

**Avice Pettie of Old Basing, widow 1589**

**Ref: Hants. RO 1589B/44**

**In the name of God Amen** the 11th day of April in the year of Our Lord God 1589 I Avice Pettie of the parish of Basing in the county of Southampton widow, sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance (thanks be given to God), do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. **First** I give and bequeath my soul to Almighty God my Maker and Redeemer and my body to be buried in the church yard of Basing. **Item** I give and bequeath to the mother church of Winchester 4d and to the church of Basing 2s and to the poor people of the said parish 6s 8d to be bestowed where my executors and overseers shall see most cause. **Item** my will is that at my burial there be three bushels of wheat to be taken out of the mow of mine and my son's baked in good, big loaves whereof four to be bestowed upon four poor people of Sherfield *on Loddon* known to my executors and the residue to be given to the poor people of Basing. **Item** I give to my brother Peter Turner 20s. **Item** I give to my kinswoman Johan Wilde my best petticoat, a round kirtell, my best partlet, my best smock and 20s of good and lawful English money. **Item** I give to my brother John the elder's wife my best frieze gown. **Item** to my brother John Turner the younger his wife, my russet gown. **Item** I give to Johan Martine my russet petticoat and my better russet waistcoat. **Item** I give to Betteres Neave my old frieze gown. **Item** I give to Jane Sparfeild my worse red petticoat and a canvas apron and to John her son, my servant, one ewe lamb. **All the** rest of my goods both moveable and unmoveable as well as that which is not divided between my son William and me as that which is divided (my debts, funerals and legacies being discharged), I wholly give and bequeath to my two sons John and Clement to be equally divided between them whom I make and appoint joint executors of this my last will and testament. **And my** will and intent is that (whereas my two said sons John and Clement are to have the moiety of the crop of corn and grass to be grown upon my ground together withal my part of goods and chattels unbequeathed and given), they shall have pasture for their cattle in my ground in such sort as my son William pastures his cattle for the term of one half year after my decease together with convenient barn room for their corn, straw and hay until such times of the year next following my decease as the best may be made of them. **And that** they shall have the use of my now bed chamber and other convenient rooms in and about my house for the safe keeping of such goods as they have for the space of one half year next ensuing my decease, and some convenient room for their lodging during the said term with free ingress and egress to see to their stuff, corn and cattle. **And I** make overseers of this my last will and testament my well beloved friends William Pettye of Sherborne *St John* and Franchis Shrimpton of Basing to each of whom for their pains hereafter to be taken herein I give 2s 6d.

Witnesses to this last will and testament  
Frances Shrimpton and Richard Deane  
with others

Probate granted 18 September 1589 to the executors above written. Obligation on John of Basing husbandman and Joel Dowghtie clerk.

An inventory of all the goods and chattels of Avice Pettie of Basing in the county of Southampton widow deceased, taken the twelfth day of May in the 31st year of the reign of our sovereign Lady the Queen majesty that now is.

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| <b>In the hall</b>   |   |    |   |
| <b>Imprimis</b> one round table, one joined chair, one joined stool, one short form, one andiron, one pair of pot-hooks, two cushions and one half of a musket   | 0 | 11 | 8 |
| <b>Item</b> eight pewter platters, two saucers, one pewter pot, eleven spoons and one pewter salt  | 0 | 5  | 0 |
| <b>In the kitchen</b>  |   |    |   |
| <b>Item</b> one brass mortar with a pestle, one chafing dish, two candlesticks, one posnet, two frying pans, two shredding knives, one pair of pot-hooks, one toasting iron, two hammers, one pair of pincers, two broches, one andiron, one trivet, one gridiron, one skimmer, seven wooden dishes, two cheese vats, three treen platters, eleven trenchers | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| <b>Item</b> four flitches of bacon   | 0 | 10 | 0 |
| <b>Item</b> one war bill, one sword and dagger, three augers, one wimble and one chisel  | 0 | 3  | 4 |
| <b>Item</b> one tenon saw, one bill, one axe, two prongs, one mattock, one sheep hook, one hollow shovel, one staff hook, three iron wedges, five rip hooks  | 0 | 4  | 0 |
| <b>Item</b> one pair of scales and certain weights   | 0 | 1  | 9 |
| <b>Item</b> three brass pans, two kettles, one brass pot and one brass posnet  | 0 | 13 | 4 |
| <b>In the buttery</b>  |   |    |   |
| <b>Item</b> two hogsheds, three kivers, two tubs, two sieves, one bowl, one bucket and one peck  | 0 | 6  | 8 |
| <b>Item</b> two old vats   | 0 | 4  | 6 |
| <b>Item</b> three beer barrels, one butter churn, one cupboard and one bottle  | 0 | 6  | 0 |
| <b>In the chamber</b>  |   |    |   |
| <b>Item</b> two old flockbeds and two old coverlets  | 0 | 8  | 0 |
| <b>Item</b> twenty and nine cheeses  | 0 | 13 | 4 |
| <b>Item</b> two flockbeds furnished  | 0 | 13 | 4 |
| <b>Item</b> six pairs of canvas sheets, one pair of pillow beres, three canvas, tablecloths, six table napkins, four smocks, four kerchiefs, five neck kerchiefs, three chests and certain apparel   | 1 | 13 | 4 |
| <b>The cattle</b>  |   |    |   |
| <b>Item</b> two working oxen, one heckferth, one bull and the bullocks of one year of age  | 7 | 10 | 0 |

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| <b>Item</b> one mare and a colt                 | 1 | 16 | 8 |
| <b>Item</b> one bull, four kine and two weaners | 8 | 0  | 0 |
| <b>Item</b> four hogs and one pig               | 0 | 17 | 0 |
| <b>Item</b> six cotted ewes                     | 0 | 8  | 0 |

**The corn**

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| <b>Item</b> in the barn, ten bushels of wheat               | 0  | 15 | 0  |
| <b>Item</b> four acres of wheat                             | 2  | 0  | 0  |
| <b>Item</b> eight acres of oats and half an acre of beans   | 2  | 4  | 0  |
| <b>Item</b> one quarter of dredge malt                      | 0  | 6  | 0  |
| <b>Item</b> six bushels of oats                             | 0  | 4  | 0  |
| <b>Item</b> certain ploughs and carts with their implements | 1  | 10 | 0  |
| Sum total   | 32 | 14 | 11 |