

The Last Will & Testament of
Sir William Gregory, Knight

dated 2 October 1694



In the name of God this: second day of October in the sixth yeare of the Reigne of our Sovereign Lord and Lady William & Mary by the grace of God King and Queen of England Scotland France and Ireland Defenders of the faith and in the yeare of our Lord one thousand six hundred ninety four I Sir William Gregory Knt. one of the Justices of their Majesties Court of Kings Bench I being now in the sixty ninth yeare of my age and afflicted with severall painful diseases but enjoying through Gods blessings the perfect use of my memory and understanding doo think myself bound by the Lawes of God and nature as well as by the affection I still beare to the memory of my late deare sonn James Gregory Esqr. deceased and to his children to make some important provision for the daughters and younger son of my said sonn James Gregory according as the circumstances of mine Estate at present will beare and not to leave them wholly to rely upon the kindnesse of their elder brother I do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say I give and bequeath unto my granddaughter Elizabeth Gregory first daughter of my said sonn James Gregory the summe of twelve hundred pounds of lawfull English money for her person to be paid unto her at the attaining of the age of one and twenty or at her day of marriage which shall first happen I give and bequeath unto my granddaughter Katharine Gregory second daughter of my said sonn James Gregory the summe of one thousand pounds of lawfull moeny for her person to be paid unto her at her attaining the age of one and twenty yeares or at her day of marriage which shall first happen. Also I give and bequeath unto my granddaughter Anna Gregory thirdd daughter of my said sonn James Gregory the summe of one thousand pounds of like lawfull money for her person to be paid unto her at her attaining the age of one and twenty yeares or at her day of marriage which shall first happen. Also I give and bequeath unto my grandson Robert Gregory youngest son of my late sonn James Gregory the summe of one thousand pounds of lawfull money of England and I desire mine Executrix and Trustees herein after named to take care that the said summe (as soon as the same can be raised) be layd out in the purchasing of lands and hereditaments and that the said lands and hereditaments be settled on my said grandson Robert Gregory and the heires of his body lawfull begotten with the remainder to his brother my grandson William Gregory and his heires forever. Also I give and devise unto my said grandson Robert Gregory an annuity or yearly rent of twenty pounds per anno for and during the tenure of his natural life to be [?] and paid to him out of all my messuages lands tenements woods and hereditaments lying and being in the Parish of Fownhope in the County of Hereford at and upon the twenty fifth day of March and twenty ninth day of September by even and equall persons with power to determine for the same in and upon my said lands tenements and woods in the said Parish of Fownhope in case the same shall happen to be warrant and unpaid by or for the span of eight and twenty dayes next after the said dayes of payment. And my will further is that if any one of my three granddaughters above named shall happen to dye unmmarried before she shall attain to the age of one and twenty yeares that then the portion of her so dying shall go to the survivors of them that shall be then unmmarried but if one of my said surviving granddaughters shall be then married then and in that case I doo

will and appoint that the portion of her so dying shall be equally divided between the survivor of my said granddaughters that shall be then married and my grandson Robert Gregory but if it shall happen that two of my granddaughters shall die unmarried under the age of one and twenty yeares then my will is and I do appoint that the portion of the later of my said granddaughters soe dying married shall goe unto my said two grandsons William Gregory and Robert Gregory equally to be divided between them And furthermore my will is and I doe appoint that in case two fo my said granddaughters shall happen to be married and that afterwards the third of them shall happen to die unmarried and before she shall have attained to the age of one and twenty yeares then also my Will is that the portion of such third granddaughter soe dying shall goe to my said two grandsons William and Robert Gregory equally to be divided between them And my will further is that of my grandson Robert Gregory shall happen to die unmarried before such time as the Legacy of one thousand pounds herein before bequeathed to him shall be disposed of in the purchasing of lands or hereditaments to be settled as herein before directed then my will is that the Legacy of one thousand pounds herein before bequeathed to the said Robert Gregory shall goe unto and be disposed of for the benefit of his brother my grandsonne William Gregory provided always. And I doe hereby declare my will and meaning to be that if any one or more of my said three granddaughters shall happen to be married in my lifetime and that I shall have paid or secured unto such granddaughter or granddaughters or to her or their husband or husbands or other portion or portions as I shall think fitt to give her or them in marriage that then the legacy and legacies herein before given to her or them that shall be soe married in my life time shall cease and be void to all intents and purposes whatsoever And my will further is that my debts funerall charges and the legacies and portions in this my will bequeathed (other than the Annuities hereby given and devised) shall be paid out of my personall Estate soe farr as the same shall amount unto and if my personall Estate shall fall short to pay the whole then I doe will and appoint that the rest of the said legacies and portions shall be secured and raised by and out of my lands tenements and hereditaments herein after devised for that purpose to my Trustees herein after named And in order thereunto I doe give and devise unto my sonn in Law Thomas Carpenter the elder of Sillington in the County of Hereford gent. my kinsman James Wellington of the city of Hereford Esqr. John Hereford of the Morgate in the said County of Hereford gent. and Thomas Carpenter the younger of Sillington aforesaid gent All that my ffarm called Seymers ffarm lying and being in the Parish of How Caple in the County of Hereford lately in the tenure of Richard Wingat the elder deceased and now in the tenure of Richard Wingat his sonn And also all that other messuage and ffarm with the appurtenances called Gorways ffarm lying in How Caple aforesaid and now in the tenure of the last named Richard Wingat and all lands tenements and hereditaments to his said ffarms or either of them belonging or therewith now used And also all that Watergrist Mill called Wigleys Mill lying in the parish of How Caple beforesaid and the close of land and all streams watercourses floodgates wayes and passages thereunto belonging and therewith used And also all that messuage or tenement adjoining to the field of Gorways ffarm and wherein ____? doth now dwell and the orchard and severall closes of land therewith held and used by the said [?] And also all that tenement in How Caple aforesaid wherein the widow Worrall doth now dwell with the close and orchard thereunto belonging all which said premises (lying in How Caple) I purchased of Dr. Charles Caple and [name?] Mary his wife long after the settlement that I made of the Mannor and Domesile of How Caple that I purchased of Dr. Edward Capell And also all that my Mannor of Sollershope with the rights members appurtenances thereof in the said County of Hereford together with the advowson of the Rectory or Parish Church of Sollershope aforesaid and all my messuages mills lands hereditaments lying in the Parish of Sollershope which I purchased of Paul Stoley Esqr. and was formerly the Estate of Thomas Bodenham Esqr. And all that messuage in Sollershope aforesaid which I purchased of William Apperly the elder and all that messuage or tenement lying in the Parish of Bfownhope in the County of Hereford wherein Robert Hawkings doth now dwell with the appurtenances and the Bartside[?] garden

and orchard thereunto belonging and all these parcells of meadow and pasture ground therewith now used by the said Robert Hawkings as my Tenant And also all these my messuage lands and pasture ground lyeing in Ffownhope aforesaid now or late in the severall tenures or [?] of John Sheffeild Atfranasuis Ely John Rorf and Bayly all which said last mentioned messuages and hereditaments lyeing in Ffownhope aforesaid I purchased of Sir John Kyrle Barronett [?] the makeing of the settlement of mine Estate And also all that messuage with the appurtenances lyeing in Ffownhope aforesaid wherein Francis Phillips both now dwell and one acre of meadow ground in Dorney[?] (where sheep take passage) in the tenure of the said Francis Phillips And also all those severall parcells of land meadow and pasture ground lyeing in the Parish of Fownhope which I lately purchased of Jane Biles and her husband [?] her sonn and were then copyhold lands but by my purchasing thereof and being owner of the Manor of Fownhope I am become seized thereof in fee simple and all these pasture grounds in Fownhope called Pristercroft and Fowtis Moores and also all those my severall woods and woody grounds lyeing in Fownhope aforesaid called and known by the severall names of Gaughwood Westwood Caples the Great Lords Grove and The Little Lords Grove together also with the Revenue of all other my messuages lands tenaments and hereditaments in Fownhope aforesaid that are settle on my daughter in Law Mrs. Elizabeth Gregory for her life And also all that my fee farme rent of four and twenty pounds and fourteen shillings per Annum or thereabouts issuing out of the Mannor of Ross and Rosse Fowen in the County of Hereford which I purchased to me and my heirs in [?] expectant upon the death of Katherine the Queen Dowager And also my house and garden in Dinton Law without Wye bridgegate in the Suburbs of the City of Hereford to have and to hold the said Mannor of Sollershope adowson messuages mills lands tenaments woods and hereditaments unto the said Thomas Carpenter the elder James Wellington John Hereford and Thomas Carpentar the younger their Executors Administrators and assigns for and during the terms and unto the full and terms of fourteen yeares nextafter my decease fully to be compliant and ended over the lease upon and under the severall trusts limitations intents and purposes hereinafter expressed and declared of and returning the same that is to say that my said Trustees shall in the first place out of the rents and profitts of the said premises pay and allow unto my grandson and heire apparent William Gregory the yearly summe of forty pounds (to be paid unto him upon the five and twentieth day of March and nine and twentieth day of September by equall portions for and during the joint lives of his grandmother and mother which summe with what he already hath of his owne and what I shall in this my will afterward give him will maintain him according to his quality either at the Univeristy or [?] of Court (if he be a good husband) but if either his grandmother or mother shall happen to dye then my will is that the said yearly payment to him shall cease for upon either of their deaths he will have a more plentifull Estate of his own by virtue of the settlement of mine Estate that I formerly made And I doe further will and appoint that my said Trustees shall allow unto my grandson Robert Gregory the further summe of twenty pounds per Annum (over and above what I have herein before given him) from the time that he shall be settled in one of the Universties of this Kingdom until the pebrow of one thousand pounds which I have herein before given to him shall be raised for him and then this last mentioned twenty pounds per Annum shall cease And if it shall please God to dispose the heart of my said Grandson Robert Gregory to the study of Divinity my will is and I doe appoint that my said Trustees (and mine heire if he said trust shall be determined) shall present my said grandon Robert Gregory to the aforesaid Church of Sollershope the first time that it shall happen to be void after he shall be capable thereof (if he thinks fit to accept it) but if he shall refuse it that ten they shall present to the said Church such person as any [?] shall nominate to them from time to time during the continuance of his said trust And I doe charge my grandson William Gregory with the like trust for his brother Robert Gregory as to the first presentation to the Rectory or Church of How Caple that shall happen after his said brother shall be capable to take and hold his same And I doe divert and appoint that my said Trustees make from time to time employ all the rest and residue of the rents issues and profitts of the said premisses to them

devised for and towards the payment of such of my legacies that my personall Estate shall not hath to pay and thereof shall from time to time settle the amount with my daughter in law Mrs Elizabeth Gregory and her allowance thereof shall be a sufficient discharge to my said Trustees for the same And my will is that my Executrix and Trustees shall take a just inventory of my personall Estate in convenient time after my decease that soe my Trustees may be asertained and now how much they are to raise out of my reall Estate [strike through :: margin note - Obit Sir, These six lines were razed out by me before publication of this my Will. W.G.] And my further is that if my grandson William Gregory or his heirs doe and shall at any time or times satisfie and pay the aforesaid legacy soe as aforesaid charged on my reall Estate or soe much of there as on a just account shall not be paid by my Trustees and Executrix that then my said Trustees shall surrender and deliver up their Estate and tenure unto my said grandson William Gregory and his heirs who shall then hold the same premises discharged of all trusts whatsoever (the payment whereof will be noe great benefit to my said grandson for if he be carefull of himself and he be virtuous courses he and the estate that I shall leave hime will deserve a portion with a wife more than will discharge that circumbrant) And whereas my late deare sonn James Gregory held of me (as ? at Will) a certain pasture ground called Sharpenage lyeing in the parish of Hownhope which my said son did lett to Thomas Combs together with the farm of ?wood which now belongs to my daughter in law Mrs Elizabeth Gregory and the deviding the same ? would be inconvenient therefore I give and devsie the said parcell of pasture called Sharpenage together with teh other pasture ground of the same name lyeing in the Parish of Hownhope and thereunto adjoining unto my said dear daughter in law Mrs Elizabeth Gregory for aid during the term of her natural life as an increase of her Joynture and after her decease I devise the same unto my grandson William Gregory and the heirs males of his body and for want of such heires then to my grandsonn Robert Gregory and the heires males of his body and for want of such heires then I leave the same to descend to my own right heires And I desire my daughter in law to order it that the lease of Causewood may after her decease come to her sonn William Gregory And whereas Dr Anthony Burley Clerke deceased did by his last will devise and bequeath unto me the courts farme with the appurtences in Woolhope which he then held of the Dean and Chapter of Hereford but therein overlaid a trust that I should suffer his then wife to take the profits thereof for soe many yeares of the said term (or of any renewed lease thereof) as she should happen to live she paying all rents bearing all charges according to the covenents of his lease and paying the fees for receiving the same to me every seventh yeare it bring his intention there by ? unto me (to my own use and benefitt) the right of recovering the said lease and fourteen yeares or more that should be to terme in his lease of the said farme at the time ot his wifes decease which trust I have hitherto performed and his said lease hath been soo all times rewarded unto me upon the same trusts my will therefore is that my Executrix shall take care from time to time to have the said lease renewed to her my said Executrix every seventh part at the charge of Mrs Sarah Holmes now the wife of Mr Robert Holmes and formerly the wife of the said Mr Anthony Burfley and that my said Executrix shall suffer the said Mrs Sarah Holmes to take the profitts of his said farm for soe many yeares of the said terme soe to be rewarded as she the said Mrs Sarah Holmes shall happen to live she paying the rents and performing all other the conditions of the said Trust And after the decease of the said Mrs Sarah Holmes I doe will and appoint that my Executrix shall assign the said lease and farme to my grandson William Gregory or procure the said lease to be renewed to him and in his name The benefit of which said lease and farme I give unto my said grandsonn William Gregory but if my said grandsonn William Gregory shall happen to dye without issue in the lifetime of the said Mrs Sarah Holmes then I give and bequeath the benefit of the said lease and farme unto my grandson Robert Gregory. And whereas secure the settlement of mine Estate in How Caple I have purchased of William ? a missuage and farme in How Caple called Buttons Farme and of John Sergeant the younger severall parcellls of land called the Popland Close and Pennytrump Close which said farmes and lands doe lye

intermingled with that part of the domesis of the Mannor of How Caple which is my wives Joynture therefore presuming that my wife and Grandson William Gregory will live together as they promised me ./. I have not subjected the same to the aforesaid trust but doe give and devise all that messuage and farme called Buttons Farm and all lands thereunto belonging and all those closes called Popland and Perry-trump Close together with that field remaineing about thirty acres lyeing at the further side of the Great field (which said thirty acres were heretofore parcell of Gorways farme but of late yeares have been used by me with the Domesary unto my grandson William Gregory and the heires males of his body lawfully begotten And in default of such heires then I give and devise the same unto my grandson Robert Gregory and the heires males of his body. And I further give unto my said wife the Bedd and all the furniture of the chamber where she lyeth and of the chamber where her maid lyeth and our six silver spoons And I doe carefully devise and advise both my wife and daughter in law and grandsonne William Gregory that they will continue to live together at my house at How Caple that they may be mutuall helps and comforts to each other and may with the more ease and the more reputably breed up my grandson. Also I give and appoint thirty shillings per Annum to be yearely for ever paid out of my messuages and farme in Fownhope in the tenure of Robert Bowling to be distributed amongst the poore people of the parish of Fownhope by my heires avoiding to hs and their ? upon St. Thomas Day after morning prayer. Also I give and devise to the Mayor Aldermen and Citizens of the City of Hereford and their ? for ever all that my garden lyeing and being in the City of Hereford in the lane leading from ?-gate towards Midwash-gate and which I have devised unto Dr. Francis Griffiths late of London deceased the yearly rent of thirty shillings per Annum in trust nevertheless that the said Mayor Aldermen and Citizens and their ? shall recieve the said rent of the said garden and distribute the same unto and amongst the six poor women in the sick mans hospitall in the suburbs of the City of Hereford equally by half yearly payments according as the same is reserved and made payable in and by the said lease whcih I made of the said garden unto the said Francis Griffiths Also I give and devise unto my old and faithfull servant John Sherritt an annuity or yearly rent of five pounds for and during the term of his naturall life to be assuring and paid out of my messuage lands and hereditaments in the parish of Fownhope on the five and twentieth day of March and nine and twentieth day of September yearly by equall portions with power to ? for the same in case it shall be unpaid for the space of eight and twenty dayes next after either of the said next dayes and I devise hime to continue his service and assistance to my wife daughter in law and grandchildren And I give to every other of my meniall servants that shall be liveing with me at the time of my decease half a yeares wages (over and besides what shall be owed unto them respectively at that time) Also I doe give and devise unto my grandson William Gregory and the heires males of his body all the rest and residue of the Manor of Fownhope not herein before particularly devised and the renews of the aforesaid Estate and not herein before devised to my Trustees before named and all courts ? courts barron perquisites and profits of courts ? ? rents and fines of copyholders And in default of heires males of the body of my said grandson William Gregory I devise the same to my grandson Robert Gregory and the heires males of his body Also I give and bequeath unto my grandson William Gregory my farme int he parish of Woolhope calle the Hyde farm with the appurtences which I hold by lease from the Briars Chorall of the Cathedrall Church of Hereford Also I give and devise unto my grandson Robert Gregory and his assigns a certain annuity or yearly rent of twenty pounds per Annum issueing out of the Manor farms of ? in the County of Hereford for the term of the naturall life of Dr Timothy Whitfield heretofore servant to his Lady Frances late Dutchess Dowager of Somersett which said Manor and Farm now are in the tenure of William Watkyns and James Watkyns And I do direct and devise my daughter Gregory to dispose of this rent from time to time for the service of her sonn Roberts Estate but not to apply it for his maintenance I having herein before made competent provision for that also I doe give unto my grandson William Gregory my diamond ring that Taft Carpenier gave me (and which I have left for him in his mothers custody) and my

ring with my seale to be delivered to him when he shall attaine to the age of one and twenty yeares And I give unto my granddaughter Elizabeth Gregory my gold clock watch which the Lady Frances late Dutchess of Somerset gave me Also I give unto my daughter in law Mrs Elizabeth Gregory the summe of three hundred pounds of lawfull money to be disposed off by her unto any one or more of her daughters whom and as she thinks fitt And to the end of my woods in the Parish of Hownhope may not be wasted or defaced I doe will and appoint that my said Trustees before named shall not fall or rent downe of the said woods more than the quantity of twenty acres in any one yeare And whereas I have a rent of forty pounds per Annum for about six yeares yet to come out of Dr William Dillards Estate in Hownhope tenured to me by a lease of some parte of his Estate there And there is likewise one to me from the said Dr Dillaird the further summe of threestone and five pounds or thereabouts tenured to me upon judgement whereupon the residue of his Estate is extended but I have as yet received not benefit from the said extent now I doe hereby declare my mind to be that these debts and summes of money shall not goe to my Trustees before assigned but shall be received by mine Executrix and be accounted for by her as part of my personall Estate And whereas I am new rebuilding the Parish Church of How Caple and have made a considerable progress therein but have not as yet finished the same And therefore I doe will and appoint that my Executrix shall take care to finish the said church and the Tower thereof which I appoint to be built sixteen feet at least higher than the topp of the roof of the church and that the charge thereof borne out of my personall Estate And I desire to be buryed in or near the South corner of the new Isle that I have built for a burying place in How Caple Church And I doe nominate and make my daughter in law Mrs Elizabeth Gregory sole Executrix of this my last Will and Testament And to enable her to pay my debts legacies and funeral expenses I bequeath unto her all the rest and residue of my plate household stuff store debts and personall Estate whatsoever And haveing an active confidence in the prudence of my said daughter in law and of her love and care of my grandchildren I doe hereby constitute and make my said daughter in law Guardian to my grandsom and heire William Gregory and to all the rest of my grandchildren and I entreat her to take care of their virtuous education And I doe charge and require all my said grandchildren to be dutifull and obediaent to her and to be ruled and advised by her And in case my wife shall happen to dye before such time as mine heire shall attaine to the age of one and twenty yeares my will is that the surplusage of the rents and profits of his Estate (after allowing for his education what shall be agreeable to his condition) shall dureing his minority be applyed towards payment of my debts and legacies provided nevertheless and my will is that if my said daughter in law shall happen to marry again then from and after such her marriage her Executorship of this my will shall cease and also the guardianshipp of mine heires and then and in that case I do make my before named Trustees Thomas Carpenter the elder James Wellington John Hereford and Thomas Carpenter the younger Executors of this my Will and Guardians to mine heires Also I doe give unto each of my said Trustees mourning and a ring of twenty shillings value And my will futher is that if it shall happen that dureing my life time my personall Estate shall (through Gods blessing) be soe farr increased as to amount to more than will satisfy and pay my debts and legacies then I do give all the residue or surplus of my personall Estate (after payment of my debts and legacies) unto my two grandsons William Gregory and Robert Gregory to be equally divided between them And my will further is that all charges and expenses that mine Executrix or Trustees shall be put unto in the execution of this my will or any parte thereof shall be allowed to them respectively out of my personall Estate and the lands wherewith they are intrusted in witness whereof I have herunto sett my hand and seale this day and yeare first before written ./. William Gregory ./. Signed sealed and published by Sir William Gregory the testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of James Wellington Richard Hodges to: Evans ?

Be it remembered that upon the twenty seventh day of February one thousand six hundred ninety four I perused this my Will and made (with my owne hand) the interlinearous appearing in the former parte of the second sheete thereof as also the record of severall lines neare the lower part of the third sheet and two other ? (of a word in a place) the one before and the other after the next before mentioned ? And the severall interlinearous (relating to Buttons farme) near the lower end of the fourth sheete And after the doeing thereof I doe again sign seale and publish the same as it is now altered as and for my last Will and Testament the day and yeare above written William Gregory ./ . Signed sealed and published by the within named Sir William Gregory as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of James Wellington to: Evans ? Rogers of John Ersley.

And whereas I give the publishing of my will within written I have upon a Treaty of a marriage for my grandaughter Elizabeth Gregory agreed to give to her the summe of fiteen hundred pounds for her period and in satisfaction for her share of her late fathers personall Estate.

And have transferred and given to Trustees for her security for the same therefore I have with my own hand struck out the legacy of twelve hundred pounds mentioned to be given to my said grandaughter Elizabeth Gregory in the first sheet of this my Will And I doe hereby revoke the said legacy and with that afterward and the other amendments above mentioned I doe hereby ratify and confirm all the other matters and things contained in my said Will in witness hereof I have here unto set my hand and seale the one and twentieth day of March in the yeare of our Lord one thousand six hundred ninety four / five[?] William Gregory ./ . witnesses hereunto James Wellington to: Evans ? Rogers. John Sheriff ./ .

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Elias Masters of Law Richard Moyses Master Isaac Russell Doctors.

Probatum

fuit hunc Testamentum apud Londoniam
coram vobis viris Willmo King Regum Doctorum Surrogato vobis
et Gregoij viri Dni Richardi Rames Militis Regum etiam Doctoris
Curie prerogative Cantuariensis Magri Custodis Sive Commissarij
hunc constituti primo die mensis Julij Anno Dni millmo Sexcento
nonagesimo sexto Juramento Jura ffuwell Relict dicti deff et Extris
in dicto Testamento nominat in commissa fuit aduistrato omnium et
singulorum bonorum iurium et rectorum dicti deff et fideliter
aduistrando eadem ad sancta Dei Evangelia iurat.

In Dni
Guillemi
Gregory

In the name of God Amen

Second day of October in the sixth year of the Reigne of our
Soveraigne Lord and Lady William & Mary by the grace of God King and
Queen of England Scotland ffraunce and Ireland Defenders of the ffith and
And in the year of our Lord our thousand six hundred ninety four
William Gregory Kn^t one of the Justices of their Majesties Court of
Kings Bench being now in the sixty ninth year of my age and afflicted
with severall painfull diseases but enjoying (through Gods blessing) the
perfect use of my memory and understanding doe thinke my self bound
by the favours of God and nature as well as by the assencion I still beare
to the memory of my late deare Sonne James Gregory Esq^r deceased and
to his Children to make some competent provision for the daughters
and younger Sonne of my said Sonne James Gregory according as the
circumstances of mine Estate at present will beare and not to leave
them wholly to rely upon the goodness of their elder brother) doe
make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form
following (that is to say) ffirst

Ours Sir

~~I give and bequeath unto my daughter Katherine Gregory second
daughter of my said Sonne James Gregory the summe of four thousand
pounds of lawfull money for her portion to be paid unto her at
her attaining the age of four and twenty yeares or at her day of marriage
whichever shall first happen alsoe I give and bequeath unto my granddaughter
Anne Gregory third daughter of my said Sonne James Gregory the summe
of one thousand pounds of like lawfull money for her portion to be
paid unto her at her attaining the age of four and twenty yeares or at her
day of marriage which shall first happen alsoe I give and bequeath
unto my grandson Robert Gregory youngest Sonne of my late Sonne
James Gregory the summe of one thousand pounds of lawfull money of England
and I desire mine Exors and Exorses herein after named to take
care that the said summe (soe soone as the same can be raised)
be layd out in the purchasing of Lands and hereditaments and
that the said Lands and hereditaments be seth'd on my said~~

Ours Sir

Witness

grandsons Robert Gregory and the shares of his body lawfully
 forgotten with the remainder to his brother my grandson William
 Gregory and his heirs forever Also I give and devise unto my
 said grandson Robert Gregory one annuity or yearly rent
 of twenty pounds per Annum for and during the term of his naturall
 life to be issuing and paid to him out of all my messuages lands
 tenements woods and hereditaments lying and being in the Parish of
 ffowenhope in the County of Northford at and upon the twenty fifth
 day of March and twenty ninth day of September by even and equal
 portions with power to distraine for the same in and upon my said
 lands tenements and woods in the said Parish of ffowenhope in case
 the same shall happen to be in arreare and unpaid by or for the space
 of eight and twenty dayes next after the said dayes of payment And
 my will further is that if any one of my three ^{grand} daughters above named
 shall happen to dye unmarried before she shall attaine to the
 age of one and twenty yeares that then the portion of her soe dying
 shall goe to the survivors of them that shall be then ~~un-~~
 unmarried but if one of my said surviving granddaughters shall be
 then married then and in that case I doe will and appoint that
 the portion of her soe dying shall be equally divided between
 the survivor of my said granddaughters that shall be then unmarried
 and my grandson Robert Gregory but if it shall happen that two
 of my granddaughters shall dye unmarried under the age of one
 and twenty yeares then my will is and I doe appoint that the portion
 of the latter of my said granddaughters soe dying unmarried shall
 goe unto my said two grandsons William Gregory and Robert
 Gregory equally to be divided between them And furthermore
 my will is and I doe appoint that in two of my said granddaughters
 shall happen to be married and that afterwards the third of them
 shall happen to dye unmarried and before she shall have attained
 to the age of one and twenty yeares then alsoe my will is that the
 portion of such third granddaughter soe dying shall goe to my
 said two grandsons William and Robert Gregory equally to
 be divided between them And my will further is that if my
 grandson Robert Gregory shall happen to dye unmarried
 before such time as the Legacy of one thousand pounds herein before
 bequeathed to him shall be disposed of in the purchasing of
 lands or hereditaments to be settled as is herein before directed
 then my will is that the Legacy of one thousand pounds herein
 before bequeathed to the said Robert Gregory shall goe unto
 and be disposed of for the benefit of his brother my grandson
 William Gregory provided alwayes And I doe hereby declare my
 will and meaning to be that if any one or more of my said three
 granddaughters shall happen to be married in my life time and
 that I shall have paid or secured unto such granddaughter or
 granddaughters or to her or their husband or husbands or other
 relations such portion or portions as I shall thinke fit to give
 or them in marriage that then the Legacy and Legacies herein before
 given to her or them that shall be soe married in my life time shall
 cease and be voyd to all intents and purposes whatsoever And
 my will further is that my debts ffuerrall charges and the
 Legacies and portions in this my will bequeathed (other then the

Oath Sir

the Annuities here by given and devised shall be paid out of my
 personall Estate soe far as the same shall amount unto and if my
 personall Estate shall fall short to pay the whole then I doe
 will and appoint that ~~the payment of~~ the rest of the said annuities
 and portions shall be secured and raised by and out of my lands
 tenements and hereditaments herein after devised for that purpose
 to my Executors hereinafter named And in order therunto I doe
 give and devise unto my son in Law Thomas Carpenter the elder
 of Cillington in the County of Hereford gent my kinsman James
 Bellington of the City of Hereford Esq. John Hereford of the
 Arrogate in the said County of Hereford gent and Thomas Carpenter
 the younger of Cillington aforesaid gent All that my ffarm called
 Seymors ffarm lying and being in the Parish of New Caple in
 the County of Hereford lately in the tenure of Richard Wingat
 the elder deceased and now in the tenure of Richard Wingat his
 son And alsoe all that other messuage and ffarm with the
 appurtenances called Gorways ffarm lying in New Caple
 aforesaid and now in the tenure of the last named Richard Wingat
 and all lands tenements and hereditaments to the said ffarms or
 either of them belonging or therewith now used And alsoe all
 that Watercrist Well called Wigbys Well lying in the Parish
 of New Caple aforesaid and the Close of Land and all streames
 watercourses floodgates wayes and passages therunto belonging
 and therewith used And alsoe all that messuage or tenement adjoining
 to the fould of Gorways ffarm and wherein

Oath Sir

doth now dwell and the Orchard and severall Closes of Land
 therewith held and used by the said doctrs And alsoe all that
 tenement in New Caple aforesaid wherein the widow Boverall
 doth now dwell with the Close and Orchard therunto belonging
 All which said premises lying in New Caple I purchased of
 Mr Charles Caple and Durdall Countys Esq. and Mary his
 wife long after the settlement that I made of the Mannor and
 Demesne of New Caple that I purchased of Mr Edward Caple
 And alsoe all that my Mannor of Sallershope with the rightes
 members and appurtenances thereof in the said County of Hereford
 together with the advowson of the Rectory or Parish Church of
 Sallershope aforesaid and all my messuages mills lands & hereditaments
 lying in the Parish of Sallershope which I purchased of Paule
 ffoley Esq. and was formerly in the Estate of Thomas Boddinham
 Esq. And all that messuage in Sallershope aforesaid which I purchased
 of William Apperly the elder and all that messuage or tenement
 lying in the Parish of ffewnehope in the County of Hereford wherein
 Robert Drawlings doth now dwell with the appurtenances and
 the Adartside garden and Orchard therunto belonging and all
 those parcells of meadow and pasture ground therewith now
 used by the said Robert Drawlings as my Tenant And alsoe
 all those my messuages lands and pasture ground lying in
 ffewnehope aforesaid now or late in the severall tenures or
 copartions of John Shiffeld Athanasius Esq. John Root and

Oath Sir

Bayly all which said last mentioned messuages and
 hereditaments lying in ffewnehope aforesaid I purchased of
 Mr John Kyll & Barouett since the making of the settlement

of mine Estate And alsoe all that messuages with the appurtenances lying
in fflowchopre aforesaid wherem ffrancis phillips doth now dwell and one
acre of meadow ground in Morrey (with sheepe lates passage) in the town
of the said ffrancis phillips And alsoe all those severall parcells of land
meadow and pasture ground lying in the Parish of fflowchopre which I lately
purchased of Jane Edles and her husband and I have her some and
were then Copenhold lands but by my purchasing thereof (and being
Owner of the Manner of fflowchopre I am become seized thereof in fee
simple and all those pasture grounds in fflowchopre called pritchett and
ffrancis Moores and alsoe all those my severall woods and wood grounds
lying in fflowchopre aforesaid called and knowne by the severall names of
Langhwood Westwood Caples the Great Woods Grove and the Little
Woods Grove together alsoe with the Reversion of all other my messuages
lands tenements and hereditaments in fflowchopre aforesaid that are settled
on my daughter in law Mrs Elizabeth Gregory for her life And alsoe
all that my fee farm rent of four and twenty pounds and fourteen
shillings per Annum or thereabouts issuing out of the Manner of Kops
and Kops fowen in the County of Hereford which I purchased to me and
mine heirs in Reversion expectant upon the death of Katherine the
Queen Dowager And alsoe my house and garden in Sinton Sand
without Wyke bridge gate in the suburbs of the City of Hereford
So have and to hold the said Manner of fflowchopre above said messuages
mills lands tenements woods and hereditaments unto the said Thomas
Carpenter the elder James Wellington John Hereford and Thomas
Carpenter the younger their Executors Administrators and assigns
for and during the terme and unto the full end and terme of ffour score
yeares next after my decease fully to be completed and ended
under the lease upon and under the severall trusts limitations intents and
purposes hereinafter expressed and declared of and returning the
said (that is to say) that my said Trustees shall in the first place out
of the rents and profits of the said premises pay and allow unto my
grandson and heire apparent William Gregory the yearly summe
of forty pounds (to be paid unto him upon the five and twentieth day of
March and unse and twentieth day of September by equal portions for
and during the joynt lives of his grandmother and mother which
summe with what he already hath of his owne and what I shall in
this my will afterwards give him will maintaine him according to his
quality either at the University or Inns of Court (if he be a good
husband) but if either his grandmother or mother shall happen to dye
then my will is that the said yearly payment to him shall cease
for upon either of their deaths he will have a more plentifull estate
of his owne by virtue of the settlement of mine Estate that I formerly
made And I doe further will and appoint that my said Trustees
shall allow unto my grandson Robert Gregory the further summe
of twenty pounds per Annum over and above what I have herein
before given to him) from the time that he shall be settled in one
of the Universities of this Kingdom until the period of one thousand
pounds which I have herein before given to him shall be raised for
him and then the last mentioned twenty pounds per Annum shall
cease And if it shall please God to dispose the heart of my said
Grandson Robert Gregory to the study of Divinity my will is
and I doe appoint that my said Trustees (and mine heirs if the

Robert Gregory and in the heirs males of his body and for want of
 such heirs then I leave the same to descend to my own right heirs
 And I desire my daughter in law so to order it that the lease of
 Causewood may after her decease come to her son William Gregory
 And whereas Mr Anthony Durbly Clarke deceased did by his last
 will devise and bequeath unto me the Court farm with the appurtenances
 in Woolhope which he then held of the Dean and Chapter of Hereford
 but therein declared a trust that I should suffer his then wife to take the
 profits thereof for so many years of the said term (or of any renewed
 lease thereof) as she should happen to live she paying all rents and bearing
 all charges according to the covenants of his lease and paying the fine
 for renewing the same to me every seventh year it being his intention
 there by to return unto me (to my own use and benefit) the right of
 renewing the said lease and fourteen years or more that should be
 to come in the lease of the said farm at the time of his wives decease
 which trust I have hitherto performed and the said lease hath been severall
 times renewed unto me upon the same trusts my will therefore is that
 mine Executrix shall take care from time to time to have the said lease
 renewed to her my said Executrix every seventh year at the charge of
 Mrs Sarah Wolmes now the wife of Mr Robert Wolmes and formerly
 the wife of the said Mr Anthony Durbly and that my said Executrix
 shall suffer the said Mrs Sarah Wolmes to take the profits of the said
 farm for so many years of the said term soe to be renewed as
 she the said Mrs Sarah Wolmes shall happen to live she paying the rents
 and performing all other the conditions of the said lease and after
 the decease of the said Mrs Sarah Wolmes I doe will and appoint that
 mine Executrix shall assigne the said lease and farm to my grandson
 William Gregory or procure the said lease to be renewed to him
 and in his name the benefit of which said lease and farm I give unto
 my said grandson William Gregory but if my said grandson William
 Gregory shall happen to die without issue in the life time of the said
 Mrs Sarah Wolmes then I give and bequeath the benefit of the said
 lease and farm unto my grandson Robert Gregory And whereas
 since the settlement of mine estate in How Caple I have purchased of
 William Court a messuage and farm in How Caple called Buttons
 farm and of John Sergeant the younger severall parcells of sand tilled
 the Popland Close and Perry-trump Closes which said farm and lands
 doe lie intermingled with that part of the Demesnes of the Mannor of
 How Caple which is my wifes Joynture therefore ~~to the use of the~~
~~said lease and farm and the said messuage and farm and the said~~
~~Popland and Perry-trump Closes together with that part of the~~
~~Demmesnes of the Mannor of How Caple which is my wifes Joynture~~
 I doe hereby promise that my wife and Grandson William Gregory
 will live together (as they promised me) I have not subjected the same
 to the aforesaid trust but doe give and devise All that messuage and
 farm called Buttons farm and all lands thereunto belonging and
 all those Closes called Popland and Perry-trump Closes together with
 that field containing about thirty acres lying at the further end of the
 Great field (which said thirty acres were hitherto parcell of Conways
 farm but of late years have been used by me with the Demmesnes)
 and all the Demmesnes of the Mannor of How Caple which is my wifes
 Joynture I give and devise unto my grandson William Gregory and the
 heirs males of his body lawfully begotten and in default of such heirs

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they give and devise the same unto my grandson Robert Gregory
and the heirs males of his body And I further give unto my said wife
the bedd and all the furniture of the Chamber where she lay the and of
the Chamber where her maid lyeth and one silver Cankard one small
silver saltcellar one silver ewer and plate and six silver spoons And
I doe earnestly desire and advise both my wife and daughter in law
and grandson William Gregory that they will continue to live together
at my house at New Caph that they may be mutuall helps and comforts
to each other and may with the more ease and the more reputably
breed up my grandchildren Also I give and appoint thirty shillings
per Annum to be yearly for ever paid out of myne mesuage and ffarm
in ffownc hope in the tenure of Robert Dowling to be distributed
amongst the poore people of the Parish of ffownc hope by myne heirs
according to his and their discretion upon St Thomas Day immediately
after morning prayer Also I give and devise to the Mayor Aldermen
and Citizens of the City of Hereford and their Successors for ever all
that my garden lying and being in the City of Hereford in the same
leading from Cye-gate towards Widwarsh-gate and which I have
devised unto Mr Francis Griffiths late of London deceased at the yearly
rent of thirty shillings per Annum In trust nevertheless that the said
Mayor Aldermen and Citizens and their Successors shall receive the said
rent of the said garden and distribute the same unto and amongst the
six poore women in the Sirkmans Hospitall in the suburbs of the City
of Hereford equally by half yearly payments according as the same is
reserved and made payable in and by the said lease which I made of
the said Garden unto the said Francis Griffiths Also I give and
devise unto old and faithfull servant John Sherriff one Annuity or yearly
rent of five pounds for and during the term of his naturall life to be
paying and paid out of my mesuage lands and hereditaments in the Parish
of ffownc hope on the five and twentieth day of March and in and
twentieth day of September yearly by equal portions with power to
distrain for the same in case it shall be unpaid for the space of eight
and twenty dayes next after either of the said rent dayes and I desire him
to continue his service and assistance to my wife daughter in law and
grandchildren And I give to every other of my miniall servants that shall
be living with me at the time of my decease half a years wages (over
and besides what shall be due unto them respectively at that time)
Also I doe give and devise unto my grandson William Gregory
and the heirs males of his body all the rest and residue of the
Manor of ffownc hope not herein before particularly devised and
the reversion of the aforesaid Estate and term herein before devised
to my trustees before named and all Courts lites Courts Barren
perquisites and profits of Courts waifs thiefe rents and fines of
Copp holders And in default of heirs males all the of the body of
my said grandson William Gregory I devise the same to my
grandson Robt Gregory and the heirs males of his body also I
give and bequath unto my grandson William Gregory my ffarm
in the Parish of Woolhope called the Osyde ffarm with the
appurtenances which I hold by lease from the Vicars Chorall
of the Cathedral Church of Hereford Also I give and devise
unto my grandson Robert Gregory and his assigns a certain
annuity or yearly rent of twenty pounds per Annum issuing out.

my

of the Mannors or ffarmes of Slanthonias in the County of Shroverod for the
term of the naturall life of Mr. Timothy Whitfield heretofore servant
to the lady ffraunces late Dutchesse Dowager of Somersseth which said Mannors
and ffarmes now are in the tenure of William Swatbyris and James Swatbyris
And I doe direct and desire my daughter Gregory to dispose of this rent
from time to time for the increase of her son Roberts Estate but not
to apply it for his maintenance I having heretofore made p'vision for it
provision for that Allsoe I doe give unto my grandson William Gregory
my Diamond Ring that Jatt Carpenter gave me and which I have left for
him in his mothers Custody and my ring with my scale to be delivered
to him when he shall attaine to the age of one and twenty yeares And I
give unto my granddaughter Elizabeth Gregory my gold Clort watch
which the lady ffraunces late Dutchesse of Somersseth gave me Allsoe I
give unto my daughter in law Mrs Elizabeth Gregory the Summe of
the hundred pounds of lawfull money to be disposed off by her unto
any one or more of her daughters when and where she thinks fitt And to the end
that my woods in the Parish of ffowhope may not be wasted or defaced
I doe will and appoint that my said Trustees before named shall not fall
or cut downe of the said woods more than the quantity of twenty acres
in any one yeare And whereas I have a rent of fforty pounds per Annum
for a bout six yeares yet to come out of Mr. William Willwards Estate
in ffowhope I doe direct to me by a lease of some parte of his Estate
there And there is likewise due to me from the said Mr. Willward
the ffurther Summe of three score and five pounds or thereabouts
due to me upon the said Judgement whereupon the residue of his
Estate is extended but I have as yet received noe benefit from the
said Extent now I doe here by declare my mind to be that those debts
and Summes of money shall not goe to my Trustees before named but
shall be received by mine Excutrix and be attempted for by her as
part of my personall Estate And whereas I am now rebuilding the
Parish Church of Wore Caple and have made a considerable p'ogresse
therin but have not as yet finished the same And therefore I doe
will and appoint that mine Excutrix shall take care to finish the said
Church and the Tower thereof which I appoint to be built eighteene
feet at least higher than the Top of the Roof of the Church and
that the charge thereof be borne out of my personall Estate And I
desire to be buried in or near the Southeast Corner of the Wore Isle
that I have built for a burying place in Wore Caple Church And I doe
nominate and make my daughter in law Mrs Elizabeth Gregory sole
Excutrix of this my last Will and Testament And to enable her to
pay my debts Legacies and ffunerals expences I bequeath unto her all
the real and residue of my plate household stuff debts and personall
Estate whatsoever And having an intire confidence in the prudence
of my said daughter in law and of her love and care of my grandchildren
I doe hereby constitute and make my said daughter in law Guardian
to my grandsons and desire William Gregory and to all the rest
of my grandchildren and I entreat her to take care of their
virtues Education And I doe charge and require all my said
grandchildren to be dutifull and obedient to her and to be ruled
and advised by her And in case my wife shall shall happen to dye
before such time as mine Excutrix shall attaine to the age of one and
twenty yeares my will is that the Surplusage of the rents and profits

of his Estate (after allowing for his education what shall be agreeable to his Condition) shall during his minority be applied towards the payment of my debts and Legacies provided never the less and my will is that if my said daughter in Law shall happen to marry again then from and after such her marriage her Executorship of this my Will shall cease as alsoe the Guardianship of mine Heire and then and in that Case I doe make my before named Trustees Thomas Carpenter the elder James Wellington John Vereford and Thomas Carpenter the younger Executors of this my Will and Guardians to mine Heire Alsoe I doe give unto each of my said Trustees mourning and a Ring of twenty shillings vallue And my will further is that if it shall happen that during my life time my personall Estate shall (through Gods blessing) be soe farre increased as to amount to more than will satisfy and pay my debts and Legacies then I doe give all the residue or surplusage of my personall Estate (after payment of my debts and Legacies unto my two Grandsons William Gregory and Robert Gregory to be equally divided betweene them And my will further is that all charges and expences that mine Executors or Trustees shall be put unto in the execution of this my Will or any parte thereof shall be allowed to them respectively out of my personall Estate and the Lands wherewith they are intrusted In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand and seal the day and year first before written W: Gregory signed sealed and published by S^r William Gregory the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of Ja: Wellington Rich: Hodges Jo: Evans Ju: Rogers.

Be it remembered that:

that upon the twenty seventh day of february one thousand six hundred ninety four I perceived this my Will and made (with my own hand) the interlineation appearing in the former parte of the said sheete thereof As alsoe the Ratures of severall lines were the lower part of the third sheete and two other ratures (of a word in a place) the one before and the other after the next before mentioned Rature And the severall Ratures and interlineations (relating to Buttons ffarme) were the lower end of the ffourth sheete And after the doing thereof I doe againe signe seal and publish the same as it is now altered as and for my last Will and Testament the day and year above written W: Gregory signed sealed and published by the within named S^r William Gregory as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of Ja: Wellington Jo: Evans the make of John Atkly

And whereas

since the publishing of my Will within written I have upon a Treaty of a marriage for my granddaughter Elizabeth Gregory agreed to give to her the Summe of fifteen hundred pounds for her portion and in satisfaction for her share of her late ffathers personall Estate

And

have transferred and given to Executors for her securityes for the same therefore I have with my own hand struck out the Legacy of twelve hundred pounds mentoned to be given to my said granddaughter Elizabeth Gregory in the first sheet of this my Will And I doe hereby revoke the said Legacy and with that alteration and the other amendments above mentoned I doe hereby ratify and confirme all the other matters and things contained in my said Will In witness whereof I have herunto sett my hand and seale the one and twentieth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand six hundred ninety four five W: Gregory. Witnesses herunto Ja: Bellington Jo: Evans Ju: Rogers, John Sheriff.

Probatum

fuit humod Testament apud London coram vobis et egregio viro Dno Richardo Rains Milito Legid Doctore Curia Praetogativa Cantuariensis Magistro Custode Curie Commissario lincie constituto quarto die mensis Julij Anno Dni millimo septimo nonagesimo sexto Juramento Elizabetha Gregory Executrix in dicto Testamento nominatim revocata fuit aduistrato omnium et singulorum bonorum jurium et reddituum dicti testis de bono et fideliter aduistrando eadem ad Sancta Dei Evangelia (vigore tenuitatis) Jurata. Et c.

Know all men

by these presents that I John Gibson of Wapping in the County of Middx shipwright have and by these presents doe make ordaine and constitute Elizabeth Ross wife of Nathl: Ross of the place and County aforesaid shipwright my true and lawfull Attorney irrevocable for me and in my name and for her use to ask demand and receive of and from the Right hon^{ble} the Governour or Pasquaster of their Majesties Navy and Countrey for prize money and whom else it may concern as well all such wages and pay bounty money prize money and all other summe and summes of money whatsoever as now is and which hereafter shall or maybe due or payable unto me pursuant to their Majesties gracious Declaration of the 23 of May 1689 And alsoe all such pitions Salaries Smart money and all other moneys and things whatsoever which now and at any time hereafter is and shall be due to me for my service or otherwise in any of their Majesties Shippes frigatts or vessels or any merchant snipp or shippes as alsoe to demand recover and receive of all other person and persons whatsoever whom it doth or may concern all and singular such other summe and summes of money goods wares effects wages debts dues claimes and demands whatsoever which now and hereafter is or shall be due and payable unto me either by bond bill booke account or otherwise howsoever And moreover in my name and for my proper use to demise and lett by lease in writing or otherwise all or any of my messuages lands or tenements to such person or persons and for such terme of years conditions and reservations as my said Attorney or her Countill shall thinke fitt and convenient giving and hereby granting unto my said Attorney my full whole power in the premises and to recover and receive all singular

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Johannis Gibson