The Last Will and Testament of Henry Methuen of Bradford on Avon Will proved 30th July 1741

Probate Court of London
Original reference PCC Prob11/710

Testator:	Methuen	Henry	Bradford on Avon
Executors:			
Methuen	Elizabeth	Wife	

Beneficiaries		Relationship to	Other Information		
Surname	Given Names	testator			
Farmer	Benjamin	Friend			
Methuen	Ann	Sister			
Methuen	Barbara	Sister			
Methuen	Elizabeth	Sister			
Methuen	Elizabeth	Wife			
Methuen	Grace	Sister			
Methuen	Mary	Sister			
Methuen	Paul	Son			
Methuen	Sarah	Sister			
Poore	Edward	Friend	of Bradford-on-Avon		
Witnesses					
Clutterbuck	Clutterbuck Dan				
Harris	Jon				
Other Names					

In the Name of God Amen I Henry Methuen of Bradford in the County of Wilts Clothier being sick and weak in body but of sound disposing Mind and Memory (praised be God) do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner following That is to say ffirst and principally I resign my Soul into the Hands of Almighty God my Creator humbly hoping for a blessed Immortality through the Merits of my blessed Saviour Jesus Christ And my Body I desire may be decently buried at the Discretion of my Executrix herein after named And as to my Temporal Estate I give and dispose thereof as follows I give and bequeath unto my worthy ffriends Mr Edward Poore of Bradford in the said County of Wilts Clothier and Benjamin ffarmer of the City of Bristol Merchant (they acting in the Trust hereby reposed in them)the sum of ffifty Pounds apeice Item I give and bequeath unto the said Edward Poore and Benjamin ffarmer the Sum of two Thousand and seven Hundred Pounds In Trust to place out and continue the same at Interest And pay and apply the same for the benefit and Advantage of my Son Paul until he shall arrive to the Age of Twenty one Years And at such his Age I will the said Sum of

two Thousand and seven Hundred Pounds and what Interest may be then due for the same & be payable and paid to him my said Son And if my said Son shall happen to depart this Life before he shall arrive to the Age of Twenty one Years Then I will that the said Sum of two Thousand and seven Hundred Pounds and what Interest may be then due for the same be payable and paid to my six Sisters Sarah Barbara Elizabeth Grace Ann and Mary share and share alike Item I give to my trusty Servant Edward Sweet if he shall be living with me at the time of my Decease the Sum of fifty Pounds Item I give to all my Weavers that work to or for me at the time of my Decease the Sum of ffifty Pounds Twenty shillings a peice Item I give to all my Spinners that work to me at my Decease to sum of one Shilling each All the Rest and Residue of my Goods Chattels and Personal Estates my ffuneral Expences Debts and Legacys being first paid and discharged I give unto my loving wife Elizabeth Methuen and do hereby make and constitute her sole Executrix of this my Will revoking all former Wills Provided and my Will is that my said Trustees deduct and retain out of the Trust Money all his and their necessary Costs and Expences and that they shall not be answerable one for the other for more Money than shall actually come to their respective Hands or for the Loss of any of the Trust Money happening without their wilfull default In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my Hand and Seal the fourth day of July In the Year of our Lord One Thousand seven hundred and fforty one **Herry Methwery**

(Attestation Clause)

Jon Harrís_ Dan: Clutterbuck

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