

William Passiant of Steventon, yeoman, 1676

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In the name of God Amen The Second day of February Anno Domini 1675 and in the eight and twentieth year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord Charles the Second by the grace of God, King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland defender of the faith etc I William Passiant of Steventon in the county of Southampton being of good and perfect mind and memory (thanks be therefore given to Almighty God), do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following. **First** and principally I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my maker and creator hoping and assuredly trusting that after this life ended I shall be received into his everlasting kingdom through the only merits, death and passion of Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer and by none other merits or means whatsoever. **And for** such temporal means or estate whereof the Lord of his bounty has bestowed on me in this life I will devise and bequeath the same in form following. **First** I will that all such debts as I duly or truly owe unto any man shall be truly paid in as convenient time as may be after my decease. Which being done and performed, then I give and bequeath unto the poor people of Steventon aforesaid the sum of five shillings of current English money to be paid unto them by the discretion of my executor and overseers hereafter named. **Item** I give and bequeath unto my grandchild William Passiant, the son of Richard Passiant my son, the sum of twenty pounds of current English money and a brass kettle containing about 2 bushels, a brass pot containing about half a bushel to be paid and delivered unto him when and so soon as he shall accomplish his full age of twenty and one years or if his father finds opportunity to find him a living before, then the said twenty pounds to be in part paid. **Item** I give and bequeath to my sister Margret the wife of John Clarke the sum of twenty shillings of current English money. **To my** kinswoman Mary, the daughter of Richard Passiant, I give the sum of ten shillings of like money, and to my grandchildren Anne Covey and Charles Covey I give and bequeath twenty shillings apiece of current English money to be paid unto them when and so soon as they shall accomplish their several ages of twenty and one years. **Item** if my son in law John Jermyn at Randell be quiet and peaceable and not misbehave himself towards me or trouble me or mine, then I give and bequeath unto his children by my daughter Margret namely Mary, William, Robert and Edward the sum of twenty shillings apiece of current English money to be paid unto them when and so soon as they shall accomplish their several and respective ages of twenty and one years and not before. **The rest** and residue of all and singular my goods and chattels and debts being first paid, legacies in this my will performed, and funeral expenses discharged, I wholly give and bequeath unto my son Richard Passiant whom I make and ordain to be the full and sole executor of this my last will and testament. **And overseers** of this my said will I do make my well beloved friends and neighbours Thomas Smale and John Brother desiring them to be aiding and assisting to my said executor to see this my said will performed, unto whom for their pains to be therein taken I give and bequeath two shillings and six pence apiece of current English money. **And I do** hereby revoke and disanull all former wills by me made and I will that none of them

shall stand in force but only this my said will. **In witness** whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written

The mark of the said William Passiant

Sealed, published and declared to be the last will and testament of the said William Passiant after the interlining of these words (if his father finds opportunity to find him a living before, then the said twenty pounds to be paid in part of payment, in the second sheet in the [...]).

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An inventory of the goods and chattels, rights and credits which were of William Passion late of Steventon in the county of Southampton yeoman deceased, taken and appraised by us whose names are hereunder written the 7th day of November in the 28th year of the reign of our Sovereign Lord Charles the Second of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, King defender of the faith etc. Anno Domini 1676.

	£	s	d
In his chamber			
Imprimis his wearing apparel and ready money	6	0	0
Item one feather bed, one bolster, one coverlet, two blankets, six pairs of sheets, one pillow, two table cloths, two pillow cases, one chair, one joined stool, one chest, two boxes, one coffer with other lumber	3	0	0
In the other chamber			
Item one feather bed, one bolster, one pillow, two blankets, one coverlet with other lumber	1	10	0
In a low chamber			
Item one joined bedstead, one table, two flaskets with other lumber	0	8	0
In the wool loft			
Item two tod of wool with old iron gear and other lumber	1	6	8
In the milk house			
Item six barrels, two bottles, three kivers, two brass pans, three brass pots, three kettles, three skillets, two trays with other lumber	3	0	0
In the kitchen			
Item twelve pewter dishes, two pewter bowls, two candlesticks, to little brass candlesticks, two spits, one dripping pan, one pair of andirons, one fire			

shovel, one pair of tongs, one cotterel, one frying pan, one warming pan	2	10	0
Item one joined stool, one form, one great chair	1	10	0
	£19	4s	8d

In the brewhouse

Item one furnace, three tubs, one [peal], two buckets, three tubs, one chafing dish, one dresser	1	10	0
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In the meal house

Item one salting trough, one meal bin, one great kiver, one cheese press, one form, one stand with other lumber	1	6	8
Item two mattocks, two bills, three wedges, one hatchet, one spade, one shovel	0	10	0

In the backside

Item two cartes, one plough, three harrows	3	10	0
Item two cows, four hogs, three store pigs	10	11	0

In the barn

Item four quarters and a half of wheat	4	14	6
Item 20 quarters of barley	16	0	0
Item 4 quarters of oats	2	8	0
Item in hay and vetches	2	0	0
Item 6 sacks, one fan, 2 bushels, three prongs, 2 sieves, one barn shovel with other lumber	1	0	0

Item in the field 6 acres of wheat	3	0	0
One acre of vetches	0	8	0
Item 30 ewes, wethers and tegs	9	0	0
	55	18	0
	19	4	8
	75	2	10

Thomas White - his mark
Thomas Moyce - his mark