

James Butterfield of Settle 1635 Borthwick v42 f599

In the name of God Amen the second day of May one thousand six hundred thirty five I James Butterfield of Settle in the county of yorke mason sick in body but of good and perfect memory (God be praised) do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. And first and principally I commend my soul wholly both body and soul into the hands of Almighty god my Saviour and Redeemer at whose hands and by whose merits I hope to be saved and have everlasting life. And my body I commend to the earth from whence it came in hope of my resurrection both of body and soul to eternal life; And as concerning my estate wherewith God has blessed me I dispose thereof as follows: First my will and mind is and I give and bequeath that my debts, funeral expenses church dues and all other things requisite be paid forth of my whole goods, chattels and rights in what nature soever, also I give to John Lodge and Jeffray Lodge sons of John Lodge of Ughtershaw either of them twenty pounds which my will is also that my executor Elizabeth wife of Adam Balderston shall dispose for their use and behoof. I mean the use [*interest*] to the children for their use in their nonage and the principal to them when they come to one and twenty years of age for their own use. Also I give Elizabeth Lodge their sister forty pounds when their grandmother thinks fit. Item I give to Mr Dockrey if he preach at my burial five shillings . Item I give to Henry Lawson my clerk of my business five shillings. And I appoint Adam Balderston and Elizabeth his wife executors of this my last will and testament desiring them and charging them that the children of John Lodge shall be looked unto and that my will may be observed in all things. Witnesses hereof Robert Cokson Henry Lawsonn Rosamond Gaskill Robert Carr.

Settle modern spelling

Adame Balderstone of Settle 1639 Borthwick ref. July 1640 Craven

Buried 20th March 1640

In the name of God Amen upon the second day of May in the year of our Lord according to the computation of the Church of England one thousand six hundred thirty and nine I Adame Balderstone of Settle in the county of york yeoman, sick in my body yet of perfect mind and memory, I praise god for the same, do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I commend my soul into the merciful hands of Almighty god my Creator and redeemer trusting assuredly through the precious blood shedding of Jesus Christ my only Saviour to be saved and my body to be buried in the parish church or church yard of Giggleswick at the discretion of my friends. Also my will and mind is that my debts and funeral expenses shall be discharged out of my whole goods. And also my will and mind is that Isabell my sister in law shall be maintained \forth out of my goods and chattels/ with meat drink apparel and lodging during her life. And after her decease my will and mind is and I give, devise and bequeath to Thomas Kidd five pounds, to Thomas Balderstone four pounds, to Thomas Newhouse forty shillings, to the said Thomas Kidd thirteen shillings four pence in Alan Carr's hand and one chest which he has in his own keeping. Also I give to William Carr son of Robt Carr twenty shillings. Also I give to Robt Kidd my godchild five shillings. Also I give/ to Adame Browne four shillings. Also I give to Brian deane forty shillings which he owes me. Also I give to Alice deane widow five shillings. And to Elizabeth Chapman five shillings. And to Jennett Carr five shillings. And to Elizabeth Cookson five shillings. Also I give to the four daughters of Thomas Kidd deceased viz. to Elizabeth, Frances, \Anne/ and Margaret one (coverlet) one pair of sheets, one chaff bed and one blanket and where the same will not extend to be worth twenty six shillings and eight pence my will and mind is that my executors hereafter named shall make the same to extend to 26s 8d. in money Also I give to John Stevenson twenty five shillings to be abated to him forth of a bond which I have of him for fifty shillings. Also my will and mind is that whereas I have diverse bills and bonds of several men for payment of money that they shall have the one half of the yearly use abated. Also I give to the younger children of Richard Kidd of Settle aforesaid five pounds to be divided amongst them at the discretion of their mother. Also I give to Willm Newhouse's wife of Giggleswick and to Agnes her daughter six shillings eight pence equally to be divided between them. Also I give to Anne deane two \mash/ knopps. Also I give to Robt Sailbank twelve pence. Also I give to Anne deane forty shillings. Also I give to the foresaid four daughters of Thomas Kidd deceased twenty-six shillings 8d to be equally divided amongst them. \And also I give to Austhine Bainbrigg 10s/. And all the rest of my goods, chattels, credits and rights not herein formerly bequeathed I give and bequeath to Richard Kidd, Robert Cookeson and Robert Carr of Settle aforesaid \and to John Lodge of Oughtershaw/ equally amongst them. And I do nominate and appoint the said Richard Kidd, Robert Cookeson, Robert Carr\ and John Lodge/ to be joint executors of this my last will and testament and to see the same performed.

These being Witnesses

Thomas Barrowe

Antho Bainbrigg

Adame

Balderstone marke

Giggleswick modern spelling

On separate sheet

T Balderston/.....

Walker cert 28 July 1640

JOHN BANCKS 1643 Ref. Borthwick.York Bundle Jan 1645/6 MIC 1735
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In the name of god Amen, The thirteenth day of May In the Nynteenth yeare of the Reign of our Sovereigne Lord Charles by the grace of god kinge of England Scotland France and Ireland defender of the faith etc Anno Dni 1643 I John Bancks of Feiser within the Countie of yorke yeoman beinge at this tyme sicke of bodie but sound and pfect of remembrance god be praised do ordaine and make this my last will and testament in manner and forme following first and principally I do commend my soule into the mercifull hands of god Almightye trustinge faithfully through the mercie of god and the merits of Jesus Christ my saviour to have my sins forgiven and to be made an Inheritor of the kingdome of heaven next I do comitt my bodie to the earth and to be buried in or at the pisse church of Clapham whereof I am a pishioner, Also I give grant and bequeath unto Ellyne my doughter All that my mesuage farme and tenement withal and singular thappurtences belonginge to the same lying and beinge within the towne feildes & territories of Feisor \aforesaid/ The widow right of Isabell my wife therein to hir reserved duringe hir naturall lyfe Alsoe I give grant and bequeath unto Elizabeth my doughter \all that/ my mesuage farme and tenement wich I have at the closehouse within the pisse of Giggleswicke withal the righte and apperteyning belongingunto the same, The widdowright of Isabell my wyfe therein to hir reserved duringe hir naturall lyfe Alsoe it ys my will and mynd that my wife shall have the tuition of both my said daughters and the use and occupation of both the said tenements for their menteynance until they shall each accomlishe their severall ages of twentie one yeares Also it ys my will and mynd that all my due debts funeral expences mortuarie \and legacies hear after given/ shalbe paid out of my whole goods, And out of the remainder it ys my Will and mynd that Isabell my said wife shall have hir third, and for the other two pts I give it to Elline and Elizabeth my daughters equally betweene them to be devyded Excepting one great arke wich standeth in the loft over my parlor one stand bedd\stocke/ one Long table and one little Cubbord wich standeth in my parlor all wich I give and bequeath unto Elline my elder doughter, but so as they may be and remaine as heirelomes to the said house And for my childrens portions of my moveable goods it ys my will and mynd that Isabell my wife shall \have/ the use and benefit of the same until my said children shall come to lawfull age to rec(eyve) the same, Also I give unto everie \one/ that I am godfather unto one gimer lambe, Also I do noiate(*nominate*) and appoint Isabell \jurat/ my wyfe whole executrix of this my last will and testament, And I do appoint my brother in law Heuge Armitstead and my cosan Anthonie Hall supervysers of this my said will \& testament/ desyringe them to be assistante to my executrix and to do their best indever to see this my will performed witnesses hereof.....

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Roger Armitstead

.....(Remington?)

Giggleswick – (modern spelling)

Feizor

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ELIZABETH BANKES 1676 Ref. Borthwick. Vol. 57 fol. 341
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In the name of god amen the sixth day of June Anno Dom. 1676 I Elizabeth Bankes of Tippihwaite in the parish of Giggleswicke and county of Yorke widow being some (what) sick and craysie in body but of good and pfect remembrance prayed be god for the same and calling to mind the certainty of death and the great uncertainty of the tyme and place thereof do put this my testament into writeing and containing therein my last will declaring hereby all former wills by me made to be utterly void and of no effect and intending this to be my last will which is as followeth First I Commit my soule into the Mercifull hands of Almighty God...../..... trustinge to have the pdon and foregiveness of all my sins (through the) Meritorious death and passion of Jesus Christ his onely sonne my Saviour and Mercifull Redeemer and I dispose of my worldly goods and temporall Estate in Manner and forme as followeth First I give and bequeath to William Wigglesworth my beloved Sonne in Law and to Alice my daughter his now wife the full and just summe of Tenne pounds of Lawful English Money and the same to be paid in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand Six hundreth seventy & Eight provided that they my said Sonne in law William and Alice my said daughter be Ready and willinge to seale and deliver unto my Executor hereafter named such acquittance or other release full discharge as by my Executor or his Councell Learned shall be disposed and..... Required but in default of such Release or Lawful discharge to be sealed and delivered as aforesaid Then it is my minde and my will is that the afforesaid Tenne pounds unto them intended to be given shall be utterly voyde and I doo hereby give it to my Executor Item I nominate and appoynte Christopher Renoldsonne my sonne in law the Executor of this my Last will and Testament giving unto him all my goods Moveable & Inmoveable bills bonds and all other my just and due debts oweing unto me whether with speciallty or without speciallty he payinge and dischargeing all my funerall expences debts and Legacies in forme aforesaid In witnesse hereof I have hereunto sett my hands the sixt day of June Anno Dom 1676 Elizabeth Bankes Marke published in the presence of us Christopher Tatham Marke John Tatham Marke Anth. Wigglesworth

Giggleswick modern spelling

James Bankes 1603 Borthwick v 29 f 192

Testamentum Jacobi Bankes

In the name of god Amen the xxvj th day of March 1603 I James Bankes of Feizor within the County of yorke sicke in body but of perfect remembrance prayed be the Lord therefore doe make this my laste will & testament in forme followinge First & principally I comit my soule into the mercifull handes of allmightie god hopeinge to be saved by the death and resurrection of Jesus Christe my onely saviour and redeemer and my bodie to be buried in the parish church yarde of Giggleswicke wherof I am p(ar)ishioner. Itm I will that my wife shall keepe my father and mother with meate drinke and apparell duringe their lives naturall accordinge to their degree & that she shall occupie all the grounde & tenement which I now have & occupieth untill such tyme as god shall take my father and mother to his mercy. Itm my will is that if it please god to take my wife to his mercy before my father & mother or either of them, that my sonne henry shall occupie the one halfe of my tenement and keepe my father & mother with meate drinke and apparell as abovesaid. Also my will is yf my wife doe survive & outlive my said father & mother that she shall occupie the one halfe of my tenement for fower yeares from Candlemas then next followinge or till my daughter be maried Itm my will is yf yt please god to take my wife to his mercy before my daughters be maried that my sonne henry shall occupie the one halfe of my tenement to his use & his two sisters for fower yeres then next followinge yf my daughter be not maried before And after that all the premisses be ended & p(er)formed then my will is that my sonne Francis shall enter unto & have all my tenement and groundes which I now hath and occupie Itm I give unto my said sonne Francis one greате arke with one awemerie in & one longe table which standeth in the fyer house & one table or Counter which standeth in the parlour and one feather bed which my father & mother lyeth upon & sixe silver spoones & one great knopp for keepinge barley which standeth in the nether barne Itm I give unto my said sonne Francis all my husbandrie geere & I will that he shall enter unto & have all these guiftes when he entereth to all the groundes abovesaid in consideracion of his childes parte of my goodes Itm my will is that Isabell my wife shall have her widowe right of all my goodes moveable & unmoveable accordinge to the lawes of this Realme Itm I will that my children henry Mary and Alice shall have their porcons of my goodes accordinge to the lawe and for my parte of goodes I give yt to my daughters Marie & Alice equally to be devided betweene them Itm I give unto my sonne Francis my best doublet & Jerkin & I give unto John Bond my blacke iacket & I give unto Jennet his wife a paire of shoes. Itm I give to all my god barnes fower pence a peece. Itm I give unto James Bankes sonne to Francis Bankes my said sonne one lambe Itm I will that all my debtes mortuarie & funerall expenses be paid out of my whole goodes and I doe make Isabell my wife & Francis my sonne executors of this my last will & testament & I doe make John Thornton & Laurence Swaynson sup(er)visers hereof in hope they will ayde and assist my executors witnesses hereof John Thornton Laurence Swaynson & Francis Lupton

Et decimo sexto die mensis Novembris Anno d(omi)ni 1603 mag(iste)r Topham Decanus decanat de Craven cert(ificavit) se probasse h(uius)mo(d)i test(amentu)m p(ro) testes supra no(m)i(n)atos iuratos etc Comissaque fuit ad(ministrat)ione bonor(um) eiusdem def(unct)i Isabelle eius relict ac Francisco filio *dci* defunct(i) .. exequoribus in huiusmodi testamento no(m)i(n)atis in forma iuris Saluo iure Cuiuscumque.

Giggleswick

In the name of God Amen The one and thirtieth day of December in the year of our Lord God one thousand six hundred fifty three I John Bankes of Huggon house being sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance (praised be Almighty God) do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in writing hereby revoking all former wills and Testaments whatsoever made or intended or pretended to be made in manner following viz. First of all I commend my soul to Almighty God and my body to Christian burial Next my will and mind is that my debts legacies and funeral expenses shall be paid out of all my goods Also I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth my wife during her natural life one half or moiety of all my Lands Tenements and Leases lying and being at Huggon house aforesaid or belonging thereunto now in the possession of me my Assignee or Assignees Also I give and bequeath unto the said Elizabeth my wife during her natural life the one half or moiety of my part of the Tithe Corn within the Township of Rathmell And the other half or moiety of the lands tenements and leases lying and being at Huggon house aforesaid or thereunto belonging As also the other half or moiety of the Tithe Corn within the Township of Rathmell aforesaid I give and bequeath unto my son William his heirs and Assigns for ever And likewise I give and bequeath the other halves or moieties left unto the said Elizabeth my wife during her natural life after her decease to the said William my son his heirs and Assigns for ever And if it please God that my said son William die without issue of his body lawfully begotten, or before he come to the full age of one and twenty years Then my will and mind is that my brother Christopher Bankes shall have the half or moiety of the ancient Tenement of Huggon house aforesaid immediately after my said son's decease And also the other half or moiety of the same ancient Tenement of Huggon house aforesaid after the decease of my said wife to him and his heirs for ever He the said Christopher Bankes paying unto Matthias Bankes my brother within one year after the decease of my said son William the sum of Fifty pounds of lawful money of England And for default of the payment of the said sum of Fifty pounds accordingly by him the said Christopher Bankes of(*sic*) his Assigns I give and bequeath unto the said Matthias Banks my brother both the said moieties of the ancient Tenement of Huggon house aforesaid To have and to hold the said moieties to him and his heirs for ever The one half or moiety to be entered unto immediately after my said son's decease, and the other half or moiety after the decease of my wife And further if my said son William die without issue of his body lawfully begotten or before he come to the full age of one and twenty years I give and bequeath unto the said Matthias Banks his heirs and Assigns the one half or moiety of my part of the Tithe Corn within the Township of Rathmell aforesaid whereunto he shall immediately enter after my said son's decease And I also give and bequeath unto him the said Matthias Banks his heirs and Assigns the other half or moiety of my part of the Tithe Corn within the same Township to come unto him immediately after my said wife's decease And also if my said son William die without issue of his body lawfully begotten or before he come to the full age of one and twenty years Then I give and bequeath unto the said Matthias Banks his heirs and Assigns all my Title in Walbanks Tenement which I purchased of Richard Walbanke the one half whereof he shall enter unto immediately after my said son's decease, and unto the other half after the decease of my said wife, He the said Matthias Banks paying out of the whole premises unto Christopher Husband and William Husband sons of William Husband and Anne his wife my sister each of them Ten pounds within one whole year after my said son's decease And if either the said Christopher Husband and William Husband

die before the payment of the said sums then my will is that the survivor of them shall have both the portions being Twenty pounds And that the said Matthias Bankes shall also pay unto Elizabeth my wife then living Ten pounds within the said time And I give unto my mother Alice Banks a legacy of Five pounds Also I give unto the abovesaid Christopher and William Husband sons of the said William Husband and Anne his wife my sister each of them Fifty shillings To be paid within one whole year after the decease of the said Alice Bankes my mother unto the above named Matthias Bankes then living and to be put forward for their use till each of them shall accomplish the age of one and twenty years Also I give twenty shillings unto the said Matthias Bankes my brother And five shillings unto William Walbanke son of Richard Walbanke The rest of my goods I give and bequeath equally between Elizabeth my said wife and William my said son And if it please God that my son William shall die without issue of his body lawfully begotten or before he come to the full age of one and twenty years, Then I give that half of the goods which shall fall to my said son to be equally divided unto my mother Alice Bankes Elizabeth my wife, Christopher Bankes Matthias Banks and Anne Husband aforesaid, and to the survivor or survivors of them And lastly I appoint Elizabeth my said wife and the said Matthias Bankes my brother Joint Executors of this my last will and Testament In witness whereof I have subscribed my name and set my seal the day and year first above written John Bankes Witnesses Anthony Foster Henry Robinson Michael Jackes

This will was proved at London before the Judges for probate of wills etc the sixteenth day of February 1654 English style by the oaths of Elizabeth Bankes and Matthias Banks the executors etc To whom administration was committed, they being by virtue of a commission sworn truly to administer

Moeitie = moiety, half

Rawthmell

In the name of God Amen I John Bankes of Rigleswicke (*sic*) in the Countie of yorke Batchelor being Sicke and weake of bodie but of full and perfect memorie and understanding praised bee God doe make and ordaine this my last will and Testament in manner and forme following first I comend and give up my Soule into the hands of god my maker and his only Sonne Jesus Christ my redeemer Soly trusting that through his alone merritt I shall be Saved and received into the Glory of God the Father and as for my bodie I commit it to the earth from whence it came to bee buried att the discretion of my friends and executrix hereforenamed And as for my Temporall estate my will and minde is that out of the Same my debts and funerall expenses Shall bee first of all paid and discharged And my Grandfather dureing his life maintained according to the Conditions and Covenants by deed is within made as by the Same and in the same manner I am obliged to doe and performe And as for the remainder of my right and Tytle to all or any estate whatsoever I have in the world my minde & will is that the one half or moetic of the Same Shall remaine thear after the Same as above is performed Shall be equally devided betwixt my Sister Margrett Bankes and my Brother William Banckes within one year after the death and decease of my Grandfather William Bancks And lastly my minde and will is that the other halfe or moetic of my clear goods or estate my debts funerall expenses and maintenance of my Grandfather as above expressed first done and discharged Shall bee equally devided amongst my other Sisters within one year after the death and decease of my Said Grandfather to bee equally Shared and devided amongst them and soe many of them as shall bee then living Margrett only excepted And I doe hereby nominate and appoint Margrett Banckes my Sister above named Sole executrix of this my last will & Testament fully hereby empowering her to Sett Sell or dispose of the Goods Leases or Lands which are my owne or anyway belong mee reserving only unsold if conveniently and noe prediuce to this my will or the parties concerned that end of this my dwellinghouse from the Gatedoor next to the well in wittnesse of this my last will & Testament revoaking all other I have hereunto put my hand & seale this eighteenth day of Aprill one Thousand Six hundred Seaventie Two John Banckes Sealed Signed & confirmed in the Sight of presence of us Hugh Stackhouse Thomas Brashay Leo:Clarke

Giggleswick modern spelling

Ann Banks (widow of Robert gent) Giggleswick 1633 Borthwick v42 f451

In the name of God Amen the seventeenth day of August in the year of our Lord according to the computation of the Church of England One thousand six hundred thirty and three I Ann Bankes of Giggleswick widow late the wife of Robert Bankes gentleman deceased sick in body but of good and perfect memory, praised be god therefore, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following hereby revoking all former wills by me made. First I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my maker trusting through the merits of my alone Saviour and Mediator Jesus Christ and not by any merit or meritorious act of my own to be made partaker of eternal bliss in heaven, and my body committed to the earth from whence it came to be buried in Christian and honest burial at the discretion of my executors, kinfolks and friends. And whereas I am possessed of and interested in certain household stuff, bills, bonds, debts, annuities and other goods and chattels part whereof is in my own possession and occupation and part thereof is not as yet due and payable my will and mind is that my executors hereafter named shall, out of the same, pay and discharge my funeral expenses mortuary and other church dues and duties and also unto my several creditors the several debts I owe unto them if the same my goods and chattels will extend the payment thereof which I hope the same will do, howbeit if the same do prove short of payment of the same my mind is and I desire my son Joseph Bankes to abate so much of the same shall be short of payment of my debts in the debt that I owe unto him and that not other of my creditors debts I owe them be abated, howbeit for my son in law Mr William Pickeringe whereas I have made unto him diverse payments and delivered goods unto him as in marriage portion with his wife my desire and request unto him is that though there be some reckonings in demand by him of me yet for so much as for those payments that I have made unto him were made at full and freely therefore I require him that he will be pleased to rest satisfied with what he hath already had without expectation of any more. And if it happen that my goods and chattels do extend further or will arise unto a greater value than the payment of my debt it is my will and mind that the surplus which shall so remain shall be distributed and employed betwixt and to and for the use of my said son Joseph Bankes and young Robert Bankes my grandson as my executors in their discretion and judgment shall think most requisite fitting and convenient: And I make and ordain Raiph Baines my son in law and my cousin William Bankes of this town executors of this my last will and testament These being Witnesses: Marye Bankes William Lawson and Thomas Bankes

Giggleswick modern spelling

Robert Banks 1613 Borthwick v32 f459

In the name of God Amen the one and twentieth day of May in the year of our Lord god according to our English computation one thousand six hundred and thirteen. I Robert Bankes of Rathmell in the County of York Carpenter sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance praised be Almighty god do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I commend my soul into the merciful hands of almighty god my maker and redeemer confidently believing to have full remission of all my sins through the merits and blessed passion of Jesus Christ my sweet saviour. And for my body I commend the same to the earth from whence it came to be buried in the church yard of Giggleswick at the discretion of my executors and friends. Item I give and demise all my lands and hereditaments with their appurtenances in Rathmell aforesaid to William Bankes my son and to his heirs forever. And I give also unto my said son William Bankes and to his executors and assigns all my leases and estates for terms of years and all my interest claim title and demand in them and every of them. Item whereas James Armitstead and I have lately bought of master William Nowell and John Robinson certain parcels of the houses and grounds in Rathmell called Quickwood Tenement held by long lease upon which bargains we either of us have paid and must pay an equal part of the consideration and are fully agreed that either of us must have to us our executors administrators and assigns severally a full moiety of the premises so by us jointly bought, now for my part or moiety thereof I do give the same also to my said son William and to his executors and assigns for and during all the term of years yet to come therein, to be divided and severed from the other moiety thereof so soon as conveniently may be by the said James and my executors hereafter named. And I do also give unto my said son William all my husbandry gear and all my sawn boards all which premises shall be to him in full recompense of his child's portion. And for my other goods my will is that my debts and funeral expenses shall be first discharged and I also give to Elizabeth Armitstead my sister's daughter 20s to be paid to her within half a year next after my decease and the rest and residue of all my goods and chattels whatsoever I give the same wholly unto Margaret my daughter. And I do hereby ordain and appoint my loving brother Christopher Bankes of Huggon House in Rathmell aforesaid and William Bankes his son to be the executors of this my last will and testament. And I do also hereby commend and commit the Tuition, education and government of my said two children and of their portions and all other rights to them belonging unto my said brother and to his said son William Bankes for and during the minorities and nonages of my said children.

Witnesses hereof the above named James Armetstead, Allan Carr and William Lawson.

Rawthmell
Giggleswicke

Robert Banks 1616 Borthwick v34 f311

In the name of God Amen the twelfth day of December in the year of our lord God 1616 I Robert Bankes of Giggleswick in the county of York gent. Sick in body but of perfect memory the lord be praised therefore, do proceed to the making of this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I commend my soul into the merciful hands of almighty God trusting through the merits and passion of my saviour Christ to be made partaker of eternal joy in heaven and my body to earthly burial. Item my will is that my debts and funeral expenses shall be discharged out of my whole goods. And whereas I have lately made a lease unto five of my younger children of all my tithes within the parish of Giggleswick for the better raising of competent portions for my said younger children I do hereby certify and confirm the same lease and grant thereby made to and for the uses and purposes that I have intended. And I do also give the same tithes and every of them after the expiration of the said term contained in the same lease unto that child or children whereof my wife is now great, I mean if she be but great with one child then for three years only, if she be great with two or more then for three years for the behalf of every child to the end that every one of my said younger children as well the five named in the said lease as also that child or children unborn may every one have three years profits thereof sufficiently according to their ages.

Item my will is that after my debts paid and funeral expenses discharged all the residue of my goods shall be divided into three equal parts whereof my wife to have one third part according to custom of the country, another third part to be divided equally amongst all my children (my heir excepted) and for the last third part I give the same to be equally divided amongst all my children as well as my heir as the rest saving that my will thereof is yet further that my wife shall have the governance and guiding of my said younger children and their legacies during their minorities and that she shall pay the said legacies unto them at such times as they shall successively accomplish their several ages of 21 years or otherwise be preferred in marriage.

Item I do appoint Ann my loving wife sole executrix of this my last will and testament and I do appoint supervisors thereof my brother John Bankes, my brother-in-law Thomas Payley, Thomas Preston younger of Appletreewick and Thomas Preston younger of Langcliffe. And I do revoke all former wills by me made at any time or times heretofore. And for better testimony hereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above said. Witnesses hereof John Bankes, Thomas Craven Richard Smythes, William Lawson.

Giggleswicke

ROBERT BANKS 1645 Ref.Borthwick.York. Bundle Feb. 1645/6
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In the Name of God Amen the 22th. day of January Ano Dni 1645 I Robert Banks of Gigleswick in the County of yorke gentlm sicke in body but of good and pfect memorye (prayed be god) doe make and ordaine this my Last Will and testament in maner and forme following: And first and principally I commend my soule into ye hands of Almighty God my maker trustinge through ye merrits of my alone Saviour Jesus Christ to bee made partaker of everlasting blisse in heaven and my bodie I comit to ye earth from whence it came in hope of ye resurrection to eternall Life: both of Bodye and soule my bodye to be buried in the church of ye pish church of Gigleswick aforesaid att the discretion of my executors and friends And as Concerning my worldly estate my will and mind is as followeth, And whereas I am seized of one messuage & Tenemnt situate lyinge and being in Gigleswick aforesaid in the sayd Countye of york wich I houlde in fee simple or fee Tayle generall my will and mind is and I doe by this my Last will & testamt give devise and bequeath ye same with all other my Lands Tenemts and hereditaments .. whatsoever unto Robert Banks my sonne his heirs and assignes to have and to hould ye same to ye sayd Robert Banks his heires and assignes to his and their onely use and uses for ever, And it is my will & mind that ye sayd Robert Banks shall quietly permit and suffer Margritt my wife to hold & enjoy her dower or thirde of ye sayd messuage and Tenemt due to hir by ye Lawes of this Realm of England alsoe it is my will and mind (that) my sayd sonne Robert or his heires shall pay unto Anne Banks my daughter the some of One hundreth pounds of Lawfull English money for her filliall and childs portion att such tyme as shee shall attaine the full age of eightene yeares and demand of ye same at his or their hands. And if my sayd sonne Robert or his heires or assignes of ye messuage Tenemt and Lands neglect and make default of payment of ye sayd sume to ye sayd Anne in such sorte as aforesaid Then yt is my will and minde that shee the sayd Anne shall enter unto those two closes in Gigleswick aforesaid called Highrigg and Jacks close and have and enjoy ye same to her & hir heires and assignes for ever any gift bequest or Legacye herein Conteyned to ye Contrary in any wise not withstanding Alsoe it is my will and minde that my debts and funeral expences bee payde out of my whole goods and if that my goods will not extend ye full discharge thereof that my executors shall sell some such pte of my Lands as they shall think fitt and that my sonne Robert shall joyne with them in ye sayle & conveyance thereof and that money to bee raysed with the sayle thereof to (Adde) to my goods and chattels & to discharge my debts out of the sayd goods chattels and money and if any surplusage remaine ye same to bee to ye use of my sayd Robert my executors charges & expenses first and formerly difaulked and deducted, And I ordaine and appoint my Cussen Thomas Banks and Thomas Armitstead \jur/ of Langcliffe executors of this my Last Will & Testamt

These being witnesses whose names
are subscribed Richard (N)ayler

jur
Henry Lawson

We whose names are hereto subscribed doe hereby certifie that Robert Banks late of Gigleswicke, dyed about two yeares since seized of an estate in houses & land of the value of Forty pounds per Annum upwards; the third pte whereof the Relict of the said deceased claimeth & holdeth as her widdowes right: The other Two pts did

descend to Robert Banks the onely son & heire of the said Deceased Robert, being then neare about the age of Fifteene yeares, there beinge charged upon the whole premises the yearly Annuyty of Tenn pounds payable to a former widow for her Joynture (or) Dower: which said Robert Banks the son did choose for his Tutor George Mankenfeild gent, who have the Tuition granted in Court, did sett & lett the said Two pts of the said houses & grounds & received the rents for the same, but hath suffered the houses to fall into great ruine & delapidacion & hath withholden & neglected or refused to pay the said yearly dower of pts. And hath quite neglected & unfittingly used the said Robert Banks both for education and apparel, in soe much as he was necessitated to leave his said Tutor; And now beinge more sensible of his wrongs & losses sustained he hath made choice of a very honest and discreet man & his neare kinsman one John Paley to be his Tutor, who, we doe presume will be very carefull of his Education and manageinge of his estate, and therefore we doe much desire that the former Tuition granted to the said Mankenfield may be recald and made voyde, and that the same may be granted to the said John Paley

Aprill 25th. 1648

Willi Bankes
 Ro: Claphamson
 Bryann Taylor
 Willm Bankes of greene
 Hugh Stackhouse
 Thomas Armitsteade
 Willm Paley

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28 May 1648

Quibus dic heris et lato Paley nomine parturio Johannis Paley de Lakeland
 dioc Ebor com.... dicendi causam quire.....Curac... person et personis
 Robt. Banks Georgie Mackinfeild confesses? revoc..
 qua John et confirm..... non
 quid fac
 sequitur.

1) Imprimis predict et allegat. That he sayd George Markinfeild was and is a mere stranger and of noe degree of consanguinity or affinity to the sayd Robt Banks, and that att the tyme of grantinge the sayd L..... of Curationever s.....^ the sayd Mackinfeild hath exhibited into this Court an Inventory of ye portion and rights of ye sayd Robt Banks with an intent to dep...istie. Him, and, thereof restoreing him / else a suspected and unworthy (Guardian?), hor... fuit et est ver...
et.....de Gigleswicke aliaquibus

2) Item predict et allegat. That ye sayd Robt Banks by ye death of his late father Robt. Banks of Gigleswick had howses and lands de(cen)ded upon him to the value of xl li per annum and that ever since his death the the sayd Murkenfeild hath received the full profitts and benefitt thereof, et predict ut supra

3) Item predict et allegat that since the death of the sd defendant the sayd Murkinfeild hath suffered the sd houses to fall into great ruine and dilapidations, that the sum of lx li will scarce

repaire the ruynes, thereof caused merely through his neglect therein, et predict ut supra

4) Item predict et allegt. That the sd. Murkinfeild altogether neglected to educate and bring upp the sayd Robt Banks with learninge or any calling or trade whatsoever or to give him reasonable food, and kept him soe lately & unfittingly in apparel that he sd Banks was altogether forced to leave the sayd Markinfeild and to Rest beholding to the sd John Paley his near kinsman \and Cosen/ ever since Michaelmas last for meate drinke and apparel, by reason whereof the sayd Banks (growing) terrible of his wrongs and losses susteyned hath made choise of the sd. John Paley an able and discreet man to be his guardian et predict ut supra

5) Item predict et allegt. That by common reporte of the Country the ... so much indebted for moneys to severall psons, that he is also..... p.....(unresponsible?). to satisfy the sd Banks his rights & (dues) ... pt ...

6) Item predict et allegt. qd sibus et singulis fuit et est publica vox et ...

8 lines Latin hard to read

Giggleswick modern spelling

Thomas Banks 1606 Borthwick v30 f100

In the name of god Amen the 27th day of March in the year of our Lord according to the computation of the church of England 1606 I Thomas Bankes of Giggleswick in the county of York gent being crazed and sick in body yet nevertheless of perfect remembrance to god be praises do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following that is to say Firstly I commend my soul into the merciful hands of Almighty god by the death and passion of whose son I shall trust to be saved and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Giggleswick so near unto my wife as possible may be.

Item whereas I am indebted unto the executors of my late right honourable Lord George Earl of Cumberland forty eight pounds eight shillings or thereabouts upon bond for the long lease of that tenement which was Thomas Dockrey's my will is that the same and all other debts whatsoever I owe shall be paid out of my whole goods.

Item whereas I have lately assigned and set over unto my sons John and Robert Bankes and their assigns my lease and grounds lying upon Langcliffe moor and all my title, interest and term of years therein and that I did likewise give them three score pound in money to stock the same withal my will and mind is that the same shall be unto them in full satisfaction of and for all such filial and child's part and portions of goods or other demand from me whatsoever other than such legacies as hereafter in this my will I have bequeathed unto them.

And whereas I did lately give and deliver unto my son Luke Bankes twenty pounds in money my will is that the same shall be unto him in full satisfaction for his whole child's (*ink blot*) portion and several other demands whatsoever.

Item whereas I have lately [*smudged*] demised and letten a certain parcel of the tenement lately Thomas Dockrey's to [*smudged*] (Hugh?) Stackhouse and James Falthrop for eight years yet to come for the yearly rent of six pounds four shillings and to my daughter Jennet the quarter land close for seven years yet to come for the yearly rent of three pounds I give the one half of both the said rents to the said Jennet Dockraye my daughter and to her executors, administrators and assigns, and the other half thereof to Agnes Paley my daughter and to her executors, administrators and assigns equally to be taken up and received between them as the same shall be yearly payable and grow due for and during all the said terms of years.

Item I give unto my said son John Bankes my great table and the frame standing in the fire house and likewise my great cupboard to be and remain to him and to his heirs as heirlooms at the house for ever. And likewise I give unto my said son John Bankes my gown [*smudged*] and my close stool.

Item I give unto the said John Bankes ten pounds to be paid unto him or his assigns within two years after my decease.

Item I give unto Thomas, James, John, Robart, Agnes and Marjorie the children of my son Thomas Paley to every of them ten shillings.

Item I give to Thomas, Stephen, Joseph and Robart Dockraie the four sons of Thomas Dockraye each of them ten shillings.

Item I give unto Thomas, Margaret and Ellen Bankes the children of my son Luke Bankes every of them ten shillings.

Item whereas my son John is indebted unto me six pounds as appears by a bill under his hand and seal which bill is hereunto annexed I give the said six pounds to Thomas and William his two sons equally to be divided between them.

Item I give to the children of my son Robart Bankes viz. Luke, Robart and that child whereof his wife is now great every of them ten shillings.

Item I give to those 2 children of John Swayne which he had by my daughter Dorothy either of them three shillings four pence.

Item I give to Robart & Anthony Stackhouse sons of hughe Stackhouse either of them ten shillings

Item whereas I have heretofore had many bargains with Richard Saylbanck late of Cowside and always found true dealings and had good payment at his hands do give to him in regard thereof and in token of my good will towards him forty shillings to be paid to him or his assigns within one year next after my decease.

Item it is my will that for all my legacies above limited whereof the time of payment is not expressed the same shall be paid within two years and a half next after my decease.

Item I give unto Margaret Dockwraie, Jenett Paley daughter of Thomas, Margaret Bankes daughter of my son John and Margaret Bankes daughter of my son Robart all my household stuff as well in that chamber wherein I lie as also in the loft over the same.

Item whereas I have six silver spoons I give two of them viz. the best the worst(*sic*) unto my said son John Bankes and the other four I give to my said daughters Jenett and Agnes equally to be divided between them.

Item I give unto Robart Bankes son of my son Robart my new chair which came from London and for the children of my daughter Dorothy Core viz. Francis, Marie, Elizabeth and Margaret my will is that my executors hereafter in these presents named shall have the tuition of them according to an(?)*[smudged, probably a hole]* indenture of lease made between the right worp(*worshipful?*) Richard Shereburne of Stoniehurst esq on the one party and me the said Thomas Bankes and Francis Core upon the other party and bearing date the 15th day of July in the year of the reign of our late Queen Elizabeth my Queen etc xliiii, as by the same may appear.

Item I give unto Hughe Stackhouse my best cloak Item I give unto Thomas Bentham my sister's son my fustian breeches and worst fustian doublet. Item I give to hughe Kidd my worst winter coat. Item I give to Nicholas Nicholson my worse doublet and my worst pair of blue stockings Item I give all the rest of my apparel whatsoever to Thomas Paley my son in law and to Thomas Paley his son. Item I give to Robart Cockett ten shillings and unto Jennett Rigge ten shillings. The rest of all my goods that shall remain after my debts, legacies and funeral expenses be paid and performed I give unto my children Robart Bankes, Jenett Dockraie and Agnes Paley equally to be divided amongst them.

And I do hereby appoint and make them the said Robart, Jenett and Agnes my children joint executors of this my last will and testament in witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal given the day and year first above written in the presence of these witnesses hereafter following: Hughe Stackhouse, Richard Preston and William Lawson.

Gigleswicke

Thomas Banks 1623(?) Borthwick v37 f518

In the name of God amen the fifth day of November in the year of our lord god one thousand six hundred twenty and (*sic*) I Thomas Banckes of Giggleswick in the county of York late son of Robert Banckes gent deceased being at this time visited by sickness and infirmities in my body yet never-the-less of good and perfect memory I praise god therefore I do in the name of god make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First and principally I commit my soul into the hands of Almighty god my maker and redeemer trusting to be saved by the death and precious blood shedding of my saviour Jesus Christ and my body to be buried within the parish church of Giggleswick aforesaid so near unto my said father as possible I can get. Item I give, devise and bequeath unto my loving mother Anne Banckes all my tithes of corn grain, sheaves and straw as the same is now housed and Inned(?) to use and dispose of at her own will and pleasure. Item: as concerning my lease which I have of Hunthwaite in my own name I give the same and all my estate right title interest and term of years therein yet unspent and to come and all my writings and evidences concerning the same to my said mother Anne Banckes and her assigns for and during the term of her natural life and at her discretion to dispose of after her decease either to my sister Anne or to whether of my brothers Robert and Joseph as shall please her better and give her more content provided that whether my sister Anne or whether of my brothers shall happen to have Hunthwaite after my mother's decease shall pay to the other two which have it not such a competent sum of money as my said mother in her life time shall think fit. Item whereas now at Martinmas next I have certain tithe calves coming and becoming due unto me I give out of the same to my sister Margaret Baines, my sister Hester Banckes, my brother Robert, my sister Anne, my brother Joseph and to Anne Banckes my brother Luke's late daughter and to every one of them one calf and I give the rest which shall remain to my said mother Anne to be to her own use and behoof. Item for such mortuaries as are now become due unto me and all such tithes of wool and lamb as are now gathered I give to my said mother to be by her equally divided and distributed amongst my said brothers Robert and Joseph and my sister Margaret and Anne according to the true intent and meaning of this my said will and testament they paying to my brother in law Raiph Baines such rents and other things as for the same shall become due and payable and no more. And I make and ordain my said mother Anne to be the sole executrix of this my last will and testament. These being witnesses John Banckes William Lawson and Thomas Carr.

Giggleswicke

WILLIAM BANKS 1693 Ref. Borthwick.York. Jun 1693
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In the name of God Amen, I William Banks of Lower Paley green within the parish of Gigleswicke & County of yorke yeom being sick & weake of body but of sound & pfect mind & memory praise be therefore given to Allmighty God doe make & ordaine this my present Last will & Testament in maner & forme following (that is to say First & principally I comend my soul into the hands of Allmighty God, hoping through the Merits Death & passion of my Saviour Jesus Christ to have full & free pardon & forgiveness of all my sins, & to inherit everlasting Life And my body I comitt to the Earth to bee decently buried at the discretion of my Executrix hereafter named. And as touching the disposicon of all such Temporall Estate as it hath pleased Allmighty God to bestow upon mee, I give & dispose thereof as followeth. First I will That my Debts & funerall charges shall be paid & discharged. Item I give unto John Banks my son six Cattle gates in a pasture called Scaleber and Thirty \six/ sheep gates in a pasture called Settle banks both lying & being within the Townshippe of Settle & parish afforesd. Item I give unto Elizabeth my wife during her naturall Life one house one Croft one Garden three Cattlegates in the Newfield lying within the Lordshippe of Gigleswicke afforesd. and after her decease to my son John Banks his heirs & Assigns. Item I give to my said wife one Ings close called pindarmire & one pcell of ground lying in that pt. of the field called Tofts during her naturall Life both lying & being within the Lordshippe of Gigleswicke afforesd. And afterwards to my said son John Banks his heirs & Assignes. Item I give to my sd. wife during her Life one pt. of a dwellinghouse one pt. of a barne with the Land thereto belonging which was purchased of one Leonard King lying & being Paley green with one close called red Gill thereunto belonging. Item I give unto my said wife during her naturall Life one pcell of ground called Grassgarthnooke lying & being within the said Townshippe of Gigleswicke lately purchased of Mr. Robert parker of Carleton And after her decease to my said son John his heirs & Assigns. And I give unto Henry Lawson my son in Law & Elizabeth his wife the sume of Ten pounds the same to be paid at Twelve Months end \next/ after my decease by my Executrix hereafter named out of the psonall Estate. Item I give to my three Granchildren Ann Elizabeth & Mary Lawson each of them five pounds to bee paid by my said son John when they attaine the age of Twenty one yeares and the Interest thereof to be paid yearly to Henry Lawson and Elizabeth his wife after the decease of my said Executrix for & towards their maintenance during their minority, And if it so happen any of the said Children to dye before they shall attaine the age of Twenty one yeares it is my will & mind that the sd sume shall bee equally divided between the survivors. All the rest & residue of my psonall estate goods & Chattels whatsoever I give & bequeath unto \Elizabeth – jurat/ my Loving wife & doe constitute make & appoint her full & sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament & doe hereby revoke, disannull & make void all former wills & Testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and seale the sixth day of June Anno Dom 1693

his marke
William W Banks

Sealed published & declared
in the presence of
Tho. Carr jurat
his marke
Thomas T Carr

Nich. Hargreaves

Giggleswick modern spelling

.....12th. 1693

An Inventory of ye goods & Chattells of William Banks Late Deceased of payley greene vallued & Apprized by us whose names are hereunder subscribed

| | £ | s | d |
|---|-------|----|----|
| Impr. His Apparrell & money in his purse | 02 | 00 | 00 |
| Item. One Gray Mare one Bay Mare, & a young Fillia | 08 | 10 | 00 |
| Item. One paire of Oxen & two Twinters | 12 | 00 | 00 |
| Item. Foure Kine, & foure stirks & Three Calves | 19 | 10 | 00 |
| Item. Twenty Foure sheepe & Twelve Lambs | 06 | 00 | 00 |
| Item. One Cupboard, one Table, brasse & pewther | 04 | 00 | 00 |
| Itē. chaires & Stooles quishins, milke bowles with the Rest of wood vessell in the house | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Itē. One paire of Bedstocks & two Chists | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Itē. 2 Winnowing Clothes, 7 sacks & one Rideing Saddle | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Item. 3 Arkes | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Item. All beding & Linning within ye house | 03 | 10 | 00 |
| Item All yocks Teames and other Implements belonging to ye said | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Itē. Carts, Wheelles, Coups, plowes, & one flanne | 02 | 00 | 00 |
| Itē. one Harrow & two paire of Loomes | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Itē. foure Bushell of Beanes | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| Itē. one Reckon Crooke, & All ye rest of ye hustlemt. in ye house | | 02 | 00 |
| | ----- | | |
| The totall is | 64 | 12 | 00 |

Thomas Carr

Anthony procter

his marke Apprizers

John L Lucas

William Foster

Flanne – Tool used for cutting out peat

Twinters – animal which has seen two winters

Kine – cow, usually the milking cow in a herd

Quishins – cushions

Bedstocks – bedhead or its front & back parts

Coup – cart with closed sides on runners or wheels

Loomes – looms / implement or tool of any kind/ an open bucket / machine for weaving

Reckon Crooke –hook for hanging a pot over the fire

THOMAS BARROW 1646 Ref.Borthwick.York.Bundle Jan 1646/7
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In the Name of God Amen the Three & Twentieth daie of Jannary in the yeare of our Lord one Thousand sixe hundred Fortie & sixe I Thomas Barrow of setle in the Countie of yorke Draiper, sicke in Boddie but of good and pfect memorie (praised bee god) doe make & ordaine this my last will & Testament in maner & forme Followinge, First I Commend my soule into the handes of Almightye god my maker and Redeemer, Trustinge & Constantlie believing through the meritt & precious Blodsheedinge of my Sweete Saviour Christ to bee maid p(ar)taker of eternall blisse in heaven, and I Bequeath my bodie to the Earth from whence itt Came, to bee Buried att the discretion of my Executor, Item itt is my will & mynde that my Debts & Funerall Expences shalbee deducted & paid out of my whole goodes, Further my will & mynd is that my Brothers Edward Barrow Wm Barrow, my Bothers *fic* in Lawe Edward Barrow & George Setle shall have Thirtie pound A peece within one whole year after my Decease, Further my will & mynde is that my Sar(v)ante Richard Hattkill shall have the Remainder of his Prentishipp to make his best use of, and his Indentures given in, Further itt is my will that everie one of William Carr of Setle his children shall have Twentie shillings A peece, & three maid Servants five shillings A peece, Richard Chester tow shillings sixe pence, Richard Butterfeild Tenn pounds, itt is my will & mynd that the poor people of Giglesweeke parish shall have five pounds to bee delivered by the Churchwardens of the said Parrishe, And I doe Ordaine my Brother George Barrow \jurat/ Sole Executor of this my laste will & Testament In witnesse whereof I have hearunto sett my hand & Seale the day and yeare above written

Tho Barrow

Wittnesses

Wm Carr \jurat/

Michaell Q \mke/ Richardson

Rich: Butterfeild

Settle modern spelling

Giggleswick “ “

William Bateman 1654

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In the name of God Amen the eight day of October in the yeare of our Lord according to the computation of the Church of England one thousand sixe hundred fiftie one I William Bateman of Gigleswicke in the Countie of Yorke shooe maker, sickly in bodie, but of good and perfect remembrance praised be God And consideringe of the certaintie of death and uncertaintie of the time, and that it is the dutie of everie true Christian to set his house in order before his death, To the end his posteritie and friends may enioye his goods and estate in peace and quietnes, Therefore doe I make this my last will and testament in manner and forme Followinge; First I doe commit and willingly resigne my soule into the mercifull hands of Almightye God my maker and Creator, trustinge assuredly through his mercie, and by the merits of Jesus Christ my onely redeemer to be saved, and to have full pardon and remission of all my sinnes, and my bodie to the earth, whereof it was framed to be buried at my parish Church of Gigleswicke at the discretion of my freinds: And for my worldly and temporall goods and estate, wherewith God hath blessed me, I doe give, bequeath and dispose of the same as Followeth; First it is my will that my funerall expences bee paid out of my whole goods, Also it is my will and mind that Jane my wife shall enioye and receive the profits of all my houses and grounds duringe her life naturall; Also I doe give unto my said wife Jane all my goods, Cattles and Credits whatsoever; Item it is my will and mind, and I doe hereby authorize Christopher Armitstead of Settle my grandsonne with the help and advice of my Supervisore hereunder named, so soone as conveniently can bee, after the death of my said wife, to sell all my houses and grounds whatsoever (my lower barne or lathe excepted) And I will that out of the moneys thereof comeinge and arisinge the said Christopher Armitstead shall pay all the summes and Legacies hereafter menconed, and to the persons hereunder named That is to say To Agnes Sowden the wife of Thomas Sowden the summe of thirtie poundes for which I have alreadye mortgaged unto her certaine grounds: Item I give unto the said Christopher Armitstead, William Armitstead, John Armitstead, Richard Armitstead, Margaret Armitstead, Jane Armitstead and Mary Armistead my grandchildren to everie of them tenne poundes, a peice, to be paid of the moneys arisinge and comeinge of my said houses and grounds, and to be paid so soone as conveniently it can be had out of the price of the said houses and grounds; Item I give unto Wiliam Bateman the reputed sonne of my late deceased sonne Thomas Bateman the summe of twentie poundes which my will and mind is shalbe put forth by my supervisors for the use of the said William untill he attaine the age of twentie one yeares, if my said wife dye before, and that my houses and grounds be sold and moneys raised and gotten thereby as above said. Item whereas I have by indenture dated the nineteenth day of October, one thousand sixe hundred Fortie nine sold and conveyed to John Taylour my servant and to his Executors and Assignes certaine grounds and the Moyetie of my said lower lathe, I doe hereby confirme the said grant and conveyance And also I doe give to the said John Taylour the other halfe of the said Lathe. Also I will that my said wife Jane shall keepe and maintaine the said William Bateman with meat and clothes till he shalbe twentie one yeares of age, if she live so longe, and that John Taylour shall teach him his trade, And if any overplus remaine of the price of my houses and grounds after the above said summes and Legacies be paid, I will that the said

surplusage shalbe equally divided amongst the above named Alice, Christopher, William, John, Richard, Margaret, Jane and Mary Armitstead by equall porcons. Item I doe make and nominate Jane my wife sole Executrix of this my last will and testament, Supervisors hereof I doe make and ordaine Thomas Lawson and Brian Cookeson of Gigleswicke, whome I doe intrust to see this my last will and testment truely performed as my trust is in them reposed To whome also I doe hereby give the like power and authoritie for sellinge of my houses and grounds that I have given to the said Christopher Armitstead in case he be negligent and obstinate therein; Provided that my Supervisors shall have all their Charges whatsoever out of my said houses and grounds, In witnes whereof I have hereunto put my hand and seale the day and yeare abovesaid, William Bateman marke, Witnesses hereof Miles Cockett his marke, John Taylour his marke.

This will was proved at Westminster before the Judges for Probate of wills and grantinge of Adminstracons lawfully authorized the eight and twentieth day of March In the yeare of our Lord God one thousand sixe hundred Fiftie foure by the oath of Jane Bateman the Relict of the said deceased and sole Executrix named in the said will, To whome Administracon of all and singular the goods Chattles and debts of the said decead was committed, she beinge first sworne by virtue of a Commission issued out in that behalfe well and truely to administer the same/

Giggleswick modern spelling

Alice Battersbye late of Bowstagill and now of Rathmell widow
March 18, 1662
Borthwick volume 46 Folio 457

In the name of God Amen the thirteenth Day of March in the yeare of our Lord God Accordinge to the Computation of the Church of England one thowsand six hundred sixty and two I Alice Battersbye \late/ of Bowstagill and now of Rathmell in the County of yorke widdow beinge sickly and Infirme in body but of good and perfect Remembrance prayed be God doe make this my last will and testament in Manner Followinge Revokeinge hereby all wills by me Formerly made: And First I doe Comitt and willingly resigne my soule into the Mercifull hand of Allmighty God my Maker and Creator trustinge through his Mercy and by the Merrittes of Jesus Christ my onely Redeemer to be saved and to have pardon and remission of all my sinnes And my body to the Earth where of it was made to be buried in Christian Manner att the discretion of my Friendes And For my worldly and temporall goods and Estate I doe give devise and dispose of the same as Followeth First I will that my debts and Funerall Expenses be payd out of my whole goodes. Item I give unto John Battersbye my grandchilde Twenty shillings to be payd to the said John when hee shall attayne the age of one and twenty yeares And if he dye before he attayne the said age then the said Legacy to remaine to my Executor here under named Alsoe I give unto Luke Knowles my grandchilde Twenty shillings to be payd within two yeares next after my decease Item I give unto Anne Knowles and Alice Knowles my grandchildren the sume of Fifteene poundes thirteene shillings Fourepence Equally betweene them to be payd within two yeares next after my death out of my part of the price of those Landes att Gawthroppe in dent. Item I give unto Christopher Parkinson & Alice Parkinson my grandchildren Sixteene poundes Equally betweene them And I will that the same Sixteene poundes shall remaine in the handes of Thomas Knowles of Rawthmell and to be by him ordered and put Forth For the uses of the sayd Christopher and Alice Parkinson and to be payd unto them with Interest accordinge to twelve pence in the pound when they shall attayne there severall ages of one and twenty yeares they then givinge sufficient acquittances for the same And if Eyther of the sayd Children dye before that age then there part to remaine to the survivor Item I give all the Remainder of my goodes and Chattells unto Thomas Knowles of Rawthmell whom I doe make Nominate and Appoint sole Executor of this my last will and testament unto whom I doe owe and am indebted the sume of eight poundes For two yeares table and keepinge. In wittnes where of I have here unto put my hand and seale the day and yeare First Above written: Alice Battersbye her **D** marke wittnesses here of James Houghton his **I** marke James Carre his **R** marke Richard Frankland

RICHARD BATTMAN 1648 Ref.Borthwick.York. Bundle Dec 1648

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Says 'Claytopp in Craven' on YAS Summary

In the name of god Amen the 14 day of october in the yeare of our Lord God 1648 I
Richard Battman being in good and perfect Rememberrance & sicke in boddie first of
all I bequeth my soule to god and my boddy to the grave
Allsoe I give & bequeath unto Jane wright three poonds
Itam I give unto Elizabeth wright three poonds
Itam I give unto Elizabeth Bentham twintty shillings
Itam I give unto Richard wright fourtty shillings
all this in his owne hand
Itam I give unto Christopher wright seven shipe (*sheep*)
Itam I give unto ricard wright the younger nine shipe
Itam I give unto Elizabeth the wife of Richard wright my part of the 7 (*mene?*)# shepe
Itam I give unto Thomas wright fourtty shilling which he oweth mee
Itam I give unto Robert Battman three chilledren thirty two pounds oweing of will
Tennant to be delt equally amongst them
Itam I give unto Robert Battman 12 pounds which hee oweth mee
Itam I give unto Robert Battman 6 pounds and his wife fourty shillings oweing of
John (Ive)sonn (*or Ineson*)
Itam I give Robert Battman 7 pounds & 8 shillings oweinth of Thomas Knowles
Itam I give unto Elizabeth the wife of Richard wright fourty shilling oweing of Tho.
Knowles
Itam I give unto frances Battman fourty shillings
Itam I give unto mary the wife of John Taylor 20 shillings oweing of Robert Hawson
(*or Llawson*)
Alsoe I apoint Rob: \jurat/ Battman
for my whole (execeter) of this my last
will and Testament
In witness
hereof

jurat
John Robineson
Margaret \jurat/Lawson

maybe. refers to the sheep which occupy fields called Meanfield Lower & Meanfield Higher. These are listed on Tythe Schedule as fields 243 & 245, 246 & 247. Owned by Wm Wildman & occupied by James Bolland when Tythe Sch. Drawn up 200 years later.

'mene' might be 'shared' in this context or 'middling' quality.

'mesne' meaning owned by the Lord of the manor?

James Benson 1686

The National Archives PROB 11/382

Transcribed by M.J. and E.M. Slater

In the name of God Amen the

thirty first day of December in the yeare of our Lord Christ one thousand six hundred eighty five I James Benson of Settle in the county of Yorke Gent being somewhat infirme in bodie but of perfect memorie praised bee God for the same Doe make and ordaine this my last will and testament in manner and forme following (that is to say) First and principallie I commend and committ my soule into the mercifull hands of Almighty God my maker assuredly trusting that through the meritts of my Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ my sinns shall be forgiven and that my soule shall bee made pertaker or eternall happinesse in the Kingdome of Heaven and my body to bee buried in the parish Church of Gigleswicke and my funerall to bee ordered at the discretion of Mr Christopher Dawson and Mr Richard Preston And as to my temporall estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless mee I give and dispose as followeth Imprimis I doe give and bequeath to Anne Whitmore my sister All my Tyth of Corne Graine and straw wooll Lambe, obventions oblations with their Hereditaments and appurtenances which I have within the parish of Gigleswicke aforesaid for and during the term of her naturall life, shee paying and dischargeing to Mr Edward Nelson of the Cittie of London All such Interest as now is or hereafter shall be due unto him for the same of any mony I am indebted unto him, And in case the said Edward Nelson shall at any time during the life naturall of my said sister call to her to pay the said principall mony in, and shee doe pay the same Then, my will and minde is that, my said sister shall have full power to charge the said tyths with the summe of Three hundred pounds, and after the death and decease of my said sister Anne I doe give and bequeath the said Tythes of Corne Graine wooll and Lamb with their hereditaments and appurtenances to the Two daughters of my said sister now living and to the Heires of their two bodies lawfully begotten forever and for want of issue of their two bodies lawfully begotten then my will and minde is and I doe hereby give and bequeath one fifth part of the said tythes (the same in five parts to bee divided) to Shereburne Crumbleholme sonne to Richard Crumbleholme, one other fifth part thereof to Shereburne son of Roger Crumbleholme, one other fifth part thereof to John Benson of London sonne of James Benson deceased if hee be living and if dead then I give the said fifth part thereof to his donne James Benson, one othet fifth part thereof to Richard and George Stirsaker(?) my halfe sisters Children and the other fifth part thereof I give to my cousens Richard and Tabitha Woodie (?) and in case my said sisters Children die without Heires of their two bodies lawfully begotten, then my will and minde is that the said Tithes with their hereditaments and appurtenances shall bee sold and the mony thereby raised shall bee employed first to discharge the said Three hundred pounds if the same bee charged upon the said Tyth and the remainder equally as aforesaid to bee divided Item I give unto Roger Crumbleholme my brother my watch and to Elizabeth his wife one pound to buy her a ring Item I give unto Mr Richard Preston one pound to buy him a ring and to his wife one pound to buy her a ring Item I give to John Hargreaves and his wife either twenty shillings to buy them rings Item I give to Dr Hargreaves twenty shillings to buy him a ring Item I give to Henry Clarke and his wife either of them a ring which I have now in my Custody Item I give to the said Edward Nelson One pound to buy him a ring Item I give to my brother Richard Crumbleholme and his wife Two pounds to by(sic) them rings Item I give to my Goddaughter Lettice Preston One pound Item I give to Henry and Ralph

Marsden my kinsmen twenty shillings a peece Item my will and minde is that my just debts legacies and funerall expences shall bee paid out of my whole estate and the residue and remainder thereof not herein and hereby disposed of I give and bequeath to my said sister Anne Whitmore who I name and constitute my sole Executrix and I doe hereby revoke all former Will and Wills by mee heretofore made In witnesse to this my last will and testament I have sett my hand and seale the day and yeare first above written James Benson. Sealed Signed and published in the presence of us these words to bee divided in the last line save Heaven being first interlined R Preston Tho. Hargraves Jo. Richardson

Probatum fuit testamentum....

Giggleswick modern spelling

Refers to Richard Preston of the Folly

JOHN BERRY 1675 Ref. Borthwick.York. vol.56 fol.16
Transcribed by S.Gordon

In the name of God Amen February the 25^h. 1670 John Berry of Stackhouse in the pish of Giggleswicke, and Countie of yorke weak of body but of a good memory God be praised doe make and ordaine this my last will and testament in manner and forme following That is to say first I Commend my soule into the hands of God my maker hoping Assuredly through the onely merits of Jesus Christ my saviour to be made partaker of life everlasting And I Comend my body to the earth whereof it is made and to be buried at the discretion of my Friends Imprimis I doe give unto my Granchilde Elizabeth Berry one Truncke and the Close in it to be equally devided betwixt my sonn Richard Berry and my Grandchilde Elizabeth abovesaid Item I doe give unto my Granchilde Elizabeth the sum of Twenty pounds which is in the hands of Leonard Watkinson of Stubin it is upon bond Item I doe give unto my Grandchilde Elizabeth abovesaid the sum of eleaven pounds which is in the hands of William Johnson of Longbanke in the pish of Clapham it is upon bond Item I doe give unto my Granchilde Elizabeth abovesaid the Sum of Twenty pounds which is in the hands of Hugh Stackhouse of Giggleswicke it is upon bond Item I doe give unto my Grandchilde Elizabeth abovesaid one little gray meare Item I give unto my Grandchilde Elizabeth abovesaid three payre of sheetes that is to say one paire of Lining sheetes one payre of Teare of hempe one payre of Canvis sheetes Item I doe give unto my Grandchilde Elizabeth abovesaid one Chist which my Cloths lyeth in Item I give unto my Grandchilde Elizabeth abovesaid the sum of Tenn pounds more which is in the hands of William Armitstead of Giggleswicke upon bond: My desire is that the poore may have two pence a peice And for all the rest of my goods after my Debts payd and Funerall Expenses I doe give and bequeath them unto my Sonne Richard Berry who I doe appoynt to be my sole executor This my last will and testament Witnesse my hand the day and yeare above written John Berry
Witnesse Tho:Carr (Jnr?) Rogerholme

Giggleswick modern spelling

Teare - best quality, especially hemp or flax

Canvis - canvas

RICHARD BERRY 1688 Ref.Borthwick.York. vol.61 fol.8
Transcribed by S.Gordon

Nuncupative

Upon the eighteenth day of July in the yeare of our Lord God one thousand six hundred eighty eight and in the fourth yeare of the Raigne of our most gracious Sovereigne Leige Lord James the second over England Scotland France and Ireland Defender of the faith et; I Richard Berry of Stackhouse in the parrish of Giggleswicke & County of yorke yeoman does declare in these words following to be my Last will though it now be put in writeing First my words are I Commend my soule to God Almighty And my body decently to be interred; And as to my personal estate I give it as Followeth words as aforesaid; Item it is my full minde that Elizabeth my daughter shall be my sole Executrix to this my last will, Then it is my Free will; And I give unto my foure Granddaughters Margaret Armitstead Ellin Armitstead Elizabeth Armitstead and Mary Armitstead children unto John Armitstead of Austwick in the County aforesaid yeoman and the aforenamed Elizabeth the Executrix all my bonds bills money debts without speciality goods Cattels and Chattels moveable and unmoveable whatsoever which I dye seized of at the time of my death unto my said foure Granddaughters before mentioned and equally to be divided amongst them after my debts and funeral expences be discharged; And this the testator does acknowledge and publishes by words as aforesaid to be his last will and now put into writeing the third day after the testators decease as the Law requires and before these Wittnesses Thomas Armistead Tho: Carr Thomas Browne

Giggleswick modern spelling

RICHARD BIRKETT 1701 Ref.Borthwick.York. Bundle June 1702
Transcribed by S.Gordon

In the name of God Amen I Richard Birkett of Gigleswick in the County of york Carpenter doe make this my last Will and Testament revokeing all other wills & Testaments whatsoever heretofore made by me Imprimis my Will & mind is that all my due debts & funerall expences bee payd by my exec. hereafter named out of my goods & chattells.

Item my Will & mind is that my wife Elizabeth Berkett shall have & enjoy all that One little Mansion or dwellinghouse formerly belonging to my father Robert Birkett together with th'appurtenances thereunto belonging Item my Will & mind is yt after the death & decease of my sd. Wife yt ye sd Mansion or dwellinghouse shall bee & enure to the onely proper use & behoofe of Elizabeth my daughter her execs. adms. & assigns Item I give & devise unto my son James Birkett one Mansion or dwellinghouse wherein I now dwell together with One barne one Garden & all & singular other the appurtnces thereunto belonging to have & to hold to him his excs. adminrs. & assigns for & during the reversion & remainder of all such terms & numbers of years as are yet unspent & to come in the premises or any pte or pcell thereof & Lastly I doe hereby nominate & appoynte my sd. son James Birkett \jurat to bee/ my true & sole exec. of this my last Will & testament As wittnesse my hand and Seale this tenth day of December. Anno Dom 1701

Seald Signed & published

in the presence of us & be it
 Remembered yt the household
 goods now standing upon the
 premisses is to bee equally devided
 between my wife & son

his marke
 Richard X Birkett

Richard Ellershaw jur
 L..... Bolland
 T Lawson

Giggleswick modern spelling

A true and pfct Inventory of all & singular the Goods Chattells (&) household stuffe belonging to Richard Birkett of Gigleswicke in the County of Yorke Carpenter late decd made & apprizd by us whose names are this Nineteenth day of December Anno Dom 1701

| | li | s | d |
|---|----|----|-----|
| Inprimis his Purse & Apparell | 00 | 06 | 00? |
| Item One dwelling house one old barne one little Garden with th appurtnces thereunto belonging lately purchased of Richard Lawson & formerly belonging to Robert Cookson of Gigleswicke late decd | 11 | 00 | 00 |
| Item Two paire of Bedstocks with bedding two little tables & three Chairs | 01 | 05 | 06 |
| Item one Long settle three pewter dishes six pewter spoones one pewter Tankard & one pewter Candlesticke | 00 | 09 | 09 |
| Item one Old Chist & one little deske | 00 | 02 | 08 |
| Item Two panns Two barrels & two stooles | 00 | 03 | 03 |

| | | | |
|--|----|----|----|
| Item little side table fixed to ye wall | 00 | 01 | 04 |
| Item all his workeing tooles & instruments belonging the trade of A Carpenter | 02 | 00 | 00 |
| Item Six Basons Six piggons one Grinding Stone & all other old household stuffe & Huslement | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| | 15 | 19 | 02 |

Richard Ellershaw
T. Lawson
Tho: Carr
Will: Stackhouse

William Bordley 1610 Borthwick v31 f689

In the name of God Amen the 12th day of November 1610 I, William Bordley of Cockley Bancke in Rathmell in the county of York yeoman being sick in body but whole in mind praised be god do proceed to the making of this my last will and testament in manner and form following hereby revoking all former and other wills whatsoever heretofore by me made. And first and principally I give and bequeath my soul to the almighty god my maker and redeemer with full and assured hope of redemption through the merits death and passion of Christ Jesus my saviour and redeemer and my body to be buried in the parish church yard of Giggleswick in the county aforesaid. And touching all my worldly estate I will they be disposed in manner following First my will and mind is and I do hereby give and bequeath all that my messuage and tenement at Cockley Banck and the Gayle whatsoever now in my occupation or possession unto Elizabeth my wife for and during the minority and until such time as John Bordley my eldest son shall accomplish the age of one and twenty years in respect of her dower and upon condition that she educate and bring up him the said John and Thomas Bordley my youngest son during their minorities well and sufficiently the reversion and remainder thereof I give and bequeath unto my said son John Bordley and his heirs forever never-the-less upon condition that he permit Elizabeth my said wife quietly to have and enjoy a full third part thereof during her life natural if she survive his said minority. And also upon condition that he the said John Bordley my eldest son satisfy and pay unto Thomas Bordley my youngest son the sum of fourteen pounds of lawful English money within four years next after his said full age and time of entry to the said messuage and lands and premises. And if he the said John Bordley refuse to perform the said conditions or either of them or that he die before he accomplish his full age then my will and mind is that Thomas Bordley my youngest son shall have the said messuage and tenement before mentioned and to him his heirs and assigns for ever. Also I give and bequeath to William Nowell of Caplesyde gentleman and Henry Wiglesworth of Wiglesworth both within Craven and in the county of York my trusty and best beloved and approved good friends all that my messuage land and tenements and other appurtenances whatsoever to me belonging or in any wise appertaining within the Lordship and manor of Wiglesworth within the said county of York and all my right estate title and interest thereof and thereunto to have hold and enjoy the same jointly to them the said William Nowell and Henry Wiglesworth their heirs and assigns forever. And it is my will and mind that if they sell alien or discontinue the same to any person or persons the said bargain and sale to stand and continue perfect and feasible against any my heirs and assigns and all others claiming or pleading any title from me or them or any of us so as the same be done by both their mutual consents acts and agreement.

And it is my will and mind that they the said William Nowell and Henry Wiglesworth their executors or assigns shall in regard and recompense thereof educate and maintain William Bordley my second son with meat drink and clothing sufficient at their discretion during his minority. And further satisfy and pay unto him the said William Bordley my said second son the sum of 100 pounds of lawful English money at such time as he shall accomplish the age of 21 years. And if it fortune my said son William to depart this life in his minority and before such time as he shall accomplish the said age of 21 years then it is my will and mind that they the said William Nowell and Henry Wiglesworth their executors and assigns shall at such time as the said William might or should have accomplished his said age of 21 years content satisfy

and pay the said sum of one hundred pounds unto John Bordley and Thomas Bordley my said two sons if they be or either of them be living. And if all my said sons die before the said time in which my said son William Bordley might have accomplished his said full age of 21 years then my will and mind is that they the said William Nowell and Henry Wigglesworth their executors and assigns shall pay or cause to be paid unto Elizabeth my now wife her executors or assigns the sum of 100 pounds at the said time in which my said son William should have accomplished his said age of one and twenty years. And for all my goods chattels and debts my will and mind is that my debts shall be paid out of my whole goods and then one third part of the remainder to be to my wife for her widow right and one other part to my children equally in lieu of their child's parts and filial portions of my goods. And the other third part commonly called the deaths part I will that the same be equally divided between Elizabeth my wife and Thomas Bordley my youngest son. And I make Elizabeth my wife my sole executor of this my last will and testament. Witnesses hereof Allan Car Francis Foster Giles Houghton John Kay John Carr.

Giglesweeke
Wigglesworth

Buried 1610

Oliver Bradley 1603 Borthwick v29 f159

In the name of god Amen the seventeenth day of May in the year of our Lord 1603 I Oliver Bradley of the lyth banke within the Lordship of Rathmell in the County of York Carpenter sick in body but of perfect memory to god be praise do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following:

First I commend my soul into the merciful hands of almighty god trusting through the merits and passion of his son Jesus Christ to be saved and I commit my body to earthly burial and that within the church yard of my parish church of Giggleswick aforesaid at the discretion of my wife and children.

Item: whereas I have for many years past holden and occupied under the worshipful my master John Catterrall Esquire one house & garth with the appurtenances within the Lordship of Rathmell aforesaid whereon I now dwell being of the rent of five shillings together with certain new grounds above the same house westwards being of the rent 3s 6d I leave all my title and estate whatsoever therein (by licence of my said master) to my son Richard provided always and yet my desire is and I heartily request my said master that like as I have always found him a good master and he me a true servant and tenant so that he will suffer Isabell my now wife if she survive me to have and enjoy to her use during her natural life, after this present year half of that close called the moreclose or the lange banke and all that parcel of ground called the close heade which is now in my said son Richard his occupation according as I and my said son formerly and now at this time have agreed upon and further also she to have and enjoy until the first day of May next coming all such part of my houses and grounds (excepting half of the barn to Richard) as are now in my occupation and from thenceforth, she to have but only the loft and half of the barn for two years then next following.

Also my will is and I give unto Alan Procter my son in law one cow called Nutte(?). And after my debts funeral expenses legacies mortuary and other rights be paid and done out of my whole goods I give & bequeath all the residue of my said goods chattels and debts wholly unto my said wife. And I do appoint my said wife and John Cockman my neighbour executor of this my last will and testament. These being witnesses Christopher Browne, Thomas Carre, & William Lawson.

Rawthmell
Giggleswicke

Oliver Bradley 1604 Borthwick v29 f346

In the name of God amen the second day of June in the second year of the reign of our sovereign lord James by the grace of God king of England, France and Ireland and of Scotland the 37th defender of the faith etc 1604 I Oliver Bradley of Rathmell of the parish of Giggleswick in the county of York husbandman sick in body but of perfect remembrance praised be god do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I bequeath my soul to Jesus Christ my maker and only saviour and my body to be buried in the churchyard at Giggleswick.

First my debts and funeral expenses discharged I give and bequeath all my goods moveable and unmoveable unto Jane my wife and my two children Richard and Robert equally to be divided amongst them,

Also I give my wife the one half of my tenement during the natural life of my father Richard Bradley and all after his decease until my son Richard do accomplish the full age of twenty years and after he come to age she to have her widow right. And my son Richard to have all after her provided also that if she either marry or miscarry then to void within three days after not having my portion thereof.

Also my will is that my son Richard shall pay so soon as he shall accomplish the age of 21 years four pounds to his brother Robert for agreement.

And I make my father Richard Bradley and Hewgh Car of Winscale my whole executors of this my last will and testament. Witness hereof Roger Armetstead and Richard Clarke.

Rawthmell
Gigleswicke
Giglesweeke

Richard Bradley 1614 Borthwick v33 f359

In the name of God Amen the 16th day of November in the twelfth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord James by the grace of god king of England France and Ireland etc. and of Scotland the eight & forty 1614 I Richard Bradley of Rathmell husbandman Sick in body but good & perfect remembrance praised be Almighty god do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following first I give and bequeath my soul to Almighty god my maker and redeemer and my body to be buried in the Church yard of Giggleswick and for my mortuary and other church dues all that right will. Also I give and devise all my lands and tenements and also all my estates for years and all my right title, claim and demand therein and thereunto to Robert Bradley my son Also my will is that my funeral expenses be paid out of my whole goods Also I give and bequeath unto my daughter Jane's two daughters to either of them twenty shillings to be paid unto them when they come to the age of one and twenty years. Also I give unto Margaret Bankes my servant twenty shillings. The rest of my goods chattels and debts not bequeathed I give the same wholly to Robert my son and I ordain and appoint him the said Robert Bradley the sole executor of this my last will and testament these being witnesses Francis Foster John Carr William Bankes

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Rawthmell*

Robert Bradley 1628 Ref. Borthwick v40 f416

In the name of God Amen the first day of January AD 1628 I Robert Bradley of Rathmell within the county of York sick in body but of perfect mind and remembrance praised be almighty god do make this my last will and testament in manner and *form* following first I give and bequeath my soul to Jesus Christ my saviour and redeemer and my body to be buried in the church yard of Giggleswick. Item: my will is that my body shall be brought to the grave with such funeral appurtenances as be fitting for my calling. Item I give to Elizabeth Dicolnson my servant two kine, a young heffer or stirk a brass pot and a chist Item I give to Isabell Dicolnson sister of the aforesaid Elizabeth Dicolnson and daughter of William Dicolnson of Rathmell aforesaid one cow. Item I give to Jane Dicolnson sister of the said Elizabeth and Isabel an other cow Item I give to William Dicolnson younger son of William Dicolnson aforesaid one white mare. Item I give to the said William Dicolnson younger forty four shillings of lawful English money due to me by a bill obligatory of James Wilson of Tipperthwate deceased if the same can be gotten of the executor or administrator of the said James Wilson. Item whereas William Carr of (Dobden?) oweth me about seven pounds of like money by obligation of twenty pounds or thereabouts now I do release forgive and do free the said William Carr all the said debt upon condition that the said William Carr do pay unto Jane Walmsley daughter of Thomas walmsley late of the said Rathmell deceased her executors or assigns within one half year next after my decease forty shillings of like money. Item I make Jane (Jaine?) Stead of Leathley my sister and Margrett her daughter joint executors of this my last will and testament. Item my will is that if I shall decease before May next that the kyne, the stirk and mare aforesaid by me given by legacies shall be maintained and kept with my hay and fodder in my barn until the said May next. Item I give to the said Jane Stead all my lands buildings and appurtenances in Rathmell *for* the term of her natural life and after her decease to the said Margrett Stead and her heirs for ever. Item I give to Richard Foster son of Franncis Foster of Rathmell deceased 12d Item I give and bequeath all the rest of my goods movable and immovable except before bequeathed to Jane Stead my sister and Margrett her daughter equally to be divided between them both. Witnessed Edmond Carr, John Yeadon, John Carr and Thomas

Rathmell spelt Rawthmell in will

BRAISHEY RICHARD 1646 Ref. Borthwick.York.Bundle May 1647/8
Transcribed by S.Gordon

In the name of God Amen the 25th. daie of December An.Dni 1646 I Richard Braishey of Gigleswick in the Countie of Yorke yeoman sick in body but of good and pfect memorie praised (bee God) do make and ordeyne this my laste will and testament in manner and forme following And first and principally I commend my soule into the hands of Almighty God my maker trusting through the meritts of my alone savior Jesus Christe to bee made ptaker of eternall blisse in heaven and my bodie I comitt to the earth from whence it came in hope of the resurrection to eternall life to bee buried in the pish Church yarde of Gigleswick afforesaid at the discrecon of my loving wife and friends. And as touching my worldly estate wherewith God hath blessed mee I will and dispose thereof as followeth. First it is my will and mynde that Anne my wife shall have and enjoy such jointure of my land and tenements as was granted to her use by my father Thomas Braishey and my selfe before our intermarriage and that Thomas Braishey my sonne and heire apparent shall have his right and title also in my land and tenements likewise granted to him in use at the same tyme. Also it is my will and mynde that my debts and funerall expenses bee paid out of my whole goods and chattels, and if any surplusage remaine I give the same to my younger children. Item whereas I am seized in Fee simple of two Crofts of meadow grounde lying on the backpte of my dwellinghouse in Gigleswick afforesaid in the said Countie wich I bought of one M Brooke with their appurtenances My will and mynde is and I do hereby give devise and bequeath the same two Crofts unto Agnes Braishey Ellen Braishey Richard Braishey and George Braishey my younger children and to such childe or children as my wife shall have in her wombe at the tyme of \making of/ this my will and to their heires and assignes for ever to have and to holde the same to the said Agnes Ellen Richard and George and the said childe and children unborne their heires and assignes for ever. Provided always and yet nevertheless it is my will and mynde that if Thomas Braishey my eldest sonne abovenamed or his heires pay to my said younger children or to such of them as shall bee alive or to their Tutor or Tutors for their behoofe the some of Twenty pounds of lawfull English money at any tyme within the space of Tenne yeares next after my decease That then the said younger children to relinquish and give over their estate and title to the said Thomas Braishey his heires or assignes and the legacy and bequest to them before mencioned to bee utterly paid both in lawe and equity And whereas I holde by severall leases or assignementes to mee thereof made one Close called Briggham close lying within the townefields of Gigleswick afforesaid in the said Countie and three Catlegates or Cowgates and a halfe within that pasture Close called Newfield in Gigleswick aforesaid wich I purchased of one Rowland Falthropp of Gigleswick afforesaid My will and mynde is and I do hereby give devise and bequeath unto my said younger children Agnes Ellen Richard and George Braishey and to such child or children as my wife shall have in her womb at the making of this my will their execrs. Admins. and assignes the said Briggham close and the said three catlegates and a halfe with their appurtenances and all my writings and evidences concerning the same To have and to hold the same to the said Agnes Ellen Richard George Braishey and the said childe or children unborne their execrs. admins. and assignes to their only use and uses for and during all such tyme and tymes terme and termes number and numbers of yeares for wich I holde the same by force of my wryting or assurance whatsoever provided always and yet nevertheless it is my will and mynde that if Thomas Braishey my eldest sonne abovenamed or his heires pay to

my said younger children or to such of them as shall bee alive or to their Tutor or Tutors for their (behalf) the some of Threescore powndes of lawfull English money at any tyme within ye space of Tenn yeares next after my decease That then the said younger children to relinquish and give over their estate and title to ye said Thomas Braishey his heires execrs. or admins. and the legacy and bequest to them before mencioned to bee utterly void both in lawe and equity any thing before mencioned to the contrary notwithstanding. And I make and ordaine the said Anne \jurat/ my wife and Thomas \in minori etato/ Braishey my eldest sonne Execrs. of this my laste will and testament And in wittnes hereof unto this my present last will and testament conteyning two sheets of paper I have sett my hand and seale the daie and yeare First above written

Richard Braishey

These being witnesses

jurat

Willm Paley

William Brayshay

Chr Braishey his mark

jurat

John Braishey

Hen. Lawson

Giggleswick modern spelling

JOHN BRAYSHAW ADMIN1699 Ref. Borthwick.York. May 1699(admin)
Transcribed by S.Gordon

A True and perfect Inventory of the goods and Chattels of John Brashaw late of
Cowside within the pish of Giggleswicke deced valued and prized the sixth day of
April 1699 as followeth

| | £ | s | d |
|---|-------|----|---|
| Inpr. his purse and Apparrell | 01 | 10 | 0 |
| Itm in wool and yearne | 02 | 06 | 8 |
| Itm Goods in the Kitching One Rainge Fire shovell and tonges one Iron pott Pewther and wood =vessell | 02 | 10 | 0 |
| Itm In the Chamber two Bedds and Bedding belonging the same one Long Chest two Chaires and other huslement | 03 | 15 | 0 |
| Itm in the Little Parlour one little Bed and Bedding one Forme and other old huslement | 01 | 00 | 0 |
| Item One Cow and other goods in and about the Fould | 03 | 06 | 8 |
| | ----- | | |
| Tot. | 13 | 18 | 4 |

Giggleswick modern spelling

Thomas Brayshaw 1606 Borthwick v30 f162

In the name of god Amen upon the 12th day of September 1606 I Thomas Braishaye of Giggleswick within the county of York yeoman sick in my body but of perfect remembrance I pray and do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I commend my soul to Almighty god by whose mercy through the redemption of Jesus Christ my (*sic*) only son I believe to be saved, and my body to be buried in the churchyard at Giggleswick. Also it is my will and mind that my debts be paid of my whole goods.

Also I give and bequeath all my goods movable and unmoveable to Jane my wife and Bridgett my daughter equally to be divided between them. And it is my will and mind that Jane my wife have her right of and in my houses and grounds. Item I do give and bequeath the sum of three score pounds mentioned in one indenture of bargain made between me and Allan Bateman my son-in-law unto Jane my wife and Bridgitt my daughter to be paid unto them in such manner and form as in the said indenture is set down and declared whereof twenty pounds shall be and remain to the only use and behoof of the said Jane my wife and her assigns and forty pounds residue of the said three score pounds shall be and remain to the only use and behoof of Bridgitt my daughter and her assigns. And if default be made in payment of the said £60 in such sort and order as in and by the said indenture it ought to be paid that then and from thenceforth the Feofees mentioned in the aforesaid indenture and their heirs shall stand and be seized of and in the house, messuage, lands, edifices and hereditaments with the appurtenances mentioned in the said indenture to the use and behoof of the said Jane my wife and Bridgitt my daughter to their heirs executors administrators and assigns according to the true intent and meaning of the said indenture. And if it shall fortune that Bridgitt my daughter shall exit out of this mortal life before she come to marriage or to the age of twenty one years then I give twenty pounds parcel of the said forty pounds to her bequeathed unto the said Allan Bateman my son-in-law .

Item I give to my sister Alice Jackson her children ten pounds thereof to be divided amongst them equally. Item I give to Thomas Howsonne my godson and to three of the youngest children of Thomas Howsone deceased late of Settle the other ten pounds residue of the said forty pounds to be equally divided amongst them.

Item I give and bequeath to Jane my wife and Bridgett my daughter the walk mill of three shillings and four pence rent and one little close of ground lying at Lawkland and all assurances which I have concerning the same equally to be divided between them. Also one acre dale of ground lying in Thackthwaite, one parcel of ground called Farrell Banckes and one other parcel of ground called Reddbuttes one other parcel of ground lying nigh to the Red Buttes and one other parcel of ground called Gildens Sleighets lying within the territories of Giggleswick and all my taken grounds whatsoever and all assurances grants of them and of every of them equally to be divided between the said Jane my wife and Bridgitt my daughter to their executors administrators and assigns for ever to have and to hold one moiety of so much thereof as is inheritance to Jane my said wife and to her heirs forever and the other half to my said daughter Bridgett and to her heirs for ever and to have and to hold so much thereof as is held by lease or leases and all my estate that is to say one moiety thereof to my said wife her executors and assigns and the other moiety to my said daughter

Bridgitt her executors and assigns for and during all such term and terms of years as I have in them or any of them.

Item I give to Agnes Bateman my daughter one acre dale of ground lying in Thackthwaite to her executors administrators and assigns provided always that if it shall fortune the said Bridgitt my daughter to die before she come to marriage then it is my will and mind that her part and portion of the ground above recited shall come and remain to the said Alan Bateman and Agnes his wife to their heirs executors and assigns for ever.

And also if it shall fortune the said Agnes Bateman now wife of the said Alan to die and have no issue of her body lawfully begotten at the time of her death and that neither she or her assigns having paid the said sum of three score pounds mentioned in the said indenture Then it is my will and mind that all the whole right title interest and demand of in and to the messuage, tenement, lands and hereditaments with the appurtenances mentioned in the said indenture shall come and remaine unto the only use and behoof of Bridgitt my daughter to her heirs and assigns and for lack of her Then the same messuages, lands and hereditaments and with the appurtenances shall come and remain to Thomas Howsone my godson and James Jacksonne my sister's son of Clapham to their heirs executors and assigns for ever always reserving my wife her widows right any sentence before in these presents mentioned to the contrary hereof notwithstanding Also I make and appoint Jane my wife and Bridgitt my daughter joint executors of this my last will and testament. And I will that they shall see my debts paid. And I desire Thomas Craven, Thomas Carr of Settle, Richard Preston and Thomas Stackhouse to be supervisors hereof and to help my wife and daughter where need shall be These being witnesses Thomas Craven and Brian Bainbrigg.

Gigleswicke
Settell

Thomas Brayshaw 1626 Borthwick v39 f503

Memorandum that upon or about the twenty-seventh day of August 1626 Thomas Brayshawe of Giggleswick did make his will nuncupative in words following. For his goods he did dispose in manner following First for that lease which he took or bought of William Brayshawe his half brother he did give to two of the eldest sons of Richard Brayshawe his own brother in this manner to be divided, to the eldest boy the Lower Parke and to the younger boy the houses and gardens. And his right or third part in the higher parke. And for the rest of his goods he gave them to his brother Richard Brayshaw absolutely and no other man to meddle with a penny worth of them. Witnesses hereof William Bankes Thomas Lawson.

Giggleswicke

Thomas Brayshaw of Giggleswick September 19th 1695
Indexed under Ainsty but actually in Craven
Will made 2nd of August 1695

Borthwick Bundle September 1695

In the name of God Amen the Second day of August In the year of our Lord One thousand Six hundred Ninety five I Thomas Brayshaw younger of Giggleswicke in ye county of Yorke yeom being infirm in body but of sound and perfect memory praised be god therefore do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and forme following That is to say Believing my salvation in Jesus Christ my Saviour and his meritorious passion hoping for a joyfull resurrection I committ my body to the Ground to be buried in Such manner as to my Executor Seem most convenient And for ye disposal of my Worldly Goods wherewith it hath pleased God to blesse me thereof I dispose as Followeth Imprimis I Will that my Funerall Expences and all debts be well and truly paid by my Executor Item I give to my dear Wife Mary Brayshaw the yearly Sume of Five pounds of lawfull English money to be paid to her or her assignes in every year out of my Lease lands by my Executor at the Feast days of St Martine ye Bishop in Winter and the Annunciation of the Blessed Virgin Mary by even and equall portions for and during the Term of Fourty And nine Years if my Wife so long do live The first payment to be made at Such Feast day as shall next happen after my decease. Item I give to ye said Mary my wife one cow-gate on the new Feildes, the East end part of my now dwelling house called ye upper or higher Parlour and the chamber over it the third part of the garden belonging to ye said house, and convenient Roome for wintering a cow and laying hay and straw for the same in my Lath or Barn for and during the said Terme of Fourty nine years if she so long do live Item I bequeath unto my said Wife one great chest which was her mother's (*sic with apostrophe*) and the best bed and bedding Item it is my Will that my said Wife shall have the use of one other bed and bedding and other household Goods being in the said East End of my house for & during Such time as she shall please to dwell there Item I give unto my Daughter Anne Brayshaw the sume of Thirty pounds of lawfull English money to be paid by my Executor unto her Executor Administrator or Assignes at ye end of two whole years as aforesaid next after my decease Item it is my Will that my Executor enter into Bond unto my two said Daughters within three months next after my death for payment of their respective Legacies Item I give & devise unto my Son Robert Brayshaw his Executors Administrators and Assignes upon condition that this my Will Testament be faithfully performed by him, All and Singular my houses, Barnes, Stables, Malt kilns, Lease Lands, pasture closes, Moors Mosses and Common of Pasture with appurtenances and all my Estate lying and being in ye said Giggleswicke & Township thereof and Writings thereunto belonging To have & to hold the said premisses with their appurtenances unto ye said Robert Brayshaw his Executors Administrators & Assignes for & during ye number of years therein yet to come & unexpired Item I give and bequeath unto my said Son Robert all my husbandry-gear and quick goods and all Tables, formes thereto appurtaing, a clock & case, One cupboard & all nailfast Goods in my said house. And the rest of my household Goods not before bequeathed I give & bequeath to my said Wife, son Robert and two daughters to be equally distributed amongst them Item it is my mind yt if my Wife or daughters shall Sue for or demand any

parte of my Goods or Chattels otherwise yt according to this my Will, Such bequests thereof to them to be void & my son to have ye same. Lastly Revoking all other & former Wills I nominate & constitute my said son Robert Brayshaw Sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament & hereunto have Set my hand & seal the day and year first above Written

Thomas Brayshaw

Sealed Signed & Published to be ye last Will & Testamt of ye said Thomas Brayshaw in ye sight of us Thomas Brayshaw William Armitstead R. Acinson

On the 26th of August 1695 Robert Brayshaw of Giggleswick yeoman sworn in as executor. Thomas Brayshaw of Giggleswick yeoman appeared with him and they both signed before Robert Oates.

An Inventory of the Goods and Chattells belonging to Thomas Brayshaw late of Giggleswick decd made by us whose names are subscribed this twenty sixth day of August Anno Dm 1695

| | | | |
|--|----|----|----|
| Imprimis his Purse & Apparrell | 3 | 00 | 00 |
| One horse and two Mares | 08 | 00 | 00 |
| Six Cowes | 17 | 00 | 00 |
| Three Steares | 06 | 00 | 00 |
| Three Heifers | 05 | 10 | 00 |
| Four Yeareings | 05 | 10 | 00 |
| Four Calfes | 02 | 00 | 00 |
| Twenty sheep | 05 | 00 | 00 |
| Eight Ewe Lambes | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| One Hogg | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| In ye Parlor one bed and Beding belonging to it | 00 | 16 | 00 |
| Three Chaires & three Stools | 00 | 04 | 06 |
| One? Chest | 00 | 13 | 4 |
| One Table | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| In ye Chamber over the Parlor one Chest | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| In the lower Parlor three beds and beding belonging to them | 2 | 10 | 00 |
| Two Chests one Chaire | 00 | 08 | 00 |
| In ye Chamber over ye lower Parlor One bedd and beding belonging | 00 | 12 | 00 |
| Two Arkes one Chest | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| Meale | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| One Baken Flicke (<i>a side of bacon</i>) | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| Six Quishings | 00 | 03 | 00 |
| Woole | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| Two board Clothes three paire of Sheets halfe a dozen of Napkins | 1 | 10 | 00 |
| Four Barrells 1 Flaskit | 00 | 05 | 00 |

| | | | |
|--|----|----|----|
| Halfe a doz: of Basins | 00 | 03 | 00 |
| One knope and Guilefat three Gallons one Flaskitt | 00 | 06 | 08 |
| Two Tables & formes in the bodistead | 00 | 16 | 00 |
| One little Cupboard in the bodistead | 00 | 06 | 08 |
| Two Chaires four Quishings | 00 | 04 | 00 |
| One Watche (?) Walke(?) | 00 | 06 | 08 |
| One Churne | 00 | 01 | 06 |
| Two Potts one Morter | 00 | 15 | 00 |
| Four Panns | 01 | 10 | 00 |
| One Chafin Dish of brass | 00 | 00 | 6 |
| Eleaven pewter dishes | 00 | 15 | 00 |
| halfe a doz: poddingers one flagon one Chamber pott 2 Salts one tankard 2 bowles one doz: of Spoons 2 Candlesticks | 00 | 08 | 00 |
| One backstone one paire of Briggs one toasting Iron one Reckon Crooke | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| Two Ranges two paire of tongs one Spitt | 00 | 01 | 06 |
| Halfe a doz: Sack & Window Cloth | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| One Saddle one bridle one pillion | 00 | 06 | 08 |
| One Peck & halfe peck | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| One l haire Cloth three Malt Shovells | 01 | 00 | 00 |
| One Arke one Chest in the Barne | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| Four Carts three paire of Wheels one Cowp | 02 | 06 | 08 |
| Two plowes & Plowgeere | 00 | 10 | 00 |
| One doz: of Cowbands | 00 | 01 | 00 |
| Hay & turves | 07 | 00 | 00 |
| All huslem. | 00 | 13 | 00 |
| Total | 84 | 9 | 08 |

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84 09 08

Thomas Brayshaw
William Armitstead
Thomas Watkinson
Willm. Paley

John Brayshay 1615 Borthwick v35 f123

In the name of God Amen the twelfth day of December in the year of our lord god one thousand six hundredth and fiftene I John Brayshay of Langclife in the countye of yorke yeoman sicke in bodye but of pfect memorie god be prayesd therefore doe make and ordayne this my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge First I comend my Soule into the mercifull hands of Almightye god my maker and redeemer trustinge assuredlie throughe the merritts and pretious boudsheadinge (*bloodshedding*) of my alone Saviour and redeemer Jesus Christ to be mayd ptaker of eternal ioyes in heaven And for my bodye I will the same be buried at the discretion of my freinds Itm my will is and I give devise and bequeathe unto Richard Brayshay my eldest sonne and to his executors and assignes my frehold messuage and tenement with th'appurten'nces in Langclife aforesayd and all grounds and hereditaments which I hold by lease or leases for tearme or termes of yeres whatsoever within the mannor and Lordshippe of Langcliffe aforesayd and all my full and whole estate righte tytyle interest tearme and termes of yeares of in and to the same premisses and of in and toe everie pte and pcell thereof and also all my writings escipts and evidences perteyneinge. The same provided alwayes and yet nevertheless upon Condition that the sayd Richard his executors and assignes shall suffer Sybell my wife and her assignes to occupie and inioye all the same pmisses for the better maynetenance and releese of her selfe and my children for seaven yeares now nexte comeing and alsoe that if my sayd wyfe doe live unto the end of the sayd seaven yeares when he the sayd Richard my sonne his executors administrators and assignes shall permitt and suffer the sayd Sibell my wife or her assignes to continew in the occupacion of the one halfe of my sayd tennement for soe many yeares after as she shall live and it is my will that my sayd sonne Richard shall enter to one halfe of my tenement at the Seaven yeares end and to the other halfe at my wives decease whensoever yt the same shall happen after the same seaven yeares ended and upon condicion alsoe that he the sayd Richard his executors or assignes shall give to everie of the rest of my children five pounds to be paid when they shall alle finalie accomplish there full ages of one and twentie yeres severallie but if anie of them come to that age before the end of seaven of yeares then to have that person payd at that tyme but not before And for my goods my will is that my debts and funerall expences first beinge payd the Residue shalbe devided into three equall portions whereof my wife to have a third pte and my younger children another pte and for the deades pte I give the same amongst my children Agnes, Thomas Willm and Robert equallye amongst but my sonne Richard to have noe pte of my goods because he shalbe alreadye pferred by my tenement and it is my will that if anie of my younger children dye before they shall have received there five pounds before herein mencioned then it to goe to the survivor of them And I appoynt Sybill my sayd wife to be the sole executor of this my last will and testment These beinge witnesses Robert Moorhouse Thomas Carr William Lawson and John Lupton

Latin text

Langcliffe

ROBERT BRASHEY 1647 Ref. Borthwick.York Bundle July 1650
Transcribed by S.Gordon

In the name of God Amen The Eighteenth day of december Anno Dni 1647 I Robert Brayshey of Giggleswicke in the County of yorke being sicke in body but of good and pfect remembrance prayed be god doe make and ordayne this my last will & Testament in manner and forme following First I committ my soule into the mercyfull hands of Almighty god my maker and creator trusting assuredly through his mercy and by the merits of Jesus Christ my onely redeemer to be saved & to have full pdon & remission of all my sins & my body to the Earth where of it was made to be buried in my pish Church yard of Giggleswicke att the discretion of my friends And for my worldly & Temporall goods & estate I give bequeath & dispose of the same as followes First it is my will & mynd that my debts & funeral Expences be payed and discharged out of my whole goods, and after the same be soe payed my mynd is that Ann my wife shall have the one halfe of the remainder of my said goods & that the other halfe thereof shalbe divided betweene Agnes & Alice my daughters when they shall attaine the age of One & Twenty yeares and if eyther of my said daughters shall dye before they attaine the age abovesaid then the same to remaine wholly to the survivors Ite my will and mynd is that Ann my said wife shall have and enjoy all my houses and grounds whatsoever until my son Thomas Brayshey shall attaine the age of One & Twenty yeares for & towards the bringing upp of my before said children; and when my said sone Thomas shall attaine the age of xxi yeares my will & mynd is that my(sic) he shall enter to the moiety of all my (houses and grounds) and that my said wife shall have the other Moyety during her life naturall, And after her decease my will & mynde is that the same shall remaine \ (wholy) / to my said son Thomas his heires and assignes; Ite my will & mynd is that my said son Thomas shall in consideracon of my said houses & grounds pay unto my daughter Agnes the some of sixteene pounds \ of lawfull money / within one yeare next after he shall attaine the age of xxi yeares & if my said son shall refuse or neglect to pay the above said some to my said daughter as abovesaid, then my mynd & will is that she shall enter to that close called the Raynes & the house therein standing & shall have & enjoy the same to her & her heares & assignes Ite my will & mynd is that my said son Thomas shall pay unto my daughter Alice the like some of sixteene pounds when she shall attaine the age of xxi yeares, and if default be made of the payment thereof That then she shall in law thereof enter to the tenter land & broadhead land late Richard Braysheys & the same hold to her her heires & assignes Item I doo make & nominate my said wife Ann \jurat/ & my said sone Thomas \minorit / to be Executors of this my last will & Testament & in witsse hereof I have hereto putt my hand: In the presence of

Robert Brayshey

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Willm Bankes

Rich: Coulton \jurat/

Thomas Paley

John Braysher \jurat/

Brian C.....

Giggleswick modern spelling

William Brennand 1608 Borthwick v30 f676

In the name of god amen the sixteenth day of April in the year of our lord god one thousand six hundred and eight I William Brennand of Settle in the county of York husbandman sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance god be praised therefore do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following First I commend my soul to almighty god and my body to a Christian burial.

Item I do hereby revoke all former wills heretofore by me made. Item whereas I have made an assignment to John Howson and George Clarke in trust of my close at Anley and commons thereto belonging as by my deed indented bearing date the fourteenth day of this instant April appeareth I now do hereby confirm the same to be good to the uses therein contained. And further I will that if both I and Isabell my wife die in the minority of William Deane Then Brian Deane his brother to have the profits of the said close and premises till the said William Deane come to age of one and twenty years and afterwards to go and remain to such use as in the said assignment is set down.

Item I give to John Brennand my brother twenty nobles besides that 20s which Thomas Swainson did at my request give him by will to be unto him in full recompense of and for such sums of money as my father did by his will appoint me to give unto him Item I give to Isabell Balderstone and Jennet Browne my sisters either of them 20s. Item I give to Isabell Balderstone daughter of Adam two guineas, to be delivered to her father for her use at midsummer next. Item I give to the three children of William Lupton every one twenty shillings. And to Margaret Lupton their mother 20s. Item I give to Richard Deane one cart and a pair of wheels which did belong to the little horse and for the rest of all my goods and chattels I give unto my wife Isabell Brennand and I appoint her the said Isabell my wife and my loving friend John Howsonne above said to be supervisors of this my last will willing that the said John Howson have his charges and allowances for his labours born in good sort about the same. These being witnesses George Clarke, Richard Deane, William Lawson and Thomas Clarke.

Christopher Brown 1611 Borthwick v31 f688

In the name of god amen the xxviiij (28th) day of Aprill in the yeare of our Lord God 1611 I Christopher Browne of Cockett beinge sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance thanks be to god for the same doe make this my last will and testament in manner and forme as followeth First I bequeathe my soule to almightie god and my body to the grounde from whence it came Item I give and bequeath to Thomas Browne my brother my whole interest and title of my tenement with the licence of the lord Item I give unto Thomas Browne my said brother all my goods moveable and immoveable yet my will and mind is that Alice Browne shall have tenne pounds to be paid her att the tenne years end and to be put further to her most profitt And it is my will my mynde that Anne Browne my sister have fourty shillings within one year Also I give unto Thomas Browne all corne sown and unsown And I give to my said brother Thomas twenty shillings wich Mr. Catterall oweth me And alsoe xiiis (13s) iiijd (4d) which Christopher (Eskam?) oweth me And I give unto my sister Maude Browne one gymmer hogg and I give unto Bridgett Wharfe one gimmer hogge Item I make Thomas Browne my brother aforesaid and Alice Browne his daughter my executors of this my last will and testament These being witnesses Jeffrey Atkinson Thomas Taylor Willm Higson

3 lines Latin

Gimmer hogg – one year old ewe

CHRISTOPHER BROWN 1676 Ref. Borthwick. Vol. 57 fol. 21
Transcribed by S.Gordon

February the first 1675

The last will & testament of Christopher Browne .. Settle in the county of York
bagger in the presence of (Edward) Capesticke and Isabell his wife the above named
Ch: Browne being in perfect mind and memorie did declare his last will and minde
thus following if I had a thousand pounds my wife should have it every penny for she
and I have gott itt together for I was not worth ten shillings in the world when I mett
with her therefore she deserves it all: noe executor was named neither mentioned (no)
anything more concerning worldly affairs Witnesze Edward Capesticke

Richard Brown 1618 Borthwick v35 f389

In the name of god Amen the four and twentieth day of February in the year of our lord god one thousand six hundred and eighteen I Richard Browne of Giggleswick in the county of York yeoman sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance god be praised therefore do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I commend my soul into the merciful hands of Almighty god my maker and redeemer trusting through the merits and precious blood shedding of my saviour Christ to have free remission of my sins and to be made an inheritor in the kingdom of heaven.

Item my will is that my father William Browne and my mother shall have their relief and maintenance upon my lands and tenements according to such bargain and agreement as is set down in writing amongst us. And as concerning my freehold lands whereof I am now seized as well my ancient inheritance as that which I lately had and purchased being parcel of the Rectory of Giggleswick my will is they shall descend and come to James Browne my eldest son according to course of law allowing unto my said father and mother and unto my wife their several rights therein.

And for my messuage and tenement whereupon I dwell and for all other my grounds which I hold by lease and leases I do give them wholly and all my right estate interest term and terms of years therein unto William Browne my second son and to his executors and assigns upon condition hereafter following that is to say First that he shall permit and suffer Jane my wife and her assigns to enjoy the same wholly for and towards the better maintenance and preferment of her and my children until my said son William shall accomplish the full age of 21 years if she marry not again after my decease and my will is that if she marry again then she shall be permitted to enjoy a third of all my tenements and grounds held by lease and leases for three score and eleven years if she so long live or else that my son to whom the same should come shall pay her so much money upon her remaining from the said premises as will make her part of my goods to be due to her by my death and by this my will to amount to thirty five pounds in all.

And also that the said William my son shall pay to his brother James my eldest son twenty pounds that is to say the one half within a twelve month and the other half within two years next after the said William my son shall accomplish his age of 21 years and that the said William my son shall likewise pay to my daughter Elizabeth so much money within a twelve month after she be one and twenty years old as will make the portion I leave her to amount to fifty pounds and in default that James have not his twenty pounds paid him in manner and form aforesaid then I give unto him and to his executors and assigns in lieu and recompense thereof all my Close called Eshtonsclose and the house therein and all my estate interest and term of years therein. And in default that Elizabeth my daughter have not her money paid as aforesaid to make her portion fifty pounds that then she shall have my grounds called Leyriggs(?) containing about three roods to her and her assigns during all the term to expend of the lease whereby I hold the same.

And as concerning my goods my will is that my debts and funeral expenses paid and my wife having her third the residue shall be equally distributed amongst my wife and James my son and Elizabeth my daughter and my meaning is that though my son James be mine heir and may therefore be barred of a portion of goods yet that notwithstanding he shall have his part made equal as aforesaid out of my part of goods and for my son William I think he will be so

sufficiently preferred by my said leases that I do not intend he shall have any part of my other goods.

And my will is that my wife shall have the tuition and government of my children and their portions during their several minorities if she so long continue widow but if she happen to marry again within the nonage of my said children or any of them then my will is that my brother in law Thomas Armetstead and my cousin Robert Cockson shall have the tuition and government of my said children and of their leases rights and estates which I do hereby leave them until they come to several ages of 21 years. And I desire that both my sons shall be kept at school and I do name and appoint my said son William to be the sole executor of this my last will and testament.. Witness hereof John Bankes, Thomas Armitstead and William Lawson.

Giglsewicke

BROWN THOMAS 1636 INV Ref. YAS MD335/6/54/51

Trans. S.Gordon

An Inventarie of all the goods and Cattall
moveable & immoveable which late were and
did belong to Thomas Browne late of
Rawthmell wthin the pish of Gigleswicke in the
County of yorke yeoman deceased trulie valued
and prised the five & Twenthith day of April
in the yeare of our Lord god one thousand sixe
hundreth Thirty & sixe by William Preston
of Rawthmell Anthony Knowles of Long preston
Thomas Knowles of Mearbecke & William
Knowles of the afforesaid Long preston in the said
County yeomen as Followeth

| | li | s | d |
|--|--------|--------|------|
| In primis fower oxen & fower steares | xxiiij | | |
| Item five Kine & one heffer | xij | x | |
| Item one maire a fole & two coults | x | xiiij | iiij |
| Item in meale and malt | xij | | |
| Item a fether bed & one mattress three boulsters, five Coverlets & two blankets | iiij | xiiij | |
| Item three pillowes five paire of sheets two table clothes sixe table napkins & quishions | | liij | |
| Item his appell | | iiij | |
| Item sekis one windinge cloth & seke yarne | | xxx | |
| Item in pots pannes & pewter | v | | |
| Item in tobbes gallons & woodden vessell | | xxx | |
| Item three Arks & five chists | iiij | | |
| Item two gaveloks one axe two spaidis & one shovle | | x | |
| Item in beef & baccon & salte | | xl | |
| Item Chaires & stoules | | x | |
| Item three paire of bed stoks | | x | |
| Item one Harrow | | ij | vj |
| Item carte ropes & traces | | iiij | |
| Item hens | | ij | |
| Item one table & other bords | | xl | |
| Item seeves ridles & stucles # | | iiij | |
| Item one spit one paire of raks one frying pan one baxstone one reccon one pr of touns & a brandreth | | x | |
| Item two Oke trees | | xxx | |
| Item wheels & Carts | | v | |
| Item in manure | | x | |
| Item stone troughs | | xiiij | iiij |
| Item Heay | | xx | |
| Item in Corne newly sowne | iiij | | |
| Item Tornos # & other hustlment | | xx | |
| Suma bonor | xciiij | xviiij | ij |
| Debtes due and owing to the sd Thomas Browne att the tyme of his decease | | | |
| Inprimis Richard Hardicre of Hellifield | xiiij | ix | vj |
| Item of John Foster of Rawthmell | iiij | iiij | ix |

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| Item of Richard Houghton of Rawthmell | | xliij | ij |
| Item of Richard Bradley of Litlebanke | | x | |
| Item of Isabell Jackeson of Wharfe widdow | | xxx | |
| Item of Henry Banks of Settle | | ix | vij |
| Item of Thomas Knowles of Mearbecke | iiij | vj | viiij |
| Item of Willim Knowles of Lonpreston | iiij | | |
| Suma creditor | xxviiij | xiiij | viiij |
| Item of a lease | | xl | |
| Suma totalis | cxxv | xj | x |

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Tornos/torne/toren/tourn = spinning wheels

Stucles/strickles? = a stick for measuring grain in a measure or a scythe wet

Thomas Brown 1657
Borthwick volume 48B Folio 524 v

In the name of God Amen the third day of September in the year of our Lord according to the computation of the Church of England 1557 I Thomas Browne the elder of Aikewith in the Lordship of Rathmell and county of York being infirm impotent and sickly in body, but of good and perfect remembrance praised be God do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I do commit and willingly resign my soul into the merciful hands of Almighty God my maker and creator, trusting through his mercy and by the merits of Jesus Christ my only Redeemer to be saved and to have pardon and remission of all my sins, and my body to the earth whereof it was made to be buried at my parish church at Giggleswick at the discretion of my friends. And for my worldly and temporal goods and estate I do give devise and dispose of the same as follows. First it is my will and mind that my debts and funeral expenses and charges shall be paid out of my whole goods credits cattells and chattels whatsoever [*information appears to be missing*] to have and enjoy the same during the term of her natural life. Also my will and mind is and I do give unto Thomas Foster my son in law and to Alice his wife the sum of £10 to be paid to them at or shortly after the death of my said wife and for all the residue and remainder of all the goods and estate whatsoever whereof my said wife Thomasin shall be possessed at the time of her death, my will and mind is, that my said son in law Thomas Foster and Alice his wife, and John Foster Thomas Foster and Elizabeth Foster my grandchildren, shall have the same after the death of my said wife, and that my said wife, shall give and divide the same amongst them according to her discretion and as she shall think fit. And I do make my said wife my sole executrix. In witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.
Thomas Browne his mark

Witnesses hereof Henry Robinson his mark, Thomas Foster his mark, Thomas Browne younger his mark, Bryan Cookeson

Thomas Brown 1689

Ref. Borthwick. Vol 61 fol 182 Craven Deanery

In the name of God Amen this fifteenth day of November in the yeare of our Lord God One thousand six hundred Eighty and Nine, 1689 I Thomas Brown of Stackhouse in the Parrish of Giggleswick and County of yorke being somewhat infirme in body but of sound and perfect memory praised be God for the same doe make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and forme Following; Imprimis I Commend and Commit my soul into the hands of my mercifull Redeemer hoping through his merriits to be made partaker of eternall life; And my body to be buried at the discretion of my Executor hereafter named; And as for my temporall estate wherewith it has pleased God to bless me I give and dispose of it as Followeth Imprimis I give to Anthony, William, Ellin, Mary and Issabell Stoney my nephews and Neeces the sum of six pounds a peece to be paid them within two years after my decease; Item I give to Robert William Issabell and Ellin Radcliffe my nephews and Neeces six pounds a peece to be paid within One year after my decease; Provided that Richard Stoney and John Radcliffe fathers to my said nephews and Neeces doe give good and sufficient security to my Executor of the said sum with the interest of it be paid to the said Anthony William, Ellin, Mary and Issabell Stoney, Robert, William, Issabell and Ellin Radcliffe when they shall come to age of twenty one years respectively, or marry whether shall first happen; And if the said Richard Stoney and John Radcliffe do refuse or neglect to give such security within one year after my decease Then my will and minde is that my Executor shall pay them onely six pounds a peece without any interest when they come to the age of twenty one years respectively; Item my will and minde is that if any or more of them dye before the age of twenty one years or marry that his her or their part or Legacy shall be equally devided amongst the brother, brothers, sister or sisters of him, her or them soe deceased; Item I give to Henry and Margaret Browne of Equith five pounds a peece. Item to John Brown of Equith forty shillings and to Jennet his wife twenty shillings; Item to William and Ann Stackhouse of Stackhouse five pounds towards building their house; Item to Jonathan Averil and Diana Higg five shillings a peece. Item to Adam Wilson tenn shillings; Item to Mary Brown my sister in law five pounds; Item to Agnes Ellershaw tenn shillings; Item to William the son of Henry Brown my brother six pounds; Item Alice Jaques five shillings; Item to Thomas, Issabell and Ellin Stackhouse tenn shillings a peece; Item I appoint Henry Brown my brother sole Executor of this my Last will and testament to whome I give all the rest of my estate not hereby disposed of And Lastly my will and minde is that if any sum or sums of money due to me by bill bond or otherwise be lost and cannot lawfully be recovered, that my Executor shall not bear the whole cost but every one of the above said Legatees shall beare in proportion according to their Legacies; In Witness whereof I have hereto set my hand and seal the day and yeare above written. Thomas Browne Winess (these words words (sic) within one year after my decease) inserted in the(80th .?) lines William Newhouse Richard Ellershaw

November the 30th 1689

An inventory of all the goods and chattels movable and immovable of Thomas Brown of Stackhouse late deceased, appraised, and valued by us whose names are underwritten

| | £ | s | d |
|--|-----|----|---|
| Imprimis his purse and apparel | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| money owing upon bond | 113 | 16 | 0 |
| owing by John Rattcliffe to the deceased | 2 | 8 | 0 |
| owing by William Stackhouse to the deceased | 0 | 6 | 0 |
| owing by Thomas Carre of Giggleswick to the deceased | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| two ewes, and three chests | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| in books | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| owing by his brother Henry Brown | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| sum total | 121 | 2 | 0 |

Thomas Clapham
Henry Brown
Thomas Clapham junior
Thomas Carre

obligation in Latin

William Brown 1608 Borthwick v30 f799

In the name of god Amen the fourth day of September in the sixth year of the reign of our sovereign lord James by the grace of god king of England France & Ireland etc. and of Scotland the 42nd. A D 1608 I William Browne of Rathmell in the county of York sick in body but of perfect mind and remembrance praised be god therefore, do make & ordain & make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I give and bequeath my soul to Jesus Christ my saviour and redeemer and my body to be buried in the church yard of Giggleswick.

Item whereas I have by one indenture conveyed unto my brother Thomas Browne all my estate interest and term of years which my brother Francis lately conveyed unto me situate and being in Rathmell with all rights members and appurtenances thereunto belonging being the moiety or one half of a tenement late in the tenure of Robert Browne father of me the said William and the said Thomas my brother as it may more at large appear in an indenture thereof made by me to my said brother Thomas. Now by this my last will and testament I confirm the same and do hereby give unto my said brother Thomas his executors administrators and assigns all my interest title right and property therein whatsoever.

Item I give to my sister Elizabeth three pounds six shillings and eight pence to be paid her by my said brother Thomas two years after my decease if she be then living and if she be not then living that the said gift of three pounds six shillings and eight pence shall be void and of none effect.

Item I give to John Robinson of Hollinges Hall in Giggleswick parish twenty shillings which my said brother shall pay in consideration of my foresaid tenement in Rathmell.

Item I give all the rest of my goods moveable and unmoveable unto my said brother Thomas he paying all my debts which I owe and funeral expenses.

Item I make my said brother Thomas Browne sole executor of this my last will and testament these being witnesses John Robinson John Francklande

Giggleswicke
Rawthmell

William Brown 1682
Borthwick v 60 f 123

January the 17th 1682

In the name of God Amen I William Brown of Stackhouse in the parish of Giggleswick and county of York being weak of body but of good and perfect memory God be praised do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. That is to say first I commend my soul into the hands of God my maker hoping assuredly through the only merits of Jesus Christ my saviour to be made partaker of life everlasting, and I commend my body to the earth whereof it is made and to be buried at the discretion of my friends.

Imprimis after my debts and funeral expenses discharged and paid Item I give unto my son Thomas Brown the sum of £80 which is in the hands of Thomas Warde(?) of Northcoote and Thomas Carr of the well in Giggleswick being upon bond and likewise I give unto my son Thomas Brown aforesaid the sum of £30 which is in the hands of John Tunsdall and Em(?) his mother of Nuland house in Horton parish being upon bond and in consideration of this aforesaid money given him my will is that he shall give to my executor a discharge for a legacy given him by his uncle Mr Thomas Stackhouse who died at Tangiers and likewise for a legacy given him by his grandfather James Stackhouse late of Stackhouse when he comes to the age of 21 years and my will is that my son Thomas aforesaid shall enter to these bonds abovesaid at my death. Item I give unto my son Henry Brown all my estate both land and lease with all my houses household goods and other all other goods both inwardly and outwardly and in consideration hereof my will is that my son Henry Brown aforesaid shall pay unto my son Richard Stoney the sum of £30 having two years time to pay it in after my decease and the said Richard Stoney shall pay to his three eldest children the aforesaid £30 that is £10 apiece when they come to the age of one and 20 years and he to have the use of it till then, and likewise my will is that my son Henry Brown shall pay unto my son John Ratcliffe the sum of £30 and to have three years time to pay it after my decease and the said the John Ratcliffe shall pay to his son Robert that now is the aforesaid sum of £30 when he attains the age of 21 years but if it shall please God that he shall have more children by Mary his now wife then the aforesaid £30 shall be equally divided amongst them when they come to the age of 21 years and till then he to have the use of it. Item I give unto my brother John Brown the sum of one pound. Item I give unto my niece Elizabeth Brown one pound. Item I give unto my daughter Ellin Stoney 10 shillings. Item I give unto my daughter Mary Ratcliffe 10 shillings and I do appoint Henry Brown my son to be sole executor and in witness hereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written

Witnesses

Richard Carr, Thomas Carr

William Browne his marke

See will of Thomas Stackhouse

Anthony Browne 1604 Borthwick v29 f345

In the name of God Amen the third day of June in the second year of the reign of our sovereign Lord James by the grace of god King of England France and Ireland defender of the faith etc and of Scotland the 37th. I Anthonie Browne of Settle in the county of York yeoman sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance laud and praise be unto Almighty god do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following First and principally I commend my soul to almighty god and my body to be buried within the parish church earth of Giggleswick at the discretion of my beloved friends.

Item my will and mind is that all bargains and covenants between John Tennant of the Chappell House in the said county yeoman touching the marriage between his son and my daughter now solemnised shall stand good to all intents, effects and purposes as they be set down and expressed in an indenture of lease bearing date the 1th day of June in the 41st year of the reign of the deceased Queen Elizabeth and in a deed mentioned and declared dated therewith more at large does and may appear. Item my will and mind is that as touching my goods the same shall go and be employed to the paying of all my debts accordingly to such persons as to whom I am indebted immediately after my funeral expenses be discharged. And if so be all my goods will not reach nor extend to the paying of my said debts then my will and testament is that Elizabeth my wife shall pay and discharge them as she shall be able out of the moiety and half of my lands and tenements which by virtue of the said indenture and other writings she shall and is to have and enjoy during her natural life . Item I make my said wife the sole executrix of this my last will and testament Witnesses hereof John Howson, John Kidd, Thomas Lawson and Giles Kirkbie

Giglesweke

JENETT BROWNE 1675 Ref. Borthwick vol. 57 fol. 159
Transcribed by S.Gordon

In the name of God Amen this Twenty sixth day of Aprill in the yeare of our Lord god, one thousand Six hundred Seaventy and five Jenett Browne of Settle in the County of yorke widdow and relict of Adam Browne Late Disc'd being weak of body but of good and pfect memory praised bee the Almighty for the same doe make and declare this my Last Will and Testament in manner and forme following first I Comend my Soule to the Almighty god my maker etc. And as for my body I give it to the earth from whence it Came to bee buried att ye discretion of my freinds and Supervisors of my will here after menconed secondly my Will and mind is that my debts and funeral Expenses shall bee Satisfied and discharged out of that mansion house wherein John Thorneber now Liveith with the appurtenances and that Land which my Late husband Adam Browne purchased of John Atkinson called by the name of Longstreame Lands to the said with the stable and garth thereunto belonging with the said Land to be sould by the Supervisors and after the discharging of (all and?) Singular my debts and funerall Expences out of that money(maid?) out of the said premises my will and minde is that the (rest) And Remainder thereof bee equally divided betwixt my sonne Thomas and my daughter Elizabeth and in Case my brother Thomas Browne do not take Care to provide for my Sonne Richard then my will is that the said Richard shall have an equall pte and porcon with then the said Thomas & Elizabeth of the said goods and Chattels And further my will and minde is that all and singular my goods Chattels and Implemts of housould shall bee sold and equally divided as aforesaid after the before mentioned uses bee performed and I doe hereby appoynt Thomas Browne my sonne and Elizabeth my daughter as sole execoute of this my Last will and Testament and I doe likewise appoynt William Taylor John Battersbire and Robert Parkinson as Supervisors to see this my Will and Testament pformed In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale the day & yeare first above written Jenett Browne her marke: M.. that be fore then Sealeing hereof I the said Jenet Browne do authorize them the above named Supervisors to and for the use of my aforesaid Children and to and for other uses aforesaid to demise sell and dispose of the above mentioned premises and every pte and pcell thereof as they the said supervisors shall think fitt and Convenient and to seale and deliver all such writtings and Evidents as shall bee Requisite for the Conveyeing of all or any the premises above Said Sealed published and delivered as the Last Will and Testament of her the said Jenet Browne in the presence of William Moore his marke Elizabeth Parkinson John Richardson

JOHN BROWNE 1671 Ref. Borthwick.York. vol. 53 fol. 90
Transcribed by S.Gordon

Memorandum the twentie eight day of June or thereabouts in the yeare of our Lord one thousand six hundred seventy and one John Browne of Lyth Banck in the pish of Giggleswick and diocesse of york sick in body but of good and pfect memorie, infered these words or words to the same effect, as Last will and Testament nuncupative by word of mouth First I give to my daughter Jennett Browne wife of John Browne three pounds to be paid within one year after my decease Item all the Remainder of my goods reall and personall moveable and imoveable whatsoever I give unto William Browne my son whome I make Executor of this my last will witnesse hereof signed Jhanes (*Johannes*) Browne

6 lines Latin

Giggleswick modern spelling

ROBERT BROWNE 1665 Ref. Borthwick, York vol. 47 fol. 229
Transcribed by S.Gordon

In the name of God Amen upon the Twelfth day of Aprill Anno dom 1665 I Robert Browne of Stainforth under bargh within County of yorke husbandman being sicke in body butt in good and pfect memory I praise God for the same doe make this my last will and Testament in maner and forme as followeth First I doe comend my soule into the mercifull hands of Almighty God trusting assuredly through the meritts of Jesus Christ my onely Saviour to be saved And my body to be buried in the pish Church of Giggleswicke att the discretion of my friends Also my will and minde is and I doe give to my wife Alice one halfe of my houses and Lands Situate and lying in and about Stainforth dureing her naturall life Also my will and minde is and I doe give to my eldest sonne Christopher Browne the other halfe of my houses Lands Tenements till the decease of my wife Alice Browne and after her decease to enter enjoy occupie and possesse all the said houses and Lands Messuage Tenements situate lyeing and being in Stainforth under bargh aforesaid as my Lawfull heire Also my will and minde is that my wife Alice Browne and my sonne Christopher Browne have and enjoy all those six and fortie Sheepgates lying in the pasture Close called Winskill stones, and all my goods and Chattells and Cattells moveable and unmoveable out of which I doe enjoyne and appoint them to pay all my debts and Legacies whatsoever: Also my minde is and I doe give resigne and sett over to my sonne Christopher Browne all my lands and Tenements lyeing neare Nealsing called the new Close Brocstear Close and Calt close withall the conveniences thereto appertaining as also my Lands or lease lyeing on Malhammore called Thorgilbecke I doe resige and sett over for the space of Nyne yeares to my sonne Christopher Browne out of which Lands called new Closes and Thorgill Beck I do give and appoint my sonne Christopher Browne to pay to my daughters Katherine Isabell Ellen and Alice each of them Threescore and Tenn pounds a peice in maner as followeth First to my daughter Katherine Thirty pounds on the Feast of St. Martyn which wilbe in the yeare of our Lord 1666 one other Thirty pounds on the next Feast of St. Martinmas being Anno domini 1667; and tenn pounds the next Martinmas after being 1668 and Isabell Twenty: and so on till Katherine Isabell and Ellen have received each of them Three score and Tenn pounds after Thirty pounds in the yeare for their porcons. And likewise my minde is that my sonne Christopher Browne doe pay to my youngest daughter Alice Browne out of the aforesaid lands the sume of Three score and tenn pounds when she shalbe att Lawfull yeares of Age in full satisfaction for her porcon Also my will and minde is, and I do give to my younger sonne James Browne all my Lands and Lease lyeing on Malham Moor called Thorgill Becke After these Nyne yeares be expired which wilbe Anno domini One thousand Six hundred Seaventy Foure Alsoe I doe give to my sonne Thomas Corlas two Children each of them a yow, Alsoe my minde is that if any of my daughters dye before their porcons shall grow due Then it shalbe equally devided amongst the rest of my sonnes James (having) his share. Alsoe all other my goods disposed of I give to my wife Alice Browne and my sonne Christopher Browne whome I doe appoint to bee my Executors of this my last will and Testament Witnesse Thomas Browne his marke

Giggleswick modern spelling

yow = ewe

Thomas Browne 1621 Borthwick v 37 f 262

In the name of God Amen the 27th. day of Marche AD 1621 I Thomas Browne of Settle in the county of Yorke yeoman sicke in body but of good and pfecte memory (God be praised) therefore doe make and ordeyne this my last will and testament in manner & forme followinge First I commend my soule into the merciful hande of Almighty God my maker and redeemer trusting through the merritts of Jesus Christ my saviour to be ptaker of eternall blisse in heaven Item I give unto my god sonne and cosen Symon Armitstead three pounds to be paid when his apprentishipp shall be ended or ells att the marriage of my wife againe whether as shall sooner happen (if she marry) Item I give to the rest of my god children every of them 12d. And I give all the rest of my goods unto Jennett Browne my loveinge wife And I make her the sole executrix of this my last will and testament These being witnesses Richard Balderstone Robert Carr William Windsor & William Lawson

Latin text

William Browne 1604 Borthwick v29 f572

In the name of god amen the sixteenth day of November in the second year of the reign of our sovereign lord James by the grace of God king of England France and Ireland and of the Scotland the thirty eighth 1604. I William Browne of Settle in the county of York miller(?) sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance praised be almighty god do ordain and make this my last will and testament in manner and form following. First I commend my soul to almighty god my maker through the death of whose son Jesus Christ I hope to attain to everlasting life and my body to be buried in the parish church yard of Giggleswick at the discretion of my well beloved friends.

Item my will and mind is that my land tenement and lease shall be disposed of as follows that is to say Alice my wife shall have occupy and enjoy the said land tenement and lease during the minority of my eldest son John for to educate him thereon and likewise my other two children Adam and Ellen if my said wife keep her widow so long. And after my son John shall come to and accomplish the full age of one and twenty years my will and mind is that he have and enter to the moiety or one half of my land, tenement and lease and my wife to have the other half for the nourishing and bringing up of my other two children Adam and Ellen during her widowhood.

But if it please god my said wife Alice shall espouse and marry my will is that immediately after the said marriage be solemnised my said children shall be brought up of my said lands tenements and lease as aforesaid at the election and discretion of Adam Browne, William Hall, Thomas Browne and William Gelderde to keep and dispose them to whom they think most fitting and convenient for the good keeping ordering and governing of the said children until they shall accomplish their several ages of one and twenty years as aforesaid I have ordained and appointed my wife to have during her widowhood.

And if it please god that she shall hereafter marry my will further is that in full satisfaction and lieu of her right title third or claim of any part of the said land tenement and lease she shall have occupy and enjoy a certain parcel of ground called the High Browne close situate lying and being in Settle aforesaid during her natural life and after to revert and descend to my said son John.

Item my will further is that all the rest of my goods and chattels shall be divided into three parts whereof my wife shall have the first third part, my two youngest children Adam and Ellen shall have the second third part and the last third part belonging to myself I give and bequeath four pounds thereof to my eldest son John and the residue to Adam and Ellen equally to be divided between them my debts and funeral expenses paid and discharged out of the whole.

Item my will and mind further is that mine uncle William Gelderd shall have and possess(?) a bedroom in my house to remain and lie in at his pleasure during his natural life without let or interruption of any person or persons whatsoever.

Item I make and ordain my said wife Alice my sole executrix of this my last will and testament. Witnesses hereof the above said Adam Browne, William Hall, Thomas Browne and William Gelderd whom I make supervisors to the said will executed accordingly.

Settle Giggleswicke

William Browne 1621 Borthwick vol 37 fol 31

In the name of God Amen the thirteenth day of October in the yeare of our Lord god one thowsand six hundreth twentie and one I Willm Browne of Langcliffe in the countie of york yeoman sicke in bodie, but of pfect remembrance the Lord be praised therefore, doe make and ordaine this my last will and testament in manner and followinge (sic) Firste I comend my soule into the mercifull handes of Almightye god trustinge through the merittes and passion of my saviour Christ to be made ptaker of eternall life in heaven and my bodie to earthly buriall at the discrecon of my wife and freinds And as concerninge my moveable goodes my will is that my debtes be paid out of the whole, and the remainder to be devided into three partes, Whereof Jennett my wife to have one third parte accordinge to lawe and custome of the countie and one of the other tow(sic) partes I give to my sonne Adam so manie sheepe as will make those he hath alreadie to be tenne in number and I will that he shall have them kept in winter tyme yearely upon my tenemt at Langcliffe for eight yeares now next cominge, And for the residewe of my said moveable goodes my will is they shalbe equallie distributed amongst my younger Children unpferred Itm I give demise and bequeath unto my said sonne Adam Browne and his assignes one full third (in three partes to be devided) of all my messuages tenements landes meadowes pastures feedings comons comon of pasture and turbarie wth thapptennces in Langcliffe aforesaid now in the tenure and possession of me and my assignes and holden by lease or leases To have and to hould all that the said third pte of the said messuage tenement and pmisses with thapptennces to him the said Adam his executors administrators and assignes for and duringe all that residewe and remainder of five hundreth yeares which is yet to come and unspent of the lease or leases wherebie I did hold the same provided alwaies and yett nevertheless upon Condicon that he the said Adam his executors and assignes shall notwithstanding this my devise and gifte unto him pmitt and suffer the said Jennett my wife and her assignes to have hold enioy and take the profittes of all that the said third pte to her owne use and for and towards the better bringinge upp of my Children unpferred for and duringe the space and tearme of eight yeares next cominge after my decease. And alsoe my will is that she the said Jennett and her assignes shall likewise have hold enioye and take the profittes of the other tow partes of my said messuage tenement and pmisses with thapptennces for and duringe the tearme of thirtene yeares next after my decease for her owne use and for the better bringinge upp of my said Children unpferred and after the end and expiracon of the thirtene yeares then I give the one moyetie of the said tow partes to the said Jennet my wife and her assignes for and duringe all the residewe of the said tearme of five hundreth yeares which shall then be to come and unspent of my said lease or leases and the other moyetie of the same tow partes and all my estate interest and tearme of yeares therein I doe likewise give devise and bequeath to the said Jennett my wife and her assignes to the ende she shall sell the same and devide the money equallie amongst my said younger Children And yet nevertheless my desire is and my will alsoe that she shall leave her parte of my said lands and tenements after her decease to some of my Children which I have by her. Itm I give to Willm Lupton and Christofer Lupton and to Jaine Baildon my grandchildren everie of them a gimmer hogg Itm I will and desire my said wife to pay to my sonne Thomas five poundes in pte of his porcon within one yeare next after his yeares of apprenticeshippe shalbe enden And doe name and ordaine the said Jennett my wife to be my sole executrix of this my last will and testamt These being witnesses Thomas Sowden John Cookeson..... Iveson(?) and willm Lawsonn

Latin text

Gimmer hogg - one year old ewe

WILLIAM BROWNE 1689 Ref.Borthwick.York. vol.61 fol.77
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In the name of God Amen I William Browne of Lythbank in the parrish of Gigleswick and diocesse of yorke husbandman being infirme and sick in body but of perfect minde and memory; All praise and thanks be given unto Almighty God therefore calling to minde the uncertainty of this transitory life and knowing that all flesh must dye when it shall please Almighty God to call doe proceed to the makeing of this my last will and testament in manner and forme following (that is to say) First I Commit and Commend my soule into the merciful hand of Almighty God my creator assuredly trusting and beleiveing that in and through the alsufficient merits death and passion of our Lord and saviour Jesus Christ to have full and free forgiveness of all my sins and to inherit everlasting life; Item I commit my body to the earth from whence it came to be decently buried in the Parrish Church or Church yard of Gigleswick aforesaid at the discretion of my freinds and Executor herein hereafter named And as touching such temporall estate as it hath pleased Almighty God to bestow upon one I dispose thereof as Followeth (that is to say) First I give and bequeath to Isabel my now wife the sume of five pounds of lawful money of England; Item I give and bequeath unto my two daughters called Margaret Browne and Elizabeth Browne the several summes of one hundred and twenty pounds a peece; Item I give and bequeath unto Thomas Browne my litle and young sonn one hundred and twenty pounds of like lawfull money Item my will and minde is And I doe hereby will that John Browne my eldest sonn shall enjoy all my Lands Tenements goods and Chattels whatsoever remaining over and above the respective legacies aforesaid and paying and discharging all my just debts and funeral Expences; And doe hereby nominate and appointe my said sonn John Brown sole Executor of this my last will and testament revokeing and by these presents disannulling all and every former and other will and wills testament & testaments whatsoever and this and onely this to be taken for my last will and testament and none other; In Testimony whereof I have hereunto put my hand and seale the seventeenth day of November in the yeare of our Lord God one thousand six hundred eighty and eight; And I doe hereby desire Thomas Carr of Roome and Henry Browne of Acquith to be supervisors of this my said last will, And that the respective legacies to my two daughters be paid when they shall accomplish the age of twenty and one yeares paying yearly consideration for the same, And alsoe that the said sume of one hundred and twenty pounds given to my said litle sonn Thomas be paid to him or his Assignes when he shall accomplish the age of twenty and one yeares provided always that my said sonn Thomas be honestly educated & maintained with the interest of the said legacy and that they the said Thomas Carr & Henry Browne see the same faithfully performed they having their lawful charges borne to see this my will performed and if it happen that if either of my said daughters or sonn Thomas shall dye before they shall accomplish the age of one and twenty yeares that then the said legacies be equally devided amongst the survivor or survivors of my said children, Item my will and minde is that if Issabell my now wife be not pleased and will not accept of the said five pounds abovementioned and of the sume of threescore pounds formerly secured that she shall be & Herby debarred from any parte of my goods and Chattels and the said legacy given to my said sonn Thomas to be utterly voyd and null to all intents whatsoever but remaine to my other children William Browne his marke. Published and confirmed in the presence of R. Preston Thomas Ellis his marke Matt: Falthrop. W. Wiglesworth

Giggleswick modern spelling

MICHAEL BUCKE 1695/6 Ref.Borthwick.York. Bundle Mar 1695/6
Transcribed by S.Gordon

In the name of god Amen ye 16 day of Feberywary sixt year of ye Raine of our soferaine Lord Will: ye Therd by ye grace of god King of Eingl., Scotl; France & Ireld. defender of ye faith in ye year of our Lord 1694 I Michaell Buck of Barke in ye pish of gigleswick & count. of yorke Batchellor being in perfect memory praised be god for ye same doe make & ordaine this my Last will & testament in manner & Forme as Followeth viz. first I bequeath my soule into the hands of Allmighty god my maker hoping by ye meritorious death & passion of Crist my onely saviour & Redeemer to Receive free pardon & forgiveness of all my sines & as for my body to be bueryed in Cristian bueriall at ye disscretion of my Executor heare after named Item I give unto Anthony Richardson of wenin bankes £3 Item I give unto Allis Foster of sandwith halle £3 Item I give to samuell Buck of horsfforth £3 Item I give Alice airton of Litton £3 Item I give unto Ellin Ellis of Arnclif Coat £3 Item I give unto Allice prockter of settle £3 Item I give to Ellizabeth Wildman of settle £3 Item I give unto James Foster six Childeren at sandwith halle ten shillings a peece Item I give to Alice prockter 3 children ten shillings a peece Item I give to Francess Buck thre Children ten shillings a peece Item I give to Thomas Anderson & his too sisters Ann & Jane eatch one of them Tenn shillings

Item I give to margaret willson too shillings sixpence Item I give to Issabell Ellison of Halton gill 2s.6d. Item I give to Michall Buck son of Ralph Buck 2s.6d. Item I give to henery Maudsley 2s.6d. Lastly I Give & bequeath unto Frances Buck of Barke above stainforth all my Goodes bills & bondes & writings sume & sumes what Ever of mony what Ever paying & disschardging all ye Legases & sumes above as above writen with in the space of too years after my decease to them which is all Redy come to one & twenty yeares of adge & to them yt, is under adge, not till ye come to one & twenty years of adge making & ordaining ye said Franciss \jurat/ Buck sole Executor of this my Last will & tesstament in witnesse whereof of(sic) I have heare unto put my hand & seale ye day & yeare above writne

Sealed & delivered

in ye presence of

William Twisleton

Isabell Lund her X marke

Robert Twisleton jurat

Michall Buck

Giggleswick modern spelling

ROBERT BUCKE 1649 Ref.Borthwick.York. Bundle June 1650
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In the name of god Amen the xxjth daie of Novemb. 1649 I Robert Bucke of Setle within the County of yorke yeoman sick of bodye but of good and pfect remembrance I praise god for the same doe make this my last will and testament in manner and forme following First I bequeath my soule unto the hands of allmyghty god and my body to be buried within the Church yard at Gigleswicke at the discretion of my frends Item I give unto Frances my wife all my houses gardens and backsides Soe long as she (shall) live and after her decease I gyve the said houses gardens and backsides unto Annas my younger doughter the wife of (John) Kydd to her and her heires for ever paieing unto Issabell Lawson my grandchild doughter of Thomas Lawson of the Lodge Five pounds within sixe mounth after my wifes decease Item I give unto John Kydd my sonne in Law five pounds sixteene shillings Item my will is that when my debts and funerall expences be paid I give all the rest of my goods unto Frances my wife Item my will is that John Kidd be contente with such houshold stuffe and goods in consideration of the (above \said/) five pounds sixteene shillings at the setting (down?) of Thomas Lawson of the Lodge and Thomas Cockman of Setl Item I appointe Frannces \jurat /my wife to be my whole executor of this my last will and testament
And to this I have sett my hand

Robte Bucke
T mke

Wittnesses
William jurat Newhouse
Tho: jurat Cockman

Settle modern spelling
Giggleswick " "

ROBERT BURROUGH ADMIN 1700 Ref.Borthwick.York. Bundle Oct 1700
Transcribed by S.Gordon

September the 1700

An Inventory of all the goods which did belong and appertaine to Robert Burrow
Traveler, apprized by us whose names are subscribed the day and year above written

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| Itm: In bedding | 00 | 06 | 00 |
| Itm: one Chist | 00 | 05 | 06 |
| Itm: in Money owing to ye disceased | 30 | 00 | 00 |

Richard Frankland
Richard Howson
William Frankland
Thomas Frankland

Described in Borthwick Index as 'Robert Burrough of Close House, Giggleswick'

John Burton 1657

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Transcribed by M.J. and E.M. Slater

In the name of God Amen The fourth day of March in the yeare of our Lord God (according to the Computation of the Church of England) one Thousand sixe hundred Fortie two, I John Burton of Giggleswicke in the Countie of Yorke sicke in bodie but of good and perfect remembrance Praised be the Almighty, doe make this my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge First I commend my soule into the mercifull hands of Almighty God my maker and Creator, trustinge assuredly through his mercie and by the merits of Jesus Christ my onely Redeemer to be saved and to have pardon and remission of all my sinnes And my bodie to the earth whereof it was made to be buried in my parish Churchyard of Giggleswicke at the discretion of my friends And for my worldly and temporall goods and estate wherewith God hath blessed me I give and bequeath and dispose of the same as followeth First it is my will and mind That my debts and funerall expenses be paid and discharged out of my whole goods And where they will not extend and amount to the payinge and discharginge of all my debts, My will and mind is that my executor shall sell so much of my grounds as will amount and suffice for the payment and satisfaction of the remainder of my debts Also my will and mind is that Mary my house (*ic*) shall have the possession, occupation and profits of all my houses and grounds to her owne use untill my daughter Bridgett Burton shall accomplish the age of one and twentie yeares, And that my wife shall keep and maintaine my said daughter Bridgett with all things necessarie untill she shall accomplish the age of one and twentie yeares, And when my said daughter Bridgett shall accomplish the age of one and twentie yeares, My will and mind is That she shall enter to the moyetie or one halfe of all my houses and grounds (except that which shalbe sold as abovesaid for the payment of my debts) and shall have, enioy and possess the same to and for the use and behoofe of herselfe her executors and assignes, And that Mary my wife shall have the other moyetie of all my houses and grounds duringe her life naturall And after her decease the same to remaine wholly to my said daughter Bridgett and her heires for ever, Executrix of this my last will I doe make Mary my wife Supervisors hereof I doe make Peter Chapman of Birkes my brother in law and John Bankes of Feizor whom I doe intreat to see this my will executed and performed as my trust is in them reposed John Burton his marke Witnesses hereof John Bankes Brian Cookeson

On the Fifth day of Januarie in the yeare of our Lord God (accordinge to the Computation of the Church of England) one Thousand sixe hundred Fiftie and sixe there issued forth Letters of Administration unto Bridgett (the now wife of William Preston) the naturall and lawfull daughter of the said John Burton deceased To administer all and singular the goods Chattells and debts of the said deceased accordinge to the tenor and effect of this his said will She beinge first (by virtue of A Commission in that behalfe issued forth) sworne well and truly to administer the same, For that Mary Burton the Relict of the said deceased and sole Executrix in his said will named departed this life before she legally tooke upon her the execution thereof /

Giggleswick modern spelling