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William Crosley of Stansfield, 1608

Will: 18th October 1607 ***Probate: April 1608***

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In the name of god Amen I William Crosley of Astenhurste within Stansfeilde in the parish of Heptonstall and Countye of yorke Clothier the xviijth day of October Anno Domini 1607) beinge sicke in body yett perfect in Remembrance (the Lord be praised) Doe make this my last will and testament in manner and forme as followeth.) First I Commend my soule into the handes of Almightie god my onely founder trustinge in the merittes of his onely sonne Christe Jesus to Receive agladsome day in the resurrection of the Juste And my body I Committ to the Earthe frome whence it Came desyred to be buryed nere to the christian bodies of my elders in the parishe Churche or Churchyeard of heptonstall as it shall seame good by the appointment of my beste frendes Nowe touchinge that porcion of goodes which the Lord in his great mercies hathe lent me here in this Earth It is my will and last Testament that Margarett my wiefe have her third throughout my Landes Cattells Chattells and goodes according to the Auntyent Custome of this Realme of England Item it is my last will and Testament that William Crosley my youngest sonne have another third part of my goodes Cattells and Chattells Item it is my last will and Testament touchinge Levy Crosley my second sonne whome already I have preferd in Marryage And lykewise have furthered and favoured him for the space of xij yeares with xl^{s} yearely more then thereste of his brethren yett in Regard that he is my sonne and wishinge him well as thereste of my Children I do freely give him out of my third parte xl^{s}. Item it is my last will and testament$^{\wedge that}$ Symeon Crosley my eldeste sonne have out of said third parte fyve nobles for the payment of the Escheater and One sad bay mare my owne Cheste one Irone gavelocke one Iron Mall fynally it is my will that the residue of my goodes my debtes and funerall expences discharged I give and bequeath unto Margarett Crosley my wiefe and William Crosley my youngest sonne whome Jointly I make Executors of this my laste will and Testament Charging theme to give unto the wiefe of Robert Sotell of Croston v^{s} In Witnes hereof I have setto my hand and seale the day and yeare above written Sealed and delivered in the presence of Lawrence Ambler minister Robert Smithe Abraham Clegg Levy Crosley cum alijs.

Eisdem die et Anno dictus decanus Certificavit de probatione huiusmodi testamenti per testes nominatos iuratos etc. Commissaque fuit administratio bonorum eiusdem defuncti Margarete Crosley eius relicte et Willelmo Crosley filio dicti defuncti Coexecutoribus in eodem testamento nominatis iuratis etc. Salvo iure cuiuscumque.

On the same day and in the same year the said dean certified the proving of this man's will by the witnesses named and sworn etc. And administration of the goods of the same deceased was granted to Margaret Crosley, his relict, and William Crosley, son of the said deceased, co-executors named in the same will and sworn etc., saving the right of whomsoever.