



Inquisition

Purton

William Bathe

Inquisition taken at Devizes, 16th August, 1 Charles I [1625], before *Nicholas Yonge*, gent., escheator, by virtue of his office, after the death of *William Bathe*, by the oath of *William Longe*, gent., *Robert Langford*, *Thomas Yerbury*, *William Wilkins*, *John Stokes*, *John Tellinge*, *Thomas Ruty*, *John Davys*, *John Stephens*, *John Mintie*, *William Stileman*, *Daniel Deverell*, and *Matthew Hulbert*, who say that

William Bathe was seised of one messuage and of divers lands, arable, meadow, and pasture, thereto belonging, late in the tenure of *Richard Bathe*, father of the said *William*, situate in Pirton, and late parcel of the manor of Pirton Kaynes.

So seised, the said *William* made his will 7th December, 1610, and thereby gave the said premises to *Richard Bathe*, his second son, and to his heirs; for default, then to *Henry Bathe*, brother of the said *William*, and to his heirs; for default, to the heirs of the body of *Richard Bathe*, son of *John Bathe*, brother of the said *William Bathe*; for default, to *William Bathe*, son of *Anthony Bathe*, brother of the said *William*, and to his heirs; and lastly, for default, to the right heirs of the said *Richard*, son of the said *William*, for ever. The testator appointed the said *Henry Bathe*, his brother, to educate the said *Richard Bathe*, his son, until his age of 21, and in the meantime the said *Henry* was to occupy the said premises, allowing the said *Richard* his food, drink, and apparel, and all other necessities during the life of the said *Richard Bathe*, father of the said *William Bathe*, or else to pay yearly towards the education of the said *William* £5, and after the decease of the said *Richard*, the father, £10.

The said premises are held of the king in free socage, by fealty only, and not on chief or by knight's service, and are worth per ann., clear, 26s. 8d.

William Bathe died 8th April, 8 James I [1610], at Pirton; *Thomas Bathe* is his son and next heir, and was then aged 10 years 8 months and 22 days and not more.

The said *Henry Bathe* occupied the said premises and took the profits thereof according to the tenor of the said will.

Misc. Inq. p.m., 1 Charles I, pt. 14, No. 33. "Abstracts of Wiltshire Inquisitions Post Mortem," 1901, edited by George S. Fry & Edw. Alex Fry.