

above mentioned legacies of One hundred and fifty pounds a piece to my daughters Ann and Isabel within twelve months after my decease and Also Subject to the payment of the aforesaid legacy of fifty pounds to Ann Clapham in manner aforesaid. I give and devise All that my Freehold Farm or Tenement Cod Gill Fowltail or Park houses with the Lands Grounds and Hereditaments thereto belonging situate within Botton in the parish of Mellin in the County of Lancaster unto my son Thomas To hold to my said son Thomas his heirs and assigns for ever Subject to the payment of the above said legacies of One hundred and fifty pounds to my daughter Grace Sixteen pounds and

five shillings a piece to Ralph Parker William Parker James Parker Thomas Parker Isabel Parker Hannah Parker Ann Parker John Parker children of the said Michael Parker and fifty pounds to Ann Clapham natural daughter of the said Isabel Hargreaves the legacy of One hundred and fifty pounds to be paid to my daughter Grace within twelve months after my decease but the last mentioned legacies of sixteen pounds five shillings and fifty pounds to be paid in manner aforesaid and as herein before in that behalf is mentioned. All my household goods Furniture stock of cattle Implements of husbandry personal estate and effects whatsoever I give and bequeath unto my dear Wife Isabel All the rest residue and remainder of my estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever I also give and devise and bequeath unto my dear wife whom I constitute and appoint sole Executrix of this my will and I hereby revoke all former Wills by me made- In witness whereof I the said William Clapham the testator have hereunto set my hand and seal this eighteenth day of February in the year of our Lord One thousand seven hundred and eighty eight. (1788)

Sealed Signed published and declared by the said William Clapham the testator (the errasiers and interlineations being also first made) as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses hereto--
 Samuel Parker Chrs Leeming John Bannister William Clapham *

A true and perfect Inventory of all the personal Estate & Effects of the late William Clapham of Croasdale House in the parish of Slaidburn deceased taken this 5 day of July 1789 as follows ---

Purse and Apparel	£4--0--0d
One Cow -----	£5--0--0d
Household Furniture -----	<u>£16-0--0d</u>
	£25--0--0

The above is a full and perfect account as witness our hands
 Thos Clapham Isabel Clapham

WILL of Brian Taylor of Slaidburn 1715

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Brian Taylor of Clough parish of Slaidburn husbandman. My body to be buried in the parish church of Slaidburn. My funeral charges and debts to be paid out of my goods. To my son Richard all my houses and lands at Clough he maintaining my wife Elizabeth during her natural life and giving her a decent burial at the end. It is my will that if she go from him he is to pay her three pounds a year during her natural life. To my son Hugh Johnson five shillings and to Mary his wife £10. To Stephen Carr my godson five shillings. To Roger Carr five shillings and to Ann his wife five shillings to be paid at the end of three years after the date of these presents. I appoint my son Richard and my wife joint executors.

His mark

witnesses Michael Ellat Garvis Guy Roger Carr

Will of Edward Holden 1617 Hasgill, Slaidburn

Borthwick vol. 34 fol. 666

Husbandman. Nuncupative. To be buried in the parish church of Slaidburn. My goods to be divided into three parts -- one part to Elizabeth my wife, one third to my children Richard Genett Margaret Isabel and Alice equally. Out of the other part -- to Brian Taylor my son £3 13s 4d. To Elizabeth my wife and Richard my son all husbandry gear and to Richard four oak trees towards the building of a new home. Residue equally amongst my children. My wife and or children are to occupy their goods upon my tenement during the space of eight years my daughter Genett only excepted which Genett should have her portion immediately after my death over and above the £10 I have given her towards her marriage. After 8 years my son Richard is to enter and have two parts of my tenements and then the other part after my wife's decease he paying to his younger sisters Ann Margaret Isabel and Alice £10 each. If Elizabeth my wife remarries she is to have no part of my tenement but to have her part yearly during her life -- she and my son Richard executors.

Witnesses Stephen Stowte Richard Slough Edward Holden John Howker

WILL of Jane Hayrst of Graddell, Slaidburn 1698

Borthwick vol 62 fol 74

Widow. Body to be buried at the discretion of my executor. My son Robert Simons shall have all my right title and interest in that messuage on lease in Graddill for the term of the 11 years. To Robert Simmons my son 10 shillings. To my son Christopher Hayrst three pounds. To my daughter Elizabeth Simmons 30 shillings. To my daughter Ellin Hayrst 30 shillings. To Mary Tomlinson 12d. My executor to pay to Dennis Hodgson of Houlding five shillings on account of my said daughter Mary Tomlinson. To my daughter Margaret Simons five shillings being part of the 28 shillings she owes unto me. Residue to my son Adam Simons -- he sole executor and he to pay all debts legacies and funeral expenses; he is to put my son Christopher Hayrst to a trade and Adam Simons is to have Christopher's legacy if he embraces such a trade.

Signed 5th of March 1696

Witnesses Richard Conkin John Marshall Richard Hollin...

WILL of Richard Caley of Slaidburn 1719

Borthwick vol 74 fol 55

Yeoman. To Brigett Caley my daughter £160 within six months and the interest to be paid to her half yearly until her marriage. If she dies before the money becomes due then to my children Pilkinton Caley William Caley James Caley and Anne Caley equally when they are 21 with the interest accrued in the meantime -- if one dies to the survivors. To my daughter Bridgett one chest one desk and a dressing box one feather bed one pair of red curtains one bed covering one pair linen sheets one pair covers sheets one pair pillow drawers one boulder 10 yards huggaback two set cushions and a flax wheel in the porch chamber in my dwelling house at Swinstey. To my children William James and Anne £100 each when 21 -- interest in the meantime to their maintenance. Residue to my son Pilkington Caley when 21. My loving wife Ellen(?) To have my best pair of bedstocks bed and furniture to furnish a and my best cow. I appoint Henry Wiglesworth of Slaidburn and Thomas Butterfield of Gill in county York yeoman executors of my will -- to have their charges allowed.

Witnesses Alexander Johnson William Wiglesworth

Thomas Foster of Slaidburne Will 25th Dec. 1692
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Probate Craven 21st Feb. 1692

In the name of God Amen the five and twentieth day of December in the yeare of our Lord God one thousand six hundred ninetie two I Thomas Foster of Slaidburne in Bolland in the County of York Gentleman being weaklie & infirme of body but of sound & pfect mynd and memorie I give god thankes doe make ordaine and declare this my last will and testamt in maner and forme followeing revokinge and by these presents adnulling and makeinge void all former and other will and wills Testamt and testamts by me made and declared either by word or writeinge and this onelie and no other to be taken for my last will and testamt: And first & principally I Comitt and comend my soule into the hands of Almightye God my maker assuredlie trustinge through the merits of the death & passion of Jesus Christ my onelie Saviour to have full and free pardon of all my sins and to be made an Inheritr of Eternall life And my body I comitt to the Earth whereof it was made and to be buried in decent and xtianlike maner in the Parish Church of Slaidburne under the seate or room I therein sit att the discretion of my friends and Execrs herein hereafter named and as for my temporall estate wch it hath pleased God to bestow upon me I doe give and bequeath the same as ensueth And first I will that all due debts by me to any pson or psons oweinge together wth my funerall expenses shall be first paid as discharged out of my whole goods Itm I give and bequeath unto my brother Christopher Foster one hundred pounds of lawfull money of England Item I give unto my sister Mary Hargreaves James Hargreaves Ellen Prockter of Faber and Agnes now wife of Lawrence Robinson of Gill sonne and daughters of the said Mary my sister the sume of two hundred pounds of like money equallie to be divided amongst them Itm I give unto John Hargreaves of Deepdallhead twelve pence Itm I give & bequeath unto Thomas Carr of Stackhouse my nephew the sume of one hundred pounds of like money I give and bequeath unto Willm Foster of Armitstead one hundred pounds of like money Itm I give unto Richard Carr of Wenninge hippins twenty pounds of like money Itm I give and bequeath unto Elizabeth Pickhaver widdow of Nappey the sume of one hundred pounds of like money Itm I give unto Thomas Butterfeild of Gill twentie pounds of like money Itm I give and bequeath unto the Poore people of the Parish of Gigleswick in the County aforesaid five pounds per Anno to be paid yearlie to the said Poore people by my Execrs: hereafter names their heirs Execrs : admrs: or assignes upon the one and twentieth day of December for Ever, Itm I give and bequeath unto the poore people of the townshippe of Slaidburne aforesaid the like sume of five pounds per Anno to be paid as aforesaid that is to say upon everie one and twentieth day of December yearlie for Ever Itm my will and mynd is And I doe hereby will that my Executors shall give reasonable securitie to the severall Churchwardens of the said severall Parishes of Gigleswicke & Slaidburne for the true and sure paymt of the said yearlie sumes for Ever as aforesaid Itm I give and bequeath unto Agnes the now wife of Thomas Myres of Slaidburne and to their Children the sume of Fifty shillings of like money, Itm I give unto Alice Alston tenn shillings and to Thomas Stackhouse fiffy shillings, to Elizabeth Bancke twenty shillings and to Robt: Standen tenn shillings Itm my will and mynd is and I doe hereby will that all the severall and respective Legacies shall be paid to the severall Leagaties wthin the space of twentie dayes next comeinge after the end and expiracon of two whole yeares next and imediatlie comeinge after my decease the yearlie sumes to the poore people of Gigleswicke and Slaidburne aforesaid onelie excepted wch

paymts I would have to be made the dayes or tymes shall first come after my death
Itm I give and bequeath unto my Loveinge neece Ann Wiglesworth one great Brasse
pott, one Brandred Pann one seeled longsetle one warmeinge Pann and one bedpan,
one silver Cupp six silver spoons one other litle Cupp and one litle silver spoone all
my beddinge in the roome or Chamber where I used to live together wth my bed and
all Chaires and stools therein standinge or beinge, alsoe one Presse or Cupboard two
deskes one Chist and all my other goods and Chattells whatsoever standinge or
remaininge in the said Roome or Chamber dureinge her naturall life, and after her
decease to her now three sonnes equallie amongst them Itm I desire Mr John Mires of
Slaidburne aforesaid Minister to preach my funerall sermon for wch preachinge and
paines I give unto him twenty shillings Itm I give unto the Ringers that shall ringe all
my funerall tenn shillings and to everie poore pson that shall take paines to come to
my buriall I give them two pence a peece Itm after all my just debtes funerall
Charges and legacies before menconed be paid and discharged I give all the rest
rescidue & remaindr of all my Goodes cattells chattells Creditts and rights whatsoever
unto Elizabeth Pickhaver and Ann Wiglesworth aforesaid And I doe hereby noiate
and appoint them the said Elizabeth Pickhaver Ann Wiglesworth and John Smythson
of Slaidburne Woodhouse joynt Executors of this my last will and testament , hopinge
they will see the same pformed as my wish is reposed in them accordinge to the true
meaninge hereof In Witnes whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seale the day
and yeare first above written.

Published sealed and delivered in the presence of
John Marshall Jurat John Swinglehurst Jurat
Robert Raingill Jurat

Thomas Foster // marke

WILL of John Hargreaves of Slaidburn 1721

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Gent of Stephen Moor in the index but Stephen Park in the will in itself.

To be decently buried in the parish church or churchyard of Long Preston. Debts and funeral expenses to be discharged by my executor. To John Hargraves my grandson one close called Hurtles (?) Close situate within the township of Wigglesworth for ever he paying thereout five shillings yearly for ever to the poor of Wigglesworth which five shillings was a legacy left to the said poor by my late deceased mother Mary Hargraves. To my son James Hargraves all my freehold estate and lands called Stephen Park in the parish of Slaidburn for life and then to his heirs for ever he paying to Alice Hargraves my now wife one shilling yearly for life and he paying all funeral expenses for my said wife. If James Hargraves my son has no male heirs then Stephen Park to my said grandson John Hargraves for life and to his heirs male; if he has no male heirs then to my daughter Mary Guy and her heirs male or female; if she has no heirs then to the next right heirs of the name of Hargraves. To my son-in-law John Guy and Mary his wife one shilling each at the end of 12 months. Residue of my real and personal estate to my son James Hargraves -- he executor.

Signed John Hargraves 18th of January 1721

Witnesses Thomas Car(esie?) Richard Coates Henry Robinson

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William Clapham of Slaidburn 1788

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I William Clapham of Croasdale House in the parish of Slaidburn in the County of York yeoman do make and publish this my last Will and Testament whereby I give and dispose of all my Estate and Effects in manner following. I direct that all my just debts Funeral expenses and other charges attending the probate and execution of this my Will shall be paid and discharged by my Executrix hereinafter named out of my personal Estate if sufficient for that purpose if not I subject and charge all and every my real Estates with the deficiency. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Ann the Wife of William Downham of Woodhouse Gate in the parish of Slaidburn aforesaid the sum of One hundred pounds and fifty. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Isabel wife of John Hargreaves of Croasdale House in the same parish the sume of One hundred and fifty pounds And it is my mind and Will that these two legacies be paid to my said two daughters Ann and Isabel out of my Farm or Tenement called Merrybenthill herein after devised within twelve months next after my decease. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Grace Wife of Joseph Jackson of Lane Ends in the parish of Grindleton in the County of York - the sume of One hundred and fifty Pounds to be paid to her out of my Farm or Tenement called Cod Gill Fowltail or Park Houses herein after devised within twelve months next after my decease. I also Give and bequeath unto Ralph Parker William Parker Hannah Parker Ann Parker John Parker- Children of Michael Parker of Colley Holme in the parish of Slaidburn aforesaid the sum of Sixteen pounds five shillings a piece to be paid to them out of my said last mentioned Farm or Tenement called Cod Gill Fowltail or Park houses as they shall respectively attain the age of Twenty one years but in case any of them shall happen to dye before he or she or they shall attain the said age of Twenty one years my Will and mind is that the share or shares of him her or them so dying to be equally divided amongst the survivors and survivor of them share and share alike. I also Give and bequeath unto Ann Clapham natural daughter of Isabel Hargreaves the sum of One hundred pounds to be paid in manner following fifty pounds part thereof out of my Farm or Tenement called Merrybenthill hereinafter devised and fifty pounds the remainder thereof out of my said Farm or Tenement called Cod Gill Fowltail or Parkhouses herein after devised within twelve months after my decease but in case she be then a Minor when and so soon as she shall attain the age of twenty one years and in such case I direct that my Executrix herein after named shall from the time of my decease until the said last mentioned Legacy shall become payable receive interest for the same after the rate of four pounds and ten shillings per centum per annum and pay and apply the same towards the said Ann Claphams maintainance and education. I give and devise all that my Copyhold Farm or Tenement called Merrybent hill with the lands Grounds and Herediments thereto belonging situate in Rawmoor in the parish and Manor of Slaidburn aforesaid and now in the possession of my son Thomas the same having been duly Surrendered to my Will unto my son John To hold to my said son John his Heirs and Assigns for ever according to the custom of the manor Subject to the payment of the above mentioned legacies of One hundred and fifty pounds a piece to my daughters Ann and Isabel within twelve months after my decease and also Subject to the payment of the aforesaid legacies of fifty pounds to Ann Clapham in manner aforesaid. I give