

*The Last Will and Testament
Of Thomas Merriman
of Marlborough
Will proved 5th June 1841*



Probate Court of London
Original reference PCC Prob11/1947

Testator:	Merriman	Thomas	Banker of Marlborough
Executors:			
Merriman		Wife	
Merriman	Thomas Baverstock	Son	
Merriman	William Clark	Son	

Beneficiaries		Relationship to testator	Other Information
Surname	Given Names		
Blagg	Elizabeth	Daughter	
Brown		Mrs. Widow of deceased Partner	
Clark	Hannah	Friend	Married Woman
Clark	John Withers	Esq., Friend	
Goodman	Maurice Hillier	Rev., Friend	
Hillier	William Roach	Esq., Friend & Partner	
Hutchins	Samuel	Esq., Friend	
Iveson	Mary	Daughter	
Mackenzie	Hannah	Daughter	
Merriman		Brother	
Merriman		Brother	
Merriman		Wife	
Merriman	Charles Anthony	Son	
Merriman	Frederick Ward	Son	
Merriman	Henry Gordon	Son	
Merriman	Martha Jane	Daughter	
Merriman	Nathaniel James	Rev., Son	
Merriman	Samuel	Friend	
Merriman	Samuel Benjamin	Son	
Merriman	Thomas Baverstock	Son	
Merriman	William Clark	Son	
Ward	Hannah	Friend	Married woman

Ward	Martha	Sister	
Ward	Thomas Rawdon	Esq., Friend	
Witnesses			
Lavington	R.		
Williams	George Frederick		Of Marlborough
Other Names			
Baverstock	John	Esq., Uncle, deceased	
Dobson	Charles	Tenant	
Dundas	Charles	Esq., Friend	Later became Lord Amesbury

This is the last Will and Testament of me Thomas Merriman of Marlborough in the County of Wilts Banker I direct the payment of all my just debts funeral and testamentary expences by my Executors hereinafter named as soon as conveniently may be after my decease I give to my eldest son Thomas Baverstock Merriman the plate presented to me by the Kennet and Avon Canal Company also the silver Tureen presented to me by the Town of Marlborough and the Collet and Cover presented by the Corporation of Marlborough to my late Venerable and highly esteemed uncle John Baverstock Esquire To be held by the said Thomas Baverstock Merriman and his heirs as Heir Looms I give to my second son William Clark Merriman the Gold and Silver Gilt Cup and Cover presented to me by my highly valued friend and Patron Charles Dundas Esquire afterwards Lord Amesbury I give to my aforesaid two sons jointly all my Law Books I give to my Sister Mrs Martha Ward and to my two Brothers twenty pounds each as a token of my Affection and a like sum of twenty pounds to my constant and invaluable friend Dr Samuel Merriman I give to my kind and affectionate friends Mrs Hannah Ward Mrs Hannah Clark Thomas Rawdon Ward Esq John Withers Clark Esq and the Revd Maurice Hiller Goodman ten pounds each to be laid out in some memorial of me and I give rings to the value of five Guineas each to my good friend Samuel Hutchins Esq and to my friend and Partner William Roach Hiller Esq and to Mrs Brown the Widow of my late Partner I give and devise to my son the said Thomas Baverstock Merriman and to his heirs & assigns for ever All my messuage with the Barns Stables outbuildings and appurts and all my arable meadow and pasture and Wood Lands called Totteridge farm and also all my Water Corn Mill called New Mill and the Malt House near thereto and the Meadow lands held therewith and all other my lands tenements and hereditis situate within the Parish of Milton in the County of Wilts Subject nevertheless and charged and chargeable with the payment of the sum of six thousand pounds in aid of my Personal Estate I give and devise to my son the said William Clark Merriman and to his heirs and assigns for ever All my messuages or tenements lands hereditis and appurts situate at in the Parish of Overton in the County of Wilts I give devise and bequeath to the said Thomas Baverstock Merriman and William Clark Merriman All my messuages or tenements Bank Offices & Law Offices and Dwelling House in the occupation of Charles Dobson in Silveness Street in Marlborough with all the outhouses gardens & appurts to hold to them their executors admors and assigns as tenants in common and not as joint tenants for all my several Estates rights and interests therein I give and bequeath to my said two sons Thos Baverstock Merriman & William Clark Merriman the sum of six thousand pounds upon Trust to settle two thousand pounds part thereof upon the same Trusts as are declared respecting two thousand pounds settled by me on the marriage of my Daughter Mary Iveson and to settle other two thousand pounds on the same trusts as are declared respecting fifteen hundred pounds settled by me on the marriage of my daughter Elizabeth Blagg and to settle the remaining two thousand pounds in such manner as may seem to them to be most beneficial for my daughter Hannah Mackenzie for her sole and separate use during her life and for and upon any Children or Child she may happen to leave who shall attain the age or ages of twenty one years or day or days of marriage but so that the said last mentioned two thousand pounds may revert to my own family on the death of the said Hannah Mackenzie and her issue under twenty one years of age or day or days of marriage I give to my aforesaid two sons the further sum of ffour thousand pounds In Trust to pay the interest thereof to or for the maintenance of my daughter Martha Jane during her minority and to pay the Principal to her on her attaining the age of twenty one years or marrying in the mean time with the consent of her mother I give to my son the Revd Nathaniel James Merriman the sum of two thousand five hundred pounds I give to my son Samuel Benjamin Merriman the sum of one thousand five hundred pounds I give to my son Charles Anthony Merriman the sum of one thousand five hundred pounds I give to my son frederick Ward Merriman the sum of two thousand five hundred pounds I direct all the several before mentioned legacies to be payable twelve months after my decease and

without interest for the mean time the said Samuel Benjiman and Charles Anthony I release and discharge in respect of any Premiums paid be me in purchasing Businesses for them but I direct that they shall account to my Executors for any subsequent loans made by me to them but without interest And I direct that the said William Clark Merriman shall also account in like manner for any Balance owing from him on my Ledger I give to the said Thomas Baverstock Merriman and William Clark Merriman the sum of three thousand pounds In Trust apply the interest for the maintenance and education of my youngest son Henry Gordon Merriman until he shall attain the age of twenty one years and to pay him the Principal on his attaining that age in case of the death of the said Martha Jane under the age of twenty three years or of the said Henry Gordon under the age of twenty one years their or either of their legacies shall sink into my personal Estate All the Rest Residue and Remainder of my real Copyhold and Personal Estate of every kind whatsoever & wheresoever I give devise and bequeath to my most excellent and dearly beloved Wife her heirs executors and admors I nominate and appoint my said Wife and the said Thomas Baverstock Merriman and William Clark Merriman Executors of this my Will which I have written in great haste and without draft intending if my life should be spared to revise the same and give it more technical form though I am quite sure all parties will be desirous of giving full effect to my intentions Witness my hand this twenty fifth day of february one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine *Tho: Merriman*

(Attestation Clause)

R Lavington_ G F Williams..... Marlborough

(Affidavit of due execution by George Frederick Williams of No 25 Austin Friars in the City of London sworn 1 June 1841)

Proved at London 5 June 1841

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