

Various Kirkby Ireleth Wills held at the Barrow RO and the Lancashire RO at Preston Transcribed & Indexed. (1665-1916)

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THE WILL OF RALPH KIRKBY OF GARGRAVE, KIRKBY IRELETH. Feb'rie the 25th 1665

1. In the name of God Amen Mr Ralph Kirkbie of gargrave in Kirkbie
2. Ireleth in the countie of Lancaster gentleman being sick and imperfect in bodie but perfect in minde and memory
3. praised be to god for the same now ordene this my last will and testement
4. in manner and forme followinge, viz: I cornit my soule unto allmightie god
5. my creator and redeemer hopeing by the merites of his most presious bloode
6. to have free pardon and remscion of all my sines and allso desiringe the prayers and
7. sufferinge of the blessed Virgin Mary and of the holy Appostles St. Peter and Paul
8. and of all holy Angles and saintes and my body to the grave and it to be buried within
9. the Chappall at Kirkbie by the consent of the most honorable and nowbe
10. Colonall Kirkbie etc: Item I give unto Ms Jane Kirkbie my naturall mother
11. one bey mare in my present possession, Item I give unto Jene Kirkbie in mother
12. ten of my yong sheepe to be equallie chosen, Item I give unto each one of my
13. servants each one of them halfe a yeares waygis Item I give unto my servant
14. Robt one owld white frise coate and sute, Item I give unto Willm Postletwhate
15. of Gargrave son of Roger: one olde black sute with one white frise coate
16. and one pere of stockinges at the disscresion of my mother Item I give unto
17. Agnus my servant one broune broade cloath coate Item I give unto
18. Isabel my servant one broune wide ridinge coate, Item I give unto Ral
19. Hunter my god sonn and to Elin Woodburne daughter of Henry Woodburne
20. of the more side either of them five shillings, Item I give unto the wife of
21. Willm bibie John Woodburne wife Jo's Hunter wife Tho: godson wife Ja:
22. Neelson wife Tho: Kirkbie wife ould Jo: singleton Jo: Knipe wife Tho:
23. Woodburne wife Jenet Clappson to each of them twelve pence. Item I give
24. unto Willm Woodburne of the bank houses yonger one white sute with black
25. ribing and silver twist with one short coate betonginge tow it. Executors
26. of this my will I dow make Mis Jene (Jurat) Kirkbie my naturall mother and my well
27. beloved Cousin Peter Richardson of the Sourbie Lodge whome I earnestly desire
28. to asist and helpe my mother unto whome I give all my goodes moveable and
29. unmoveable my debtes legasies and funerall expences discharged out of the
30. whole supervisors I appoint the worshipfull Mr. Willm Kirkbie Esquire
31. Mr. Tho: Duckat of Winder Richard Denison of Newton and my cousin Jo:
32. Richardson of the Sourbie Lodge to see this my last will and testement performed
33. as my trust is in them, etc. And I give unto Margrat Postletwet daughter of
34. of Roger Postletwhet of gargrave 2s 6d
35. Wittnesse whereof Ral Kirkbie
36. James (Jurat) Dawson
37. Willm (Jurat) Woodburne his marke xx

PROBATE INVENTORY OF RALPH KIRKBY of Gargrave

1. A true inventory of all the goods cattells and Chattells moveable and
2. unmoveable that weare late Mr. Ralph Kirkbyes of Gargrave in the parish of Kirkby Ireleth
3. as the weare prised by theise foure
4. men Viz. John Coulton Wilm Woodburne Thomas Ffleeming
5. and John Askew March the 5th 1665.

	£	s	d
6. Imperis his purse and apparrell	13	10	0
7. Item one sword a belt and two litle belts	0	15	0
8. Item one sword	0	6	8
9. Ite. a paire of pistolls	0	3	0
10. Ite, a paire of troy weights	0	2	0
11. Ite. two feather beds two boulsters a paire of)			
12. bedstocks one counterpane one rugge)	6	0	0
13, curtaines and balance)			
14. Ite. two counterpanes and two window curtaines	0	6	8
15. Ite. cushions	0	5	0
16. Ite. a cloake bagg and a wallet	0	1	6
17. Ite. two tables and two formes	0	16	0
18. Ite, two watches and one silver boxe	5	0	0
19. Ite. a strong water boxe	0	1	0
20. Ite. a comb case and 6 combs	0	0	8
21. Ite. one chist	1	0	0
22. Ite. one trunke	0	8	0
23, Ite. one deske and a boxe	0	8	0
24. Ite. two chaires and one close stoole	0	8	0
25. Ite. knives and bodkins	0	1	0
26. Ite. Bookes	1	0	0
27. Ite. one warming pan	0	2	0
28. Ite. a lookeing glasse and a brush	0	4	0
29. Ite. trenchers	0	1	0
30. Ite. pewter	1	15	0
31. Ite. one peece of garth neb three bars)			
32. of Iron one spitle and a paire of tongs)	0	1	4
33, Ite. two tin cans and one lanthorne	0	2	6
34. Ite. one chist and one trunke	0	16	0
35. Ite. cast Iron and one mortar	2	6	0
36. Ite. three botles	0	0	10
37. Ite. a broiling Iron	0	1	0
38. Ite. earthen pots and one Dubler	0	0	8
39. Ite. one Iron hammer	0	1	0
40. Ite. a patle one rack one ganelak spade)			
41, and chopping spade)	0	7	0
42. Ite. one earthen pot	0	0	6
43. Ite. wood vessell	0	2	0
44. Ite. a fowling peece	0	13	4
45. Ite, one paire of oxen	8	0	0
46. Ite. horses	0	7	0
47. Ite. sheepe	10	0	0

48.	Ite. one silver spoone and a paire of)	0	10	0
49.	buttons)			
50.	Ite one plough and a harrow		0	5	6
51.	Exhib, Sub.				
	Suma totalis		631.	2s.	2d.

52.	depts wch he was oweing when he died	£	s	d
53.	Impr. to Mr. John Kirkby by bond	21	4	0
54.	. Ite. to Agnes Moorland by bond	10	12	0
55.	Ite. to Richard Harrison	8	0	0
56.	. Ite. to the daughters of Mrs. Ffell	9	1	0
57.	Ite. to Lancelot Sheepeerd	0	12	0
58.	Ite. to Nicholas Kellet	1	0	0
59.	Ite. to the wife of Willm Spencley	1	0	0
60.	Ite. to Roger Parker	1	0	0
61.	Ite. to Willm Woodburne of Cockfishall	0	11	8
62.	Ite. to his servant Robert	0	9	0
63.	Ite. to his servant Agnes	0	5	9
64.	Ite. ffunerall expences	1	10	6
65.	Ite. to Agnes Woodburne his maid one yeares wages	1	0	0
66.	Suma totalis	561.	5s.	11d.

THE WILL OF AGNES KIRKBY OF ASHLACK HALL, KIRKBY IRELETH 13TH MARCH 1684

University of York
Peculiar of Dean Chapter of York, Agnes Kirkby, Will

13 March 1684

In the name of God Amen, the thirteenth day of March in ye first year of ye Reign of King James ye second over England and in ye year of our lord one thousand six hundred eighty four I Agnes Kirkby of Kirkby late wife of Roger Kirkby Esq [-----] being sick in body but of perfect memory, doe by these presents (?) ordain and make this my last will and testament in manner following. First I recommend my soul unto ye hands of god my creator hoping assuredly ye only ----- of Jesus Christ my saviour to be made partaker of life everlasting in this blessed Kingdom; and I recommend my body to ye earth whereof it was made to be buried (without trouble) in decent manner. And as to my worldly estate I dispose of it as followeth. First I doe give unto my cozen Mary Kirkby, ye daughter of my son Richard Kirkby, all those cattle and sheep which I lent to my cozen Roger Kirkby of Kirkby Esq, her brother, which said cattle and sheep, I desire he will deliver to his sister Mary aforesaid, or pay her ye value thereof in money. Then I doe given unto ye poor of Kirkby, Ulverston and Dalton ----- twenty shillings and to ye poor of Broughton, Pennington, Lowick,, Blawith, Torver and Osmotherly and Ireleth each ten shillings to be given to the church wardens and overseers of each place, and by them to be given to ye poor. Lastly I doe appoint and constitute my beloved son William Kirkby of Ashlack Esq, sole executor of this my last will and testament Revoking hereby all former and other wills whatsoever. In witness whereof I have hereunto put my hand and seal and ye same have published as my last will and testament in writing ye day and year above written

Witness hereof
Margarett Dodding, James Towers
Robert Wayls, James Muncaster

Agnes Kirkby
& seal

Bond

The condition of this obligation is such that if the ----- bound William Kirkby sole executor doe well and truly execute and ----- And keep ye last will and testament of Agnes Kirkby late of Kirkby ----- And doe pay her debts and legacies so far as her goods will extend and law shall bind him if also he doe exhibit into the Dean and Chapter's court at York a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods rights ----- cattells and chattells of the said deceased, and doe make a true and just accompt of the same when he shall be thereunto lawfully called And moreover need require enter into further bond with more sufficient sureties for the performance of the premisses as the judge of the said court for the time being shall think requisite and needfull, and lastly doe save defined and keep the within named Henry Watkinson and ye Dean and Chapter and all other his and their officers and ministers against all persons by reason of the premisses then this present obligation to be void and of more effect or else to in full force, strength and virtue.

18.	Item girdle, brandreth frying)	00	02	00
19.	pan katten-crooke and tonges)			
20.	Item meale <u>and</u> household provision	00	10	00
21.	Item saikes and poakes	00	06	08
22.	Item husbandry-geare and)	00	10	00
23.	scaffolding given to his son)			
24.	Item pair of steers, 4 kine)	20	10	00
25.	<u>and</u> 6 more young beaste)			
26.	Item Sheepe in all kinds	07	10	00
27.	Item 3 stone of wooll	00	12	00
28.	Item a heffer and a calf more	01	10	00
29.	Item a gelding and a mare	03	00	00
30.	Item old graine	00	12	00
31.	Item the Croppe in all kinds)	10	00	00
32.	with hay <u>and</u> straw)			
33.	Item manure, fuel and bees	00	02	00
34.	Item Ready moneyes in the house	24	00	00
35.	debts owing to the deceased as follows			
36.	Inprinis from Josiah Heard	05	00	00
37.	Item from John Cragg	03	00	00
38.	Item from John Dodgson	03	10	00
39.	Item from Thomas Brockbanke	11	19	00
40.	of oudall			
41.	Item from George Cowell and Thomas Newby	00	14	03
42.	Item for ? a of ?	00	01	08
43.	Item from James Slater	00	12	00
44.	Item from Rick Postlethwaite	00	01	04
45.	Item from Miles Lowes for a stone of wooll	00	08	00
46.	Exhibit sub ?goods and Creditts	<u>105</u>	<u>05</u>	<u>11</u>
47.	Debts owing by the deceased as follows	02	03	04
48.	Funerall Expences	<u>05</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>00</u>
49.	Debts and Funerall	<u>07</u>	<u>13</u>	<u>04</u>
50.	_ Clear goods	<u>97</u>	<u>12</u>	<u>07</u>

ADMINISTRATION BOND FOR THE WILL OF John Brockbank

*Noverint Universi per presentes nos Agnetem Broockbanck
Vret Rogerii Postlethwaite Hugouam Hunter Clism &
Thoma Wayles ornis de grocer de Dalton
Teneri & firmiter obligari Reverendo in Xpo pri et Dus Cus
Nicholas permissione dia Aeftriew Episcopo not non
Venable viro Joanni Cartwright bitm magro
In et per totu obsthinat Richmond Cesterwen Diory
Commissario etme consto
In durentie libliy bona & legalis moneta Anglia
Solvend eisdem Riborendo pri & Dno Comissarionat
Aut Eorum certo Attornato Executoribus,
Administratoribus, Successoribus, sive Assignatis suie. Ad quam
Quidem solutionem bene & fideliter faciend. Obligamus nos &
Quemlibt wind conjunction & didimus
Heredes, Executors & Administratores nos fumiter
Per Presentes, Sigillis nuis sigillat. Dat. Quarto*

Die Mensis Novembris
Nonogesimo premio

Anno Dom. Millesimo Sextensesimo

The Condition of this Obligation is such that if the above bounden Agnes Brockbancke her Heires, Executors, Administrators or Assigns and every of them do well and truly content satisfie and pay, or cause to be well and truly contented satisfied and payd unto George Brockbancke naturall and lawfull Child~~ren~~ of John Brockbanck late of Kirby Ireleth in the parish of Dalton deceased, all such filiall and Childs part and portion gifts grants Legacies and bequests, and all other rights dues and demands whatsoever due unto him by the death last will and Inventory of his said father deceased or otherwise, in good and lawfull English Money when he shall Accomplish the age of one and twenty years be Married or otherwise lawfully demand the same, and in the mean time doe well and honestly educate and bring him up, with sufficient Meat, Drink, Cloaths, and all other necessaries during his Minority, And doe make a true and just account therteof when She shall be thereunto lawfully called, and moreover (if need require) Enter into further Bond with more sufficient Suerties for performance of the praemisses, as the Comissary of the said Archdeaconry for the time being shall think requisit and needful, and lastly doe save defend and harmless keep the abovenamed Lord Bishop the said Comissary and all their Officers and Ministers against all persons by reason of the praemisses. That then this Obligation to be voyd, otherwise to remain in full force.

her marke

Agnes O Brockbancke

*Signed Sealed and delivered
in the presence of
Rich Trotter
Not^y Pub^{ic}*

his marke

Roger R Postlew^t

Hugh Hunter

his marke

Marmaduke Lambert

Thomas C h Wayles

WILL of JOHN CRAGGE of Kirkby Ireleith – 1692 (Transcribed by June Whitehead)

1. In the name of god Amen I John Cragge of Kirkby Ireleith in the parish of Dalton
 2. and County of Lancaster yeoman being sick and infirme of body, but perfect in mind and memory
 3. doe make this my last will and Testament the fourteenth day of July 1692.
 4. Revoking and Anulling All former and other will or wills heretofore by me made or declared
 5. either by word or writing and this to be taken and reputed my last will and Testament And none
 6. other. And first being penitent for my sins past, I give and bequeath my soul into the
 7. hands of Almighty god my maker hoping by the merits of Jesus Christ my Redeemer
 8. to be saved; And my body to the ground from whence it came, And as for my tempo-
 9. rail estate, and such goods Cattells and Chattells as it hath pleased Almighty god to
 10. bestow upon me, I doe order give and dispose the same in manner and form following.
 11. Imperis
 12. I Give to my Son Obadiah my Estate at Ireleith with the table and
 13. Frame in the parlor, and the scaffolding, boards, joists, and all other loose wood
 14. and the great bible. Item I give to my wife Anne the one halfe of my
 15. Estate during her widdow hood. Item I doe give to William and
 16. Sarah, my children, the greater (yoake) of stears in Stewner. Item
 17. I give to my Daughter Anne my foale, the Long=oak=Chist in the
 18. Loft under the window, and the new pan unbound, these I give her in (lieu)
 19. of that which I am indebted to her. All the rest of my goods moveable
 20. and immoveable I give to my four Children, Elizabeth Jnr, Anne Jnr, Sara
 21. and William whom I doe nominate and appoint my Executors to pay
 22. and discharge my debts, legacies, and funerall expences.
 23. Supervisors I doe nominate my brother William Cragge, William
 24. Hart, William Greenuppe, and Hugh Hunter, desiring them as
 25. my trust is in them to see this my last will and testament performed
 26. In wisse whereof I have hereunto put my hand and seale
 27. the day and year above said
 28. Sealed and signed in the presence of
- William Hart Jnr
Hugh Hunter Jnr
- John Cragg

PROBATE INVENTORY of JOHN CRAGGE

1. July the 27* 1692
 2. A true and perfect Inventory of all
 3. the goods cattells, Chattells, Rights
 4. and Creditts due and of Right ap
 5. pertayning unto John Cragge
 6. Late of Ireleith in the parish of
 7. Dalton and County of Lancaster yeoman
 8. deceased as the same now apprized
 9. the day above said by these four
 10. following persons, vizt Hendy Coulton
 11. William Cragg, William Hart and
 12. William Greenuppe
 13. Impris his purse and apparrell
 14. Item bedding in all
 15. Item brass and pewther
 16. Item Earthen potts
 17. Item woodden vessell
 18. Item Bedsteads
 19. Item Ousts and Arkes
- | | £ | s | d |
|--|----|----|----|
| | 01 | 12 | 00 |
| | 02 | 18 | 06 |
| | 01 | 15 | 06 |
| | 00 | 03 | 02 |
| | 00 | 06 | 04 |
| | 00 | 08 | 06 |
| | 01 | 03 | 06 |

20.	Item one table <u>and</u> frame)			
21.	in the house, Chaires, for)	00	06	04
22.	mes stooles <u>and</u> cushions)			
23.	Item girdles brandreth)			
24.	tonges frying pan)	00	16	04
25.	spitt and Raikes)			
26.	husbandry=geare in all	03	00	04
27.	Item one flesh fatt	00	05	00
28.	Item 6 saikes poakes <u>and</u> winnow)	00	12	06
29.	fleath)			
30.	Item 2 great steares given to)	05	03	04
31.	William and Sarah)			
32.	Item 4 young steares	05	10	06
33.	Item 4 kine	08	16	00
34.	Item 3 Calves	00	16	04
35.	Item a poake a hoope of barrells)	00	03	00
36.	kiskes and ?)			
37.	Item meale mault and other house)	01	18	06
38.	Hold provision)			
39.	Item 3 horses	07	00	06
40.	Item Loose wood <u>and</u> scaffolding)	00	05	00
41.	given to Obadiah)			
42.	Item one table and frame and bible)	00	17	00
43.	given to Obadiah)			
44.	Item a foale and Chist and pan)	02	00	00
45.	given to Ann)			
46.	Item the Croppe in all)	08	12	00
47.	kinds hay <u>and</u> Corne)			
48.	Item pullim fuel, Cheese)	00	03	00
49.	presse <u>and</u> spinning wheele)			
50.	Goods in all	54	16	02
51.	Exhibit Sub ?			

Debts owing by the Decd

	£	s	d
Imp to Agnes Brockbanke	3	0	0
to Iermett Penny	1	0	0
to ffunerall Expenses	<u>2</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>
Debts & funeral Expenses	<u>6</u>	<u>10</u>	<u>6</u>
£ s d Clear goods	<u>48</u>	<u>05</u>	<u>8</u>
54 16 02			
<u>6 10 06</u>			
<u>48 05 8</u>			

ADMINISTRATION BOND FOR THE WILL OF John Cragg

Noverint Universi per praesentes, Nos *Elizabetham Cragg et Annam Cragg Spinisters Gulielm Greenupp et Gulielm Heart yeomen omnes de Ireletth in parocia de Dalton in Coun Lancastrua*
Teneri & firmiter Obligari Reverendo in Xpo Patri et Dno Dna *Nicholas permisione dia lesti Epo nor non ven^{le} viro Johi Cartwright thro in Aetibus Magro in et per totm Aerhsat*

Richmond Leste Diory Comrio etme Conston

In *Cent et Vigint Libris* bona & legalis monetæ
Anglia, solvend eisdem *Reverendo Patri et Dno Comsio*
Aut Eorum certo Attornat' Execu-
tor' Administrat' Successoribus, sive Assignatis suis. Ad quam
quidem solutionem bene & fideliter faciend'. *Obligamus nos*
et Quemlibet usm Con^m et Div^m pro toto et Solido
Haered', Executor', Administratores *nros firmiter fee*
per presentes, *Sigillis nris* sigillat. Dat. *Septimo*
die mensis *Septembris* Anno Dom. *Millesimo Sexcentesimo*
nonagesimo Secundo

The Condition of this Obligation is such, That if *the above bounden*
Elizabeth Cragg & Anne Cragg
Do well and truly content satisfie and pay, or cause to be well and truly con-
tented, satisfied and payd unto *Sarah Cragg and William Cragg*
Naturall and lawfull *Children of John*
Cragg late of Ireleth in the parish of Dalton
Deceased, all such filiall and Childes Part and Portion, gifts grants Legacies
and bequests, and all other rights dues and demands whatsoever, due unto
them by the Death, last Will and Inventory of *their* said *ffather*
Deceased or otherwise, in good and lawfull English Money when *they*
shall accomplish *their full* Age of one and Twenty Years, be Married or
otherwise, lawfully demand the same, and in the mean time, do well and
honestly Educate and bring *them* up, with sufficient Meat, Drink,
Cloaths, and all other Necessaries, during *their* Minority; And do make
a true and just Account thereof when *they* shall be thereunto lawfully
called; And moreover, (if need require) Enter into further Bond with
more sufficient Sureties for performance of the Premises, as the Comissa-
ry of the said Arch-deaconry for the time being, shall think requisite and
needful: and lastly, do save, defend and harmless keep, the abovenamed
Lord *Bpp of Chester* the said Comissary, and all their Officers and
Ministers, against all Persons, by reason of the Premisses. That then this
Obligation to be void, otherwise to remain in full force.

her O ma
Elizabeth Cragg

Signed Sealed and delivered
in the presence of

John Capstack

Marm Lambert

Ann Cragg

Willm Greenup

William Hart

WILL OF ROGER HUNTER (1766)

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN I Roger Hunter of Soutergate in the parish of Kirkby Irelyth and County palatine of Lancaster Yeoman do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following and first of all I give and commend my Soul to Almighty God and my body to the Ground to be buried in a Christian-like manner at the discretion of my Executor hereinafter named and as to my personal Estate which God hath bestowed upon me in this present World. I give and dispose of as follows and first I give to Thomas Hunter my Son one Cow and one Mare now in my possession with one Bed and Furniture of all sorts thereunto belonging with one Chist mostly used for malt one Cart and one pair of Wheels with two pewter Dishes one Box with all my Corn and Hay except that part of Hay which lyes under my Bigg in the Barns I give to my Daughter Mary Hunter one Feather Bed now standing in the Loft with all sorts of Close belonging to the same with two pewter Dishes also I give to Frances Matson one pound And I give further to my Son Thomas Hunter my larger Iron pot and one little Iron pan and my less Brass pan further it is my Will and Mind and I do here declare the same so to be that my son Thomas Hunter before named do pay all the expences of my Funeral out of the Legacies above mentioned and Bequeathed to him and then all the rest residue and remainder of my personal Estate and Effects I give to John Hunter(s) Son whom I do hereby make nominate constitute and appoint sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament he paying and discharging all my just Debts and Legacies In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this Seventeenth Day September in the Year of our Lord one thousand seven hundred and Sixty-six - Roger Hunter - Signed Sealed published and Declared (by the said Roger Hunter to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us Roger Parker - Thos. Nelson

PROBATE ATTACHED TO THE ABOVE WILL (1767)

IN THE NAME OF GOD AMEN. Proof of the Will to these Presents annexed, being admitted before the reverend Stephen Sutton Clerk our Lawful Surrogate We William Stables Batchelor of Laws Commissary or Auditor of the Causes or Business of the Venerable the Dean and Chapter of the Cathedral and Metropolitan Church of Saint Peter of York Lawfully - - Authorized----do approve and Register the same, and do pronounce, decree and declare for the validity thereof, and we do fully in the Lord by these Presents commit and grant Administration of all and Singular the Goods, Rights, Credits and Chattels of Roger Hunter late of Soutergate in the parish of Kirkby Irelyth in the County palatine of Lancaster x x and Jurisdiction of the Dean and Chapter of York aforesaid Yeoman --- deceased, which were in his Lifetime, and at his Death within the Jurisdiction aforesaid, to John Hunter Son and Sole Executor --- --- in the said Will named, having first before our said ---- Surrogate -----taken the Oath, according to Law in that Case required (saving any other Person's Right) Given at York, under the Seal of our said office this twenty fifth Day of May in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Sixty-seven
John Clough Register
(The originals of the above documents now form part of the deeds of Orchard Head, Soutergate, Kirkby-in-Furness)

Extracted from the Registry of the Consistory Court at
Lancaster within the Archdeaconry of Richmond and Diocese of Chester

This is the last Will and Testament

**John
Postlethwaite**

of me John Postlethwaite of Ulverston in the County of Lancaster
Surgeon made published and declared the twentieth day of November
one thousand eight hundred and forty one In the first place I order
all my just debts funeral and testamentary expences to be paid
off and discharged by my Executors hereinafter named I order and
direct that all my monies and securities for monies shall be called
up and collected and also my book debts by all reasonable means
except suing my debtors shall be collected and turned into money
as soon as convenient after my decease and after payment of my
debts as aforesaid the remainder to become part of my personal
estate as aforesaid and invested in Government or real security.
And I further will and direct that as soon as convenient after my
Decease al my household goods and furniture plate linen and
China and also all other my goods and chattels of whatsoever des-
cription except such articles and things as belonged to my dearest
Wife before we were married she shall take for her sole use and
benefit and also my best set of china my gold watch chain and
appendages I give unto my Nephew John son of my Brother
Woodburn at the time of my decease I also give unto my Sister
in law Wife of the said Woodburn Postlethwaite one of my Ladies
work tables and the other I give unto my dear Wife shall be
turned into money and invested as aforesaid and it shall be law-
ful for my Executors to allow my Bank Railway and Gas shares
to remain unsold or to sell them or any part of them any time
during their Executorship as may appear best unto them but if
sold out or any part thereof the monies arising therefrom shall be
invested as before directed and I give and it is my will that my
dear Wife shall receive all interest and dividends arising from my
personal estate so invested as aforesaid so long as she continues
my chaste widow or until she becomes possessed of her fortune
after the death of her ffather M^r John Dawson and her Mother on
either of those events coming to pass then I order and direct the
dividends Interest and profits of my said personal estate to be
collected and to accumulate and become part of my personal estate
as aforesaid until the youngest child of my said Brother
Woodburn Postlethwaite by my sister in law his present Wife
now or hereafter to be born attain the age of twenty one years
then I order and direct my Executors to call in all my personal
estate and divide the same unto and equally between and
amongst all and every the children of my said Brother
Woodburn that may then be living or the issue of such of them
as may be dead share and share alike of their deceased parents
share as aforesaid and in case of the death of all the said
children or the issue thereof then I give all my said estate
and effects as aforesaid unto my said Brother Woodburn
Postlethwaite and in case of the death of my said Brother and
all his children and the issue of such children as aforesaid then
it is my will and mind and I order and direct that all my

estate and effects shall be divided equally between and amongst the children of my late uncle George Postlethwaite my Uncle Bartholomew Postlethwaite and my late Aunt Betty Howton who at the time of my decease shall have all my wearing apparel divided equally amongst them as my dear Wife may think right I give unto my good friends Bernard Gilpin and John Carter both of Ulverston aforesaid Surgeons any Medical work in my Library together with any Surgical Instrument or set of instruments belonging to me M^r Gilpin to have the first choice. I give unto Samuel Bates of Waterloo Cottage Gentleman the life of the Duke of Wellington which is in my library together with the legacy of five pounds I also give unto John Rigg of the ffalls near Ulverston Yeoman the sum of five pounds And I nominate and appoint the said Samuel Bates and John Rigg Executors of this my will that they my said Executors shall not be answerable or accountable for more monies than they shall respectively receive and they shall not be answerable for each other but each for his own acts and deeds only and it is my will that my said Executors shall reimburse himself and themselves all costs and expences he or they may be put unto in the execution of the trusts of this my will and revoke any other Will by me at any time heretofore made and declare this to be my last Will and Testament In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first hereinbefore written. *John Postlethwaite* Signed Sealed published and declared by the said John Postlethwaite the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses *William Sandback*
Edward Storey.

Whereas I John Postlethwaite of Ulvertson in the County of Lancaster Surgeon have made and duly executed my last Will and Testament in writing bearing date the twentieth day of November eighteen hundred and forty one Now I do hereby declare this present writing to be a Codicil to my said last Will and Testament and I do direct the same to be annexed thereto and to be deemed and taken as part thereof In the first place I do order and my will is that my Executors invest three hundred pounds from my personal property in the Eastern Counties Railway Perpetual 5p^r cent stock and I do hereby give and bequeath the interest of the same unto my Uncle Bartholomew during his natural life provided he attends a place of Worship regularly except prevented from bad health or some such cause and after his decease I do hereby give and bequeath the interest of the said stock unto the Minister and Churchwardens of the parish Church of Kirkby Ireleth for the time being In trust for ever to divide the same on every Christmas day between twenty or thirty deserving Widows who shall attend the Church regularly throughout the year and I do hereby give and bequeath all my Medical Books and instruments except those I have ordered to be given to Howard Gilpin Esquire my Brother Surgeon for the benefit of my Brother Woodburn's children

children providing their parents think of placing any of them to my profession And I revoke that part of my said Will wherein I bequeathed unto John Carter of Ulverston aforesaid Surgeon and Medical Book Books or instruments and further it is my will that the interest arising from all my property (except that which I have otherwise disposed of) ordered to accumulate for my Brother Woodburn's children shall be received by my said brother for his own use during his natural life instead of accumulating as aforesaid for his children and further it is my will that in the event of the death of my Mother in Law and my ffather in Law taking to himself another Wife my dear Wife shall continue to receive the interest of that part of my property which I have not otherwise disposed of during her natural life providing she remains my lawful Widow and I do hereby revoke that part of my said Will which gives my gold watch and appendages to my Nephew John And I give and bequeath the same unto my dear Wife and hereby ratifying and confirming my said Will in all and other particulars thereof I the said John Postlethwaite have to this Codicil set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred and forty four *John Postlethwaite* Signed sealed published and declared by the said John Postlethwaite as and for a Codicil to be annexed to and taken As part of his last Will and Testament in the presence of us *Elizabeth Hodgson John Daniel*

*In the Consistory Court at Lancaster
In the Goods of John Postlethwaite deceased*

Appears Personally John Daniel of Ulverston in the County of Lancaster and Elizabeth Hodgson of the same place and made oath that they are the subscribed witnesses to the Codicil to the last Will and Testament of the said John Postlethwaite late of Ulverston aforesaid Surgeon deceased bearing date the sixteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred and forty four and they further made oath that on the said sixteenth day of July the said testator executed his said Codicil by signing his name at the foot or end thereof in the presence of these deponents both of whom were present at the same time and respectively in the presence of the said Testator subscribed their names to the said Codicil as witnesses of the due execution thereof *John Daniel Elizabeth Hodgson* On the twenty sixth day of ffebruary one thousand eight hundred and forty seven the said John Daniel and Elizabeth Hodgson were severally sworn to the truth of this affidavit *Before me Richard Guillym M.A. Surrogate.*

Proved in the Consistory Court at Lancaster on the twenty sixth Day of ffebruary one thousand eight hundred and forty seven By Samuel Bates and John Rigg the Executors therein named
???? Sharp ???? Sug^t

Proved at London with a Codicil the 31st March 1847 before the Judge by the oaths of Samuel Bates and John Rigg the Executors to whom Admon was granted having been first sworn on Commission only to administer,

WILL OF THOMAS JAMES MASON 1878

Barrow Record Office 30/01/07

BD TB/Wills Box 7/2

Will of Thomas James Mason 1878

Last Will & Testament of Thomas James Mason of Ashlack Hall, Gent.

Real Estate to his brother Charles Mason & friend Matthew Jackson Allason Dickinson their heirs & assigns on trust for his dear wife Mary and her assigns for life without impeachment of waste.

After her death to brother Charles his heirs & assigns.

Personal estate to CM & MJAD their Executors, Administrators & Assigns on trust to pay just debts, funeral and testamentary expenses, the residue to his dear wife.

All real estate vested in TJM upon trust or by mortgage to CM & MJAD their heirs & assigns subject to the trusts & equities affecting the same estates respectively.

Appoints CM & MJAD executors.

Revokes all prior wills

Signed TJM 01/01/1878

Witnessed William Ashburner & Hartley Mason

WILL OF THOMAS JAMES MASON 1882

Barrow Record Office 30/01/07

BD TB/Wills Box 1/26

Will of Thomas James Mason 04/07/1882

Last Will & Testament of Thomas James Mason of Ashlack Hall, Esquire.

Personal estate & effects to dear wife Mary.

Real & Leasehold estates to friends Robert Mason of Marsh Grange & George Ashburner of Low Hall their heirs Executors & assigns, my trustees, upon trust to allow wife to occupy what she wants and to have the rents & profits from the rest of the estate. Paying interest due on any mortgage or other incumbrance affecting my Real & Leasehold estate & keeping them in good tenantable repair & insured against Fire damage.

On her death trustees to sell up & after deducting expenses etc to hold the residue of the money raised in trust for the children still living of my brothers William Isaac Mason & Alexander McDonald Mason in equal shares as tenants in common.

Trustees are empowered to deal with mortgages and incumbrances as they shall see fit in the general management of the estate and to pay just debts, funeral and testamentary expenses. They may delay the sale after TJM's and his wife's death and any rents & profits from the unsold parts of the estate to be distributed as specified above to the children of the brothers.

Appoints RM & GA as Executors

Revokes all former wills

Signed TJM

Witnesses Thomas Butler, Solicitor Broughton in F

William Irving, Beanthwaite, Farmer

John R Butler, Clerk to Thomas Butler

WILL OF THOMAS CASSON IRVING 1916

Barrow Record Office 30/01/07

BD TB 63/8/17

Will of Thomas Casson Irving of Ashlack Hall 20/07/1916

Last Will & Testament of Thomas Casson Irving of Ashlack Hall etc, Farmer
Plate, Linen, China, Glass, Books, Pictures, Prints & other household effects to my wife Catherine, and
all Life Insurance etc.

Real Estate (if any) & residue of personal estate to trustees upon trust to sell & convert same into money
– the Trust Fund. This to be divided equally among my children living at my death who attain the age of
25 years, but any son or his children to get £100 more than any daughter or her children.

If my children are dead then my grandchildren get the money. Wife to get income from the trust fund
until the grandchildren are 21 or if female marry at less than 21.

Wife Catherine, brother William Irving and friend David Kendall of Chappels appointed trustees &
executors.

Empowers trustees after death or second marriage of wife to pay the interest or capital of share of any
infant beneficially for his/her maintenance, education or support during their minority.

Pay Just debts, Funeral & Testamentary expenses

Revokes previous wills

Signed TCI 20/07/1916

Witnesses John Butcher, Solicitor Broughton in F

Joseph Pickthall, Braddylls Arms, Ulverston

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