

Thomas Edwards of Basingstoke, tanner 1696

Ref: Hants. RO 1691A/036

In the name of God Amen the nineteenth day of December AD 1695 and in the seventh year of the reign of William the Third over England etc., King etc., I Thomas Edwards of Basingstoke in the county of Southampton tanner being of perfect mind and memory (thanks be therefore given to Almighty God), do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner following. **First** and principally I commend my soul into the hands of Almighty God my Maker and Creator hoping that after this life is ended I shall be received into His everlasting kingdom through the merits, death and passion of Jesus Christ my Saviour and Redeemer and my body I commit to the earth to be buried by the discretion of my executor hereafter named. **And for** such temporal estate as it has pleased God to bestow upon me I give and dispose thereof as follows. **First** I will that my debts and funeral charges shall be paid and discharged by my executor.

Item I give unto my son Thomas Edwards one shilling.

Item I give unto my daughter Elizabeth one shilling.

All the rest and residue of my estate, goods and chattels (viz., all and every part of my goods and chattels be it of what nature, kind or quality soever) I give and bequeath unto my son Henry Edwards whom I make full and sole executor of this my last will and testament.

And I do hereby revoke, disannul and make void all former wills by me made and I will that none of them shall stand in force but this my said will. **In witness** whereof I the said Thomas Edwards have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year first above written.

Signed, sealed, published and declared
to be the last will and testament
of the said testator in the presence of

The mark of
Thomas Edwards

William Herne
John Austen
John Edwards
Aquila Clapshew

An inventory of the goods and chattels of Thomas Edward deceased viz., this 17th day of January 1695.

	£	s	d
Imprimis 55 cow hides and a parcel of bark with them for tanning them	55	0	0
Imprimis 6 loads of bark at	7	0	0
Imprimis 1 mare and panels and hay	2	0	0
Imprimis 1 millstone and her box, wooden horse and 1 shoot and bucket	1	0	0

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Imprimis in <i>the chamber</i> 2 flock beds and 1 rug and 1 coverlet and a bolster and 2 pillows and 1 pair <i>of</i> sheets and 5 napkins	2	0	0
Item 1 half headed bedstead, 2 chests, 1 box	0	15	0
Item 3 pewter platters and 1 kettle, 1 skillet, 1 warming pan, 1 iron pot and pot hooks and 2 pairs <i>of</i> cottenells, 1 pair <i>of</i> dogs, 1 pair of tongs and a spit	1	0	0
Imprimis 2 tables, 6 joined stools, 1 cupboard and a wooden chair and a stand and other lumber and 2 fleshing knives and a shave and working knife, 3 barrels, 2 kivers and a mashing tub and a pair <i>of</i> bellows	2	0	0
For wearing apparel and money in purse	1	5	0
Sum is	72	5	0

These goods appraised by us

Thomas Austen

William Herne

The mark of John Edwards