

A Transcription of the Last Will and Testament of

Zachary Stilgoe

Dated 7th August 1669

Prepared by members of Deddington and District History Society
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THE LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF ZACHARY STILGOE OF DEDDINGTON
1669

In the name of God Amen this seventh day of August in the one and twentieth year of his
Majesties reign Anno Domini 1669 I Zachary Stilgoe of Deddington in the county of
Oxon Yeoman being weak in body but of good and perfect memory praised be to God for
it I call my to remembrance the uncertain state of this transitory life and that all flesh
must yield unto death when it shall please God to call do make constitute ordain and
declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following revoking and
annulling by these presents all and every Testament and Testaments Will and Wills
heretofore by me made and declared either by word or by writing and this to be taken
only for my last will and testament and none other And first being penitent and sorry
from the bottom of my heart for my sins past most humbly desiring forgiveness for the
same I give and commit my soul unto Almighty God my Saviour and Redeemer in whom
and by the merits of Jesus Christ I trust and believe assuredly to be saved and to have full
remission and forgiveness for all my sins and that my soul with my
body at the general day of Resurrection shall arise again with joy and through
the merits of Christs death possess and inherit the Kingdom of Heaven prepared for his
elect and chosen and my body to be buried at the discretion of my Executors hereafter
mentioned And now for the settling of my Temporal estate and such goods chattels debts
as it hath pleased God to bestow of me I do order give and dispose the same in manner
and form following (That is to say) Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my son James
Stilgoe all that my house and land and all Appurtenances whatsoever belonging to the
same which I formerly bought and purchased of my cousin Thomas Rymell with all
deeds and writings concerning the same to be to him my said son James Stilgoe and to is

heirs for ever Item I also give more unto my said son James forty pounds of good and lawful English money to be paid unto him within a year and a half next after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Joan Shepherd and to all her children twelve pence apiece of good and lawful English money Item I give and bequeath unto Anne Turner and Elizabeth Turner daughters of Edward Turner twelve pence apiece of like money Item I give and bequeath unto my son Hugh Stilgoe all that house and land and the appurtenances whatsoever that I bought and purchased of my cousin George Waterman and also that house and the appurtenances thereunto belonging which I bought and purchased of my cousins Edward Aris Nicholas Aris Anne Aris and Rebecca Aris with all deeds and writings confirming the same upon this condition of him the said Hugh Stilgoe and to the heirs male of the Stilgoes for ever Item I give and bequeath unto my son Hugh Stilgoes children twenty shillings apiece of lawful English money (to each of them crossed through) Item I give and bequeath unto my son James Stilgoes children twenty shillings apiece of like money to each of them all the rest of my goods and chattels not formerly disposed of I give and bequeath more unto my son Hugh Stilgoe whom I make sole Executor of this my last will and testament he paying my debts and legacies and funeral expenses I appoint my loving friends Mr John Apletree and Tymothy Smith overseers of this my last will to whom I give sixpence apiece In witness whereof I the said Zachary Stilgoe have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written

(signed) Zachary Stilgoe

Dated read and subscribed in the presence of William Busby His Mark Edward Lewis.

INVENTORY OF THE GOODS OF ZACHARY STILGOE

An Inventory of all the goods, cattle and chattels of Zachary Stilgoe late of Deddington in the County of Oxfordshire Yeoman deceased taken and praised this fourteenth day of October Anno Domini 1669 by us whose names are hereunder written

	£	s	d
Imprimis his wearing apparel and money in his purse	12	0	0
Item one feather bed worth	1	10	0
Item 1 Covered 2 pairs of blankets & 2 boulders worth	1	10	0
Item three bedsteads 1 trunk 2 coffers and other lumber in my chamber over the Hall	1	10	0
Item in the parlour and the hall 2 tables and frames worth	1	10	0
Item one cow in the back house worth	2	10	0
Item in the house that Mr Stone formerly lived in 1 cupboard 1 Bible 1 <u>sestone</u> in the backside a parcel of wood and some other lumber	2	0	0
Item brass and pewter worth	0	10	0
Item the dead years of the copyhold land	8	0	0
Item a lease of a yard of Land belonging to Christ Church worth	35	0	0
Sum is	64	18	0

Job X Scott?	
Bartholomew Beck	
His Mark	
William Bignell sen	}
His Mark	}
William Hollier	
His Mark	
Edward Maning	
His Mark	

} Praysers

In the name of God Amen, This Seventh day of August In the one & twentieth year of his Ma:
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 weak in body but of good & perfect memory blessed be God for it, & calling to remembrance the uncertaintie
 estate of this transitory life & that all flesh must yield unto death when it shall please God to call,
 doe make, constitute ordaine & declare this my last Will & Testament in manner & forme following
 recording & annulling by these presents all & every Testam^t & Testam^t Will & Wills heretofore by me
 made & declared either by word or by writing, & this to be taken only for my last Will & Testament & none
 other. And first being penitent & sorry from the bottom of my heart for my sins past, most humbly
 desiring forgiveness for y^e same I give & commit my Soul unto Almighty God, my Saviour & redeemer
 in whom, & by the merits of Iesus Christ I trust & believe assuredly to be saved & to have full remission
 & forgiveness of all my sins & that my soul with my body at y^e generall day of resurrection shall arise
 againe wth joy, & through the merits of Christs death possess & inheritt the Kingdome of heaven prepared
 for his elect & chosen, & my body to be buried at the discreacion of my Exe^cut^r hereafter mentioned,
 And now for the settling of my Temporall estate & such goods Chattels & debts as it hath pleased God
 to bestow on me I doe order give & dispose the same in manner & forme following, (That is to say)
 In primis I give & bequeath unto my son James Stilgoe All that my house & Land & all
 appurtenances what soever belonging to the same, w^{ch} I formerly bought & purchased of my Cousin
 Thomas Rymell, with all deeds & writings concerning the same, to be to him my said son James
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 forty pounds of good & lawfull English money, to be paid unto him within a year & half next after
 my decease, Item I give & bequeath unto my daughter Joane Shepherd & to all her Children
 Twelvpence a piece of good & lawfull English money, Item I give & bequeath unto Anne Turner &
 Elizabeth Turner daughters of Edward Turner, Twelvpence a piece of like money, Item I give &
 bequeath unto my son Hugh Stilgoe, All that house & Land & appurtenances what soever that I bought &
 purchased of my Cousin George Waterman, And also that house & appurtenances therunto belonging
 w^{ch} I bought & purchased of my Cousins Edward Chris, Nicholas Chris, Anne Chris & Rebekah Chris, with
 all deeds & writings concerning the same, upon this Condition, & it is my desire that noe woman may
 not have any Joynture in it, or that they may not be any way mortgaged to any, but wholly to remaine
 to him the said Hugh Stilgoe, & to the heires male of the Stilgoes for ever. Item I give & bequeath
 unto my son Hugh Stilgoes Children Twenty shillings of lawfull English money, ^{apiece} ~~each of them~~,
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~~of them~~, All the rest of my goods & Chattels not formerly disposed off I give & bequeath more unto
 my son Hugh Stilgoe whome I make my sole Exe^cut^r of this my last Will & Testament he paying
 my debts & legacies & discharging my funerall expences, I appoint my loving friends Mr John
 Apletree, & Mr Timothy Smith, overseers of this my last will, to whom I give sixpence a piece, In
 witness whereof I the s^d Zachary Stilgoe have her unto sett my hand & seale the day & year first
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 his mark
 Edward Lewis

Zachary Stilgoe

Probatum est in Chipping Norton in Comitatu Oxoniae
 die 16^{to} mensis Augusti 1669. coram meo & meo J^oh^o Apletree
 & meo J^oh^o Timothy Smith, Legibus & iuris peritissimis
 & legitime constitutis, & legitime constitutis
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countie of Northampton in the Kingdom of England in the
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 formerly lived in. 1 Culbord, 1
 Bible, 1 Sestone in y^e Backside
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Item Brasse & pewler worth 0 - 10 - 0

Item the deads yeare of his Copyhold Land 8 - 0 - 0

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Prayers

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 quatuordecim die mensis Octobris Anno
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15 Dec. 1669
 Stillgoe's Inventory do
 Dodington.

Invenit.





Stone on the Stilgoe House, Hopcraft Lane