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Will of John Cowles, of Churchill, 1570

Testamentu[m] Joh[an]is Cowles de Churchill

In the name of god Amen the xvjth daye of Januarye in the yere of o[ur] lorde 1569 I John Cowles of Churchill beinge in good healthe and p[er]fett memorye thankes be unto allmyghtye god doothe ordeyne and make this my testament and last wyll in maner and forme Followinge Firste I bequeathe my sowle unto allmightye god my maker and redemer and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Churchill It[e]m I geve to the Mother churche of Oxforde iiij^d It[e]m I geve and bequeathe to Thomas Cowles my sonne twenty six Shillinges eightpence and tymber to make him a lome It[e]m I bequeathe to Will[ia]m Cooles my sonne ten Shillings It[e]m I bequeathe to Nicholas Cooles my sonne thre poundes in moneye or moneye worth a payre of shettes A twillye clothe and a boulster It[e]m I bequeathe to Annes Cooles my daughter ten Shillinges It[e]m I bequeathe to Margaret Colles my My daughter foure poundes in moneye or moneye worth a flockbed or a mattres two payre of shettes a boulster a twillye clothe and a Cover lett a table clothe a towell a table napkynne two pewter platters a potenger and a saurser a brasse pott It[e]m I bequeathe to everye one of my god children ij^d apece It[e]m I bequeathe to Will[ia]m Colles thre children Jane Alice & Raffe everye of theme one ewe shepe niether of the best nor of the worste It[e]m I bequeathe to Anne Brige my sister a strike of wheate and a strike of malte It[e]m to Marye Kene the daughter of Raphaell Kene one ewe shepe It[e]m my wyll is that my daughter Margaret Coolles shall have her legacie delivered unto her at the daye of her marriage if she marye at the age of xxiiij yeres or before and if that she do not marie at that tyme then I will that two of her brethren Will[ia]m and Mathewe shall receive and keape her legacie and so do sett it to

her use [a]comoditye and p[ro]fett It[e]m I bequeathe to Katherine Jeves
one shepe Allso I will if yt shall please god to take anye of these
my children away before they be married or cum to lawfull
age then I will that that p[ar]te or [pa]rtes of them so decessed shallbe
Equally devided amonge theme that be alive All the rest
of my goodes not given nor bequeathed I geve and bequeathe
to Alice Coles my Wyffe and to Mathewe Coles my sonne
Whome I doo ordeyne and make my full and Holle executors
to paye my dettes and my Legacies as my truste is in them &
I desire Will[ia]m Beard and Richard box to be my overseers
and I geve theme for their paynes xij^dapece these being
Wyt[t]nes S[ir] Humfrey Bowyer vicar Will[ia]m beard Ric[hard]
Box and Will[ia]m Busby the apparitor w[it]h other

*Probate granted in Oxford on 17th March 1570 by John Kennall to the executors mentioned in the will
represented by William Busby*

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