

Prerogative Court of Canterbury and related Probate Jurisdictions: Will Registers, PROB 11/149/559.

Abstract of the Will of Samuell Backhouse of the Parish of Swallowfield in the County of Berks, Esquire, written 8 Jun 1626, proved 4 Jul 1626.

Gives to **his wife** all his cattle and stock. He also gives her use of his plate and household stuff for the term of her natural life, returning to his executor after his decease.

Gives £100 to **his daughter's daughter, Ann Chester.**

Gives £20 to his faithful servant John Wright.

Gives £10 to his ancient servant John Webb.

Gives £5 to his servant Francis Jenings.

Gives £5 to the poor of Swallowfield.

Gives 40 shillings to the poor of the parish of Wokingham.

Gives 20 shillings to the poor of the town of Reading.

All the rest of his goods and chattels he gives to **his eldest son Sir John Backhouse, Knight**, whom he appoints sole executor of his last will and testament.

Witnesses: John Handman, John Wright, John Webb