

*The Last Will and Testament
Of Henry Yearington
of Hankerton
Will Proved
1626*



Probate Court of
Original reference:
Will Dated: 3rd of December 1625

Testator:	Yearington	Henry	Yeoman of Hankerton
Executors:			
Overseers:			
Baker	John		
Browne	John, Snr.		

Beneficiaries		Relationship to testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
Yearington		Wife	
Yearington	Frances	Daughter	
Yearington	Henry	Son	
Yearington	John	Son	
Yearington	Richard	Son	
Yearington	Robert	Son	
Yearington	William	Son	
Witnesses			
Beale	William		
Browne	John		
Other Names			
Hall	Nicholas	Brother-in-law	
Hall	Robert	Father-in-law	Deceased

In the name of God Amen 3rd of December 1625 I Henry Yearington of Hankerton, in the county of Wilts yeoman, being weak in body but of good and perfect memory (Praise be unto Almighty God) do make and ordain this is my last will and testament in manner and form following (that is to say) First I bequeath my soul unto Almighty God my maker and Redeemer And my body to be buried in the churchyard of Hankerton aforesaid whensoever it shall please God to call me out of this transitory life by his gracious visitation Item I bequeath unto my son Robert Yearington my joint bedstead in my chamber and the feather bed and all that belongs unto the same which I lie on my great brass pot a pair of andirons 1 broch half stone the iron beam and the scales the malt mill the cheese press my great chest my table board which stands in the hall the form and benches the wayne wheels and haimes thereunto belong the chains my wife having the use and occupation of these things so long as she liveth Items Whereas his grandfather Robert Hall did bequeath unto my said son 40/d in his last will and testament and since was received be my will is that the same be made £40 £5 to be paid at

and upon the Feast of the Annunciation of St Mary the Virgin which shall be in the year of the Lord God 1628 Item Whereas I owe unto my son John Yearington £1240/d Whereof was given him by his grandfather Robert Hall and the other £10 by his uncle Nicholas Hall my will is that my executor hereafter named shall pay him £3 more within 4 years after my decease Item Whereas I owe unto my son Richard Yearington £1240/d Whereof was given him by his grandfather Robert Hall my will is the same be made £5 to be paid him within 3 years after my decease Item Whereas I owe unto my son William Yearington 40/d Whereof was also given him by his grandfather Robert Hall my will is the same be made £5 to be paid him within 3 years after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto my son Henry Yearington £5 to be paid him within 3 years after my decease Item I give and bequeath unto my daughter Frances £5 to be paid her within 2 years after my decease Also I give unto her my least caldron a like brass pot 4 platters 2 pillowbords a diaper napkin a pair of flaxen sheets a little broch 2 little table bords a frame in the hall the worstest chest Item I give and bequeath 20/d unto the poor of the parish of Hankerton to remain in a stock for them for ever and to be set forth by the churchwardens from time to time And all use thereof it be every year distributed unto the said poor at the discretion of the minister and churchwardens Also I desire John Browne senior, and John Baker to be the overseers of this my last will and I give unto every of them 12d All the rest of my goods and chattels and debts, both moveable, not before given and bequeathed my debts paid, my legacies settled and my funeral expenses discharged I do freely give and bequeath unto Joane my wife whom I do make whole executrix of this my last will and testament not doubting but she will see the same performed all things according to the trust in her reposed

Signed *Henry Yearington*

These bearing witness being called and desired William Beale John Browne