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Camp Before Bassein Novr the 8th 1780

My Dear Sir

In Consideration of the Uncertainty of this Life, and the many Dangers wee are Liable to in a Military profession. I shall therefor preserve these few lines Addressd to you Containing my Last Request. & which is That should it prove the Will of God that I am Removed from this Life dureing the present Service, or at any time whilst under your Command, that you may take under your Charge all such Effects or Cash as may be found in my posession or due to me at the time, and after you have Disposed of the said Effects and Received the Amount of my Small Estate, which at this time is (I think) only Four Thousand five hundred Surate Rupees equal to Five hundred Pounds Sterling. I beg My Dear Sir, that you will take the first Opportunity of Remitting the same to Europe by a Bill upon the Honourable Compairy, or any other way of Surity, the said Bill to be payable to John or Skiffington Thompson Esqr. neer Antraim in Ireland, who from their Strict probity will Justly Destribute the same in Memorandoms to my Friends, Agreable to the following Direction. &

To My Uncle John Pattrick in Killead I Bequaith one hundred and fifty Pounds to be by him Expended in the better Education of his family. and in Consideration of his great humanity to me as a certain period of my Life. &

To Jack Gibson, Son of my Uncle James Gibson in the Parish of Templepatrick, I Bequaith One hundred and Fifty Pounds: &

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In the Name of God. Amen

I Henry Buston belonging to His Majestys Ship Burford Peter Rayner Esqr. Commander I the East Indias, Being of Sound And Disposing Mind and Memory, Do hereby make this my Last Will and Testament, first and Principaly, I Commend my Soul into the Hands of the Almighty God. Hopeing for Remission of all my Sins through the Merits of Jesus Christ my Blessed Saviour and Redeemer and my Body to the Earth or Sea which it shall Please God, and as for my Worldly Estates and Effects which I shall be Possessed with or Intitled unto at the Time of my Decease, I Give and Bequeath the same as Followeth, that is to Say I give and Bequeath unto my Trusty Friend James Manning belonging to His Majestys Ship Burford, all such Wages Sum and Sums of Money, as now is or Heretofore shall be due To Me for my Servise or otherwise on Board the said Ship or any other Ship or Vessell, And Do hereby Nominate and Constitute and Appoint my Trusty Friend James Manning, Sole Executor of this my Last Will and Testament, And I do Give and Bequeath unto my Sole Executor all the Rest and Residue of my Estate and Estates whatsoever both Real and Personal, Hereby Revoking and Making Void all other and former Wills by Me heretofore made and Do declare this to be my Last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I have hereunto Sett my Hand and Seal This Twenty Nineth Day of September In the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Eighty One. And in the Twenty first year of the Reighn

Reighn of our Sovereighn Lord George the Third by the Grace of God of Great Britain, France and Ireland King Defender of the Faith

Sign.d Seal.d and Publish.d and Declared by the said Henry Buston as and for his last Will and Testament in the Presence of us who have hereunto Subscribed our Names as Witnesses In the Presence of the said Testator

L.S.

Henry Buston

William Berry.

John Shinnes

Henry Arthurs

Examined Compared and Carefully Collated with the Original Will proved in the Hon.ble the Mayors court of Madraspatnam and Attested to be a true Copy.

James Taylor

Regr.

By the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam

L.S.

Mayors Court.

Be it Known to all Men that this 15.th Day of January Anno Domini 1782 the Last Will and Testament of Henry Buston Deceased was exhibited read and proved before this Court, and Administration of all and Singular the Goods, Chattels and Credits to the said Deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to James Manning Sole Executor in the said last Will named, being first Sworn well and truly to Administer the same, and to pay the Lawfull Debts of the said Deceased, and the Legacies in the said Will contained, as far as the Goods, Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased shall extend and the Law Oblige, and also to Exhibet into this Court a true and Perfect Inventory of all and Singular the said Goods, Chattels and Credits on or before the 15.th Day of July Next Ensuing, and to render into this Court a true and Just Account of all the Effects of the said Deceased, on or before the 15.th Day of January which will be in the year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Eighty three Given under the Seal of the said Court and under the Hands and Seals of Edward Garrow Esquire Mayor of Madraspatnam and of Mr. William Webb One of the Aldermen of Madraspatnam the Day and Year above Written.

James Taylor
Regr.

Edw.d Garrow
Mayor of Madraspatnam

L.S.

Wm Webb
One of the Aldermen of Madraspatnam

L.S.

Camps near Baboor 25th Sept. 1781
Eleven oClock at Night

The many accidents that the life of a Man of my Profession is unavoidably exposed to, make it, I think, a duty absolutely incumbent upon him, to prepare himself, & all those he may be concerned in, as well as possible for that Event which we all must at some Period encounter. His my full intent & Meaning that these few Lines should be considered as my wishes & last Will, & thereby revoke all Wills I have heretofore made.

I appoint Mr. Robert Turing Surgeon in the Company's Service & Ensign Richard Gonnord now Acting as an Engineer in the same Service my Executors, under a confidence that they will think little of the Trouble of putting in to Execution the few wishes of a Deceased friend. I bequeath to the above mentioned Mr. Robert Turing One hundred Pounds Sterling, and all the Plate I may have at my Death — and to Ensign Richard Gonnord I bequeath one hundred Pounds Sterling & the whole of my Tents, Bullocks & Bandy & every thing belonging to them.

I Bequeath to Ensign John Hickens of the Company's Engineers Corps the whole of the Instruments, Plans, Paint, & Books I may have at the time of my Death — which I beg him to keep & consider as a small token of the Friendship & Regard I have for him. I give Liberty to my two Boys & one Girl

now under the care of my Dubash at Madras the little Girl & one of the Boys named Gurunga I recommend to the care of Capt. Thomas Trent & the other little Boy named Pompey, in like manner to Captain Robert Scouler.

I Bequeath to Mr. Alexander Brown now Serving as a Surveyor One Thousand Rupees & Peter my Draftsman Five hundred Rupees & the whole of Cloaths, Furniture, Household & Kitchen and Liquors &c. &c. I may have at the time of my Death, to be Divided equally between them.

I bequeath unto my Cousin Mrs. Mary Knight Wife of Mr. John Knight, one hundred Pounds Sterling for the Purchase of a mourning Ring to be worn by her in Remembrance of the Esteem I have ever had for her.

I bequeath unto my Niece Miss Hannah Perry Daughter of my Sister Mrs. Betsey Perry four hundred Pounds.

I bequeath unto my old & good Friend & Companion the Revd. Mr. John Dell Son of Mr. Dell of Oglesbury Bucks. One hundred Pounds — as also my Gold Watch, I give & Bequeath unto my much beloved Brother Mr. Peter Theobald of Peter Street Bloomsbury London the whole of my Fortune that may remain after the before mentioned Legacies are Paid.

On Reflection I think it will be prudent & Proper to appoint another Friend to act as my Executor, as the before mentioned two Gentlemen are now with Army & consequently equally exposed with myself. — In case therefore neither Mr. Turing nor Mr. Gonnord

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Camp near Palcor 25th Sept. 1781
Eleven o'Clock at Night —

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I appoint Mr. Robert Turing Surgeon in the Company's Service & Ensign Richard Gonrond now Acting as an Engineer in the same Service my Executors, & I trust they will think little of the Trouble of putting in to Execution the few wishes of a Deceased friend. I bequeath to the above mentioned Mr. Robert Turing One hundred Pounds Sterling, and all the Plate I may have at my Death — and to Ensign Richard Gonrond I bequeath one hundred Pounds Sterling & the whole of my Tents, Bullocks & Bandy Every Thing belonging to them —

I Bequeath to Ensign John Hutchins of the Company's Engineer Corps the whole of the Instruments, Plans, Paints & Books I may have at the time of my Death — which I beg him to keep & consider as a small token of the Friendship & Regard I have for him. I give Liberty to my two Black Boys & a

Girl now under the care of my Dubash at Madras the Little Girl & one of the Boys named Gurugu I recommend to the care of Capt. Thomas Trent & the other little Boy named Pompey, in like manner to Captain Robert Scouler —

I Bequeath to Mr. Alexander Brown now Serving as a Surveyor One Thousand Rupees & Peter my Draftsman Five hundred Rupees & the whole of Cloaths, Furniture, Household & Kitchen and Liquors &c &c I may have at the time of my Death, to be Divided equally between them —

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I bequeath unto my Niece Miss Hannah Berry Daughter of my Sister Mrs. Betsey Berry four hundred Pounds —

I bequeath unto my old & good Friend & Companion the Revd. Mr. John Dell Son of Mr. Dell of Aylesbury Bucks. One hundred Pounds — as also my Gold Watch, I give & Bequeath unto my much beloved Brother Mr. Peter Theobald of Peter Street Bloomsbury London the whole of my Fortune that may remain after the before mentioned Legacies are Paid —

On Reflection I think it will be prudent & Proper to appoint another Friend to act as my Executor, as the before mentioned two Gentlemen are now with Army & consequently equally exposed with myself — In case therefore neither Mr. Turing nor Mr. Gonrond

Should

should be living at my Decease I Appoint Mr. Hugh Maxwell of the Company's Civil Establishment at Madras my Executor, I trust to his Goodness & Friendship to execute the Troublesome task imposed upon him with as much chearfullness as possible.—

I Bequath unto Mr. Hugh Maxwell my large Grey Horse now on his passage from Bombay I wish my Executors should as soon as possible Examine my Papers and destroy all those that may not be absolutely necessary to Keep I wish that they would Write to my Brother Mr. Peter Theobald informing him of my Death & enclosing him a Copy of this Will.—

Amongs my Papers will be found the Copy of a Letter I wrote Mr. David Scott of Bombay a day or two before I left that Place which contains an Account of the whole Accounts I have in that part of the World — another Paper will be found giving an Account of the trifling Accounts in this part of India.—

I wish and desire that my Fortune should be Realized as soon as possible that my Debts should be paid immediately & that the Remainder should be disposed of & remitted agreeably to this Will with all possible expedition.—

This is my last Will in confirmation of which I have my Name & put my Seal.—

John Theobald

Endorsement on the Cover of the Will.

My Will made in Camp near Calcoor this 25th Sept. 1781 at Eleven o'Clock at Night.—

John Theobald

To
Mr. Robert Turing Surgeon or Capn. Richard

Examined Compared and Carefully Collated with the Original Will proved in the Honble the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam and Attested to be a true Copy.—

James Taylor

Regr.

By the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam,

L.S.

Be it Known to all Men that this 11th Day of December Anno Domini 1781 the last Will and Testament of Captain John Theobald was exhibited Read and proved before this Court and Administration of all and Singular the Goods, Chattels and Credits to the said Deceased in any wise belonging was and is hereby Committed to Ensign Richard Gomond One of the Executors in the said last Will named, being first Sworn well and truly to Administer the same, and to pay the Lawfull Debts of the said Deceased, and the Legacies in the said Will contained, as far as the Goods, Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased shall extend and the Law oblige, and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and Perfect Inventory of all and Singular the said Goods, Chattels and Credits on or before the 11th Day of July next Ensuing and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said Deceased, on or before the 11th Day of January which will be in the year of our Lord One Thousand

Mayor's Court

Thousand Seven hundred and Eighty three. Reserving a power of Granting the like right of Executorship to Mr. Robert Turing the other Executor in the said Will named when he shall appear and Apply for the same. Given under the Seal of the said Court and under the Hands and Seals of Edward Garrow Esquire Mayor of Madraspatnam and Mr Edward John Holland One of the Aldermen of Madraspatnam the Day and Year above Written.

James Taylor
Regr.

Edwd Garrow
Mayor of Madraspatnam
L.S.

Edwd Jno Holland
One of the Aldermen of Madraspatnam
L.S.

The Mayor's Court at Madraspatnam.

L.S.

To Ensign Richard Hardin the Next of Kin within the Jurisdiction of this Court to the late Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Sears Deceased.

Send Greeting

Mayor's Court

Whereas the said Lieutenant Colonel Samuel Sears Leaving departed this life Intestate We desirous that the Goods, Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased be well and truly Administred, and Disposed of, and that the Credits of the said Deceased be Demanded and Received, and all his just Debts paid, as far as his Goods, Chattels and Credits shall extend, and the Law Oblige Do hereby, Relying on your Fidelity, commit to you the Administration of all and Singular the Goods, Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased in any wise belonging, being first Sworn well and truly to Administer the same, and also to Exhibit into this Court a true and Perfect Inventory of all the said Goods, Chattels and Credits on or before the 29th Day of July Next Ensuing and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Effects of the said Deceased, on or before the 29th Day of January which will be in the year of Our Lord One thousand seven hundred and Eighty three. And We do by these Presents Appoint You Administrator of all and Singular the said Goods, Chattels and Credits Given under the Seal of the said Court and under the Hands and Seals of Edward Garrow Esquire Mayor of Madraspatnam and of Mr William Webb One of the Aldermen of Madraspatnam this 6th Day of February Anno Domini 1782.

James Taylor
Regr.

Edwd Garrow
Mayor of Madraspatnam
L.S.

Wm Webb
One of the Aldermen of Madraspatnam
L.S.

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The Mayor's Court at Madraspatnam

L. S.

To Covoor Sawmy Pradan Son and Heir of Covoor Mootiah Moodelly alias Covoor Eyah Moodelly Deceased. &

Send Greeting

Mayor's Court

Whereas the said Covoor Mootiah Moodelly alias Covoor Eyah Moodelly having departed this life Intestate We desirous that the Goods, Chattels and Credits of the said Deceased be well and truly Administered, and disposed of, and that the Credits of the said Deceased be demanded and Received, and all his just Debts paid as far as his Goods, Chattels and Credits shall extend, and the Same Oblige do hereby, Relying on your Fidelity, Commit to you the Administration of all and Singular the Goods, Chattels, and Credits to the said Deceased, in any wise belonging for you well and truly to Administered the same, and also to Exhibit into this Court, a true and perfect Inventory of all the said Goods Chattles, and Credits on or before the 5th Day of August next Ensuing and to render into this Court a true and just Account of all the Goods of the said Deceased on or before the 5th Day of February which will be in the Year of our Lord One Thousand Seven hundred and Eighty three, And We do by these Presents Appoint You Administrator of all and Singular the said Goods Chattels and Credits. Given under the Seal of the said Court and under the Hands and Seals of Edward Garrow Esquire Mayor of Madraspatnam and of Mr. Edward John Holland one of the Aldermen of Madraspatnam this 25th Day of February Anno Domini 1782.

James Taylor Reg.r

Edw.d Garrow Mayor of Madraspatnam (L.S.)

Edw.d Jn.o Holland One of the Aldermen (L.S.)

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Filed 19th Febry 1782

Whereas John Walker late a Captain in the Honble English East India Company's Service Deceased made his Will in Writing and Therein Appointed Alexander Pringle of Masulipatam Merchant One of the Executors Now know all Men by these Presents that I Alexander Pringle Executor aforesaid for divers good Causes and Considerations Thereunto Especially Moving Do by these Presents absolutely and freely Disclaim and Renounce the said Executorship and by these Presents I do Constitute and Appoint Mr. Charles Brantley one of the Proctors of the Mayors Court at Madraspatnam my true and Lawfull Proctor for me and in my Name to Appear before the Said Court There and there to Pray and Procure this my Renunciation to be Admitted hereby Ratifying and confirming all and whatsoever my said Proctor shall Do or cause to be Done in the said Premises In Witness whereof I have hereunto Set my Hand and Seal this 13th Day of Febry 1782.

Signed Sealed and Delivered in the Presence of

Mich.l Keating

R. Malcolm

Alex.r Pringle (L.S.)