

LL/1649/16 Robert Estance of Llansannor

Will dated 18th December 1637

no inventory enclosed

no probate stamp on will.

bequests

to the cathedral church of Llandaff one shilling

to my parish church one shilling, to my forgotten tythes one shilling, to the poor of my parish , ten shillings

to my daughter Janette Robert, the lease of my house at Cowbridge with its appurtenances for her life, then to her son Llewelin Pierce for his life, and after to Jane Pierce for her natural life.

to my grandchild Jane Pierce, ten pounds.

To my daughter Janett Robert, four bushels of barley , delivered by my executrix to her weekly by two pecks each week, and two blankets

to my son Richard Robert, my chest with all my writings, an iron grate and a set of silver buttons to be delivered to him the day after my funeral.

to my grandchild Estance Richard twenty shillings.to Evan Richard, twenty shillings to Robert Richard, twenty shillings.

to my daughter Catherine Robert, all my household stuff and two kine.

to my grandchild Gibbon ab Evan twenty shillings, to Estance ab Evan , twenty shilling to Watkin ab Evan ,twenty shillings, to John ab Evan ,twenty shillings and to Jane Jevan ,twenty shillings.

to my grandchild John Cooke, twenty shillings, to Estance Cooke, twenty shillings and to Isaac Cooke, twenty shillings

to my said grandchildren , John Cooke, four ewes, Estance Cooke, three ewes and Isaac Cooke , three ewes

to my executrix (his grandchild Alys Lewis) two acres of land commonly called "y kaë dan y ffordd" lying in llansannor and a meadow of half an acre called "gwayn y groes"

but if his heir pays twenty pounds to Alys Lewis (not clear who the heir is)

the heir may enter those lands. He also asks the executrix to pay the twenty pounds to five of his grandchildren when they reach twenty one years of age. ~~these children~~

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These five children are named as the children of Thomas Pierce and his daughter Janett Robert. Llewelin, Evan, Estance, Margaret and Johan Pierce.

They are to have four pounds each. The interest of the twenty pounds is also to be paid to Jenett Robert, for their maintenace,until they reach full age. If any die their share to be divided.

Alys Lewis is appointed sole executrix, and she is to have the whole residue of the estate. His brother Rees Estance and his son-in-law Lewis David to be overseers of will.

Witnesses

Edward Jones ,clerk.

Rees Estance

Lewis David

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debts due to testator from Evan Gibbon £1,16s 0d.

In the name of God Amen the eighteenth day of ~~October~~ December,  
Anno Dni 1637. I Robert Estance of Langamar within the Diocese of  
Landaffe, sicke in body but of good & perfect remembrance, Land and  
praise be unto Almighty God, doe make & ordame this my last will, and  
Testament, in manner and forme following, first & principally I comend  
my soule to the Almighty God my maker & redeemer, & my body to be interred  
in christian buriall. Item I give & bequeathe towards the Cathedrall Church  
of Landaffe i<sup>s</sup>. Item towards my parish church i<sup>s</sup>. Item towards my  
forgotten tythes i<sup>s</sup>. Item to the ~~parish~~ <sup>poore</sup> of my parish x<sup>s</sup>. Item I  
doe hereby give devise & bequeathe to my Daughter Jonett Robert, the  
lease of my house at Cowbridge with all & singular th<sup>e</sup> appertinances  
hereto belonging for & during her naturall life, & after her decease to  
her son Hen<sup>ry</sup> Pierce for & during his naturall life, & the remander  
after his decease to Jane Pierce for & during her naturall life.  
Item I give Land bequeath to my grand-child Jane Pierce x<sup>s</sup>. to be  
paid unto her by my executrix hereafter named within the space of  
three monthes after my Decease. Item I doe appoint my executrix  
to deliver unto my said daughter Jonett Robert foure bushells of  
barley delivermg the same unto her weekly, viz: two shecks every weeke  
as long as the said foure Bushells endure. Item I give to my said  
daughter Jonett two Blanketts. Item I give & bequeathe to my son  
Richard Robert my chest with all my writings, an Iron grate, and a  
set of silver buttons, to be delivered unto him the next day after my  
decease. Item I give & bequeathe to my ~~son~~ grand-child Estance Richard  
xx<sup>s</sup>. to Evan Richard xx<sup>s</sup>. & to Robert Richard xx<sup>s</sup>. to be paid to them  
by my executrix hereafter named within the space of three monthes  
after my decease the parents discharging my executrix. Item I  
give & bequeathe to my daughter Cathern Robert all my household  
stufte together with two kins. Item I give & bequeathe to my grand-  
child Gibbon ab Evan xx<sup>s</sup>. to Estance ab Evan xx<sup>s</sup>. to Joathim  
ab Evan xx<sup>s</sup>. to John ab Evan. xx<sup>s</sup>. & to Jane Evan, to be paid  
unto them by my executrix aforesaid, their parents also discharging  
my executrix. Item I give & bequeathe to my grand-child John  
Cooke xx<sup>s</sup>. to Estance Cooke xx<sup>s</sup>. & to Isaac Cooke xx<sup>s</sup>. to be  
paid likewise unto them by my executrix within the space of three  
monthes after my decease their parents likewise discharging my  
executrix. I doe also give & bequeathe to my said grand-children  
to John Cooke foure ewes, to Estance Cooke three ewes, and to  
Isaac Cooke three ewes to be delivered and paid unto them by  
my executrix within three monthes after my decease their parents  
discharging my executrix as aforesaid. Item I give devise and  
bequeathe unto my executrix hereafter named, & to her heires & assignes  
for ever all that parcell of Lands Containmg by estimation two Acres  
commonly called y<sup>e</sup> Kae dan y<sup>e</sup> Fordd, lying in Langamar, & one parcell  
of Land containmg by estimation halfe an acre, lying in one meadow  
called gwayn y<sup>e</sup> groes, to have and to hold the said mentioned premises

unto my said executrix her heires & assignes for ever, upon condition  
that if my heire shall pay xx<sup>th</sup> of lawfull English money unto  
my said executrix or her assignes, before the end of one whole yeare after  
my decease that then it shall be lawfull for him his heires & assignes  
to enter & to have the said lands. Item my will is that my said  
executrix shall deliver & pay the said xx<sup>th</sup> to five of my grand-child-  
-dren, the children of Thomas Pierce & my daughter Jonett Robert  
aforesaid when they shall come to full age as follows, viz: iiii<sup>th</sup> to  
Hen<sup>ry</sup> Pierce. iij<sup>th</sup> to Fran<sup>cis</sup> Pierce. iij<sup>th</sup> to Estance Pierce. iij<sup>th</sup> to  
Margerett Pierce & iij<sup>th</sup> to Joh<sup>an</sup> Pierce. and in case any of these  
children die in the meane time, that his or their part be equally  
divided amongst the rest surviving; & also if my executrix doe yearly  
pay y<sup>e</sup> age of the said xx<sup>th</sup> to my daughter Jonett Robert, the  
mother of the said children for & towards their maintenance, & if  
so be that God calleth away their mother, I will that the use of  
the said money be paid to the over-seers of this my last will &  
~~of the~~ testament for & towards the onely use of the said  
children. Item I doe hereby nominate & appoint my Grandchild  
Alice Lewis to be my whole & onely executrix, & I give & bequeathe  
unto her all the residue & remainder of my goods, cattells & chattells  
moveable & immoveable, hereby not given & bequeathed. And I doe  
pray & humbly desire my trusty & welbelov'd ~~brother~~ brother  
Rees Estance & my son in law Lewis David to be over-seers  
of this my last will & testament to see the same in all points  
performed. In witness whereof I have hereunto sett my hand.

Witnesses

Edward Jones Clerke

Rees Estance

Lewis David

R. E.

Debts due to the Testator  
from Fran<sup>cis</sup> Gibbon. i<sup>th</sup> 20<sup>th</sup>