

The will of Thomas Richards, Schoolmaster of Cowbridge, dated 7th., December 1703.

To his father John Richards, wearing apparel considered suitable by the testator's wife.

To his brother Evan Richards, wearing apparel considered suitable by the testator's wife.

The rest of his goods to his wife Joan Richards as executrix.

Signed by Thomas Richards.

Witnessed by Edward Howells, David David, Edward Powell.

Proved 28th., February 1704.

An Inventory of the goods belonging to Thomas Richards, Schoolmaster, of Cowbridge, dated 5th., January 1704.

	£.	s.	d.
His wearing apparel	5	0	0
His plate, brass and pewter	7	0	0
His linen and feather beds	15	0	0
The furniture in all the chambers	10	0	0
The furniture of the Hall with the chairs and tables	5	0	0
The furniture of the kitchen	2	0	0
His books of all sorts	2	0	0
Corn in the barn <i>wheat</i>	1	0	0
4½ acres of barley? in the ground	10	0	0
Implements of husbandry	5	0	0
6 milch cows	12	0	0
6 working oxen	14	0	0
11 hand of store cattle	11	0	0
2 stacks of hay	3	0	0
60 sheep of all sorts	9	0	0
4 small pigs	1	0	0
A horse and a mare	3	0	0
A small furnace	2	10	0
Total	117	10	0

In the name of God Amen the fourth day of November this year
 1703 I Thomas Richards, Bachelor of the Arts, scholer of the Kings schole of the town
 of Cambridge in the County of Gloucestre, being sick & weak in body
 but of sound & perfect memory & sense to give to God for the same
 & knowing the uncertainty of this life on earth & being desirous to
 to settle things in order, doe make this my last will & testament,
 in manner & following form following (that is to say) first &
 principally I commaund my soule to Almighty God, my Creator
 assuredly believing that I shall receive full pardon & forgiveness
 remission of all my sins to be judgd by the justnes I shall
 merit of my blessed saviour & Redeemer Christ Jesus & my
 body to the death from whence it was taken, to be buried in such
 place & Christian manner as my Executors hereafter named shall
 think fitt & convenient, and doe give the settling of my lawfull
 estate & such goods, Chattels & Debts, as it shall please God to
 bestow upon me, I doe order & dispose the same in manner &
 forme following (that is to say) I will that all those Debts or
 I owe to any person or persons whatsoever, shall be
 truly paid or Contented within convenient time after my
 death by my Executors hereafter named

Impairment I give & bequeath unto my father Jo: Richards, one
 wearing apparel of mine such as my wife shall think fitt,
 Item I give & bequeath unto my brother Tom Richards, one other
 apparel of mine, such as my wife shall think fitt

& Lastly as to the rest of my goods, Chattels & Chattels, I give &
 bequeath, unto my Loving wife Joan Richards, who I doe hereby
 make & appointe sole Executrix of this my last will & testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand & seals the
 day of November this year the thirtieth day of June 1703
 Tm Richards

Tested & delivered in the
 presence of us -
 Edward Howells
 David Davis
 God preserve

Thomas Richards

28th Feb^r Anno Domini 1703
 I am Richard's sole & Executrix in
 Testamento mort. Jur. & Coram me
 Franc. ...

It was and perfect Inventory of all & singular
 the goods parts & Chattels of Thomas Richards
 late Merchant of the ffine shire of Powys in
 the County of Glamorgan and Vicar of Ludlow dead
 and, valued & appraised the 5th day of January
 in the fourth year of the Reigne of Queen Anne
 of England & thus, Dec^r 1703

	£	s	d
Impress his wourning apparell	05	00	00
John his plate, Busse, & powder	07	00	00
John his Linnen & fawther goods	15	00	00
John the furniture of all the Chambers	10	00	00
John the furniture of the hall with the chairs & tables	05	00	00
John the furniture of the kitchen	02	00	00
John his Bookes of all sorts	02	00	00
John the Corn in the Barn	01	00	00
John four ewes & a half of sheep white in the ground	10	00	00
John Implements of husbandry	05	00	00
John six milch Cows	12	00	00
John six working oxen	14	00	00
John three head of flem Cattle	11	00	00
John two stacks of hay	03	00	00
John sixty sheep of all sorts	09	00	00
John four large small pigg	01	00	00
John one horse & one man	03	00	00
John one small gunnaw	02	10	00

Appraisors

Edward Bates

Thomas Phillips

John Barton

Ed. Powell

total sum — 117: 10: 00

28th Feb^r Anno Dni 1704

Joan Richards (Relicta & Executrix
 in Testament dict. def. noiat. Jurat
 sup. Veritate huius Inuentij

Coram me

Franc: Davids Sur

Exhibitur fuit huius Inuentum apud
 Ludlowe Vicesimo Octavo die mensis Feb^r Anno
 Dni millisio Septingentesimo tertio iuxta de ff
 Joannam Richards Relictam & Executrix de Veritate
 sub prestatore tamen de addendo de Si de.