

In the Name of God Amen I **Thomas Bunce** of Stevensdown Warren in the Parish of **Liddington** in the county of Wilts Warrener being weak in body but of sound disposing mind Memory and understanding (thanks be to God for the same and considering the uncertainty of this transitory life do make Publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say First I desire that all my just debts funeral and Testamentary Charges be paid and discharged by the Trustees and Executors of this my Will Also I give ^{and bequeath} unto my Nephew **John Bunce** Son of **John Bunce** Labourer All that my Tenement Heredit and Builduings wherein I now dell at Stevensdown Warren aforesaid and which I now hold by Lease of [gap] together with all and singular my Stock of Rabbets and every utensil and Implement matter and thing generally made use of and employed by me in manageing and conducting the Rabbets at or upon the said Warren to hold to him the said **John Bunce** my Nephew his Executors Administrators and Assigns for and during all the Term Estate and Interest I have therein under the said Lease but charged and chargeable and I do hereby charge the said Stock of Rabbets with the payment of an Annuity yearly Rent or Sum of twenty pounds which I hereby give unto the said **John Bunce** the Father during so long time as my said Nephew **John Bunce** shall continue the occupancy of the said warren payable Quarterly (that is to say) the twenty fifth day of March twenty fourth day of June twenty ninth day of September and the twenty first day of December in every year the first payment thereof to begin and be made on such of the said days or times as shall first and next happen after my decease and it is my will and desire that in case the said Annuity or yearly Rent or sum of twenty Pounds or any part thereof shall at any time during the occupancy of the said warren by my said Nephew John Bunce be behind or unpaid by the space of twenty days next over or after any or either of the said days of payment whereon the same is hereinbefore directed to be paid as aforesaid being lawfully demanded that then and so often ir shall and may be lawful to and for the said **John Bunce** the father and his Assigns to enter upon the said Stock of Rabbets ay Stevensdown Warren aforesaid hereby charged with the said Annuityy as aforesaid to distrain for the same Annuity or so much thereof as shall be ^{so} in Arrear and the distress and distresses then and there dound to detain and keep until he shall be fully paid and satisfied all such Arrears of the said Annuity with costs and charges in and about the making and keeping the said distress for the same Provided that in case my said Nephew **John Bunce** shall be hereafter deprived of the future occupancy of the said warren that then and in that case I give the said Stock of Rabbits and Premises thereto belonging unto my said Nephew **John Bunce** and **John Bunce** the Father to be equally divided between them share and share alike Also I give unto the said **John Bunce** my Nephew and to my kinsman **Thomas Read** my Carthorses and Cows as shall happen to be upon the said Warren to be divided and delivered to them by my trusty friends as hereinafter mentioned as soon as conveniently may be next after my Interment Also I give unto my Nephew **John Bunce** two Coney Carts one Waggon one plough and three harrows together with one half of my household Goods and Furniture (except Plate and China) to be delivered to him as soon as conveniently may be next after my Interment Also I give unto my dear and ever loving Wife **Nanny Bunce** the other half of my household Goods and Furniture together with all my Plate and China (except such Plate and China Goldrings Silver Punch Lable and Silver Spoons that were formerly my Uncles and Aunts of Lodge) to be delivered to her my said Wife as soon as conveniently may be next after my Interment Also I give unto my Sister **Mary** Wife of **Joseph Coleman** of **Aldbourne** in the county of Wilts in the County of Wilts Yeoman such Plate and China Goldrings Silver Punch Ladle and Silver Spoons that where formerly my Uncles and Aunts of Lodge to be delivered to her by my said Trustees immediately after my Interment Also I give and bequeath unto my Kinsman **Thomas Read** All that my other Tenement and Premises called Aldbourn Chase Warren which I hold by Lease of [gap] together with all and Singular my Stock of Rabbits and every Utensil and Implement matter and thing generally made use of or employed by me in manageing and conducting the Rabbets in the said Warren together with All my household goods and Furniture in or upon the said Tenement and Also

two Coney Carts and one Waggon to hold to him the said **Thomas Read** his Executors Administrators and Assigns for and during all the Term Estate and Interest I have therein under the said Lease subject nevertheless to and charged and chargeable and I do hereby charge the said last mentioned Stock of Rabbets and Premises with the Payment of two several Annuities Yearly Rent or Sums of thirteen Pounds and thirteen Pounds hereinafter mentioned (that is to say) I give unto **Grace Read** wife of **William Read** of Lodge farm in ^{the} said Parish of Aldbourne and County of Wilts aforesaid Gentleman an Annuity Yearly Rent or Sum of thirteen Pounds during the said **Thomas Read**s continuation of the said Warren payable half yearly (that is to say) the twenty fifth day of March and the twenty ninth day of September by equal portions the first payment thereof to begin on such of the said days as shall first and next happen after my decease Also I give unto **William Read** Brother of the said **Thomas Read** an Annuity Yearly Rent or Sum of thirteen Pounds during so long time as the said Thomas Read shall continue the occupancy of the said warren payable Quarterly (that is to say) the twenty fifth day of March the twenty fourth day of June the twenty ninth day of Septamber and the twenty first day of December in every year by even and equal portions the first payment thereof to being and be made on such of the said days or times as shall first and next happen after my decease and it is my will that in case the said Annuity or Yearly Rents or Sums of thirteen Pounds and thirteen Pounds or Any Part thereof shall at any time during the occupancy of the last mentioned Warren by the said **Thomas Read** be behind or unpaid by the space of twenty days next over or after any or either of the said days of payment whereon the same is hereinbefore directed to be paid as aforesaid being lawfully demanded that then and so often it shall and may be lawful to and for the said **Grace Read** and **William Read** and their Assigns to enter upon the said Stock of Rabbets upon Aldbourne Chase Warren aforesaid and to distrain for the same Annuities or so much thereof as shall be so in Arrear and the distress and distresses then and there found to detain and keep until they shall be fully paid and satisfied all such Arrears of the said Annuities with Costs and charges in and about the making and keeping the said distress for the same respectively Provided also that ^{if} in case the said Thomas Read shall happen to be deprived of the future occupancy of the said warren that then and in that case I direct the said Stock of Rabbets and Premises thereto belonging to be equally divided between the said **Thomas Read** and his Brother the said **William Read** and their Mother the said **Grace Read** to be equally divided between them share and share alike Also I give and bequeath unto **Thomas Pike** son of **Thomas Pike** of **Great Bedwin** in the County of Wilts Yeoman and **Ann** his Wife (since deceased) all and singular my Qiromis[??] that shall be deposited and in the custody of Mess^{rs} Hamocks Bankers **Marlborough** and also all my Capital Sum or Bank Stock by me invested in the three per Cents Consolidated transferable at the Bank of England and also all my Bond debts all which said Monies Bond debts and Bank Stock I direct to be paid and transferred to the said **Thomas Pike** by my said Trustees and Executors hereinafter named within one Year next after my decease Also I do direct my Trusty Friends the said **Joseph Coleman** and **Thomas Vasey** of Barbary Farm in the said County Yeoman and the Survivor of them his Executors or Administrators as soon as conveniently may be next after my decease absolutely to sell and dispose of all and singular my Stock in Trade Live and dead Stock and other Effects that shall be standing lying and being in upon or about my three bargains and premises (that is to say) Adams's **Woodsend** and S?unsdew and ?? thereby arising to be equally divided between **William Bunce Ann Challis Mary Locke** and **Elizabeth Bunce** share and share alike and that the Receipts of the said **Ann Challis** and **Mary Locke** shall be sufficient discharges in the Law to my said Trustees and Executors for their said shares accordingly Also I give unto my said Wife **Nanny Bunce** the use and occupation of Holdups House for and during the Term of her natural life or as long as she shall continue my Widow she committing no waste spoil or destruction thereon And I do alsI give unto my said Wife **Nanny Bunce** she continuing my Widow one Annuity yearly Rent or Sum of thirty Pounds of lawful British Money free from all Taxes whatsoever the said Annuity to be chargeable and charged on and issuing

and payable out of my two bargains calls Adams's and Woodsend by two equal payments (that is to say) the twenty fifth day of March and twenty ninth day of September in every year the first payment thereof to begin and be made in such of the said days as shall first happen next after my decease and it is my will and desire that in case the said Annuity or yearly Rent or sum of thirty Pounds or any part thereof shall at any time during her Widowhood be behind or unpaid by the space of twenty days next over or after either of the ^{afore}said days of payment whereon the same is herein before directed to be paid as aforesaid being lawfully demanded that then and so often it shall and may be lawful to and for my said Wife and her Assigns to enter upon the said two bargains and Premises hereby charged with the said Annuity as aforesaid and to distrain for the same Annuity or so much thereof as shall be so in Arrear and the distress and distresses then and there found to detain and keep until she shall be fully paid and satisfied all such Arrears of the said Annuity with costs said charges in and about the making and keeping the said distress for the same Also I give unto my kinsman **Thomas Bunce** the residue and remainder of the Rents Issues and Profits of my sons two Bargains called Adams's and Woodsend after deducting thereout all due Taxes repairs and other outgoings of the said premises To hold to him the said **Thomas Bunce** during the life of my said Wife **Nanny Bunce** or so long as she shall continue my Widow and no longer Provided and it is my express Will and desire that if my said Wife **Nanny Bunce** shall happen to continue my Widow that then and in that case she shall have power to dispose of the sum of two hundred pounds payable within three Months from her decease to any Person or Persons and in such proportions Sum or Sums of Money as she shall by her last Will and Testament or by any Deed or Writing to be by her signed in the presence of two or more credible Witnesses give direct or appoint and I do hereby charge my said Estate calls Woodends with the payment of the said sum of two hundred Pounds Accordingly but if my said Wife shall happen to marry then I give her the sum of two hundred pounds accordingly to be paid within one Month from the solemnization of the said Marriage said that the said Annuity of thirty pounds per year use and occupation of Holdups House shall immediately cease decontinue and be utterly void to all Intents and purposes any thing herein contained to the contrary notwithstanding Also I give and devise unto the said **Thomas Bunce** and **John Bunce** my Freehold bargain called Adams's bargain and also Holdups house with the Appurtenances To hold to them the said **Thomas Bunce** and **John Bunce** immediately from the decease of my said Wife or her second Marriage their Heirs and Assigns for ever as Tenants in Common and not as joint Tenants Also I give and devise unto my Nephew **Thomas Coleman** my Freehold bargain called Woodsend together with another little bargain called Demised with five cow commons thereto belonging to hold to him my said Nephew **Thomas Coleman** his Heirs and Assigns for ever but subject nevertheless to the payment of the said sum of two hundred Pounds to my said Wife in manner aforesaid And as to all the rest and residue of my Goods Chattles Effects and personal Estate whatsoever and wheresoever not by me hereinbefore disposed of I give unto the said **Thomas Coleman** and I do hereby make constitute and appoint my said ^{two} trusty Friends **Joseph Coleman** and **Thomas Veysey** Executors of this my Will and do also give unto each of them the sum of ten Guineas as a small acknowledgement for the trouble and care they will have in the Execution of this my Will and I do hereby revoke all former and other Wills by me made and do declare this to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said **Thomas Bunce** the Testator have to this my Will contained in six sheets of paper set my hand and at the bottom of the first five preceding sheets and my hand and seal to this sixth and last sheet this seventh day of February in the Year of Our Lord one thousand Seven hundred and ninety five *Tho^s Bunce* [seal] Signed Sealed Published and declared by the said Testator Thomas Bunce as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto the Erasures on the sixth seventh ninth tenth fourteenth and twentieth lines of third sheet hereof and the word Thirtieth written on the said Lines and the Interlineations made bwteen the sixth and seventh

lines of the fourth sheet hereof being first made *Mary Porter Elizabeth Welsh*[?] *Jn*
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This Will was proved at London the twenty ninth day of October in the Year of Our Lord one thousand seven hundred and ninety five before the Right Honorable Sir William Wynne Knight Doctor of Laws Master Keeper or Commissary of the Preorgative Court of Canterbury lawfully constituted by the Oaths of Joseph Coleman and Thomas Vaisey by mistake in the Will written Veysey the Executors named in the said Will to whom administration was granted of all and singular the Goods Chattles and Credits of the deceased having been first sworn by Commission duly to Administer