

WILL OF PETER COLSONSACKE ACC CKS PRC17/44 / 313 BRIDGE KENT 1582/83

In the name of God Amen the XVIIIth day of Marche in the year of our Lord a thousand five hundredth fower skooore and two. And in the XXVth yeare of the reigne of our sovereigne lady Quene Elyzabeth, I Peter Colsonsack of the paryshe of Brydgc in the Countye of Kente yeoman being syck in my bodye and in good and perfect remembrance prayse be given to god doe make and ordayne this my last wyll and testamente in manner and forme following. Fyrst and before all other things I remytte my soule into the handes of almighty god, acknowledging mye manyfolde offences committed against his devyne maiesty, and trusting in his infinite mercye To have forgyvenes of the same, and to be one of the number of his electe, And I wyll mye bodye to be buryed in the Churche of Brydgc aforsayde. Item, I wyll for my burying in the Churche as much as order dothe require to be given, Requyrynge Mr Parteyge's good wyll and Goodman Bargrose with the residence of my neighbour To lye in the Churche of the parish aforesaid paying therefore. Item, my wyll is to have a sermon paying therefore tenne shyllings to be payde ,made by Mr Fountayne .

Item I gyve to the poore of Brydgc tenne shillings to be distributed where most neede it, as shall seeme good to my executor and overseer. Item I will to the reparatyon of Brydgc steeple tenne shillings which is nowe owinge unto me by the parishioners of the same paryshe.

Item I gyve unto Susanne my daughter twenty pounds Item I give unto Joanne my daughter twenty pounds But if it happen anye of them dye beinge unmarried, the otheer to be her heyre. And if yt happen they bothe shall dye unmarried to remayne unto my wyef. And if my wyef shall dye my daughters lvyng and beinge unmarried ,and afterwards shall dye beinge unmarried to remayne to mye three sonnes and equallye to be devyded. Item I wyll my daughter Susanne tenne pounds of her money at one and twentye yeares of age, the other at three and twenty years of age. Item I wyll my daughter Jone tenne pounds of her money at one and twentye yearse of age, the reste likewise at XXIII years of age. Item I wyll unto my wyef the profett of all my lands and tenements lyenge and beinge In the paryshes of Brydgc, Neyther Hardres and Upper Hardres. Term of her lyef paying to everyone of mye three sonnes twenty shillings a peece yearlye. The yeare beginning at Mychaelmas nexte comminge being yeare of our Lord 1583 Item I wyll yf anye part or parcell of the same money which shall be dewe unto anye of my three sonnes, to be behynde and unpayed in parte or in all in the which it ought to be payed it shall be lawful for either of them to strayne the landes lyenge and being in the parish of Upper Hardres. Item I wyll unto my wyef all my goods and moveables discharging my debts legacies and funeralls. Item I gyve unto John Brabson a cowe to be delivered unto him at my wyefs dyscretyon. Item I give unto everyone of my godchildren a XlId a peece. Item I wyll to Roberte my sonne and to his heyre or heyres males for ever all my landes and tenements lyenge and beinge in the parysshes of Brydgc and Nether Hardres after my wyves decease paying unto my son Wylyam fourtye shillings a year forever by the like cause of dystresse as aforesaid wrote of his lands before named. Item my wyll ys yf the saide Roberte my sonne shall dye without heyre or heyres male of his bodye lawfully begotten To remayne to Wylyam my sonne and his heyre or heyres male for ever. Further if my sonne Wylyam shall dye without heyre or heyres male of his bodye lawfully begotten To remayne to my sonne Rychard and his heyre or heyres male for ever. Item I wyll yf my three sonnes shall dye without heyres males of their bodies lawfully begotten, to remayne to next heyre and soe to contynewe. Item I gyve unto my sonne Rycharde and to his heyres males of his bodye lawfully begotten for ever all my landes and tenements lyenge and beinge in the paryshe of Upper Hardres after my wiefs decease. Item yf my sonne Rychard shall dye without heyre or heyres male of his bodye lawfully begotten To remayne unto my sonne Wylyam and his heyre or heyres male forever [deleted sentence follows]..... Item yf my sonne Wylyam shall dye without heyre or heyres male of his body lawfully begotten, to remayne to my sonne Roberte and his heyre or heyres male of his body lawfully begotten forever. Item my wyll is yf my three sonnes shall dye without heyres males of their bodies lawfully begotten, To remayne to the next heyre and soe to contynue. Item I wyll unto John Brabson my sonne in lawe eight pounds of the which I wyll fourtyne shillings to be payde within one month after my decease. Item I wyll that my tennante Austin shall contynue fower years in the house which he now dwelleth. Item I wyll gyve and bequethe unto Amye my wyef the profett of one lease bought of Roberte Bennett term of his lyfe on condycyon that she not sell yt. And after her decease to remayne to mye sonne Roberte Item I doe make and appoynte Amye my wyef myne sole executrix, And Wylyam my sonne with John Burten myne overseers. Teste Richard Fountayne clerico vicaris. Teste George Austen, Teste Valentine Austen, Goodman Burten's mark and Goodwyef Colsonsack her mark.

Item I wyll unto my sonne Robert twentye shillings to be payed within one year after my decease. Item I wyll unto Thomas Brabsob my sonne in law VI s VIII d. Item I wyll unto Joane Brabson my daughter in

law VI s VIII d. Item I wyll to my overseers XXVI s VIII d equallye to be devyded. Item I gyve unto Margaret Marley VI s VIII d within one monthe nexte after my decease.

Agreed with the original

Probatum .....??Stephano Lakes (Doctor of law and official of the Court of Arches of Canterbury) 12 day of the month of June 1583 witnessed by John Burten and George Austen, .....? To execute give to Amie Colsonsack alone.

(Typed copy of a handwritten transcript.)  
( Photocopy of will also available).

Daphne Argent May 2004.







gite unto Anne my wyfe whome I ordaine and make my  
executrix of this my present testamente and laste will  
vppon condicions that she shall paye my debts, and see  
me conserved and my justes payed.

**Thus I will** that of me the saide Anne  
renewe the possession of all my landes tenementes and  
hereditamentes in the Countrey of Kent full sayde  
unto my wyfe Anne my honse and landes at Surinnes  
and in the parryshe of St. Martin none in her owne  
of John the wythe thappententarys for terme of her  
life. **And** after her decease in consideration that my eldest  
sonne John ys all redye by the legarye and gifte of  
my father in lawe John the wythe deceased sufficiente  
provyded for of the honse wherin I now dwell in the  
parryshe of budge, I will and gite unto my sonne  
somme Thomas and to the hertes of hys lady lawfullye  
begotten my sayde honse and landes at Surinnes. **And**  
if the saide Thomas happen to dye withoute  
issue of hys lady lawfullye begotten. **Then** I will  
my sayde honse and landes at Surinnes with  
thappententarys shall remayne unto my sayde sonne  
John and the hertes of hys lady lawfullye begotten.

Strabon

**And** for defaulte of y<sup>e</sup> issue of the hertes of my said  
sonne John lawfullye begotten. **Then** I will the  
same my honse and landes with thappententarys  
shall remayne unto Jane my daughter and to the  
hertes of hys lady lawfullye begotten. **And** if yt  
happen my sayde hertes to dye withoute  
issue of their ladyes lawfullye begotten. **Then** I  
will that my sayde wyfe John Dugon of budge  
tamer and Thomas Yonge of y<sup>e</sup> same husbandrie  
or two of them shall see my sayde honse and landes  
with thappententarys for the next monye they  
can. **And** of the monye beinge remaininge  
they shall bestowe fortye shillings for the mendinge  
of the hysse waye in the same parryshe and  
and thurtye poundes to be gived unto my sayde wyfe  
Anne to have to bestowe at her pleasure. **And**  
the hertes to be bestowed vppon the reparacion of budge  
tamer. **And** the residue of the monye remaininge  
of the sale of the sayde housse and landes I gite and  
bestowe unto my brothere and systers equallye to  
be divided amongst them. **And** if yet for terme my  
sayde wyfe the saide John Dugon and Thomas  
Yonge to dye before all my sayde thre children shall  
dye withoute issue of their ladyes lawfullye  
begotten. **Then** I will and desire that the same  
of the Chapter of Christchurch in Cantuarie  
for the tyme beinge do see my sayde honse and  
landes for the next monye they can. **And** of the  
monye beinge remaininge to be bestowe fortye shillings  
in reparacion the sayde landes as ys before sayde. **And**  
towards the reparacion of budge tamer.



fardes. Thynne poynted to be distributed amongest  
 my sayde wife, rethoven, and thyn rethoven, and for  
 we shal be be stoned amongest my sayd brithers  
 and sisters and thyn rethoven in forme aforesayde.  
**Item** I have unto my sayde wyfe for tyme of her  
 lyfe, my fowrte parte and pynnyfte to me belonnyng  
 of the same poynt, Landes, and tenes at cherted, in  
 the same aforesayde none, in contempnyng of Henry  
 Spynne. **And** of my sayde wyfe be nede to make  
 then I shall be dead after her deathe of my  
 sayde wyfe shall have to him and to his heires for ever  
 the same parte and pynnyfte. **And** of my sayde  
 wyfe be not wyte make then I shall and give  
 the same parte and pynnyfte after her deathe of my  
 sayde wyfe unto my sayde daughter Jane; and to her  
 heires for ever. **In witness** whereof I the sayde  
 Henry to this my present laste will and testamēt  
 have putt my seale, my seale, and some of my lawfull  
 Henry the first, Roger the first, Robert  
 Demetrius marke, William Clauke, marke, John  
 Parter

Crabson

**Probatione facta**  
 pro supra  
 scriptum testamentum dicitur  
 ultimae voluntate supradictae die  
 mensis Decembris Anno Domini  
 millesimo quingentesimo nono  
 Regni Marie et Roberti demetrii  
 tertii octavo et appellatione  
 offomio et Eximium et Invas  
 et dat et

**I**n the name of god Amen I Robert  
 Henry of the parson of brocklande make and  
 ordene this my laste will and testamente as in  
 manner and forme followinge. **First** I bequeath  
 my soule to almyghty god, and to all the holye  
 companye of heauen; and I bequeath to my  
 sayde wife Jane of brocklande before my deathe  
 made the firste daye of April in the yere of  
 our lordes god a thousand four hundred and  
 my some my three silver poyntes, one wyght kelle  
 three knyghtes, and thre handes byrke, one bayster  
 to be all named at the distreyshon of Robert ydell  
 and John Sylls of the same, so that my some be not  
 well kepte, that then they, or all have power to take  
 and do what they thinke best wiche they shal see  
 for good. **All** the residue of my goodes and ratable  
 frehold and gylde to be set my wyfe to have  
 my selfe executour to this my laste will and testamēt  
**And** of my wyfe be wyte make to a man make

Norris

Sheet 1.  
Colsonsacke.

Peter Colsonsacke — Julian Lion ①  
b. m. 20.10.1559(Ho)  
d. - . 5.1583 (WILL - Yeoman of Brydge)  
bd 16.10.1580(NON) (Julian Colsonne)

② Amie Brabson  
(widow of Henry Brabson)  
(died 1564)  
(WILL PRC 17.37/11)  
\* (3 children  
Jane (Joane), John, Thomas)  
d. ?

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(Birth order not proven.)

Robert  
(inherited property  
at Brydge and  
Nether Hardes  
after mother's death.)  
?

William  
(income  
from  
estate  
- overseer  
of will)

Richard  
(inherited property  
at Upper Hardes  
after mother's  
death.)  
?  
(died 1613  
WILL.)

Susanne  
b. (after 1562)  
£20  
m. 13.9.1587  
(Lower Hardes)  
(Harye Bartlett)

Joane  
b. (after 1562)  
£20  
?  
died 1598  
Patricbourne  
(WILL).

- ① m. 9.2.1589 (BK)  
(Elizabeth Longley.)
  - ② m. 31.8.1603 (MGT)  
(Sara Epps.)
- (more details  
available.)

Sheet 2

\*  
(mentioned in  
Colsonsacke will  
as sons and  
daughter in law.  
(step children))

Amie exec to  
Peter. C s. WILL.

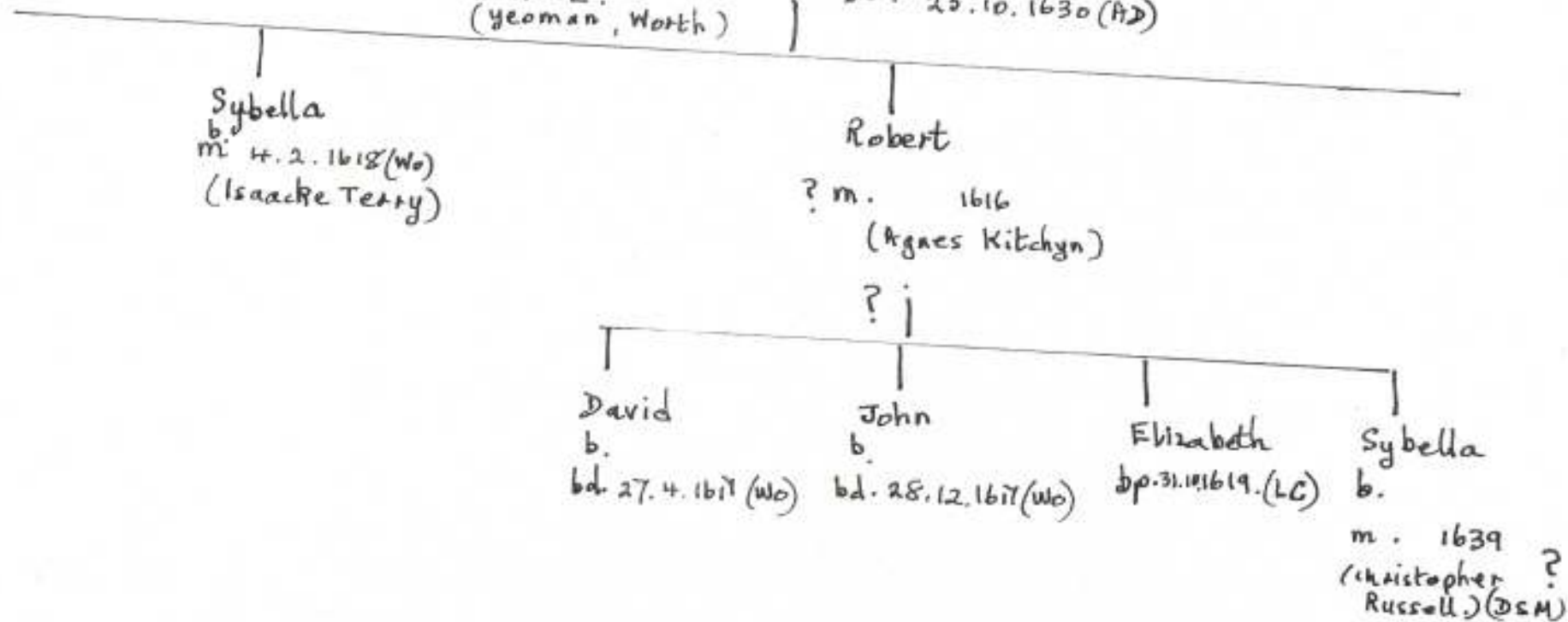
A John Brabson was buried at  
Bridge 7.7.1582. Other  
Brabsons at Kingston.

Key to Parishes

- BK = Bekebourne
- NON = Nonington
- Ho = Hoath.
- MGT. = St. Margaret's  
Canterbury.

Sheet 2.  
Colsonsacke  
6/02.

\* Robert Coullhesonnsacke — Sara Epps (2)  
(of Ickham)  
m. 31.8.1603 (MGT and Wingham)  
bd. 25.10.1630 (AD)  
m.  
d. 1618-20  
WILL.  
(yeoman, Worth)



Key:  
Wo = Worth  
MGT = St. Margaret  
Canterbury  
AD = Adisham  
LC = Little Chart  
DSM = Dover St.  
M...

\* See sheet i.