said William Spring;

And if the said Robert Spring shall not find two sufficient sureties in manner and form as is abovesaid, or shall depart this present life before the time and space of five years after my decease, then I will that the said fifty pounds, or so much money as the said Anthony shall receive of the lands and profits aforesaid before the death of the said Robert Spring, shall be signed and appointed to the best profits, use and commodity as shall seem best, meet and convenient by the said Anthony Maxey and mine executor to th' use of the said William Spring, to be paid unto him at the full age of three and twenty years with all the profits and commodities which by the same money may come and increase;

And after that the said Anthony Maxey hath received of the profits of the said lands rents, fees, farms and pensions and other commodities whatsoever to the full sum of fifty pounds to the use aforesaid, I then will and from that time do bequeath all the profits, rents, fees, farms, pensions and commodities whatsoever unto Thomas Peryent aforesaid in as large and as ample manner as I myself now have, hold and enjoy the same, or of right ought to have and enjoy the same, to him and his assigns forever;

Item, further my will, intent and true meaning is that if it shall happen the said Thomas Peryent or the said Mary Peryent, his sister, to depart this present life before her age of one and twenty years or that she shall be preferred by marriage as before specified, or that the said William Spring shall depart this present life before he shall accomplish the age of three and twenty years as before specified, then I will the survivor or survivors of them or either of them shall have all the others' parts and portions given, willed and bequeathed unto them in or by this my last will and testament, to be equally divided unto the survivors of either of them according to my true meaning;

Item, I will and bequeath unto my cousin, Eustace Cloville, esquire, a signet of gold of forty shillings with a death's-head therein graved, and to my cousin, his wife, my best damask gown;

Item, I will and bequeath unto my cousin, Priscilla Barmestone [=Bramston], my signet of gold;

Item, I give and bequeath unto my cousin, Anne Stutvile, the wife of William Stutvile, gentleman, one gown and a kirtle and eight pounds of money which she borrowed of me;

Item, I give and bequeath unto Anne Huddleston, my cousin, one of my wearing gowns and five pounds of money, to be paid unto her within one half year next after my decease;

Item, I give and bequeath unto my cousin, Anne Roberts, one other wearing gown and five pounds of money, to be paid unto her within one half year next after my decease;

Item, I give and bequeath unto the wife of my cousin, Edward Sulyard, esquire, one signet of gold of forty shillings with a death's-head graven therein;

Item, I will and bequeath unto my cousin, Dorothy Maxey, a ring of gold of forty shillings with a death's-head graven therein, and my best velvet kirtle with the body thereunto belonging;

Item, I give and bequeath unto Henry Maxey and William Maxey, to either of them one ring of gold of twenty-six shillings eight pence, and to Dorothy Maxey and Bridget Maxey, sons and daughters of the said Anthony and Dorothy Maxey, to either of them a ring of gold of twenty shillings apiece with a death's-head graven therein;

Item, I give and bequeath unto Robert Bearman, my servant, ten pounds, to be paid unto him within one quarter of a year next after my decease, and one featherbed, a bolster, and two blankets and a coverlet, to be delivered unto him presently after my decease by mine executor;

Item, I give and bequeath unto Richard Wilkinson, my servant, twenty shillings, to be paid unto him within one quarter of a year next after my decease;

Item, I give and bequeath unto my maidservant twenty shillings, to be paid unto her within one month next after my decease;

Item I give and bequeath unto the household servants of the said Anthony Maxey twenty shillings, to be divided equally amongst them;

Moreover my full will, meaning and intent is that if Mary Peryent, the sister of Thomas Peryent, shall contract herself in marriage without the assent, consent and agreement or good liking of my trusty and well beloved friend and cousin, Anthony Maxey aforesaid, that then I will that two hundred pounds of the legacy before bequeathed unto Mary Peryent shall be from thenceforth to the use and behoof of the said Thomas Peryent, her brother;

Moreover my full mind and will is that all the featherbeds before in this my last will not bequeathed with the appurtenances whatsoever, I will that they shall be equally divided between mine executor and the said Mary Peryent, his sister, and all the residue of my goods and chattels whatsoever not before in this my last will and testament given nor bequeathed, my funerals thus performed, I give and bequeath them unto Thomas Peryent aforesaid, whom I do ordain, constitute and appoint my sole executor of this my last will

and testament, willing him faithfully and truly to prove and perform it according to my true meaning hereof;

And further I do order, constitute and appoint my said trusty and well beloved cousin, Anthony Maxey, to be my supervisor of this my last will and testament, desiring him as my trust is in him to be aiding and helping with his friendly counsel and advice unto my said executor of this my last will and testament to see it performed according to the true meaning hereof, and I do give unto him towards his pains to be taken therein one colt of the price of six pounds thirteen shillings four pence;

Finally, I do will that mine executor shall decently and orderly by the advice of my said supervisor bestow upon my burial and funerals, with a convenient remembrance in the place where I shall be buried, thirty pounds;

And further I do acknowledge this to be my last will and testament, and I do utterly renounce and revoke all other wills heretofore by me made whatsoever;

Moreover my mind and will is that mine executor in the charges of my funerals as is abovesaid shall bestow amongst others upon Jane Tyrrell, my sister-in-law, as much black cloth as shall make her a gown.

Alice Golding. These being witnesses: Anthony Maxey, Robert Bearman and Ralph Anneys

Probatum fuit Testamentum suprascriptum apud London coram m{agist}ro Will{el}mo Mowse Legum Doctore Surrogato Venerabilis viri m{agist}ri Will{el}mi Drury Legum Doctoris Curie Prerogatiue Cantuariens{is} Mag{ist}ri Custodis siue Com{m}issarij etc{etera} Quarto die mens{is} Aprilis Anno D{omi}ni Mill{es}imo Quingentesimo Octogesimo Septimo Iuramento Iohannis Theaker Notarij publici procuratoris Thome Peryn executoris in h{uius}mo{d}i testamento nominat{i} Cui com{m}issa fuit administrac{i}o etc{etera} De bene et fidel{ite}r administrand{o} etc{etera} Ac de pleno et fideli Inuentario om{n}iu{m} et sing{u}lorum bonorum etc{etera} exhibend{o} Necnon de plano et vero comp{ot}o reddend{o} Ad sancta dei Evangelia Iurat{i}

[=The above-written testament was proved at London before Master William Mowse, Doctor of the Laws, Surrogate of the worshipful Master William Drury, Doctor of the Laws, Master, Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury etc. on the fourth day of the month of April in the year of the Lord the thousand five hundred eighty-seventh by the oath of John Theaker, notary public, proctor of Thomas Peryent, executor named in the same testament, to whom administration was granted etc., sworn on the Holy Gospels to well and faithfully administer etc. and to exhibit a full and true inventory of all and singular the goods etc., and also to render a plain and true account.]