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Martha Taylor 1725

Will: 8th July 1725 ***Bond: 24th February 1725***

Inventory: 8th September 1725 ***Probate: 7th March 1725***

(Borthwick reference: Martha (Marchtha) Taylor of Adam Royd in Stansfield, March 1725 Prob. Reg. v.78 f. 337)

In the name of God Amen the twenty Eighth day of July and in the Eleaventh Yeare of the Raigne of our most Soveraigne Lord George by the grace of God King of great Brittaine France and Ireland etc. Annoque Domini 1725 I Martha Taylor of Adam-Royd in Stansfield in the County of York Widow being Somewhat Crazie in body but of Sound and perfect memory praised be God for the Same and knowing the uncertainty of Life and the Certainty of Death I do publish and declare this my present Last Will and Testament in manner and forme following (that is to Say) First and principally I Committ my Soul to God who gave it me and my body to the Earth in hope of a Joyfull Resurrection) And touching the Disposition of my worldly goods wherewith God hath Blessed me First it is my Will and mind that all my true and lawfull Debts (if any Such be) my Funerall Expences and the Charges of the probation of this my present Last Will and Testament and all other Ecclesiastical Dues be first paid and Discharged out of my whole Goods Imprimis I do give Devise and bequeath Unto the Children of my Brother inlaw John Taylor deceased and to the Children of my Brother inlaw Jonathan Taylor Deceased and to the Children of my Brother inlaw Jonas Taylor the sume of Tenn pounds of good Brittish Money to be paid within Twelve Months after my decease And to be Equally Divided amongst so many of them as shall be Living at the time of payment Item I give and bequeath unto Jonathan Taylor son of my Brother inlaw Jonathan Taylor the Sume of Tenn shillings of good Brittish Money to be paid within Twelve Months after my Decease Item I do give and bequeath Unto Martha Greenwood Wife of Jonathan Greenwood and Daughter of my Brother inlaw Jonas Taylor the Sum of Tenn Shillings to be paid within Twelve Months after my Decease All these Legacies heretofore Mencioned was Devised by my Husband Nathaniel Taylor in his Last Will and Testament bearing Date on or about the Sixth day of May and in the Sixth Yeare of the Raigne of our most Soveraigne Lord George etc. Annoque Domini 1720 Item I give Devise and bequeath unto Anthony Crosley John Crosley Nathan Crosley Luke Crosley Mary Crosley Martha Crosley and Sarah Crosley all Sons and Daughters of my Sister Mary Crossley the sume of Sixteen pounds of good Brittish Money and to be paid within Twelve Months after my Decease and to be Equally divided amongst so many of them as be then Living Item I do give Devise and bequeath unto John Taylor afforesaid my Clock and also my presser Item I give and bequeath unto Martha Taylor Daughter of Paul Taylor of Hilhouse my Desk Item I give and bequeath unto Abraham Stansfield Son of my Brother Abraham Stansfield deceased the Sum of Tenn shillings Item I give to Mary Stansfield Daughter of the afforesaid Abraham Stansfield ten Shillings Item I do give unto Sarah Stansfield Daughter of the afforesaid[…]Abraham Stansfield the sume of twenty Shillings Item I do give and bequeath unto Mercy Stansfield Daughter of the said Abraham Stansfield the sume of thirty Shillings and also one Glass Case and all the goods in it Item I do give unto John Stansfield son of the afforesaid Abraham Stansfield the Sume of Forty Shillings Item I do give and bequeath unto Richard Sutcliffe my Son Inlaw one Shilling Item I do give unto Jonas Taylor and Jonathan Taylor Sons of Jonathan Taylor my Brother-inLaw deceased to Either of them one Shilling And it is my Will and mind that all the afforesaid Legacies shall be paid and

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Discharged within twelve Months after my Decease And further provided by me and it is my Will and mind that my Executors hereafter named shall take a reasonable Satisfaction out of my said goods for all the pains labour and trouble they have taken in and about this my present Last Will and Testament or anything thereunto belonging And all the Rest Residue Reversion and Remainder of all my goods whatsoever (My Apparel only excepted) I do give and bequeath unto all the Children of my Sister Mary Crossley and also unto John Jonathan Paul and Prudence Children of my Brother inlaw John Taylor Deceased And also Unto Paul Thomas Prudence and Martha Children of Jonathan Taylor my Brother in law Deceased And to be paid within twelve Months after my Decease and to be Equally Divided amongst so many of them as shall then le Living And Lastly I do hereby Constitute nominate and appoint John jurat Taylor afforesaid within Stansfield Yeoman and Richard Gibson of Eastwood Yeoman Joynt Executors of this my present Last Will and Testament hoping they will truly perform and Execute the same According to the trust Reposed in them and I do hereby Dissanul Revoke and make void all former and other Will or Wills by me heretofore made In Witness whereof I the said Martha Taylor have hereunto Set my hand and seal the day and yeare first above written

Sealed Signed published and Declared to be my present Last Will and Testament in the Sight and Presence of us

Martha Taylor her mark and seal

John Sutcliffe

Mary Fielden her marke

Thomas Stansfield

Inventory

8th September 1725

A true and full Inventory of all the goods and Chattles belonging to Mar[y]tha Taylor late of Adamroyd in Stansfield in the County of York Widdow deceased prized the 8th of September By Paul Taylor Thomas Stansfield Luke Crosley Thomas Stansfield

Imprimis Money in Purse	0	14	6
Item One Cupboard Cloath and Fringe	0	7	0
Item Twenty three pound of Pewter	0	15	0
Item One Buffet	0	0	6
Item Four Chaires	0	1	6
Item three Cushions	0	1	6
Item One shelfe	0	2	0
Item One White board	0	1	6
Item two basons	0	1	0
Item One Milking pigon	0	1	0
Item One Barrell and two Ladders	0	1	0
Item Fourteen trenchers	0	1	8
Item One Spice Cupboard and one frying pan	0	3	6

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Item Briges and pothooks Smoothing Iron and heaters	0	1	4
Item One Spit	0	0	6
Item three Pans	0	10	0
Item One buffit	0	2	0
Item Earthen pots	0	2	6
Item One Glasscase	0	0	8
Item One Standing bed and one rugg	1	5	0
Item One Longsettle	0	16	0
Item One Meal Chest	0	10	0
Item One Chest	0	12	0
Item In bedding	0	18	0
Item In Meal	0	8	0
All odd hustlements	0	3	4
	8	1	0
Debts owing to the Deceased Widdow			
Item by James Gybson	30	0	0
Item by William Bart	10	0	0
Item by James Stansfield	5	0	0
Item by James Emmut	4	4	0
Item by John Taylor	2	0	0
Item by Paul Taylor	1	0	0
Item by Abraham Stansfield	1	?	?
Item by John Sutcliffe	1	?	?[1]
Item by Surgwife	0	7	6
By Widdow Stansfield	0	18	0
Item by William Sutcliffe	0	19	6
	56	14	0
	8	1	0
totall	64	15	0

Paul Taylor
Thomas Stansfield
Luke Crossley
Thomas Stansfield

Bond

24th February 1725

John Taylor of Stansfield, yeoman, Richard Gibson of Eastwood, yeoman and Thomas Stansfield of Ewood In Lancashire yeoman were bound in the sum of £200 on the 24th February 1725 in the presence of Abraham Gibson and Nathan Sharpe. All signed their names.

[1] the amounts in the two last columns represented by ?s here are hidden by a fold in the document.

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Probate

7th March 1725

Halyfax intrat Testamentum Marthæ Taylor nuper de Adam Royd in Stansfield parochiæ de Halyfax defunctæ Administracio Commissa fuit Johanni Taylor et Richardo Gibson Coexecutoribus in eodem

Per Sharpe 7 Martij 1725 ultra 40li