

Will of George Makepeace (Deddington)

I George Makepeace of Deddington in the County of Oxon mercer being of perfect memory but weak in body do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following Imprimis I give and bequeath unto my son Joseph Makepeace all my freeland lying and being in the fields? of Hempton in the parish of Deddington entering thereon at the age of one and twenty years if the said Joseph Makepeace shall pay unto his three sisters Mary Elizabeth and Sara Makepeace twenty pounds to each of them of lawful English money they being at the full age of one and twenty years then my will is that the aforesaid land shall remain to my son Joseph and his heirs for ever Item I give and bequeath unto my son Thomas Makepeace my house being freeland lying and being in the Church lane in Deddington with one cowes common thereto belonging if the aforesaid Thomas Makepeace shall pay unto his said brother Jobe Makepeace ten pounds of lawful English money at the age of one and twenty years then the aforesaid Thomas to enter therein at the age of one and twenty years and to be to him and his heirs for ever Item I give and bequeath unto my son Jobe Makepeace one acre of freeland lying near Cooper's bush? In the fields of Deddington entering thereon at the age of one and twenty years to him and his heirs for ever. Item I give and bequeath unto my son John Makepeace the lease of my house in Church Lane which was formerly William Scroggs and his assignes to enter thereupon at the age of one and twenty years to him and his heirs for ever Item I give and bequeath unto my four younger children Samuel Makepeace, Nathaniel Makepeace George Makepeace and William Makepeace twenty pounds a year to be paid unto each of them at the age of one and twenty years and of my aforesaid children mentioned in my will should die before the age of one and twenty years then the portion or portions of the aforesaid child or children equally to be divided amongst the rest

All the rest of my goods not formerly disposed of I give and bequeath to my wife Anne Makepeace whom I make and appoint my whole executor she paying my debts Furthermore I give to my daughter Mary Makepeace ten pounds of lawful English Money to receive a twelve month after mine decease and legacies to my younger children I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand

and seal this thirteenth day of July one thousand six hundred fifty and four

George Makepeace sealed and subscribed in the presence of George French William Gibbs Solomon

French Thomas Rowse Edward Lowes.