

# *Last Will and Testament of William Henly of Brinkworth - 1617*



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In the name [of God Amen on the ..... ] daye [of] September in the years of the reign of our most gracious soveriegn Lord and Kinge James by [the] grace [of God of England] France and Ireland defender of the faith the fifteenth and of Scotland the one and fiftieth and in the year of [our Lord] God one thousand six hundred and seventeenth. I William Henly of Brinkworth in the county of Wilts yeoman being sick in body but hearty thanks I give to God therefore in perfect mind and memory do ordain and make this my testament containing herein my last will in forme following. First I give and bequeath my soul into the hands of Almighty God who made it and my body to be buried in the churchyard of Brinkworth aforesaid there to remain until the general day of judgement when my soul shall be joined to my body again to enter into everlasting life by a true and lively faith through Jesus Christ my redeemer and Saviour Amen. And as for my worldly goods I willingly dispose as followeth. First I give unto the poor people of the parish of Brinkworth 6s 8d to be distributed amongst them where most need shall be. Item I give towards the maintenance of the mother church of Sarum 12d. Item I give unto Thomas Henly my son five pounds of current English money, one cow, and one hundred of elm board laying in the barn. Item after the decease of my executrix I give more unto the said Thomas Henly my greatest brass cauldron. Item I give unto William Henly my son the sum of twenty pounds of current English money, at the end of two years next after my decease. Item I give more unto the said William Henly my son, my woodpine adjoining to the closeydate, the standing join bedstead in the chamber and my best brass pan, but my will is that my executrix shall have the use of the said bedstead and brass pan during her natural life. Item I give unto Jeffery Henly my son the sum of twenty pounds of like lawful money of England at the full end and term of three years after my decease, and the woodpine at the Streetyeate, the French bedstead standing in the loft over the buttery and my second best brass pan, but my will likewise is that my executrix shall have and use the said bedstead and brass pan during her life. Item I give unto Jayce Henly my daughter my best featherbed, a feather boulder, my best coverlet and one other white coverlet, a pair of canvas sheets and a pair of blankets and my third best brass pan. Item I give unto Agnes Henly my daughter the sum of ten pounds of lawful English money at the end of two years next after my decease. And after the decease of my executrix I give more unto the said Agnes Henly my daughter one flockbed, a flock boulder, a pair of white coverlets, a pair of canvas sheets and a pair of blankets. Item I give unto William Henly my godson one yearling heifer. Item I give unto William Taylor my godson one yearling heifer. Item I give unto Nicholas Panting my godson one yearling heifer. Item I give unto Anthony Taylor son of Thomas Taylor one chilver sheep. Item I give unto Mary Henly daughter of Thomas Henly one chilver sheep. Item to Alice Henly daughter of Thomas Henly I give one chilver sheep. Item I give unto Elizabeth Taylor my daughter after the decease of my executrix the frame of the tableboard in the chamber. Item I give unto Alice Taylor my daughter my red rug coverlet and a canvas sheet after my executrix decease. Item I give unto Katherin Panting my

daughter my biggest graned pewter platter. Item my will and meaning is that if any of my children or childrens children shall happen to decease before the time shall be expired that they should receive the legacies or gifts by me given, that then his or her legacies or gifts so deceased shall remain unto my executrix. All the rest of my goods and chattles both moveable and unmoveable not before by me given or bequeathed, my legacies and debts being paid and my funeral expenses ended, I will give and bequeath unto Alice my wife whom I make sole executrix of this my last will. Finally I ordain and make my well beloved in Christ to me, Thomas Henly my son, Anthony Taylor and Robert Panting my sons in law, overseers of this my last will to see that all things be performed according to the true intent and meaning hereof. These bearing witness being duly called The mark of William Henly William Clarke

David Lewen

Anthony Taylor his mark

Robert Panting his mark

Probate 14th April 1618

Wiltes A True and pfecte Inventory of all and singuler the goodes and chattells of William Hendly late of Brinckworth in the county aforesaid deceased taken and praised by Georg Penn Gentleman Robert Beale Thomas Lewen William Clarke and William Skull of Brinckworth aforesaid yeomen The Fiveth daye of Marche Anno domini 1617

Imprimis 19 mylch kyne	£49
Itm twooe heifers of thage of twooe yeres	£5
Itm Five yearlinge calves	£5
Itm twooe Mares	£7
Itm 20 Sheepe hogge	£5
Itm 10 ewes and lambes and 3 other sheepe	£6
Itm Twooe Sowe pigges	26s 8d
Itm The Tymber and Woode	£14
Itm The Hays	£8
Itm a cocke of Hay Thatche	2s
Itm Three Sheepe Skyns	5s

in the Hall

Itm The Table Board and forme and frame and Twooe cheyrs and one joyned stoole	13s 4d
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in the kytchen

Itm Three Brasse Potts 4 Brasse Panns and Three brasse kettles & posnette	£4
Itm twooe frying panns	3s

Itm a Gander and Twooe Geese 3s  
 Itm a payre of Iron Andirons and one Broche and a dripping pann 6s 8d  
 Itm a kibleinge Sawe & 3 Iron wedges 5s  
 Itm a Cheese Presse a Salting Trow and a Goose cubb 8s  
 Itm The couperry vessells 50s  
 Itm The Pewter vessells and 4 brasen candlstickes 50s

in the Inner chamber beneath

Itm a standinge Beddsteede a frame of a Board and a forme 30s

in the Whitehouse

Itm the earthen vessells and fower leather Bottles 8s  
 Itm certayne wheate Barly & Mault 20s  
 Itm certayne Wooll £9  
 Itm a waight of yearne 30s

in the chambers above

Itm fower Beddsteedes 15s  
 Itm one Fetherbedd 2 fether boulsters twooe flockebedds The blancketts and coverleaves £13 6s 8d  
 Itm 6 coffers a litle boxe to put clothes in and an old whitche 20s  
 Itm The butter and cheese £5  
 Itm The Tallow and candles 10s  
 Itm The Napery £4  
 Itm a Bible booke & other small bookes 12s  
 Itm his apparrell £10 3s  
 Itm Syxe Flichtes of Bacon and other Rowffe and Powdered meate £6  
 Itm a Redd Sadle a Side Sadle and a packe Sadle and Bridles 20s  
 Itm a Mault Myll 10s  
 Itm Twooe payre of hangles a paire of Billowes a fire shoule a hatchett  
 Billes Pickes and Rakes 10s  
 Itm certeyne ladders Spyning Tourns Tackes and Shilfes and other ymplements within and aboute the house  
 20s

Itm debtes oweinge as by bond appeareth £37 13s 4d  
 Itm more in money oweinge £7 6s 8d  
 Itm more in money £27 6s 8d

Sume £241 14s