pounds at one and twenty, to Hannah four score pounds (as before), and to Sara forty pounds (as before). I give unto Sara Ferneley, my brother John Ferneley's daughter, forty pounds at one and twenty or day of marriage. If any of these die before their portions grow due such portions shall be given to Samuel Willis my grandchild. To Mr. Thomas Wilson, our vicar, three pounds. To Mr. Robert Harris three pounds. To Mr. John Jackson, my friend, three pounds. To Mr. John Trapp, my kinsman, three pounds. To Mr. Symon Trapp, our curate, forty shillings. To the poor of Stratford six pounds. I give forty shillings towards the repair of the great bridge in Stratford. To the poor of Stowe in the Woold three pounds. To Mary Carter, my old servant, five pounds. To Alice Williams, Elizabeth Hauckes and Alice Cooles, which were my servants, three pounds, i.e. twenty shillings apiece. To Richard Castle, Baldwin Brookes, John Brookes and Richard Hunt, that were my servants, twenty shillings apiece to carry my body to the burial. I will that my executor bestow twenty pounds upon a banquet for my friends that shall accompany my body to the burial. All the rest of my goods and chattels whatsoever unbequeathed I give to George Willis of Fenny Compton, gent, my loving son in law, whom I ordain and appoint the sole executor of this my last will and testament.

John Jackson a witness.

Commission issued 9 February 1647 (8) to George Willis, son of George Willis of Hartford in New England in the parts beyond the seas deceased, to administer his goods etc. according to the tenor of his will, during the absence of Mary Willis, the relict.

Prob. Act. Book, 1648.

[Mary, daughter of Francis and Alice Smith,—who is named in the wills of her father and her mother, in the former as Mary Bysbie, wife of Alexander Bysbie, and in the latter as Mary Willis—was the second wife of Gov. George Wyllys of Hartford, Conn., who came to New England from Fenny Compton, co. Warwick, and settled at Hartford, Ct., in 1638. He was an assistant of the colony in 1639, deputy governor in 1641, and governor 1642. He died March 9, 1644–5. His will, dated Dec. 14, 1644, codicils Feb. 22, 1644–5 and March 4, 1644–5, is printed in full in the Colonial Records of Connecticut, edited by J. Hammond Trumbull, vol. i., 468–72. He names wife Mary, sons George and Samuel, and daughters Hester and Amy. Land in Fenny Compton is mentioned. His pedigree is printed in the Register, vol. 22, page 186; and in this volume, page 329. See also Savage's Dictionary.—Editor.]

JOHN SMITHE of Stretford upon Avon, in the County of Warwick, vintner, 5 November 43d year of Elizabeth, proved 4 July 1603. To wife Margaret the use of the chamber over the parlour, called the new chamber. All the rest of the house to Raphe Smithe, my son, to his use, provided he use himself well and kindly to his mother. After her death all of it to him provided he give to my daughter Helena Herson ten pounds in one year after his entrance, or do assure unto her my garden ground in Henbury Street, with the timber thereon; for want of heirs male, next to Hamlette Smithe and the heirs male of his body &c.; then to John Smithe & the heirs male of his body. To John Smithe, my son, the lease of Hare's house and of my ground in the Bridgetown. To my daughter Elizabeth Smithe the lease of my house in Sheepe Street. To my daughter Anne Smithe ten pounds. To my brother Hamlet Sadler my gown and my black doublet and my hat lined with velvet. To the two sons of my daughter Elizabeth forty shillings apeece to bind them apprentice. Remainder to Margaret my wife whom I make executrix. And I desire the Right Worshipful Sir Edward Greeuill (Grevil), my brother Francis Smithe and my loving friend Peter Ruswell to be overseers. To my brother Richard Walker my VOL. XLVI.

medley jerkyn and my medley breeches. To Barnaby Sadler ten shillings. To Hamlet Smithe my son ten pounds.

Wit: Richard Byfield, ffrancis Smithe, Hamnett Sadler. Bolein, 64.

[Richard Byfield, who probably wrote as well as witnessed the above will, was the grandfather of Nathaniel Byfield of New England. Hamnett Sadler also witnessed Shakespeare's will.

HENRY F. WATERS.]

ROGER SADLER of Stretford upon Avon in the County of Warwick, baker, 14 November 1578, proved (with codicil of 15 November), 17 January 1578. My body to be buried in the parish church of Stretford nigh the seat where I did accustomably use to sit and serve God in, or elsewhere, at the discretion of my friends. To the poor, at my burial, five pounds. To my brother Skidmore of London and my sister, his wife, two star Royals in gold. To my cousin Ridley and his wife two pieces of gold, being three pounds ten shillings apiece. To my cousin Alice Sadler that is with my cousin Ridley twenty pounds in money, at the age of eighteen. If she die before that then it shall be equally distributed among her brethren and sisters, viz' Hamnett, Jane and Margarett. brother Robert Sadler a coat, a pair of hose and twenty shillings. To my brother Richard Sadler's children six shillings eight pence apiece. To my brother Thomas Sadler's children ten shillings apiece. To my brother John Walker's children ten shillings apiece, and to Elizabeth Walker, his daughter, twenty pounds within one year after my decease or else at the day of her marriage. To Francis Auge of Bishopton two kine and to every one of his (five) children ten shillings apiece. To John Cooke's children of Alder Marston six shillings eight pence apiece. To Elizabeth Jackson that dwelleth with me four pounds six shillings eight pence, in one year or at day of her marriage. To my cousin John Smythe's children twenty pounds; i.e. to Elizabeth Smithe six pounds thirteen shillings four pence, to Elynor Smythe six pounds thirteen shillings four pence and to Rafe Smythe, his son, six pounds thirteen shillings four pence. I give and bequeath unto Hamnett Saddeler three tenements &c. which I have in Church Street, together with the lease of my house wherein I now dwell after the decease of Margaret my wife. This house I give to my wife during her natural life to hold according as the lease thereof maketh mention. To my cousin John Smythe the lacke or lease which I have of one yard land and a half in the old town field, after the crop for this year is taken off the same. And he shall have my team of horse, being six in number, and all my carts, ploughs, harrows and gears thereto belonging, he paying for the same to my executors ten pounds in money. To my friend Robert Gibbs of Stretford twenty shillings. To my cousin Alice Higginson's children, to be equally divided amongst them, six shillings eight pence. To sundry servants. The residue to my wife Margaret and my cousin Hamnett Sadler whom I make and ordain to be my executors, and I desire my friends John Walker of Syllehull and Richard Ange of Stretforde, baker, to be my overseers, to whom I give six shillings eight pence apiece.

Then follows a list of Debts due from and to the testator. Among the latter appear the names of Richard Hathewaye als Gardyner, of Shottery, William Coxe, of Syllehull, and Edmonde Lambarte and —— Cornishe for the debt of Mr John Shaksper (five pounds). In the codicil he bequeathed to the children of Thomas Jones als Giles, i.e., Richard, Stephen and Ellen Jones als Giles, three pounds six shillings eight pence, to be equally divided among them, and to Nicholas Holder, son of Humfrey Holder, three pounds six shillings eight pence.

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