

John Marriott of Dummer, 1670

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In the name of God Amen, I John Marriott of the parish of Dummer in the county of Southampton being weak in body but of perfect memory and understanding (blessed be the Lord), do make and ordain this my last will and testament. **A poor** unworthy creature, and by nature a child of wrath as well as others, yet having obtained mercy through the abundant grace of God in Christ I do commend my soul and body into the hands of God the Father, Son and Holy Ghost whose I am and in whom I have believed, humbly confessing and bewailing the sin of my nature and the manifold transgressions of my life and relying only upon the perfect righteousness of Christ for remission of sins and for salvation. **My body** to be decently interred in the parish where I die in a confident expectation of a glorious Resurrection, when Christ shall change this vile body that it may be like His glorious body. **I give** to my dearly beloved wife Katherine all my plate and all my other goods (books only excepted). **I give** to her thirty pounds a year during her life to be duly and truly paid at the two feasts of St Thomas and John the Baptist by equal portions and I give her liberty to dispose of twenty pounds at her death, both which are to be paid by my executor hereafter mentioned. **Also I give** other legacies to be paid half a year after my wife's decease by my executor or his executors, administrators or assigns viz. five pounds to my sister Ann Pryor, ten pounds to her daughter Ann, to her son John and her daughter Mary twenty shillings apiece. **Item** to my sister Cleone of Pamber an annuity of forty shillings a year during her life, to her eldest daughter Barbara five shillings and to the rest of her daughters and her son ten pounds apiece. **Item** to Isaack Walker of London, my sister's son forty pounds, to his brother Andrew five shillings. **Further** that I may testify my thankfulness to the Lord for His abundant mercy towards me in spiritual and temporal blessings I give to the parish of Dummer (where I was born) twenty pounds for the raising of an annuity of twenty shillings a year, and that twenty shillings to be employed for the buying of three bibles to be given to three poor children of the parish that have learned the New Testament and if anything remains, to be given to the schoolmaster provided that the landlord of the parish or the neighbours with him will find out a way for the securing of this annuity. **One of** these bibles is to be disposed of by the chief landlord of the parish, another by the rector for the time being, the third by the two churchwardens in the day when they give up their office. **Also I give** unto the parish of Upper Wallop twenty pounds for the raising of an annuity of twenty shillings a year to be employed for the same end and upon the same terms and conditions as before is applied to Dummer, the rector to give one of the bibles, the churchwardens another in the day when they leave their office and the possessor of the living called Downes the third. **Also I give** to the town of Wantage in the county of Berkshire twenty pounds for the raising of an annuity of twenty shillings, the vicar to give one of the bibles, the churchwardens to give another in the day when they leave their office and the possessor of a house in the Market Place or so whereof belongs unto me and my heirs the third. **And lastly** I do name and appoint John Marryet of Upper Wallop to be my sole executor to whom

I give full right, title to all my houses, lands, leases, monies and books to be enjoyed by him, his heirs and executors forever. **Now Lord** in Thy appointed time blessed thou thy servant depart in peace into Thy hands, **I commend my spirit for thanks redeemed me a Lord God of truth Lord Jesus receive my soul Amen.**

Dated the nineteenth day of July in the two and twentieth year of the reign of the Sovereign Lord Charles by the Grace of God of England, Scotland, France and Ireland, King Defender of the Faith and in the year of Our Lord God one thousand six hundred and seventy.

I do entreat and appoint Mr John Terry of Long Sutton and Mr Michael Terry his brother to be overseers of this my last will and testament for whose expected care and diligence therein I give to each of them ten shillings to be paid by my executor.

John Marriott

Signed and sealed by me John Marryott in the presence of

Thomas Hunt
Joseph Leach

Probate granted the 20th day of July 1670 to the executors nominated. Obligation on the executors and John Boote of Winton, gent.

Winton

An inventory taken then of the household goods of Mr John Maerriott deceased, in his house at in the parish of Dummer in the county of Southampton by us whose names are underwritten July the 28th 1670.

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Imprimis in the parlour one joined table, one little table and joined cupboard, six high leather back chairs, one low back chair, one flagon bottomed elbow chair, one joined stool, one wainscot chair, one fire pan and one pair of tongs, three iron dogs, one jack to turn the spit and iron bar, three smoothing irons, one pair of cotterells, a salt box, one basket chair, two wrought cushions, an old carpet for the table, one great gridiron and two smaller gridirons, one hourglass, two turkey work cushions, one old arras carpet all valued at

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Item in the hall one pewter still, one pair of andirons, Two pairs of cotterells, one spit, one brass mortar and

iron pestle, one iron peel and one gridiron, one fire pan
and tongs, one low basket chair, one joined stool, five
buckets all valued at 1 11 4

In the buttery

Item three brass pots and one iron pot, two brass kettles
and one brass pan, four brass skillets two pewter basins
and eighteen pewter dishes, two pewter flagons, 4 pewter
saucers, four old pewter candlesticks, 2 chamber pots,
two tinnen candlesticks, two pewter, porringers, 2 brass
skimmers, one frying pan, 2 tinnen dripping pans, one
cleaver and chopping knives, one cupboard and other
lumber all valued at 6 2 8

Item in the cellar eight barrels, five kivers and six tubs
all valued at 2 10 6

In the chamber over the parlour

2 feather beds, 2 feather bolsters and 4 pillows, one
Green rug, one arras coverlet, 5 blankets, one canopy,
one pair of curtains and valance, one tester, bedstead
with mat and cord, one livery bedstead with mat and
cord, one trunk, one chest, one little cupboard, 3 boxes,
2 desks, one box of draws, 2 leather chairs, one flag
bottomed chair, 2 andirons, one iron dog one, warming
pan, one pair of tongs and pair of bellows, 2 window
curtains, one turkey work cushion, 2 all valued at 12 13 8

Item several small pieces of plate valued at 13 15 00

Item the wearing apparel of the deceased valued at 10 00 00

Item money in his purse 06 06 00

Linen as follows

Item two pairs of sheets, ten pillow beres, 12 tablecloths,
4 dozen of napkins with all other linen all valued at 13 00 00

Item in the chamber over the buttery

One feather bed and bolster one green rug, 3 blankets,
one set of curtains and valance one standing bedstead
with mat and cord, two chests and one trunk, 2 little
joined tables and other lumber, 2 little pillows all valued at 8 10 0

Item in one great chest in this chamber over the buttery
one long satin cushion, one old piece of arras coverlet, 2

arras cushions, one bed tick, one piece of arras hanging all valued at	3	18	8
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Provisions in store in the house

Item 6 bushels of wheat, 4 bushels of malt, one flitch of bacon and half	2	3	4
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Item wood in the backside and about the house valued at	6	0	0
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Item the catalogue of books by estimation did amount to the sum of	28	0	0
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Item in debts due to the deceased	392	0	0
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Sum as	504	5	2
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Item money in his purse being added	6	6	0
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Item a lease of fourscore and nineteen years of a messuage in Upper Wallop if three lives shall so long live	120	0	0
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Item a lease of fourscore and nineteen years if three lives live so long in a messuage in Stockbridge	60	0	0
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Sum as	690	11	2
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These goods were appraised by us whose names are hereunto subscribed.

Edward Acton

John Price