

**George Hearne of Basingstoke, tanner, 1665**

**Ref: Hants. RO 1665A/053**

**In the name of God Amen** I Georg Hearne of Basingstoke in the county of Southampton tanner, being sick of body but of good memory and understanding, thanks be to Almighty God for the same, knowing that all people must yield to death when it shall please God to call them do therefore make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner following. **First** and principally I commend my soul unto Almighty God from whom I received the same, trusting and assuredly believing that by and through the only merits and passion of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ I shall be made a partaker of His heavenly kingdom there to live with his glorious saints forever. **And as** for my body it being earthly I will the same to earth again there to be interred in such decent and Christian like manner as shall be thought fit by my executor hereafter named. **And as** touching and concerning that temporal estate which God of His mercy has given me, my will and meaning is and I do give and dispose of in manner following. **First** my will is that all such debts and dues as in right and conscience I owe unto any person or persons shall be well and truly satisfied and paid by my executors hereafter named within convenient time after my decease. **Which** being done then I give and bequeath unto Mary Barnard my sister the sum of twenty pounds of lawful English money. **Item** whereas I hold a lease of a tanyard and messuage of Georg Bunney for the term of nineteen years to come, my will is that within twelve months after my decease the said lease shall return unto the said Georg Bunney and shall stand and be of no force or effect any longer. **Item** I give and bequeath unto James Searle my second suit and coat. **Item** I give and bequeath unto Nicholas Barnard the rest of my wearing apparel. **And the** rest of my goods and chattels my debts and said legacies being paid and satisfied, and my funeral expenses discharged I give and bequeath unto by brother William Hearne whom I make and appoint to be my full and whole executor of this my last will and testament. **And my** will is that that for the better manuring of this my estate that my well beloved friends John Follower and Barnard Allen execute this my last will and testament to receive and pay my debts and manage my estate until my brother William before named shall accomplish the age of one and twenty years, which before named John Follower and Barnard Allen I do make and ordain executors in trust of this my last will and testament to and for the behoof of the said William Hearne allowing them all necessary charges which they shall be at, for and in respect of this my last will and testament.

Witnesses hereunto  
Nicholas Barnard

Probate granted 20 September 1665 to Barnard Allen the nominated executor and William Hearne, brother. Obligation on the same, cordwainer and Nicholas Barnard of Basingstoke, grocer.

**In this Inventory** or writing indented is contained all and singular the goods and chattels of George Hearne late of Basingstoke in the county of Southampton tanner deceased as the same were seen, taken, valued and apprized the tenth day of March AD 1664 and in the seventeenth year of the reign of our most gracious sovereign Lord Charles the Second by the grace of God, King of England, Scotland, France and Ireland Defender of the Faith etc., by Thomas Denham of Basingstoke aforesaid tanner and William Rymes the elder of Basingstoke aforesaid currier as follows.

	£	s	d
<b>In the hall</b>			
<b>Imprimis</b> a table and frame, three joined stools and a matted chair	0	14	0
<b>Item</b> a pair of andirons, cotterells, fire pan and tongs and an iron lug	0	10	0
Sum	1	4	0

<b>In the buttry</b>			
<b>Item</b> seven dishes of pewter great and small, three pewter porringers and a chamber pot	0	10	0
<b>Item</b> a brass chafing dish, a brass skimmer and a spit and a cleaver	0	5	0
<b>Item</b> three small barrels	0	5	0
<b>Item</b> two brass post	0	12	0
<b>Item</b> a salting trow	0	2	6
Sum	1	14	6

<b>In this lodging chamber</b>			
<b>Item</b> three silver spoons	0	12	0
<b>Item</b> two chests, a box and a chair	0	10	0
<b>Item</b> a feather bed, bedstead, feather bolster and pillow, three blankets, a coverlet and a straw bed	3	0	0
<b>Item</b> his wearing apparel and money in his purse	3	7	6
Sum	7	9	6

<b>In his tanyard</b>			
<b>[Item</b> twelve dicfar wanting a hide of over leather in the wooze and limes]	89	5	0]
<b>Item</b> three dozen of calf skins at the waterside	2	8	0
<b>Item</b> two scoops, a scuttle, a willow, two trestles and other lumber	0	13	0
Sum	92	6	0

<b>Item</b> a flitch of bacon at Thomas Knight's house	1	0	0
<b>Item</b> his lease of a tenement cottage and meadow in Basingstoke	120	0	0
Sum	121	0	0

**Debts** due and owing to the said George Hearne at the time of his decease from several persons

as follows

<b>Due</b> or owing to him from widow Prior of Basingstoke aforesaid	1	3	0
<b>Item</b> due or owing to him from John Norris snr of Basingstoke aforesaid	4	0	0
<b>Item</b> due or owing to him from Richard Yates of Basingstoke aforesaid	4	19	0
<b>Item</b> due or owing to him from John Cowdrey of Basingstoke aforesaid	6	0	0
<b>Item</b> due or owing to him from John Kent of Sherborne St John in the county aforesaid cordwainer	2	4	0
<b>Item</b> due or owing to him from William Allen of Basingstoke aforesaid	3	1	0
<b>Item</b> due or owing to him from Joseph Younge of Basingstoke aforesaid	9	3	0
<b>Item</b> due or owing to him from John Jackson of Basingstoke aforesaid	0	4	0
<b>Item</b> due or owing to him from William Jackson of Basingstoke aforesaid	0	5	4
<b>Item</b> due or owing to him from Lawrance Steevens of Basingstoke aforesaid	0	12	0
<b>Item</b> due or owing to him from Henry Merrifield of Basingstoke aforesaid	0	5	0
<b>Item</b> due or owing to him from Thomas Hall of Basingstoke aforesaid	0	4	8
Sum	32	1	0
Sum total of this inventory comes to	255	15	0

The mark of William Rimes  
Thomas Denham