I will and bequeath unto William Pearnell one Milch Cow besides what he hath already, to take her off the Barren Island, as also one Iron Pott, Two hilling and two winding hoes, with two falling axes — Three thousand hippenny nailes, and Two hundred of Twenty penny nailes with a flock or wool bed, or Canvas and wool to make him one, — with a ragg and a blanket, Clothes, with shoes sufficient for one year, three barrels of Corne, and one breeding Sow, and to be fitt for himself the Twentieth of December next.

I give unto my Kinsman John Doffy, besides the Land before mentioned goods to the value of Twenty pounds sterling, to be delivered him in such goods as he shall think most usefull for him, either out of the goods in the house already, or of the goods that may be sent in this year out of England.

I give unto George Hawes Twenty pounds sterling, to be paid the one halfe in goods if he comes from England this yeare, the other halfe in such debts as are due to me in Tobacco, at Tenne shillings the hundred. The said Twenty pounds if due to him by promise when he went with my son James for England, or to paid him next yeare as he shall order.

I give unto my Two Grandchildren, William and James Berry five Thousand pounds of Tobacco at price to be paid them out of my Tobacco debts. And to my grandchild Rebeckah Jones Plate, which is this yeare to come from England to me, to the value of Tenne pounds sterling, and Tenne Jewes and one Ram amongst the said three children.

I will and bequeath unto James Doffy my Kinsman foure Thousand pounds of Tobacco to be paid him out of the Tobacco debts due to me, and that at the fifteenth of December next he be fitt for himself, and also I leave it to the Overseers of this my will to furnish the said James Doffy to the value of Tenne pounds sterling in other necessaryes.

I give unto my daughter in law Margarett Preston, to what she hath had already in usefull goods to the value of Twenty seaven pounds sterling and to make up the aforesaid summe, Two hundred pounds I will and bequeath unto her Ten hogsheads of this yeares first finished Crop of Tobacco, weighing neate five thousand pounds, which are to be valued at one hundred pounds sterling, and a Copper Kettle in the Store loft at two pounds Twelve shillings, the bed she used to ly on, with the bedstead and other furniture, at fourteene pounds, and I doe appoinite and Ordaine that my said Daughter in law shall have forty five pounds more in such goods, as is in or about the house, or that shall be sent to me out of England this yeare, which will be in all Two hundred pounds and over and above my will is, that she have plate (if any come in to me this yeare) to the value of five pounds sterling.

I bequeath unto my sonne James Preston, halfe the money which I have sent for by James Conway to be brought in this yeare, if my said sonne be living in England, or that he live to come in. But if Dead or dead, before he returne to Maryland then his part of the said money to be divided among the Overseers of this my will, the other part to — friends of the Ministry, to be disposed of according to the discretion of the Overseers of this my will.

I give unto Thomas Preston upon the Wight what Tobacco he owes unto me.

I also freely give unto Isaac Hunt goods usefull for him to the value of five pounds sterling.

I also give unto William Harper what is due to me from him by bill.

And for the remainder of my Estate, moveable, and immoveable (provided always that the Overseers of this my will satisfy themselves from time to time for their care and trouble in and about the premises) I freely give and bequeath unto my three children, James Rebeckah and Sarah Preston that is to say what of mine is yet undispos of whersoever, I say all servants goods lands or Chattels whatsoever (Except what is before Excepted) I say I give freely unto my three Children James Rebeckah and Sarah Preston equally to be divided amongst them, But if any of them should dy before they have Knowledge of this my will, then those that shall be alive to possess and Enjoy, the part or parts of those that so decease before they had Knowledge of this my last will as aforesaid.

I doe will appointe and Ordaine my very freinds Wm Berry Peter Sharpe Thomas Taylour of Kent, and John Meares upon the Wight, or any Two or more of them to be Overseers or Executors of this my last will and Testament, And doe hereby give unto them full power in all things relating to this my last will and Testament And if any Differences shall arise, relating to the premises, that they or any two or more of them Endeavour to reconcile the same, But if it so fall out that two or more of those my Overseers or Executours cannot reconcile any difference or differences that may happen in one kinde or other, relating to this my last will and Testament, then my will and desire is, that they desire the advice and assistance of such freinds, or others whom they shall think fit, to help with their advice and Councell in such differences And what the Major shall conclude to be most agreable to reason and may the nearest in their Judgements suite with the true intent and meaning of this my last will and Testament, I say what they shall conclude of, my very will is that it stand good and Effectuall in law to all intents and purposes, as if I my self were living to order and Determine the same.

And for the true and absolute information of the truth of what is aforementioned in this writing, and that it is really the last will and Testament of me the aforesaid Richard Preston, I the said Richard Preston in the presence of these severall witnesses have hereunto Subscribed my name, and sealed it with my seale the day and yeare first abovewritten

Signed and sealed
in the presence of us.
Enoch Cooney
George Dealin
Thomas Pleasants
William Jones;

Rd Preston (Seale)

Postscript 2d of December 1669.

Yet it is my will that whereas I have omitted who shall be heire unto this Plantation whereon I now dwell if Samuell Preston dye before he comes to age, or without a will, that then it is my will and Testament