APPENDIX 2 INVENTORY TAKEN AT BROOKE HOUSE, HOLBORN, 28 JULY 1643¹

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Brook House Inventory Pro Brooke domina con Bovey armiger The inventory taken at Brooke House in Holborn, London, 28 July 1643

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An inventory of the goods & chattels *at Brook House in Holborn London* of the Right honourable Robert, Lord Brooke, deceased, taken & appraised 28 July 1643 by Mr George Ingram & Mr Charles Cockain, as followeth

In the gallery

Two globes one celestial one terrestrial with covers
Seven chairs & eight stools of yellow leather & a
pallet of the same with two pillows

02-10-00
04-10-00

¹ WCRO, CR1886 BL2712.

Four pictures with frames of King James, King Charles, William Earl of Pembroke ² & Sir Philip	
Sidney ³	03-00-00
Fifteen maps & two small pictures	03-10-00
Seven yellow window curtains	01-00-00
One table & a leather carpet	00-10-00
One stove of old iron	00-15-00
In the great dining room next the street	
Two chairs and 5 stools of Turkey work and a table	04-10-00
A pair of brass andirons and a	02-00-00
An old organ frame case	00-05-00
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In the little dining room	
Four stools & one chair one couch & two pillows	
all of silk stuff with an iron grate in the chimney	02-15-00
In the great dining room next the garden	
	04.00.00
One table eighteen chairs of liver-coloured cloth	04-00-00
A brass pair of andirons and an iron grate	02-00-00
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In the withdrawing room	
Four stools a pair of small brass andirons & very	
small creepers ⁴	01-10-00
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In the corner chamber next the garden above stairs	
One small table & 6 stools & two chairs a small pair	
of brass andirons and a pair of creepers	03-00-00
A bedstead & a quilt with a carpet	05-00-00
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² William Herbert, 3rd earl of Pembroke (1580–1630). His mother was Mary Sidney,

sister of Sir Philip Sidney: *ODNB*.

³ Sir Philip Sidney: (1554–1586), author and courtier. He attended school with Fulke Greville, 1st Baron Brooke. The inscription on Brooke's tomb notes he was 'Friend to Sir Philip Sidney': ODNB.

⁴ Creeper: a small iron 'dog', of which a pair were placed on a hearth between the andirons: OED.

In the parlour

Three tables, four chairs, two stools, two carpets of Turkey work	06-00-00
Five pictures, seven maps	02-10-00
	49-05-00
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A pair of irons with brass tops	02-00-00
In the steward's chamber	
A pair of fustian ⁵ blankets, fifty-eight pair of sheets	15-00-00
Two and twenty dozen of napkins	05-00-00
Twenty table cloths of diaper ⁶	05-00-00
One and twenty flaxen table cloths	02-10-00
Twenty diaper towels, five flaxen towels, three	02 10 00
dozen & two of holland pillow-beres ⁷	06-00-00
Twenty dozen of damask napkins	12-00-00
Thirty damask table cloths	25-00-00
Eighteen pair of holland sheets	25-00-00
Two diaper cupboard cloths, eight holland	
pillow-beres with strings, one diaper table cloth	02-00-00
[four words crossed out] fifteen cupboard cloths &	
fifteen towels of damask	08-10-00
Three dresser cloths	00-03-00
A serpentine bottle	02-10-00
One table, a court cupboard,8 two stools, six trunks	02-05-00
A bedstead, a feather-bed, curtains	02-00-00
One gilt frost pot, a perfuming pan ⁹ and cover,	
seven porringers, ¹⁰ 3 plates, a stub salt two	
trencher salts, a wire basket, 10 spoons, one	
candlestick, a skillet11, a long spoon, a funnel of	
silver weighing 50 ounces & half at 04s-09d	
per ounce	60-14-10

⁵ Fustian: a kind of coarse cloth made of cotton and flax: *OED*.

⁶ Diaper: a linen fabric woven with a small and simple pattern: *OED*.

⁷ Pillow-bere: a pillow case: *OED*.

⁸ Court-cupboard: a movable sideboard or cabinet used to display plate: *OED*.

⁹ Perfuming pan: pan used to burn incense, etc. for fumigation and disinfecting: *OED*. ¹⁰ Porringer: a small bowl or basin, typically with a handle, used for soup, stews, or similar dishes: *OED*.

¹¹ Skillet: A cooking utensil of brass, copper, or other metal, used for boiling liquids, stewing meat: OED.

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Two tables, two forms, one court cupboard & two chairs 01-05-00

In the kitchen

An iron jack, a range of iron, one rack, 2 fire irons,	
4 fire shovels, pothooks, 12 a pestle & mortar, five	
spits, two pair of tongs, one gridiron, 13 two	
dripping pans, two frying pans	05-00-00
Two dozen & a half of pewter dishes, half a dozen of	
plates, four brass candlesticks, seven pewter candlesticks	10-00-00
Twelves brass pots, three great pans, eight great kettles,	
two baking pans, two cullenders, a brass pail, three	
brass covers, two brass dishes, and brass boiler	20-00-00
In the wash-house	

Two cisterns of lead	08-00-00
A copper furnace	01-00-00
Two kettles, one skillet, one trivet, 4 a pair of tongs, a	
table, 5 forms & other lumber	02-00-00
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In the wash-house chamber

Two feather-beds, four bolsters, 3 blankets, two	
coverlets, two bedsteads	04-00-00
Four tables, a court cupboard, a chair, 3 join stools,	
an iron grate, a pair of tongs & fire shovel and	
fork, a carpet and cushion	02-06-08
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In the garret

One iron stove & some lumber 01-00-00

¹² Pot-hook: A hook suspended over a fireplace on which a pot or kettle may be hung:

OED.

13 Gridiron: A cooking utensil formed of parallel bars of iron or other metal in a frame, usually supported on short legs, and used for broiling over a fire: OED.

¹⁴ Trivet: a three-footed stand or support, often for a pot, kettle, or other vessel placed over a fire for cooking: OED.

In the back yard	
One large cistern of lead & some old lumber	05-00-00
In the pantry	
A great bin, one table, one press for linen, a pewter cistern, a bell, two table baskets, a leaden cistern, two flagons, seven candlesticks of pewter, a court cupboard, two glass cases	03-00-00
In the cellar	
Thirteen steads to lay beer upon, a lead cistern, two chests for candles, a pair of andirons & old lumber	03-00-00
In the butler's chamber	
A half-headed bedstead, a table a court cupboard, a map, a chair & 3 stools	01-00-00
In the porter's lodge	
A feather-bed, one blanket, one coverlet, a form, a chair, a glass lantern, a stool, a fire shovel, a table & tongs & creepers	02-10-00
In the hall at the house next to Brooke House on the west	
One table, one form, a court cupboard, one chair, two stools	01-00-00
In the kitchen	
An iron grate, one stool	00-10-00
In the room called the Evidence Room	
A table, a press, four stools, and 3 chairs	02-00-00

In Mr Robert's chamber

Two feather-beds, two blankets, two coverlets, a white cradle, a rug, one table, 4 stools, a green rug, five pieces of hangings a court cupboard

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In the young lord's chamber

A half-headed bedstead, one blanket, a coverlet, five pieces of hangings, 9 stools, a chair, 2 tables, a pair of creepers, fire shovel and tongs, a feather-bed, a carpet

08-00-00

In the garret

A bedstead, a flock-bed,¹⁵ a table, one blanket, a chair, 3 court cupboards, two stools, much lumber 02-00-00

In the stable

Six coach horses & two saddle horses 100-00-00 A grey mare 06-00-00 A leaden cistern 00-15-00

In the stable chamber

A sumpter cloth, ¹⁶ a feather-bed, a bedstead, two blankets, a stool

01-10-00

In the loft

A load of hay

01-00-00

In the groom's chamber

A bedstead, a feather-bed, a blanket & a coverlet, two chairs, a table, a stool, a close stool, bolster 01-10-00

¹⁵ Flock: a material consisting of the coarse tufts and refuse of wool or cotton: *OED*. ¹⁶ Sumpter cloth: a cloth or blanket designed to cover the back of a sumpter or packhorse, or its load: *OED*.

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In the coach-house	
A gilt coach and furniture A mourning coach and harness	40-00-00 10-00-00
In the garden	
A leaden cistern	02-10-00
In Mr Bridges's chamber	
An iron chest A bedstead, a feather-bed, two blankets, one bolster,	04-00-00
one pillow, a leather pillow, 2 chairs 3 stools, a table, a carpet	03-00-00
In the chamber against it	
A bedstead, a canopy, a feather-bed, a long cushion, two blankets, a coverlet, a court cupboard a chest a fire shovel	02-00-00
In the garret	
A court cupboard, a bedstead, a feather-bed, a bolster, three blankets and a coverlet	02-00-00
In Mr Sadeskey's chamber	
A bedstead with curtains, a feather-bed, a bolster, 4 stools, a carpet & table & a pair of creepers, a green rug	03-00-00 187-05-00
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In the still house	
Three stills ¹⁷ , two tables & cupboard with drawers, a fire shovel & tongs, one stool, a limbeck, ¹⁸	02.00.00

2 skillets & a pan, a kettle

 $^{^{17}\,\}mathrm{Stills};$ apparatus for distillation; *OED*. $^{18}\,\mathrm{Limbeck};$ an early apparatus used for distilling; *OED*.

In my lady's chamber

Six pieces of tapestry hangings A damask bed, a bedstead with double valance, four curtains, a head-piece of the same, a down bed,	20-00-00
one blanket, one bolster, one quilt, three pillows, a wrought sheet One table, a frame, 4 chairs, a pair of andirons & a	15-00-00
pair of creepers, fire shovel and tongs, two pictures, a window piece	03-00-00
In the back chamber	
One feather-bed, 3 blankets, a coverlet, bolster and pillow, 3 green cloth curtains, a bedstead, two stools, *a table*, a carpet, a small table frame	03-00-00
In Mr Smith's chamber	
One bedstead, a feather-bed, one bolster, one pillow, 2 coverlets, two sumpter trunks, a feather-bed, a bolster, one coverlet, one pillow, one great cushion, one chair, one table, a cupboard, a press	05-00-00
In the upper chamber Mr Crosses	
One bedstead, 2 curtains, a table & frame, one chair, one stool, a green rug	01-10-00
Over the gardener's chamber	
One bedstead, a feather-bed, a bolster, 2 blankets, one old rug, a table, 2 stools	03-00-00
In the balcony chamber	
Three pieces of tapestry hangings A bedstead, a cloth bed, 2 feather-beds, 3 blankets, one rug, one coverlet, a carpet, 3 pillows, 2 bolsters,	12-00-00
a table, two stools, one chair, a pair of creepers, fire shovel and tongs	10-00-00

In Mr Edward's chamber

Nine pieces of verdure ¹⁹ hangings, one carpet, one table, one feather-bed, one blanket, one bolster, curtains and valance of cloth of silver, a rug, two stools, two chairs, a court cupboard	14-00-00 89-10-00
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In the parlour chamber	
Five pieces of hangings, a window curtain	22-00-00
In Mr Overton's chamber	
A feather-bed, a bedstead with curtains, a yellow rug, two blankets, a bolster, a chair & two stools, a court cupboard, & cloth, a table, a fire shovel	03-00-00
In Mr Sadler's chamber	
Two tables, a green carpet, a Turkey carpet, 3 chairs, two stools, an iron back for a chimney A feather-bed, a bedstead & curtains, a coverlet, 2 blankets, a bolster, a pillow, a table & carpet, two stools, a grate, a fire shovel & tongs	03-10-00 04-00-00
In Mr Halford's chamber	
A bedstead, a court cupboard, two stools, 4 muskets, a blunderbuss, 2 carbines, 2 green curtains One oval table, 2 stools, an iron stove	05-00-00 01-02-00
The dining room next the street	
Five pieces of hangings of tapestry	22-00-00
The great dining room next the garden	
The hangings belonging to it, ten pieces of *fine* tapestry at	200-00-00

 $^{^{19}\,\}mathrm{Verdure}$: a rich tapestry ornamented with representations of trees or other vegetation: OED.

In the wardrobe

Two tables & frames, six chairs, one saddle, two	
foot cloths for saddles, a great window curtain of	
damask, a curtain of baize, a dear coloured cloth	
bed with curtains and valance, a bed wrought	
in ships, the ground white silk with a chest	100-00-00
One canopy, two brass pans & other lumber	05-00-00
A feather-bed blanket, and coverlet	03-00-00
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A crimson wrought velvet bed with curtains &	
valance and the covers of chairs & stools	100-00-00
One large carpet 7 yards long, two yards and a half broad	13-00-00
One old Turkey carpet six yards long at	02-00-00
A piece of a Turkey carpet	00-8-00
Two small moth-eaten carpets	00-16-00
One old double chest carpet	00-18-00
One old Turkey carpet 4 yards long	03-00-00
One old – carpet at	01-15-00
One other double chest carpet with holes	01-00-00
Two small persey ²⁰ carpets with crimson fringe at	04-00-00
One cut carpet of Turkey work 4 yards long being	
cut at both ends	01-05-00
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At Brook House in Hackney

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Item one brewing furnace, a meshing fat ²¹ & cooler ²²	10-00-00
In several rooms seven old tables	01-10-00

At Brook House in Holborn

A brass standing clock	02-10-00
One piece of gold coin weighing about	00-15-06

 $^{^{20}}$ Persey: Persian carpets: *OED*. 21 Fat: a large vessel for liquids, a brewer's vat: *OED*. 22 Cooler: a container in which anything is cooled or set to cool: *OED*.

Five pieces of old silver coin weighing near A silver seal with a bone haft ²³ His lordship's wearing apparel with hats, boots,	00-03-00 00-02-06
shoes, stockings & wearing linen of all sorts with his riding saddles, great saddles & armour A copper furnace, a meshing fat, & cooler which	100-00-00
heretofore was at Beauchamp Court	13-06-08
The right honourable the Lady Brooke the relict of the Lord Brooke had 85 new coin from the mint, in lieu of plate which she said was given her for her children & therefore we insert it not	
in the column	<u>00-00-00</u> 125-17-08
Sum total	1204-16-02

George Ingram, Charles Cokayne The first 1078-18-06 Since added $\frac{125-17-08}{1204-16-02}$

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This writing was showed unto George Ingram gent.

²³ Haft: a handle: *OED*.