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JOSEPH HOULDROYD THE ELDER OF GRANGE (GRANGE HOUSE)

Will: 26th April 1783 ***Inventory: 20th June 1785***

Probate Bond: 17th April 1786

Probable Burial: Joseph Holdroyd of Granges, 6th June 1785, at St. Bartholomew's Church, Marsden, Mortuary[1]

Borthwick reference: Joseph Holroyd/Holdroyd/Houldroyd, senior, of Grange House, Marsden, clothier, April 1786, Will and Probate Bond; Box 1781-1820, No.13

Will

26th April 1783

Size: 12⅝" x 16" *Material: cream paper*

Condition: small holds in folds

Folio 1 recto – will

This is the last Will and Testament of me Joseph Houldroyd the Elder of Grange House in Marsden in the Parish of Huddersfield in the County of York Clothier made the Twenty sixth Day of April In the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven Hundred and Eighty three And first my Will is That all my Just Debts Funeral Expences and Probate of this my Will be fully Paid and satisfyed by my Executor hereinafter named out of my [Person][2] Personal Estate and I do hereby charge the same with the true Payment thereof And whereas I have this Day Surrendred all my Copyhold Estate within the Mannor of Marsden aforesaid into the Hands of the Lord of the said Mannor to such Use and Uses as[3] was were or should be declared in and by my last Will and Testament Now I do hereby Give and Devise unto my Son Joseph Houldroyd his Heirs and Assigns All that my Messuage Dwellinghouse or Tenement called Grangehouse wherein I now Inhabit and Dwell together with the Barn Stable Outhousing and Appurtenances thereunto belonging or Appertaining and Also all that one Close Piece or Parcell of Land or Ground adjoining to my said Dwellinghouse and called by the Names of the Ing, with all Ways Roads and Watercources to the same belonging or Appertaining And also all my Lands and Grounds and Parts and shares of Lands and Grounds Beast Gates or Cattle Gates in a certain Out Pasture in Marsden aforesaid called Ashen Binn Hey And also all my rights and Title to a Turfpit in Shawhey Moss within the said Mannor **To have and to hold** the same unto my said Son Joseph his Heirs and Assigns for ever And all the rest residue and remainder of my Closes Lands Grounds Buildings Hereditaments and Real Estate

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1 in registers of Marsden St. Bartholomew's, where the surname is spelt 'Holdroyd' and the detail of 'Mortuary' is given; and of the parish of Huddersfield (Marsden burials), with surname spelt 'Houldroyd' and the date of burial given as 16 June 1785, perhaps a mistranscription. The word 'Mortuary' is unusual in Marsden burial records, and may mean that an additional gift was made from the deceased's estate to the Curate (Lancelot Bellas). The Houldroyds seem to have been devout - on 4th March 1752 there is another unusual record of a 'Purification' (perhaps churching after childbirth) held for Betty, wife of Joseph Houldroyd of Grange.

2 this word crossed through

3 this word has been altered from 'and', with the 'd' crossed through

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whatsoever wi..in[4] the said Mannor I Give and Devise unto my Son James Houldroyd his Heirs and Assigns for ever to enter to the same at Candlemas next after my Decease But my Will is and I do hereby order and appoint that my said Son Joseph Shall reap have and take to his own Use the Crops of Corn and Grass That shall be growing upon the said Residue of the said Lands at the time of my Decease and shall occupy and enjoy the said residue of the said Lands untill Candlemas next after my Decease without Paying any Rent for the same And I Give and bequeath all my Personal Estate and Effects whatsoever and wheresoever and of what nature or kind soever unto my said Son Joseph his Executors Administrators and Assigns And I do hereby nominate Constitute and appoint my said Son Joseph sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and do hereby revoke disanull and make void all former Wills by me heretofore made **In Witness** whereof I have to this my last Will and Testament set my Hand and Seal the Day and Year first abovewritten./.

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the said } Joseph Houldroyd the Testator to be his last Will and } Joseph Huldroyd[5]
Testament in the Presence of us, who in his Presence and }
at his request and in the Presence of each other have } 6
Subscribed our Names as Witnes[ses][7] hereto }

James Shaw
[David Firth Sworn][8]
Jn[o] Battye

Folio 1 verso – will, written at 90[0]

/181/[9] 26 April 1783
Joseph Houldroyd of
Grange House in Marsden
Will
[ ][10]

[4] small hole in paper in centre of this word
[5] signature of testator
[6] small red wax seal: design possibly portrait bust
[7] these letters may be crossed through
[8] these words are written very small and squeezed in under James Shaw's signature, with the word 'Sworn', unusually, in the same writing as the name. Presumably then this is not David Firth's signature, but a record that he swore in court, perhaps as proxy for James Shaw, to the witnessing of the will.
[9] this number, in maroon ink, may be Manor of Marsden numbering system
[10] squiggle which may represent 'Executed'

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Inventory

20th June 1785

Size: 16⅜" x 12⅞", folded in two vertically Material: cream water-marked paper

Folio 1 recto – inventory

An Iventory[11] of all and Singular the Goods and Chattells Rights and Credits which were of Joseph Holdroyde Late of Marsden in the County and Diocese of York Taken the 20th Day of June 1785

	£	s	D
Purse and Apparel	5	10	0
To Cows	9	9	0
To Beds and Beding	3	0	0
To one pair of Loom's	1	10	0
To one Ark and Two Chests	1	10	0
To one Clock	1	1	0
To one Dresser Pewter Case and Pewter	1	10	0
To one Couch Chair	0	10	0
To Two Tabels	1	0	0
To Seven Chairs	0	10	0
To one Turnup Board	0	3	0
To Two Chairs	0	1	6
To one Fire Iorn and Two Iorn Pots	0	12	0
To Brewing Vessels one Barrel and one Churn	0	10	0
To Husbandry Gear	0	12	0
To Earthen Vessels	0	2	6
	£ 27	11	0

Appraised by us the Day and Year Above Expressed

Jam[es] Marsden

Jam[es] his ⊥ mark Whitehead

John Brearley

James Houldroyd

Folio 2 verso – inventory, written at 90⁰

/181a/[12] 17th. April 1786
Inventory of Joseph
Houldroyd Effects

[11] word spelt thus in original
[12] this number, in maroon ink, may be Manor of Marsden numbering system

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Probate Bond

17th April 1786

Size: 16½" x 13½", folded in two vertically *Material: cream water-marked paper*

Seals: trace marks of three small wafer seals covered by rectangle of paper

Stamps: two revenue stamps, one embossed, value five shillings, and one inked, value one half penny

Details of Bond:

Testator:	Joseph Houldroyd late of Grange House in Marsden (parish of Huddersfield), clothier
Executors:	Joseph Houldroyd of Grange House in Marsden (parish of Huddersfield), clothier and son of testator (he is also a bondsman)
Persons taking Bond	Joseph Houldroyd of Grange House in Marsden (parish of Huddersfield), clothier (signs) James Houldroyd of Smithey holme in Marsden, clothier (signs)
Lord of the Manor:	William Radcliffe Esquire
Steward of Manor:	John Battye, gentleman
Surety:	£100
Witnesses:	Geo[*rge*][13] Tomlinson (signs)
Notes:	On Folio 2 verso is the number '181b' in maroon ink, probably Manor of Marsden numbering, and the following note: 'Manor of Marsden 17. April 1786 Joseph Houldroyd of Grangehouse and others to Radcliffe Esq[*ui*]r[*e*] and Battye Gent[*lema*]n Probate Bond'

[13] there is possibly an initial 'F' between Geo. and Tomlinson