

SUMMARY: The document below is the Prerogative Court of Canterbury copy of the will, dated 4 September 1554 and proved 13 February 1556, of Sir Reynold Scott (c.1511 - 16 December 1554) of Scott's Hall in Smeeth, Kent, whose first wife, Emmeline Kempe, was the aunt of Alice (nee Kempe) Hales Lee (c.1592), the 'Lady Hales' to whom Robert Greene dedicated *Menaphon*.

The testator was the uncle of Reginald Scott, author of *The Discoverie of Witchcraft*, a source for Shakespeare's *Macbeth*. See Brinsley, Nicholson, ed., *The Discoverie of Witchcraft*, (London: Elliot Stock, 1886), pp. xxiv, xxvi at:

<https://archive.org/stream/discoverieofwitc00scot#page/n33/mode/2up>

### ***FAMILY BACKGROUND***

For the testator's family background, see Scott, James Renat, *Memorials of the Family of Scott of Scot's-Hall in the County of Kent*, (London: J.R. Scott, 1876), pp. 177-85 at:

<https://archive.org/stream/memorialsoffamil00scot#page/176/mode/2up>

### ***Testator's paternal grandparents***

The testator was the grandson of Sir William Scott (d. 24 August 1524) and Sybil Lewknor. For the will of Sir William Scott, see TNA PROB 11/21/272. For the will of Sibyl (nee Lewknor) Scott, see TNA PROB 11/23/14.

In the entails in the will below the testator mentions his deceased uncle, Edward Scott (c.1478-1535?), second son of Sir William Scott (d. 24 August 1524) and Sybil Lewknor. Edward Scott married Alice Fogge (c.1508 - c.1583), the sister of Anne Fogge (see below), by whom he had a son and heir, William Scott (d. 25 January 1583), also named by the testator in the entails. For further details concerning Edward Scott see his will, TNA PROB 11/25/417; the will of his father-in-law, Thomas Fogge, esquire, TNA PROB 11/17/267; and the will of his mother-in-law, Eleanor (nee Browne) Fogge Kempe, TNA PROB 11/43/638.

### ***Testator's parents***

The testator was the second son of Sir John Scott (c.1484-1533) and Anne Pympe (living 1524), daughter and heir of Reynold Pympe 1448/9 – 21 March 1530/1), esquire, of Nettlestead, Kent, by Elizabeth Pashley, daughter of John Pashley, esquire, a first cousin of Edward IV's Queen, Elizabeth Woodville. See the Pashley pedigree after p. 12 and the Pympe pedigree after p. 40 in MacMichael, N.H., 'The Descent of the Manor of

Evegate in Smeeth with Some Account of its Lords', *Archaeologia Cantiana*, Vol. 74, 1960, pp. 1-47:

<https://www.kentarchaeology.org.uk/index.php/arch-cant/vol/74/descent-manor-evegate-smeeth-some-account-its-lords>

See also the History of Parliament entry for Sir John Scott at:

<http://www.historyofparliamentonline.org/volume/1509-1558/member/scott-sir-john-1484-1533>

See also Richardson, Douglas, *Magna Carta Ancestry*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., 2011, Vol. III, p. 21, and Vol. IV, p. 1 at:

<https://books.google.ca/books?id=8JcbV309c5UC&pg=RA3-PA1&lpg>

### *Testator's siblings*

The testator is said to have had four brothers and seven sisters. For the testator's sisters, see the will of the testator's grandfather, Sir William Scott (d. 24 August 1524), TNA PROB 11/21/272. The testator's four brothers are said to have been:

**-William Scott** (c.1510 - 5 June 1536), who married Anne Fogge (living 1561), eldest daughter of Thomas Fogge (d. 16 August 1512), esquire, Sergeant Porter of Calais, and Eleanor (nee Browne) Fogge Kempe. There were no issue of the marriage. See Hitchin-Kemp, Frederick, *A General History of the Kemp and Kempe Families*, (London: The Leadenhall Press, 1902), pp. 30-1 at:

<http://archive.org/stream/generalhistoryof00kemp#page/n47/mode/2up>

For Anne Fogge's two marriages after the death of William Scott, see the will of her father, Thomas Fogge, TNA PROB 11/17/267. See also the will of her mother, Eleanor (nee Browne) Fogge Kempe, TNA PROB 11/43/638.

**-Sir John Scott**. In *Memorials*, *supra*, p. 186, he is erroneously identified as Sir John Scott (d. 7 September 1532) of Camberwell, Baron of the Exchequer. See:

<https://archive.org/stream/memorialsoffamil00scot#page/186/mode/2up>

It is significant that he is not mentioned in the entails in the will below.

**-Richard Scott** (d. before 1544), who married Mary Whetenall (d. 8 October 1582), daughter of George Whetenall of Hextal's Place in East Peckham, Kent, by whom he was the father of Reginald Scott (d.1599), author of *The Discovery of Witchcraft*, mentioned by the testator in the entails in the will below. See Brinsley, *supra*, p. xiv at:

<https://archive.org/stream/discoverieofwitc00scot#page/n21/mode/2up>

-**George Scott** (d. before 1554), of whom nothing further is known. See *Memorials, supra*, p. 193. The fact that he is not mentioned in the entails in the will below suggests that he predeceased the testator, and died without issue.

## ***MARRIAGES AND ISSUE***

### ***Testator's first marriage***

The testator married firstly, before 1537, Emmeline Kempe (d. before 1542), the daughter of Sir William Kempe (1487 – 28 January 1539) of Olantigh and Eleanor (nee Browne), widow of Thomas Fogge (d. 16 August 1512). The testator was a witness to his father-in-law's will. Moreover it was through the testator that Sir William Kempe obtained a twenty year lease of the manor of Olantigh:

*Item, whereas I have of the demise and grant of Reynold Scott, esquire, and John Tuke, gentleman, for term of twenty years a messuage called Olantigh . . . .*

By Emmeline Kempe, the testator had one son and two daughters:

\* **Sir Thomas Scott** (c.1537 – 30 December 1594), who married firstly Elizabeth Baker (d. 17 November 1583), daughter of Sir John Baker (c.1489–1558), Speaker of the House of Commons, by whom he was the father of ten sons and four daughters, including:

-**Mary Scott**, who married firstly Sir Anthony St Leger (d.1603), whose sister, Anne St. Leger, was the wife firstly of Thomas Digges, and secondly of Thomas Russell, overseer of the will of William Shakespeare of Stratford upon Avon. See Richardson, Douglas, *Magna Carta Ancestry*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., 2011, Vol. III, p. 482; and the will of Thomas Russell, dated 3 October 1633 and proved 5 May 1634, TNA PROB 11/165/424. Mary Scott married secondly Sir Alexander Culpeper of Wigsell, Sussex, son of Sir Alexander Culpeper of Bedgebury, Kent.

After the death of Elizabeth Baker, Sir Thomas Scott married secondly Elizabeth Heyman, and thirdly Dorothy Bere, who had earlier been the wife of Edward Scott, son of John Scott (d.1558), esquire, of Camberwell (see above). See the pedigrees in *Memorials, supra*, pp. 186, 254. See also Vaughan, *supra*, p. 114.

\* **Katherine Scott**, who married John Baker (c.1531-c.1604), son of Sir John Baker (c.1489–1558), Speaker of the House of Commons, by whom she was the mother of the chronicler, Sir Richard Baker (c.1568–1645).

\* **Anne Scott**, who married Walter Mayney (d.1577) of Spilsill manor in Staplehurst, Kent. See:

[https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Tomb\\_of\\_Walter\\_Mayney\\_of\\_Spilsill\\_Manor,\\_Staplehurst\\_-\\_geograph.org.uk\\_-\\_928022.jpg](https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Tomb_of_Walter_Mayney_of_Spilsill_Manor,_Staplehurst_-_geograph.org.uk_-_928022.jpg)

### *Testator's second marriage*

The testator married secondly, in 1542, Mary Tuke, the daughter of Sir Brian Tuke (d.1545) of Layer Marney, Essex, by Grissell Boughton (d.1538), daughter of Nicholas Boughton of Woolwich, by whom he had five sons and four daughters:

\* **Brian Scott.**

\* **Charles Scott** (c.1542-c.1595), esquire, who married Jane Wyatt, daughter of Sir Thomas Wyatt (executed 11 April 1554 for instigating the Wyatt rebellion) by Jane Haute (d. in or after 1595), daughter and co-heiress of Sir William Haute (d.1539). For the will of Sir William Haute, dated 12 January 1539 and proved 16 June 1539, see TNA PROB 11/26/240. See also Vaughan, *supra*, p. 116.

\* **Henry Scott.**

\* **George Scott.**

\* **William Scott.**

\* **Mary Scott** (d.1598) who married Richard Argall (c.1533-1588), esquire, of East Sutton, Kent, by whom she was the mother of Sir Samuel Argall (1580-1626), cousin of Sir Thomas Smith, governor of the Virginia Company. See the *ODNB* entry for Sir Samuel Argall:

*Argall, Sir Samuel (bap. 1580, d. 1626), colonial governor and merchant, was baptized on 4 December 1580 at Holy Trinity, East Peckham, Kent, the fourth son of Richard Argall (c.1533–1588), politician, and his third wife, Mary Scott (d. 1598). Under his father's will Samuel received just £10 annually, so he sought a marine career. Having exploited family ties with the Osbornes and Bakers, prominent respectively in Levantine shipping and shipbuilding, he was later entrusted with a captaincy by his Kentish cousin Sir Thomas Smith, governor of the Virginia Company. He sailed from Portsmouth on 5 May 1609 with instructions to sail for Jamestown via Barbuda and to take sturgeon to the colonists. However, he pursued a shorter route from the Azores past Bermuda. Before venturing inside the Carolina Banks for sturgeon he sold the colonists his ship's spare biscuit and wine. He left for London on 31 August 1609 having deposited the fish but reserving the caviar for subsequent sale.*

*On arriving back in Jamestown on 6 June 1610 with Governor Thomas West, Baron De La Warr, Argall was ordered with Sir George Somers to procure pigs from Bermuda. Beset by storms, his ship, Discovery, was driven northwards to Cape Cod. William*

*Strachey noticed that he fished successfully and surveyed the coast 'drawing the plottes thereof as he steered homewards', reaching the Cape Charles anchorage on 31 August. Strachey also noted that Argall's survey included tribal village names, potential salt-pans, and a mine of lead and antimony. Argall later gave the Discovery's journal to Richard Hakluyt, before Samuel Purchas published it in Purchas his Pilgrimes (1625).*

See the History of Parliament entry for Richard Argall at:

<https://www.historyofparliamentonline.org/volume/1558-1603/member/argall-richard-1533-88>

\* **Elizabeth Scott**, who married William Heyman.

\* **Ursula Scott**, who married Lawrence Rooke.

\* **Margaret Scott**, who married Thomas Rooke.

See Richardson, Douglas, *Magna Carta Ancestry*, 2<sup>nd</sup> ed., 2011, Vol. IV, pp. 1-3; the *ODNB* entries for Sir John Baker (c.1489-1558), Sir Richard Baker (c.1568-1645), and Sir Brian Tuke; and the History of Parliament entry for John Baker (c.1531-c.1604) at:

<http://www.historyofparliamentonline.org/volume/1509-1558/member/baker-john-ii-1531-16046>.

See also the History of Parliament entry for the testator's eldest son and heir, Sir Thomas Scott, at:

<http://www.historyofparliamentonline.org/volume/1558-1603/member/scott-sir-thomas-1535-94>

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

In the entails in the will below, the testator mentions his nephew, 'Reynold Scott, son and heir of my brother, Richard Scott, deceased', i.e., Reginald Scott (d.1599), author of *The Discovery of Witchcraft*. See Brinsley, Nicholson, ed., *The Discoverie of Witchcraft*, (London: Elliot Stock, 1886), pp. xxiv, xxvi at:

<https://archive.org/stream/discoverieofwitc00scot#page/n33/mode/2up>

RM: T{estamentum} Reginaldi Scott mi{li}t{is}

[f. 299r] In the name of God, Amen. The fourth day of September in the year of Our Lord God a thousand five hundred fifty-four and in the first and second years of the reign

of Philip and Mary by the grace of God King and Queen of England, France, Naples, Jerusalem and Ireland, Defenders of the Faith, Princes of Spain and Sicily, Archdukes of Austria, Dukes of Milan, Burgundy and Brabant, Counties of Hapsburg, Flanders and Tyrol, I, Reynold Scott, knight, of Smeeth in the county of Kent, do make, ordain and declare this my present testament and last will in manner and form following:

First I bequeath my soul unto Almighty God, my Creator and Redeemer, and my body to be buried in the parish church where I shall happen to die or where it shall be thought most meet by the discretion of my executors;

Item, I bequeath to the reparations of the church of Smeeth forty shillings;

Item, I will that there shall be distributed amongst the poor people of Smeeth aforesaid by my executors £3 6s 8d;

Item, I give in like wise to the poor people of the parish of Brabourne & Bircholt, amongst them 40s;

Item, I give to the poor people within the parish of Aldington 40s;

Item, to the poor people within the parish of Mersham 40s;

Item, to the poor people within the parish of Selling and Stansford 40s;

Item, to the poor people within the parishes of Horton and Postling 40s;

Item, to the poor people within the parish of Orlaston 20s;

Item, I bequeath to Mary, my wife, one hundred pounds in money, to be paid to her by my executors within one quarter of a year next after my decease;

Also I will that my said wife shall have all her apparel and jewels, that is to say, rings, chains and all other things belonging to her body;

Item, I give and bequeath to every of my daughters, that is to say, Katherine, Anne, Mary, Elizabeth, Ursula and Margaret, to either of them towards their marriage two hundred pounds if the profits of my lands will thereunto extend within fifteen years after my decease; if not, then I will they shall have but two hundred marks apiece toward their marriage, to be paid to either of them when she or they shall come to the age of 20 years if she or they be not before then married;

And if they or either of them shall happen before then to be married, then she so married shall be paid the said sum of two hundred pounds at the day of her marriage;

And if any of them die before she or they do come to the age of 20 years, not being married, then the payment of the said two hundred pounds given to her so dying unmarried shall cease and not be paid;

Also I will that my executors have the custody of Katherine, Anne, Mary, Elizabeth, Ursula and Margaret, my daughters, until they be and shall come unto the age of twenty years if they be so long unmarried, and they to have yearly four pounds for every of them to find them withal;

Provided always that if Mistress Brent, the wife of Robert Brent, esquire, will keep the said Anne, my daughter, I will that she shall have the keeping of her until the said age of 20 years, and she to have yearly paid her so long as she shall keep her by my executors four pounds;

Item, I will that my executors shall have the lease of all such manors, lands and tenements, rents and services with their appurtenances that I have of my sister [=sister-in-law], Dame Anne Pollard, paying to her and her assigns the rent reserved according to the indentures made between her and me, and the overplus thereof they to have to the performance of this my present testament and last will;

Item, I will that my executors shall have my lease of the park of Aldington, and they to pay the farm thereof, and of the overplus thereof my executors shall pay unto my aunt, Elizabeth Pympe, five pound of lawful money yearly during her natural life at two terms in the year, that is to say, at the feast of the Annunciation of Our Lady and Saint Michael the Archangel, and the first payment to begin at the feast of Saint Michael the Archangel or the Annunciation of Our Lady that shall happen to be next after my decease;

And in like manner to pay unto my two sisters, Alice and Elizabeth, four marks apiece of lawful money yearly during their lives in like manner and form as is before expressed unto mine Aunt Pympe, so that they will be ordered by my executors;

And in like manner to pay unto John Strogull, my servant, five pounds of lawful money yearly during his life at the said feasts in like manner and form as is before expressed unto mine Aunt Pympe;

Item, I will they shall pay unto Robert Wikes, my servant, 40s of lawful money yearly during his life in like manner and form as is before expressed unto mine Aunt Pympe;

Item I will that my executors shall pay unto George Scott, my son, when he shall come to the age of 21 years, two hundred pounds. or else if they can purchase ten pounds yearly in lands, then they make or cause to be made an estate of inheritance unto the same George, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten, the remainder thereof unto Thomas Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten, with such other like remainders as the lands be hereafter in this my present will given to my other sons;

Item, I will that my executors shall pay unto William Scott, my son, when he shall come to the age of 21 years two hundred pounds, or else if the[y] can purchase ten pounds yearly in lands, then they make or cause to be made an estate of inheritance unto the same William Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten, the remainder thereof unto Thomas Scott, my son, and to the heirs [f. 299v] males of his body lawfully begotten, with such other like remainder as the lands be hereafter in this my present will given to my other sons;

Item, I will that Brian, my son, be in the keeping and custody of Dame Mary, my wife, and she to have yearly paid her by my executors five pounds until he come to the age of 21 years if she do keep him so long;

Item, I will that Charles, Henry, George and William, my sons, shall be in the keeping of my executors, and they to find them to school and they to be reasonably allowed for their charges;

Item, I [-I] will to my said Aunt, Elizabeth Pympe, five marks of lawful money to be paid her by my executors within one month next after my decease;

Item, I give to John Paterson, my servant, 20s;

Item, I give to Robert Wikes, my servant, 40s to be paid to him when he shall be of the age of 20 years;

Item, I will and give all my household stuff and plate wholly unto my son, Thomas Scott, to be preserved and kept within my house at Hall for him and to his use;

Item, I give unto my said son, Thomas Scott, all my evidences, escripts, muniments, court rolls and rentals and all other writings whatsoever now remaining and being within my two studies or closets at Hall touching and concerning all such manors, lands, tenements, rents and services the which I have given unto the said Thomas Scott, my son, in and by this my present testament and last will, and that all the said evidences, escripts, muniments, court rolls and rentals and other writings now being in the said studies or closets shall abide and remain there still, and not to be taken away or removed, but there to be preserved and kept for and to the use of him as shall fortune to be my eldest son and heir of the same house when he shall come to the age of 21 years;

Provided always and my will is my said executors shall have authority to alter and change such of the same my stuff (except my bedding, testers, and hangings of verdure or tapestry) as they shall think meet, so always they leave to be delivered to my said son, Thomas, so much of other stuff of that sort so changed was;

The residue of all my goods, chattels, plate and ready money before not given or bequeathed I will that Sir John Baker, knight, and Thomas Scott, my son, shall have it to pay my debts and bequests, the which said Sir John Baker, knight, and the said Thomas

Scott, my son, I do ordain and make to be my executors of this my present testament and last will;

Provided always and my very mind and will is that when my executors have paid, discharged and performed all my debts, bequests, funeral expenses and all other charges that they shall be at by reason that they be my executors, that if there remain any money, household stuff, plate, leases or any other movable goods in their hands that were mine, that then they deliver that that shall remain unto the said Thomas Scott, my son, or to him that then shall fortune to be mine heir and owner of my said manor of Hall;

Item, I will that Dame Mary, my wife, and the said Thomas Scott, my son, shall have my manor of Hall together with the lands thereto belonging, the which were late in the occupying of Richard Andrews, until the feast of Saint Michael the Archangel next after that the said Thomas Scott, my son, shall be of the full age of 21 years, paying unto the said Sir John Baker, knight, for the yearly farm thereof yearly £20 of lawful money of England at two several feasts in the year, that is to say, at the feast of the Annunciation of Our Lady and Saint Michael the Archangel by even portions towards the performance of this my present testament and last will;

Provided always and my very mind and will is that if the same Dame Mary, my wife, do marry or fortune to decease at any time before the said Thomas Scott, my son, shall come and be of the age of 21 years, then the said grant and lease of her part of the said manor of Hall and the said lands to cease and be void, and she to have the occupying of some of the household stuff such as shall be thought needful for her during the time that shall be thought meet by my said executors, and she to receive the same by an inventory indented, and she to be bound to my executors before the receipt thereof for the safe redelivery again of the same to my said executors in as good case as she did receive it, saving the reasonable wear thereof;

Item, I give to Isabel Blachenden, my servant, to her marriage ten pounds.

#### *Vltima voluntas eiusdem Reginaldi*

And as touching the disposition of my lands and tenements, first I will that according to agreement made between Sir John Baker, knight, and me, Sir Reynold Scott, knight, for the marriage of Thomas, my son, and Elizabeth, the daughter of the said Sir John Baker, knight, I will and my very mind is that after the solemnization and marriage had and made between the said parties and also carnal copulation between them, that the said Thomas Scott and Elizabeth shall have and hold for term of their lives and of the longest liver of them for and in the name of the jointure of the said Elizabeth the manor of Orlanston with the appurtenances within the county of Kent with all such lands, tenements and hereditaments as Richard Androwe now hath and holdeth to farm amounting to the clear yearly value of forty pounds by year over and above all charges and reprises, and to the heirs males of the body of the said Thomas on the body of the said Elizabeth lawfully begotten, and for default of such issue the remainder thereof to

the heirs males of the body of the said Thomas Scott lawfully begotten, with such remainder as shall be hereafter declared;

And also I will that the said Thomas and Elizabeth, after the said marriage and carnal knowledge had and after the decease of Dame Anne Pollard, shall have the manors of Stretchlande and Bircholt with the appurtenances of the yearly value of £15, and as much or as many of the lands of the manor of Combe with the appurtenances as shall be to the clear yearly value of £11 13s 4d for term of their lives and of the longest liver of them, and to the heirs males of the body of the said Thomas on the body of the said Elizabeth lawfully begotten;

And for default of such issue the remainders of the said manors of Orlaston, Bircholt, Strechelande and as much of the said manor of Combe as will amount to the yearly value of £11 13s 4d with the appurtenances to the heirs males of the body of the said Thomas, my son, lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the said manors, lands and other the premises with the appurtenances shall remain unto Brian Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Charles Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Henry Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto George Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof to William Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of [f. 300r] such issue the remainder thereof unto Reynold Scott, son and heir of my brother, Richard Scott, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, son and heir of Edward Scott, my uncle, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto the right heirs of me, the said Reynold Scott, knight, forever;

Item, I will that my executors by the space of fifteen years after my decease have and receive the profits of all those marshlands lying in the parish of Snavé and Ivechurch within the said county of Kent called Grange Lands, Mylbanks, the Nine Acres, Popeland and Phillipps containing by estimation 76 [+acres?] of land, and of all my lands and

tenements lying in the parish of Aldington called Stonestede lying within the tenure of the court of Pulton to and for the performance of this my testament and last will;

And I will that my executors shall have power and authority to sell all my woods which grow or shall grow during the same time upon the said lands, and they to save the springs thereof, and after the said 15 years I will that Charles Scott, my son, shall have all the said marshland lying in the said parishes of Snave and Ivechurch, to have and to hold to him and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue, the remainder thereof unto Thomas Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Brian Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Henry Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue, the remainder thereof unto George Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Reynold Scott, son and heir of my brother, Richard Scott, deceased, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, son and heir of Edward Scott, mine uncle, deceased, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto the next heirs of me, the said Sir Reynold Scott, knight, forever;

Also I will that after the said 15 years that the said Henry Scott, my son, shall have all my said lands and tenements lying and being in the said parish of Aldington called Stonestede, and also after the decease of Dame Mary, my wife, the said Henry Scott, my son, shall have the manor of Scimpenden with all the lands and tenements thereto belonging lying and being in the parish of Bilsington and in the tenure of the court of Saltwood, to have and to hold the said manor and all the said lands and tenements with the appurtenances unto the said Henry Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Thomas Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

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And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Brian Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Charles Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto George Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Reynold Scott, son and heir of my brother, Richard Scott, deceased, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, son and heir of Edward Scott, mine uncle, deceased, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto the right heirs of me, the said Reynold Scott, knight, forever;

Also I will that my executors shall have, receive and take the issues and profits of my manor of Orlanston with the appurtenances until carnal copulation be had between the said Thomas Scott, my son, and the said Elizabeth, and to have full power and authority to set and let to farm the same manor with the appurtenances during the said time;

Also I will that my executors shall have, receive and take the issues and profits of my manors of Capell and Heanden with the appurtenances by the space of 15 years, and to have full power and authority to set and let to farm the same manors during the said term of 15 years, (except all the third part of all my lands holden of the King and the Queen, the which third part I have excepted and do not declare thereof my will because they shall descend unto my heir, so that if I chance to die, my heir being within the age of 21 years, that the King and the Queen's Majesties may have the said third part in ward with mine heir according to the statute for declarations of wills late made);

And I will that after the said 15 years be expired, Thomas Scott, my son, shall have my manors of Capell and Heanden together with all the lands thereunto belonging within the county of Kent with the appurtenances, to have and to hold the same manors and lands with the appurtenances unto the said Thomas Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Brian Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Charles Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

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And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Henry Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto George Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Reynold Scott, son and heir of Richard Scott, my brother, deceased, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, son and heir of Edward Scott, mine uncle, deceased, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto the right heirs of me, the said Reynold Scott, knight, forever;

Item, I will that Dame Mary, my wife, shall have my messuage called Merewood and all the lands thereunto belonging set, lying and being in the parish of Newington in the said county for term of her natural life, and after the decease of the same Dame Mary, my wife, I will that Brian Scott, my son, shall have the said messuage called Merewood with all the lands thereunto belonging, to have and to hold to him and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Charles Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Henry Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto George Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Thomas Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such [f. 300v] issue the remainder thereof unto Reynold Scott, son and heir of Richard Scott, my brother, deceased, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

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And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, son and heir of Edward Scott, mine uncle, deceased, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto the right heirs of me, the said Reynold Scott, knight, forever;

Item, I will that after the decease of Dame Mary, my wife, my manor of Thevegate with all the lands and tenements thereunto belonging with their appurtenances lying and being within the parish of Smeeth and Aldington or elsewhere within the county of Kent belonging or appertaining unto the said manor shall remain unto Thomas Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Brian Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Charles Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Henry Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto George Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto the heirs males of me, the said Sir Reynold Scott, knight, and the said Dame Mary, my wife, lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Reynold Scott, son and heir of Richard Scott, my brother, deceased, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, son and heir of Edward Scott, mine uncle, deceased, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto the right heirs of me, the said Sir Reynold Scott, knight, forever;

Provided always that if the said Dame Mary, my wife, do decease before my said son, Thomas Scott, or any other of my sons that shall fortune to be my eldest son do come to the age of 21 years, then I will that my executors shall receive and take the issues and profits of all the said manor of Thevegate together with all the said lands and tenements to the said manor belonging with the appurtenances unto [=until] the said Thomas Scott, my son, or any other of my sons that shall fortune to be my eldest son shall come and be of his said age of 21 years to the performance of this my present testament and last will;

And further I will that after the decease of Dame Anne Pollard, my sister [=sister-in-law], that my executors shall receive and take the issues and profits of my manors of Brabourne, Combe, Hall, Bircholt and Strecheland with all such lands and tenements with the appurtenances which she holdeth for term of her life (except as much thereof as I have before assigned unto the said Elizabeth for term of her life only) until such time as my executors have performed and fulfilled this my present testament and last will, saving unto the King's Majesty and the Queen's Majesty the third part thereof according to the statute thereof provided until my eldest son come unto his full age of 21 years;

And after my said last will and testament performed, I will all the said manors, lands and tenements with the appurtenances shall remain unto Thomas Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Brian Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Charles Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Henry Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto George Scott, my son, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully [-lawfully] begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, my son, and to the heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto the heirs males of me, the said Reynold Scott, knight, and the said Dame Mary, my wife, lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto Reynold Scott, son and heir of Richard Scott, my brother, deceased, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto William Scott, son and heir of Edward Scott, mine uncle, deceased, and to his heirs males of his body lawfully begotten;

And for lack of such issue the remainder thereof unto the right heirs of me, the said Reynold Scott, knight, forever;

Provided always and my very mind and will is that if there be anything in this my present testament and last will contained otherwise than the law will bear or suffer, then I will it be reformed, corrected, amended and made according to the law by the said my executors and their learned counsel in the law;

These being present witnesses: John Blechinden, John Barowe, Richard Master, John Strogull, William Langdon, William Hilles and Richard Androwe. Reynold Scott.

Probatum fuit Suprascriptum Testamentum Coram Mag<sup>ist</sup>ro Will<sup>el</sup>mo Cooke legum Doctore curie Prerogatiue Cantuar<sup>iensis</sup> Custode siue Commissar<sup>io</sup> Sede Archiep<sup>isco</sup>pali ib<sup>ide</sup>m tunc vacante Decimo tertio die mens<sup>is</sup> februar<sup>ij</sup> Anno D<sup>omi</sup>ni Mill<sup>es</sup>imo Quingentesimo quinquagesimo quinto Iuramento Edmundi Brudenell procuratoris executor<sup>orum</sup> in h<sup>uius</sup>mo<sup>d</sup>i testamento nominat<sup>orum</sup> Ac approbatum et insinuatum Et Commissa fuit administracio o<sup>mn</sup>i<sup>u</sup>m bonor<sup>um</sup> etc D<sup>i</sup>c<sup>t</sup>i def<sup>uncti</sup> prefatis executoribus De bene etc administrand<sup>o</sup> eadem Ac de pleno Inuentario etc exhibend<sup>o</sup> Ad sancta dei euangelia Iurat<sup>i</sup>

[=The above-written testament was proved before Master William Cooke, Doctor of the Laws, Keeper or Commissary of the Prerogative Court of Canterbury, the Archiepiscopal seat now being vacant, on the thirteenth day of the month of February in the year of the Lord the thousand five hundred fifty-fifth by the oath of Edmund Brudenell, proctor of the executors named in the same testament, and probated and entered, and administration was granted of all the goods etc. of the said deceased to the forenamed executors, sworn on the Holy Gospels to well administer the same etc., and to exhibit a full inventory.]