Henry Cooper of Mapledurwell, 1700

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In the name of God Amen. In the eleventh year of the reign of our sovereign Lord William by the grace of God, king of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, defender of the faith and in the eighth day of January in the year 1699, I Henary Coopar of Mapledurwell, being in perfect health and memory do make this my last will and testament, making void all other wills and testaments I have formerly made, I do make this only my last in form and manner following. First I bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God hoping through the merits of Jesus Christ to obtain the full and free pardon of all my sins and eternal life when this life is ended, and my body to be decently buried according to the decision of my executor hereafter named, and for the bestowing that temporal estate God has graciously given me as follows. First my will is that all my debts and funeral charges be paid and discharged, and for the bestowing the rest as follows. First I give to my grandchild Henary Coopar the sum of twelve pounds of current money to be paid him by my executor hereafter named to be paid within twelve months after my decease. Item I give to my daughter Joane the wife of Edward Marlar the sum of one shilling. Item I give to my grandchild John Coopar the sum of twenty shillings to be paid him by my executor within two months after my decease. Item I give to my grandchild Robard Coopar the sum of twenty shillings to be paid him by my executor within when he comes to the age of one and twenty years. **Item** I give to my grandchild the Nicholas Coopar the sum of twenty shillings to be paid to him by my executor when he comes to the age of one and twenty years. **Item** I give to my granddaughter Ann Coopar the sum of twenty shillings to be paid to her by my executor at the age of one and twenty years. Item I give to my granddaughter Joane Coopar the sum of twenty shillings to be paid her at the age of one and twenty years by my executor. **And** my will farther is that if any of these children shall happen to die before any of their legacies shall become due that then their legacy be divided among the survivors share and share alike. And all the rest of my goods and chattels I give to my son Henyry Coopar whom I make my full and whole executor of all this my last will and testament to see and do all things according to the true intent and meaning of this my last will and testament. Lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint John Cannar and Robard Hoor, both of the aforesaid parish of Mapledurwell, overseers of this my last will and testament to see that all things be done according to the true intent and meaning of this my last will and testament. And for their care herein I give each of them the sum of twelve pence to be paid by my executor and besides the allowance of all necessary charges to which I set my hand and seal and do declare it to be my last will and testament.

The mark of Henary Coopar

In the presence of us George Marshall Snr [illegible] George Marshall Robart Rines

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