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The Accompte of Sara Sam[m]on/ widowe & Administratrix of ye goods & chattels/ of Henry Sam[m]on late of the p[ar]ishe of Milton/ al[ia]s Middleton next Sittingbourne in ye/ County of Kent deceased by her made and/ declared the xxjth day of the month of/ October in the year of o[ur] Lord God 1613/ of and uppon all and singular the goods/ Cattells chattells and debts as late were/ the said deceased his whiles he lived and since/ his death have come to the hands & possession/ of this accomptant by force and virtue of/ letters of Administrac[i]on of the said goods/ to her in that behalfe lawfully com[m]itted as/ followeth. That is to saye/

First this Accomptant doth chardge/ herselfe w[i]th all his goods cattalls and/ chattalls as late were the said deceased/ his whiles hee lived and since his/ death have come to the hands & possession/ of this accomptant by force and virtue/ of her I[e]t[er]s of administrac[i]on aforesaid/ w[hi]ch said goods and chattalls are speci=/ fyed and conteyned in an Inventary/ therof made and herunto annexed and/ the same beinge by honest men seene & indiferentlie apprized doe in the/ whole amount and extend unto

the/ som[m]e of

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Farther this accomptant since the/ death of Henry Sam[m]on her foresaid husband who was drowned <at sea> and ye/ ship or Catch wherof he was owner/ together w[i]th the men & goods lost as he/ was goinge towards London some fort=/ night after michaelmas in Anno d[[omi]ni/ 1612 hath receaved of [gap] Jones/ of London fruiterer due and oweinge/ by him unto the said deceased at the/ time of his death the som[m]e of

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Soe yt the whole som[m]e wher=/ w[i]th this Accomptant as/ administratrix of the goods/ & chattells of ye said deceased/ is in that behalfe chardgeable/ amounteth unto

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Out of w[hi]ch said fowerscorefive pounds and/ eighteene shillings this Accomptant humblye/ craveth to bee allowed all such sev[er]all som[m]es of/ monye as she hath alreadie paid and layed/ out or is heerafter necessarily to pay & laye/ out in and about the paiment of ye debts and/ Administrac[i]on of the goods of the said deceased/ and other necessarye occassons concerninge/ the same as followeth viz/

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Inprimis paid for the chardges of/ a Caveat w[hi]ch this Accomptant has/ by the advise of her Counsell entred/ for ye staye of the grant of the Adm[inistracion]/ of the said deceaseds goods unto any/ other till she her selfe Being then excee=/ dinge sicke should be able to travail/ to Canterbury to obtaine the same/ for her Procurators Councell & fee/ to enter ye said Caveat/

Item paid for the I[e]t[te]rs of administra=/ c[i]onof the goods of ye said deceased/ for registringe the Inventarie and/ ingrossinge ye same in p[ar]chment for/ the bond w[hi]ch this Accomptant enterd/ into in the office for the said ad[ministra[c[i]on and/ for her Procurators Counsell in yt/ behalfe the som[m]e of/

Item paid and layd out for the/ chardges of this Accomptant and her/ two suerties in travaylinge unto Can=/ terbury to obtaine the Administrac[i]on of the said deceaseds goods and to/ Bond as aforesaid for the same, the/ som[m]e of/

Item the aforesaid Henry Sam[m]on/ did in his life time and not longe/ before his death buy of one <Fookes> [Thomas - deleted]/ Taylor of Milton al[ia]s Middleton afore=/ said a house or ten[amen]t scituate in the said/ Towne for the som[m]e of lxxx li of lawfull/ english monie of w[h]ch said lxxx li/ the said deceased Henry Sam[m]on/ did in his life time pay and satisfy/ the one moyety beinge xl li and paid/ second and tried to paie the other/ xl li about the feast of Christmas/ in Anno D[omi]ni 1612 or else for nonpaym[en]t/ the said [Thomas - deleted] <Fookes> Tayler was to re=/ enter & to repossess the said ten[amen]t/ But the foresaid Henry Sam[m]on/ beinge (as is said) drowned at sea/ before the time that the said second/ or last paiment was to bee made/ this Accomptant to p[re]serve and keepe/ the said house from forfeiture was/ constreyned & did indeed [illegible]/ and trulye satisfy & paie unto the/ said [Thomas - deleted] <Fookes> Tayler the foresaid/ som[m]e of forty pounds residue of ye/ lxxxx li w[hi]ch was to be paied for/ the said house as aforesaid and ther=/ fore doth humbly praie to be againe/ allowed the said som[m]e of/

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Item the Catch wherin the said/ deceased Henry Sam[m]on was lost beinge/ a ship of good burthen and [illegible] was/ strucke or cast away w[i]thin 8 or 10 miles/ of Milton [illegible] such sort as [illegible]/ as that there was good hope that she/ might have beene againe weighed/ up and recovered (as in likelihood she/ had, if the stormes and windes w[hi]ch/ at that time exceedingly raged had/ not hindred the same) whereuppon/ this accomptant by the advice of her/ frends and the most expert saylers in/ the Towne attempted & endevored/ to save her and to that purpose hired/ a Catch and div[er]se seafarringe men/ to the number of xxiij or thereabouts/ who for the space of 4 or 5 dayes to=/ gether laboured exceedingly & tooke/ great paines in the busines not w[i]thout/ much hope that they should indede have/ weighed her up. In w[hi]ch said enterprise/ this accomptant layed out and/ disbursed [deletion] eight pounds at the/ least as she can & is ready to shew/ by other p[ar]ticular Accompts of her/ said Chardge and as may be easily/ coniectured by the tediousnes <danger> and/ difficulty of such a busines, in regard/ wherof the master or owner of the/ foresaid Catch had xxxs for his paines,/ ev[er]ye day duringe the time of their/said imployment, beside their dyett/ and all other necessary chardges w[hi]ch/ are incident to such a worke. And therfore this Accomptant humbly/ prayeth to bee allowed the aforesaid/ som[m]e of

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Item paid unto William Bailye of/ Chattham Ropemaker for debte due/ and oweinge unto him by the said/ deceased at the time of his death/ for Ropes,oares and other tackling/ w[hi]ch he had of him in his life, the/ som[m]e of

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Item paid unto William Adams of/ Rochester Barber for mendinge a/ nett of the said deceaseds apprized/ in the Inventary of his goods herunto/ annexed by the name of the Stalegeare/ and due and oweinge unto him by/ the said deceased at the tyme of/ his death, the som[m]e of

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tem paid unto [gap] Browne/ widowe of [gap] Browne late/ of Rainham who was drowned in/ the same ship w[i]th Henry Sam[m]on/ the deceased for her husbands wages/ due and oweinge unto him by the/ said deceased at the time of their/ deathes the som[m]e of/

Item paid unto <Mr> Goldock of/ the p[ar]ishe of Rainham gent for/ debte due and oweinge unto him/ by the said deceased at the time/ of his death the som[m]e of/

Item to bee paid unto George Roker/ of Sittingbourne for debte due &/ oweinge unto him by the said decea=/ sed at the time of his death the/ som[m]e of/

Item William Sam[m]on late of/ the p[ar]ishe of Rainham in the County/ of Kent deceased did in his last will/ and testament give and bequeath/ unto Judith Sam[m[on and Gertrude/ Sam[m]on the two children of the decea=/ sed Henry Sam[m]on iij li a piece of/ lawfull english mony to be paide/ unto them at their sev[er]all ages of/ xv yeeres by their father whome he/ constituted & appointed whole and/ sole Executor of his said last will/ and testament, w[hi]ch said two lega=/ cyes of 3 li in toto vj li this Ac=/ comptant and Administratrix of the/ goods & chattells of the foresaid de=/ ceased Henry Sam[m]on standeth/ chardged w[i]thall & is bound to paie/ unto the said two children when they/ shall respectively accomplish their/ said sev[er]all ages of fifteene yeeres/ And doth therfore humblye crave/ to be allowed the said som[m]e of /

Item [deletion] to be paid for draweinge this/ Accompte in forme to exhibite into/ the Court for the proxie and pro=/ curators fee to doe ye same & to [deletion] obtaine/ the admission thereof for ingrossing ye/ same in p[ar]chment, the limitac[i]on of porc[i]ons, the Quietus est theruppon/ had and granted, the Judges seale/ of office and all other ordinarye &/ necessary chardges therabouts the/ som[m]e of/

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Item paid and to bee paid to the/p[ro]curator of this Accomptant for/his ?forhand for the <fees of> Court a sev[er]all/ Court dayes she beinge called by/ processe at the instance of the p[ar]tie/ & plaintiffe exhibited this Accompte/ the som[m]e of

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Item whereas this Accomptant/ beinge at the time of the death of/ [the - deleted] <her> said husband Henry Sam[m]on de=/ ceased verie great w[i]th childe, did/ uppon the firste report of that heavy/ accident fall p[re]sently in traviel and/ was delivered some 5 weekes or a/ moneth at least before her time and/ that not w[i]thout great danger of her/life; she the said Accomptant/ (although by Gods mercy she escaped/ death, was notw[i]thstandinge [was deleted soe exceedinge dangerously sicke that for a longe time together she laye/ [deletion] w[i]thout all memory or under=/ standinge & past all hope of life,/ In somuch that the poore weake in=/ fant wherof she was at that time/ (by Gods grace) deliv[er]ed was faine/ to bee p[re]sently put forth to nurse/ and although this Accomptant bee/ now (God be thanked) somewhat recov[er]ed/ yet is she not able to nurse her said/ child herselfe both in regard she hath/ nev[er] had anie milke in her breasts/ since her deliverye, it beinge ther (as/ yt seemeth) dryed up by the great/ extremity of her said sicknes as alsoe/ in regard of a vehement fever or/ ague w[hi]ch hath continually held her/ev[er] since her said plight, and wherof/ she can as yet get noe remedy, Soe/ that her foresaid childe is still at/ nurse, for w[hi]ch <the> nursinge wherof she/ this Accomptant hath ev[er] since the/ death of her said husband Henrye/ Sam[m]on paid ijs vjd the weeke/ w[hi]ch in the whole amounteth to the/ som[m]e of three pounds xs monye/ and therfore in considerac[i]on of her/p[re]misses she in that behalfe humbly/ craveth to be allowed ye said som[m]e of

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[paragraph deleted- Soe it manifestly appeareth/ that this Accomptant hath faithfully and trulie administered in all/ and singular the goods/ and chattels of the said decease/ Henry Sam[m[on and that all and/ singluar the paiments aforesaid de/ ducted and to be allowed she/ hat yet remaininge in her hands to be limited and disposed of by the judge of this Court ye som[m]e of!/

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Item paid unto Thomas Godfrey/ of Milton aforesaid for debte due &/ oweinge unto him by the said deceased/ at the time of his death [deletion] by bond/ ye som[m]e of/

[paragraph deleted – Sum[m]a totalis of all/ ye paiments afore/ said is]/

[2 lines deleted- Soe yt manifestly appeareth that/ this is]/

Item to be paid unto Judith Sa/m[m]on and Gertrude Sam[m]on the two/ daughters of the said deceased Henry/ Sam[m]on or unto their use as their/ portion <out> of their fathers goods, for the/ paiment whereof this Accomptant/ hath given Bond the som[m]e of/

Sum[m]a totalis of/ all ye paiments and/ allowances aforesayd/

Soe yt manifestlie appeareth that/ this Accomptant hath faithfully &/ trulie administered all and sing[u]ler/ the goods and chattells of the sayd/ Henry Sam[m]on deceased and that/ all ye paiments aforesaid deducted and/ to her allowed she is in surplushage/ & hath paid and layd out more than ye/ goods of ye said deceased doe amount/ unto ye som[m]e of/

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