

**Bartholomew Ayres/Aires of Up Nately, 1651**

**Ref: Hants. RO 1651A/01**

**In the name of God Amen.**

**The** true nuncupative, later will and testament of Bartholomew Aires of Up Nately in the county of Southampton delivered by word of mouth before his decease which was in January 1649, being at the delivery hereof of good memory and understanding, now faithfully given in by Robert Aires his executor after specified.

After the said Bartholomew had commended his soul into the hands of the Lord to be saved in, and through the merits of Christ his saviour and redeemer, and his body to be interred decently as becomes a Christian in the ordinary and usual place of burial in Up Nately, he disposed of his temporary estate in manner and form following viz. **Imprimis** he gave and bequeathed to Joan Aire the daughter of John Aire the sum of five pounds. **Item** to John Aire the son of John Aire five pounds. **Item** to Anne Aire fifty shillings. **Item** to Elizabeth Aire fifty shillings. **Item** to Thomas Aire fifty shillings. **Item** to Mary Aire fifty shillings. **Item** he gave Robert Bartholomew and Ann Aire, the son and daughter of Robert Aire, the sum of ten pounds to be divided equally amongst them. **Item** to Michael Poulter the son of Thomas Poulter fifty shillings. **Item** to Bartholomew Poulter 12 pence. **Item** to Christopher King 12d. **Item** to Rachell Ives 12d. **Item** to Bartholomew Aire, son of Roger Aire, 12d. **Item** to Thomas Wilmot 12 pence. **Item** he gave 12 pence to every one of six who carried him to his grave. **Item**he gave to John and Kathrin Woods 40 shillings to be divided equally betwixt them. **Item** his funeral and all other costs and charges being discharged, he gave and bequeathed the remainder of his estate sums of money, bills, bonds, obligations, goods and chattels and all other things whatsoever belonging unto him at the time of his death (the former legacies being paid), to Robert Aire his brother whom he did nominate and appoint to be his executor and universal intromitter and administrator of all his goods and other things whatsoever. **Giving** to the said Robert full power to demand, uplift and receive all sums of money indebted unto him by whatsoever person or persons, and to dispose of the same and of all other his goods at his pleasure. **Which** will and appointment of the said Bartholomew Aire was made by him upon the 20th day of December 1649 and is truly given in by me.

The mark of Robert Aire Executor

In the presence of  
The mark of George Bailyea of Up Nately

The 23rd day of October 1651

This will nuncupative was proved in common form before Mr John Holloway, substitute to the Right Worshipfull Robert Mason, Doctor of Laws and principal official for the county of Southampton in administration of all and singular the goods and chattels, which any manner of way concerned the testator or this his said will, was granted unto Robert Aire the sole executor etc., he having first personally taken his oath well and truly to perform the said will by paying his debts and legacies so far forth etc.

Obligation the said executor of Up Nately, husbandman.

An inventory of all and singular the goods and chattels of Bartholomew Ayre late of Up Nately in the county of Southampton deceased taken as follows.

	£	s	d
<b>Imprimis</b> his wearing apparel and ready money	3	0	0
<b>Item</b> two mares and a colt	10	0	0
<b>Item</b> [ten] sheep being very poor and unsound	1	5	0
<b>Item</b> in good debts due to the deceased	15	0	0
<b>Item</b> desperate debts	2	10	0
Sum total	31	15	0