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which I rather desired; but if it cannot be with Dominick my, to some other Trade,  
 which said summe shall equally be divided betwene them, and the  
 heirs of the said John, and the managing of the said bindings, from out shall be all  
 the disposal of the Mayor and Bayliffe of Oxford, for the time being, successively,  
 in the full performance of which trust if they make default in not performing  
 of it every year, or placing out with the said bonds, that are not the said John,  
 of power, power, my will is that the said bonds shall be forfeited, and  
 the said summe to be used for the use of Christ's hospitall in London. Item I bequeath  
 unto my Cousin Robert Thomas all my books which I have at London, or Oxford earnestly  
 requesting him that for my sake hee would not part with any of them. Item I devise  
 unto the said Robert Thomas in Divinitie the summe of Ten poundes for a year of  
 plate. Item I devise unto M<sup>r</sup>. John Harper, M<sup>r</sup>. Roger Hughes, M<sup>r</sup>. Francis Waterhouse  
 M<sup>r</sup>. George Hughes Ten poundes a year to be laid out in Rings; Item I devise  
 unto the said John of M<sup>r</sup>. John Westcomb late Cittizen of London Ten poundes a  
 year more my will is shall be laid out for him in books that concern religion,  
 and of the said my will I make my Cousin Robert Thomas sole executor, but if my  
 Cousin Robert be dead before I make and appoint my Cousin Thomas alone  
 of himselfe my Executor. Witness my hand and seal the ffifteenth of June, One  
 thousand six hundred thirtie Nine. William Thomas Sealde and delivered in the  
 presence of William Hudson. /

**Robatum** fuit testamentum superscriptum apud London coram  
 venerabili viro Magistro Wilhelmo Smeke legum doctore Surogato venerabilis viri  
 Domini Henrici Marten iudicis totius civitatis Oxonie pro rogato dante iudice  
 custodia dno commissarij tunc constituti. Natusque quinto die mensis Augusti  
 Anno dno millimo sexcentesimo tricesimo nono. Juxta Roberti Thomae executoris  
 in huius testamento nominati. Qui Commissa sunt administrare omnia et singula bona  
 sua et hereditaria dicti defuncti. Et bene et fideliter administranda eadem ad sancta  
 dei Evangelia juravit. /

**In ams deo** this first day of April Anno dno 1639.  
 Anno dno dno regis Caroli quintodecime. /

**Testrange**  
**Mordant.** /

**Testrange Mordant of London**  
 do hereby make and ordaine this my last will and testament in manner and forme  
 followinge first I commend my soule into the hande of Almighty God desiringe  
 pardon for all my sinnes and manifold offences hopinge to be saved through the  
 merits of Christ Jesus my onlie Saviour and redeemer p<sup>u</sup>blis prayngs, his  
 precious blood may wash away all my transgressions whereby I may once be  
 purged to be y<sup>e</sup>ptor of his blessed Kingdome, which he purchased for mee that upon  
 it shall please God to send me Crown p<sup>u</sup>ll of death I may be prepared with  
 of his children with his eyes in my sinns to meete him at his cominge either by  
 daye of death or iudg<sup>u</sup>. And for my temporall estate which God hath lent mee in  
 this world I bequeath it into the hande of my lovinge brother John Mordant and  
 myny Mordant whom I constitute and ordaine my onlie executor first I  
 will and bequeath unto my lovinge brother Robert Mordant and my Sister Mary  
 Cherrwoods threescore poundes to be paid from the said summe a year equally  
 eight months after my death. Secondly I will and bequeath unto my lovinge brother

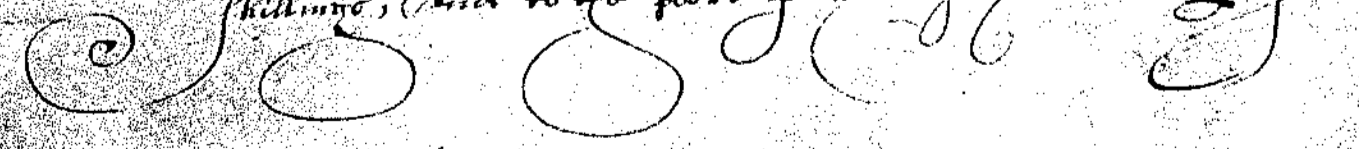
John Mordant and hundred Pound, and Twentie Pound to my Godsome Sonne  
Mordant the sonne of my brother John Mordant, and the said Twentie pound to  
remaine in the hande of my brother John Mordant untill he come to the age of  
Twentie and one yeare, and then to payd to my Godsome Sonne Mordant with all  
such advauntages as may bee made there of. And my debts being paid and my  
legacies discharged I will that all the rest of my good chattels and tenures and  
hereditaments whatsover shall be equally divided betwixt my two other brothers  
Henry Mordant and George Mordant within three monethes after my death. In  
witness whereof I the said Sr. Strange Mordant have made this my last will and  
testament in writing the first daie of Aprill: for the day and yeare first aboves  
written. Sr. Strange Mordant, Sealed and delivered in perfect health and memory  
in the presence of Thomas Clarke, Thomas Wittie Junr.

**Probatum.** This testament in Suprascriptum apud London. coram  
venerabilibus viris magistris: Willmo. Bird leuincostone. Surogato. venerabilibus  
viris domini Henrici Marten militis legum etiam doctoris David. de Aquilino. Pauli  
magistri Custodie vice domini Thome constituti. Sexto die mensis Augusti. Anno  
Dni. millesimo quingentesimo tertio. M. D. LIII. Juramento Johannis Mordant et Henrici  
Mordant executoribus in eius testam. nominatis quibus Domina fuit administratrix summi  
et singularium bonorum suorum et hereditarium dicti defuncti. De bonis et fideliter administrandis  
datis ad pre. dei Evangelia fuerat. / . / . 1. 1. 1.

C. dne Gweme  
Truse.

In the name of God Amen.

I the said and Twentie daie of Julij. In the presence of our Lord God  
and thousand six hundred thirtie eight. I have given and bequeathed  
in the Countie of Cardigan, and Diocese of St. Davids, widowe (the last and  
late wife of Sr. Richard Wittie of Crogerston aforesaid and Countie aforesaid  
Knight deceased) not trustinge her frailtie and uncertainties of his mortall life  
yet being in health of bodie, and of perfect memory londe, and prayerfull to the  
Almightie God, doe make constitute and ordaine this my last will and  
testament containing heronin my last will in manner and forme followinge.  
First I bequeath and committ my soule unto Almighty God and my  
mercifull Creator redemer and Justifier who, as by his Almighty power hee  
created it of nothing, redeemed it when it was worse than nothing, and sanctified  
it with those holy graces and good gifts, which it pleased his goodness to induce  
unto. And my assured confidence and beleefe is that of his owne mercy and  
through his merits, of Christ, sufferinge when it shall please him to separate  
his soule from his bodie, he will glorifie it with his saints, and Angels in his  
heavenly Kingdome: and at the last day give a joyfull resurrection to his frail  
bodie, where both of them united by his divine power shall forever parte of  
his heavenly joyes, And my bodie to be interred in Christian buriall with in the  
chappell of the Church of St. Davids aforesaid. Item I give towards  
the reparacion of the Church of St. Davids aforesaid. shillings and towarde  
the reparacion of the Church of Apperill of Aberystwyth I give and bequeath forty  
shillings, And I give and bequeath towarde the reparacion of the Church of Aberystwyth  
the summe of ffive poundes. Item I give and bequeath towarde the  
reparacion of the Church of St. Davids aforesaid the summe of ffive  
shillings, And to the poor of the last mentioned parish, and of the said



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