

In the Name of God Amen. I John Mearae of the County of
Lancaster Cordwainer being at this present Sick & weak of Body
but of perfect mind & memory I have said & do hereby bequeath
this my Last Will & Testament. First & principally I resign
my Soul into the hands of God my Creator in hope that
through Repentance & faith in Christ Jesus in
Reverence I shall receive forgiveness of my sins & be taken
into Eternal Life. & my Body I will be buried in Christian
manner. And as to what small matter of worldly Estate I
have after Debt & funerals Charges paid & due Disposal
thereof, follows.
I give to my Daughter Anne Mearae One Shilling.

Item I give to my Daughter Mary Mearae all my Sheep
Item All the Rest of my Estate I give to be equally divided between
my 3^d Daughter Mary my Son Joseph my Daughter
Margaret & my Daughter Catherine

Item It is my Will that John Flanigan & Ellen his Wife have
of Tuition & Bringing up of my Daughter Mary & Catherine
till they shall come to age of Eighteen years they
teaching them to Read Low Knit & Spin, & to lay their Drapery
& Catechism

Item It is my Will that Mr. William Bernard & Susanna his Wife
have of Tuition & Bringing up of my Daughter Margaret till
she shall come to age of Eighteen years they teaching her to
read Low Knit & Spin, & to lay their Drapery & Catechism

- From I give to my Daughter Mary & Catharine
 From All the Rest of my Estate I give to be equally divided between
 my 3^d Daughter Mary my Son Joseph my Daughter
 Margarite & my Daughter Catharine
 From It is my Will that John Flanigan & Ellen his Wife have
 of Tuition & Bringing up of my Daughters Mary & Catharine
 till they shall come to age of Eighteen years they
 teaching them to Read Low knit & Spin, & to Lay their Prayers
 & Catechism
 From It is my Will that Mr. William Portman & Susanna his Wife
 have of Tuition & Bringing up of my Daughter Margarite till
 she shall come to age of Eighteen years they teaching her to
 read Low knit & Spin, & to Lay her Prayers & Catechism.
 From It is my Will that Joseph Proffier shall have of Tuition & Bringing
 up of my Son Joseph till he shall come to age of Twenty one
 years he teaching him to Lay his Prayers & Catechism, as also
 to read & Write a legible hand.
 From It is my Will that they that have the Tuition & Bringing up
 of my Children have my Childrens parts of my Estate they giving
 Bond with Security to Joseph Proffier to pay it in kind to my 3^d Children when
 they shall come to age, before mentioned; & if any of my 3^d Children shall
 die before they shall come to such age, then to pay it to a Survivor, who
 they shall come to age, before mentioned: And that they be bound also to
 Bring up my Children according to this my Will; & that they do not
 abuse my Children either for want of sufficient whips
 or Coasting, nor by immoderate Correction.