

## Thomas Baines 1620

An inventory of all the goods, cattles and chattels movable and immovable which were due and belonging to Thomas Baines late of Mewith in the county of York deceased prised by John Baynes, Thomas Robinson, Rowland Wildman, and Thomas of Stackhouse younger of Mewith aforesaid yeomen, the second day of October anno domini 1620

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Imprimis 8 kyne, one heifer, two steers and one yearing calf	18-13-4
Item two mares	50-0
Item 28 old sheep	5-10-0
Item 9 hogg sheep	20-0
Item corn and hay	8-0-0
Item turves	10-0
Item hemp	6-4
Item 3 little trees and husbandry gear	36-8
Item bedding	50-0
Item pots, plans, brass and pewter	30-0
Item sacks sackweb windowcloth and cushions	13-4
Item wooden vessel sieves riddles and pestle	13-4
Item meal, malt, and barley	30-0
Item arks, chests, or cupboard and a salting tub	40-0
Item a table, frame, bedstocks, chairs stools and forms	20-0
Item girdle, brandreth, spit, racks frying pan tongs crossett, reckon crook, and other householdment	13-4
Item 1 swine	16-0
Item pullen	3-0
Item his shapen clothes and riding gear	40-0
Sum total	51-15-8

Debts owing to the said Thomas Baynes as follows

Imprimis John Clapham and Richard	8-18-6
Item John Towne	3-5-0
Item Robert Hatherwaitt	3-8-4
Item Edward Gibson, Thomas Tomlinson, and Richard Wildman	8-10-0
Item John Johnson	3-17-4
Item Thomas Robinson	11-0
Item Stephen Wildman	11-0
Item Richard James Harrison	11-0
Item Robert Beckett	8-0
Item John Wildman of Gilbeck	12-0
Item Mrs Canfield	20-0
Item John Foster	5-0
Item Richard James Baynes	11-8
Item James Pearson	8-0
Sum total	32-16-8

Debts owing by the said Thomas Baynes as follows

List missing. Part of bond available but hard to read

**Lancashire Record Office**  
**Will of Anthony Baines 1629**

In the name of God Amen the eighth day of May anno dom 1629 I Anthony Baines of Mewith within the parish of Bentham and county of York, sick in body but of good and perfect remembrance praised be the Almighty, 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 maker and creator, trusting through his mercy and by the merits of Jesus Christ my Redeemer to be saved and have full pardon and remission of all my sins. And my body to the earth from whence it was taken, to be buried in my parish church of Bentham in the usual burial place of my ancestors in Christian manner at the discretion of my friends. And for my worldly and temporal goods I give and bequeath the same as follows. viz. First I give and bequeath unto John Baynes my son all my houses, messuage and tenement with the appurtenances to him and his heirs, to enter to the moitie or the one (half) thereof immediately after my death and decease. Also it is my will and mind that Agnes my wife shall have and enjoy and occupy to her proper use and commodity the other half or moitie of all my houses messuage and tenements during her widowhood. Item I give unto John my son all my husbandry gear. Item I give unto Alice my daughter in law three shillings fourpence and those bedstocks wherein I lie. Item I give unto William Overend, Ann Remington and Agnes Baynes to who I am Godfather, to every of them 12d. Item I do give five shillings to be equally divided amongst the children of Edward Calvert. Item I give unto Elizabeth and Jane the daughters of Francis Baynes to either of them 12d. Item it is my will and mind that all the remainder of my goods chattels and credits whatsoever (except my husbandry gear before given and bequeathed unto John my son) be equally divided into three parts. One third part whereof I give and bequeath unto Agnes my wife. Another third part thereof I give and bequeath unto Jennet my daughter. And the other third part commonly called the dead part, it is my will and mind that my debts, legacies and funeral expenses, be first thereout paid deducted and discharged, and that the remainder thereof be equally divided amongst Agnes my wife, John my son, Alice my daughter in law, Jennet my daughter and Thomas and Mary my grandchildren, by even and equal portions. Item it is my will and mind that John my son, shall pay unto Jennet my daughter the sum of eight pounds within two years next after my death and decease at two several days by equal portions, viz. four pounds at the end of the first year next after my death and the other four pounds at the end of two years next after my decease, with this proviso and only upon this condition that if my said daughter Jennet do and shall marry, before the said money be due, to the minde, likeing, and with the consent of Christopher Fotherston Clerk parson of Bentham and John Baynes my son. And in (if) also my said daughter Jennet be not married to their liking and with their consent within the said term of two years next after my death, then it is my will and mind that the said eight pounds so bequeathed as aforesaid unto Jennet my daughter, shall remain in the hands of John my son, he paying her use and consideration for the same according to the statute, until she shall be married, and that my son John shall pay unto Jennet my daughter the sum of four pounds parcel of the above said 8 pounds, within one month next after her marriage, and likewise the like (?) sum of four pounds being the remainder of the said eight pounds within one year next after her marriage ensuing, if for be *[sic]* she do marry to the liking and with the consent of the abovesaid Christopher Fetherstone Clerk parson of Bentham and John my son. And in case my said daughter shall at any time hereafter marry contrary to their minds liking and without their consent, then it is

my will and mind, that the said 8 pounds, so given and bequeathed as aforesaid, shall remain unto my son John, and my said daughter to be for ever quite void thereof. Executors of this my last will and testament I do make Agnes my wife and Jennet my daughter. Also I do make the above named Christopher Fetherston Clerk parson of Bentham supervisor of this my last will and testament, entreating him to see the same truly executed and performed according to my true intent according as my trust is in him reposed.

Witnesses hereof

Christopher Fetherston parson of Bentham, Brian Cookeson

**Lancashire Record Office**  
**Will of Miles Baynes 1644**

In the name of God Amen the fourth day of February 1644 I Miles Baynes of Mewith in the county of York husbandman sick in body yet in perfect memory I praise my God do make declare and ordain this to be my last will and testament nuncupative to and in the presence of William Wildman of Maystongill and Thomas Wildman of Mewith in the aforesaid county husbandmen in manner and form following first I commit and commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my maker hoping assuredly through the merits of Jesus Christ my saviour to be made partaker of life everlasting and I commit my body to the earth to be buried in the parish church and church yard of Bentham and as for my worldly goods I bequeath in manner following. Imprimis I give unto my wife Jennett Baynes the rents issues and profits of my messuage and tenement lying and being in Mewith aforesaid for and during her natural life and after her death to my sole and only daughter Ellen Baynes and after my debts and funeral expenses being discharged and paid the residue and remainder of all my goods and chattels I give to my said wife and daughter equally to be divided provided always that my said wife pay unto John Baynes of Dent the sum of eight shillings which of right and I do owe unto him and and I do make Jennett my said wife and Ellen Baynes my said daughter executors of this my last will and testament. In witness hereof the within named William and Thomas Wildman will depose that these present words were his last will and testament which he declared unto them further verbatim having there no clerk present to write the same

William Wildman his mark  
Thomas Wildman his mark

inventory possibly with this will but unreadable photocopy

**Lancashire Record Office**  
**Will of Ralph Baynes 1662**

In the name of God Amen the ninth day of March in the 15th year of the reign of our sovereign Lord Charles II by the grace of God King of England Scotland France and Ireland etc. And in the year of our Lord God 1662 I Ralph Baines of Mewith in the parish of Bentham and county of York bachelor being sick in body but of perfect mind and memory praised be God for the same knowing death to be certain but the hour of death uncertain do make this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows First I do bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God my maker trusting through the merits and mercy of Jesus Christ to have free remission of all my sins And my body to the ground from whence it was taken to be buried in Christian burial at the discretion of my friends And as for my worldly goods and estate my will and mind is that the money which was due unto me from my brother William deceased the bond for security thereof remains with my brother Robert Baynes whom I desire to give it to my mother and to whom I give all the whole money thereby due to me And also the money which he the said Robert owes me I give to my mother also desiring him to pay to her the same And likewise I give to my mother all that part of my portion which remains in her hands And I do constitute nominate and appoint Margrett Baynes my mother sole executrix of this my last will and testament revoking hereby and making void all former wills by me at any time made Witness my hand and seal the day and year first above written  
witnesses hereof  
signed Ralph Baines

Christopher Wildman his mark  
William Foster

A true and perfect inventory of the goods and chattels of Ralph Baynes the younger late of Mewith head in the county of York deceased taken the 14th day of May in the sixteenth year of the reign of King Charles II over England etc. And in the year of our Lord God 1663 By us William Foster Anthony Booth James Wilkinson and Christopher Wildman as follows

Imprimis his apparel	15-0-0
Item 1 bond the condition whereof is	181-2-7
Item another bond	1-10-0
Item his trunk coffer and lyninge and books	5-0-0
	202-12-7

Apprisors of the goods abovesaid viz.

James Wilkinson his mark Anthony Booth his mark Christopher Wildman his mark  
William Foster

Latin text of obligation on Margaret Baynes widow of Robert Baynes

Obligation

The condition of this obligation is that if the above bound Margaret Baynes natural mother of Ralph Baynes late deceased do well and truly execute perform and fulfil the last will and testament of the said Ralph Baynes deceased viz. do pay or satisfy all debts children's portions and all other legacies according to the tenor of the said will so far as the law binds And do exhibit into a court a true and perfect inventory And shall give the court a perfect account of the premises when she shall be lawfully called And shall from time to time well and sufficiently save and keep harmless the commissary and all -- -- in their behalf then this obligation shall be void sealed signed and delivered in the sight and presence of us viz.

....Fawcett (?)

Margaret Baynes her mark R. Baynes William Foster