

## Will of Sir Richard Sherburn, Oct. 1593 Abstract

I Sr Richard Sheareburne Knyghte desire to be buried in “my paryshe church of Mitton in the mydest of my newe queare”, and whereas I have granted a yearly rent charge of £66-13-4 out of certain of my mannors, lands etc for the term of life of my wife Dame Isabell in respect of her dower according to a proviso in a pair of Indentures between the Ryghte Honorable Henry Earle of Darby of the one pt and me the sd Sr R. Shearburne Knyghte of the other bearing date June 20<sup>th</sup> in the 20<sup>th</sup> year of the Queene’s Mjyes Reigne that now is concerning the maryage of Rychard Shearburn my son and heir apparent and Katheryn Stourton neece unto the sd Earle and whereas also I the sd Sir R. S. Knt. by Indenture made betwixt me the sd Sir R. S. Knt. upon the one pt and Robert Hesketh of Rufford John Osbaldeston of Osbaldeston Thomas Ashton of Owston Esquyers and Hugh Shearburne Gentleman second son of me the sd R. S. Knt. upon the other part bearing date Nov 9<sup>th</sup> in the 34<sup>th</sup> year of the Queens’s Mtyes reigne that now for the increase of the jointure of the sd Dame Isabell and other considerations mentioned in the Indenture I have granted unto the sayd Robert Hesketh etc to the use and behoof of the sd Dame Isabell All that manor or lordship of Wiglesworth in Co. York and all apprts etc belonging thereunto, and I confirm this surrender by this my will and I also assign to my wife the sd Dame Isabell her dower of £66-13-4 as aforementioned for the term of her natural life and I do by this will bequeath the reversion of my manor of Wiglesworth etc unto Rychard Sherburn son and heir apparent of me, then to the heirs male of me for ever and whereas I have purchased to me and my heirs in fee symple all that Rectory and parsonage of Mytton in ye Counties of Yorke and Lancaster with all rights etc late pcl of the possessions of the lately dissolved Abbey of Cockersande als Cockersaunde and also the advowson of the said Rectory, with the exception of certain portions of the lands heretofore sold unto Thomas Talbot Esq. And Rychard Grenacres gent. In consideration that Ric. Sherburn shall pay unto John Burgon Esq. the sum of £400 upon the 20<sup>th</sup> day of October 1593, but also shall pay unto Jane and Grace base begotten daughters by me the sd Rychard and Dame Isobell my wife the sum of £600 viz. £300 to each when they shall attain the age of 18 years or be married or within two years then next following then by Indenture and grante made between me and my son Rychard demised and granted unto certain persons named therein from the date thereof for the tearme of 31 yeres, the lease bearing date 20<sup>th</sup> July 34<sup>th</sup> year of Queen Elizabeth and when the sd Rychard S. my son and heir apparent shall have fulfilled these obligations then the sd Rectory of Mitton with all tythes etc shall pass to him and his heirs male for ever as appears by the indentures of marriage between the sd Rychard Shearburne and Katherin Stourton and whereas I the sd Rychard Shereburne Knyghte by my dede indented and bearing date the 27<sup>th</sup> of May 35 Eliz. have granted unto Thomas Fletewood of Calwick in the co. of Stafford Esq. John Edwards of Chircke in the co. of Denbigh Esq. and Lawrence Towneley gent. Son and heir of Henry Towneley of Barnside in the sd co. of Lancaster Esquyre and Henry Towneley of Dutton in the sd Co. of Lanc. all that manor or lordship of Esshold and Guysleye with all rights etc comprising the several Townes, hamlets etc of Esshold, Guysleye, Hawksworth, Baildon, and Mensington within the co. of York together with the advowson of the church of Guysley to the use of Thomas Fleetwood, John Edwards, Laurence Townley and Henry Townley to the several uses expressed in the schedule which I the said R.S. do ratify by this my last will and I the sd R.S. by one other deed indented bearing date 28<sup>th</sup> May 35 Eliz. do grant unto the same persons T.F. J.E. L.T. and H.T. all that capital messuage or mansion house called Twisleton in the c. of York with one great pasture or shepe gate called Ellerbecke in the parish of Ingleton now or late in the tenure of James Proctor and also the manor of Twisleton with all appurts to the uses of my will, and whereas I the sd R. S. and Hugh Shereburn my son by one other indenture of the date of 27<sup>th</sup> May 35 Eliz. and for divers good causes granted by the same deed to the aforesaid TF JE LT and HT all that capital messuage called Battersbye Hall in the townships of Easyngton and Newton in Bolland in co. York and the several fields belinging to the same and known as the west feilde lytle meadowe calfe crofte kylne crofte lane Earnesyde greate donnoe and lytle donnoe in the tenure of the sd R. Shearburn Knight which lands were sometimes the inheritance of Nicholas Battersbye decd, to the use of the sd TF JE LT and

HT as by schedule appended is expressed, also I do give unto Rychard Sheareburn my son and heir appt upon condition “a nest of silver boules with a cover to them all guylte havynge my armes uppon the toppe of the sayd cover and also one pece called an egge beinge an oysters egge garnished with a cover garnished with silver all guilte and also twelve silver spoons and also twelve of my draught oxen at Stonyhurst and all my husbandry geare belonginge to them and also twelve of my best milke kyne at Stonyhurst and there calves” also my armour at Stonyhurst and all “my iron to build with all so that he fynishe the buildinge therewith alreedy begonne” also my lead, building stone and wrought timber at Stonyhurst so that he be good unto Dame Isobell my Wyfe and Rychard Grace and Jane my base begotten children and suffer them to have such things as I have given them, and whereas I have certeyne timber and stone wrought and unwrought lying at Bolton in the Moors I give that to my son Ric. S. so that he may build a house at B in the Moors with it, and I give to him one Ensigne of Double sarrenet with the unicorne heade of silver uppon together with my iron rackes and one great Coffe with two locks and one great Chiste in the Chappell chamber closett wherein certain of my bookes of Accompte and evydence remayneth and also a frame of boxes in the closett over the hall doore wherein certain other of my evidence is and all the boxes in the same chest and also a lytle cheiste in ye same closet with a locke and a keye wherein is lres patentes and also one greate chiste in the lower gallery syde shalbe and remayne at Stonyhurst to my heirs male for ever as heire lomes, also I grant unto Ric. S. my son and heir my lease of the burne slacke and all my estate in the same and I bequeath to the sayd Ric. S. my son to thuse of Henry Rychard and Katheryn his children my lease of Thornley and Wheatley granted unto me by the Right Honorable Henrye Earle of Darbye, and also it is my will that my son Heughe Shereburn shall be discharged of all such debts as he did owe to Nicholas Battersbye Also I give unto Rychard Fleetewood eldest son of Thomas Fleetewood and Mary my dau. Wife of the sd Thomas £20 in money also I give to Richard Edwards son and heir Appt of John Edwards Esq. my son in law one bell salte parcell guilte with a lytle salte in the toppe and a covar, also I geve unto Lawrence Towneley my son in law and Margaret my dau. His wife £20 also I give to my brother John Shereburne £20 and I do further release my sd brother John Sherburn of the sum of £20 that he oweth me, and I give unto John Dewhurst who hath taken paynes in drawinge and devysynge my will with my Councell learned £10 also I give marye Nevell one annuity of £6-13-4 for life issuing out of my manor of Awklay and Fyningley and out of all my lands in Awklay and Fyningley and Missen in the County of York and Nottingham late parcell of Clitherowe lands to be paid yearly by equal portions etc and I give unto John Parkar the elder my servant one tenement in Aughton called Chittericke now in his occupation of the yearly rent of 56 sillings and 8 pence for the term of his natural life and I will that my tenants shall have their leases as before, also I give to John my base begotten son begotten upon the bodye of Grace Ryddinge one annuity of £4-10-10 for life issueynge in the following manner that is to say 20s from the mess. etc called ye hollyns lyinge in bollande in co. York, now in occup. Of Adam Hatkell and 20s 6d from the mess. etc being parcell of Cocklake in Bollande now in the tenure of Edmonde Brockden and 12s 4d from the other mess. etc being parcell of Cocklake in bollande afsd now in the tenure of the late wife of Edwarde Baucke and 7s going out of one other mess. etc being also pcl of Cocklade afsd now in the tenure of Thomas Burrowe and 31s form all my mess. lands etc in Graystongill in the sd co. of York to be paid yearly, also it is my will that Dame Isabell my wyfe and Rychard my base begotten son shall keep and find Edmonde Battersby with meat and drink during his life if he will accept thereof and shall pay the sd Edmonde 40s yearly wages, also whereas my servant Thoas Holden thelder hath made his accompt showing that I am indebted to him to the extent of £15-13-8½ I will that this be paid to him and I also give him £5 also I give unto John Parkar the younger my servant £5 also to Cuthbert Bayte my servant £5, also to Rychard Holden thelder 40 shillings, also to Rychard Holden ye yonger 40 shillings, also Thomas Tincknell my servant 40 shillings, also John Grymeshaw my servant 40 shillings, also Thomas Smyth my servant 40 shillings, also John Fyshweeke my servant 40 shillings, also John Ingham thelder my servant 40 shillings and release him of 12 pounds that he oweth me, also I give John Ingham the yonger my servant 40 shillings, also Lawrence Banester my servant 20 shillings, also John Cobb my servant 20

shillings also James Walmesley my servant 20 shillings, also James Wood my servant 20 shillings, also John Craven my servant 20 shillings, also I give to Thomas Holden the yonger my servant 20 shillings and I give every one of my workservanntes at Stonyhurste and Laythgryne and Wiglesworth one whole years wages over and above the wages they have served at my death, also I give to Thomas Hesketh Esquire Councelor £5 in consideration that he shall assist my executors with his good councell from tyme to tyme, also I devyse unto Dame Isabell my wife the 3<sup>d</sup> pate of the rest of my goods etc not already disposed of and the residue after discharge of my funeral expenses to Dame Isabell my wife, Rychard, Jane and Grace my base children begotten of the body of the sd Dame Isabell, and I will my son Rychard to allow the sd dame Isabell and R. J. and G. my base children to have grass etc until such time after my death as they can make other arrangements paying the sd Richard reasonable charges for the same otherwise the sd legacys given to him to be void and to thuse of my sd wife and Rychard, Jane and Grace my base children, and I do ordain the sd Dame Isabell my wife and R J and G my base children, Thomas Ashton of Crofton Esquire, and John Dewhirste of Dewhirste my Executors of this my last will and it is my will that the Ryghte Worshippll my very good frende Sr Richarde Shurtleworthe Knyghte cheefe Justice of Chester be supervisor heareof for which I give him £10.

In witness whereof etc

Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> 35 Eliz.

Sr Richarde Sherburne Knyghte

By Codicell “the pasture in Whitledale and Brennande and the pasture called the Lees with Swinlehurst Wardleghe Gradhill Sleighe ooakehill als heighe ooake new hay stodhay als stodclose and also one pasture called the ffence within the fforest of Bollande”, together with all conveyances made by me unto the sd Rycard Sherburn my son in my will, I bequeath the same to thuse of the heyres male of the bodye of me the sd Rychard Sherburn, Knight.

In witness whereof etc

Oct 2<sup>nd</sup> 35 Eliz.      Sr R. Sherburn Knight

Witnesses John Paslewe, Francis Paslewe, John Dobson Whall-E, Edmonde Waddyntonn Charles Shuttleworth, Thomas Shereburne, George Moucke, Thomas Walmsley, Thomas Oddy, John Parkar

Probat granted Aug: 13<sup>th</sup> 1594 by the Prerogative Ct of York to Dame Isabell Shereburne, Widow.

**WILL of Elline Thomlinson of Mitton 1709**

**Borthwick vol 66 fol 90**

Indisposed and crazen of body. All debts and funeral expenses to be discharged then all the following legacies to be paid within one year of my decease. To John Charnley of Harrope and Anne his wife £15. To Katherine Battersbie of Boulton my daughter £15. To Eline daughter of John Charnley aforesaid 10 shillings. To John Tomlinson of Chapian 40 shillings. To Eline sister of John Tomlinson aforesaid 40 shillings. To John Robinson son of Henry Robinson grandson to me 40 shillings. To George Wilkinson of Pendleton and Ann his wife 40 shillings. To Anne the daughter of John Brewer 40 shillings when she is 21. Residue to my trusty and well beloved sons Robert Tomlinson and Thurston Tomlinson -- they to be executors.  
Elline Thomlinson made mark

Witnesses John Stott John Parker

**Will of Jenet Haworthe of Aighton pa Mitton 1590 (Aughton in YAS list)  
Borthwick vol 24 fol 369**

Spinster. My body to be buried in the parish church yard of Mitton. For my goods my will is that my brother John Haworth and Midgeley (sic) shall have all my goods whatsoever my funeral expenses and the legacies following discharged. To Lawrence Osbaldeston of Billington two kine which are mine in the hands of the late wife of Richard Broughton and one in the hands of Lawrence Osbaldeston. To Agnes Moncke wife of George Moncke my best petticoat my best partlett my best three quarters. To my cousin Elline Tomlinson one black gown and one petticoat with one pair of black durance sleeves and one three quarters and one chest that is in her hands. To my cousin Edward Thomlinson one chest being the better of the two which are at John Waters. To Robert Tomlinson my best hat and all that he owes me. To Emma Birley wife of William Birley one three quarters and one flaxen apron. To Margaret Winder one black apron one single ...ockinger and one mufflinge. To George Moncke one silver ring and a handkerchief. To Thomas Haighton schoolmaster of Whalley a handkerchief with a silver lace about. To the wife of William Waringe one old petticoat. To the wife of James Johnson alias Fielding one lower body of an old petticoat and one old smock. To the wife of Thomas Marshall one upper body and a pair of sleeves of cloth. If my funeral expenses are greater than I had thought Lawrence Osbaldeston shall provide the one half. My brother John Haworth to be my executor.

Witnesses George Moncke Richard Midgeley Lawrence Osbaldeston Nicholas Winckley William Birley

**WILL of Martin Walker of Mitton 1786**

**Borthwick vol 130 fol 402**

Martin Walker of Meargill Bottom parish of Mitton yeoman. Debts and funeral expenses out of my personal estate. To my son John Walker one shilling. To my son Thomas Walker one shilling. To my son Richard Walker one shilling. To my daughter Mary Scott wife of John Scott one shilling. To my daughter Mary Broxup wife of Thomas Broxup one shilling. To my daughter Jesinah Harrison wife of Thomas Harrison one shilling. To my daughter Ellen Altham wife of Richard Altham one shilling. To my daughter Barbara Atkinson one shilling.

All which sons and daughters have before received their several portions in lands and money. I am now possessed of a life estate of a field or close of land called the Higher Holme commonly called West Moor Field to my beloved wife Mary Walker during the term of the lease; also to her all household goods and cattle. As my wife Mary did never assign her right to dower I assigned over my three estates - the Wilengill(?) the Greaves and the Meargill Bottom to my three sons John Thomas and Richard -- they are to pay her so much money yearly or half yearly as dower in order for her comfortable maintenance. Residue to my wife Mary -- she and my son Richard to be executors.

Signed 30th of April 1778

Witnesses Francis Dickinson William Frankland Jonathan Boothman

**WILL of Robert Walmsley of Bashall Eaves, Mitton 1690**

**Borthwick vol 61 fol 316**

Robert Walmsley of Bradupp in Bashall Eaves parish of Mitton yeoman. To my son Henry Walmsley all my real estate. To my son William Walmsley five pounds. To my natural son Robert Walmsley £40 when he is 24. To Elizabeth now wife of Thomas Cardwell my natural daughter five shillings. To Ann now wife of William Coysse (?) my daughter £20 half after 12 months and the other half after two years. Residue to Henry Walmsley my natural son -- executor.

His mark

witnesses Henry Prockter John Coore Edmund Hey