

The will of Richard Bassett, yeoman, of Llanblethian dated 24th., January 1737.

To his servant maid, Mary Cole, the feather bed in the little room below with appurtenances, a little brass pot and kettle next to the best, a crock and a little possnet with a bow to hang it by, two pewter dishes and six spoons, two joint stools standing under the great table, a box lying in the chamber with R and B on the side and all that is in it, all his late wife's wearing apparel, a trestle lying in the chamber and £2 per annum paid quarterly and a further £5 to be paid to her and her heirs within six months of his death.

To his nephew Richard Lewis £1 1s. on condition that he consented to Bassett being buried in the grave of his first wife Ann Crook. The executors are given consent to buy a grave stone.

To his nephew Richard Bassett 11 acres of customaryhold land and after his death to his son Richard Bassett and his heirs.

To the poor of Llanblethian £1 to be distributed at Christmas.

To the poor of Cowbridge £1 in similar manner.

All the rest of his goods to his nephew Richard Bassett as executor.

The mark of Richard Bassett.

Witnessed by Alexander William, Jenkin David, Jane Thomas.

Proved 2nd., October 1739.

An inventory of the goods belonging to Richard Bassett, barber, of Llanblethian, made by Richard Lewis and Jenkin David on 12th., May 1739.

His wearing apparel	4- 0- 0
Furniture in the hall	8- 0- 0
Furniture in the little room	2- 0- 0
Furniture in the chamber	1-10- 0
	15-10- 0

In the Name of god amen I Richard Bassett of the parish of Lambethian and Diocess of Landaff yeoman being in good health of body and of sound and perfect memory thanks be to god for it doe make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner and form following first of all: I comend my soul into the hands of almighty god who gave it: and I commit my body to earth to indecent manner att of discretion of my executor hereafter named: and as for all such temporall estate as it hath pleased almighty god to bestow upon me I give and dispose thereof as followeth:

First I will that my debts and funerall charges shall be paid and discharged: Item I doe give and bequeath to Mary Cole my servant Maid one feather-bed that is in the litte roome below with all things belonging to it and also one litte brass pot and litte hexet to it best and one brook and a litte pofanoit with a bow to it to hang it and two pewter dishes and six spoons and also two joint stools standing under a great table and likewise I give to the afore said Mary Cole one box lying in my chamber with R and B on the side and all that is within it and also I do give all my wearing apparell of my late wife Linens and woolen and likewise one trestel lying in my chamber and also I doe give to the said Mary Cole a sum of two pounds per annum during her naturall life to be paid quarterly paymt after my decease by my executor hereafter named and likewise the sum of five pounds to be paid to the said Mary six months after my decease to her and her heirs for ever Item I do give and bequeath to my Nephew Richard Lewis a sum of one pound one shilling upon condition that my body by his consent shall be buried ~~in~~ in my grave of my first wife Anne Crook and that my executor is to have consent to lay a grave stone over me Item

I do give to my Nephew Richard Bassett eleven acres of customary hold land during his naturall life and after his decease and behoof of Richard Bassett his son: and his customary heirs for ever lastly I doe give to the poor of my parish Lambethian a sum of one pound to be distributed at Crismasse after my decease and also to the poor of my town of Cowbridge a sum of some: all the rest and residue of my personal goods and chattels whatsoever I do give and bequeath to my Nephew Richard Bassett full and sole executor of this my last will and testament and ~~in~~ In witness whereof I have sett my hand and seal this twenty fourth day of January in the year of our lord 1736

Richard Bassett

Sealed and delivered in the presence of us

Alexander William  
Jane Thomas  
Benhur David

October the 2<sup>d</sup> 1739

Richard Bassett the nephew and Executor in  
this will named does solemnly swear and  
faithfully to execute the same to the truth of  
the Inventory &c and to render an account &c  
before me William Harry Surrogate

This will was proved at Cambridge upon the second day of October  
in the year of our Lord Christ 1739. before the Reverend M<sup>r</sup>  
William Harris Senior the Chancellor's Surrogate by Richard  
Bassett the nephew and Executor in this will sworn as follows  
first upon the holy Evangelists to personally swear well and  
faithfully to execute the same to the truth of the Inventory &c  
and to render a just account of his administration &c when  
thereunto lawfully required.

An Inventory of all and  
 Singular the Goods, and Chattels of  
 Richard Bassett late of the parish  
 of Lanblethian in the County of  
 Glamorgan and Diocess of Landaffe  
 Barber, deceased, made valued and  
 appraised the Twelfth day of May in  
 the Year of our Lord Christ 1739. by  
 Richard Lewis, and Jenkin David appraisers  
 as follows, that is to say.

First His wearing apparell	} £ <sup>11</sup> s <sup>00</sup> d <sup>00</sup>
valued at	
Also Furniture in the Hall at	00 <sup>00</sup> s <sup>00</sup> d <sup>00</sup>
Also Furniture in the little room	} 04 <sup>00</sup> s <sup>00</sup> d <sup>00</sup>
Lastly Furniture in the Chamber at	01 <sup>00</sup> s <sup>00</sup> d <sup>00</sup>

Summ. Total 15<sup>00</sup> s<sup>00</sup> d<sup>00</sup>

Exhibited at Cowbridge upon the second day of  
 October in the year of our Lord Christ 1739. by  
 Richard Bassett the nephew and executor of the true  
 and perfect Inventory, sent under protestation of  
 adding if any more of the decedents effects shall  
 hereafter come to his hands, possession or  
 Knowledge.