

**The last Will and Testament of Thomas Hastings of Watertowne made the twelfth day of March one thousand six hundred & eight two.**

I Thomas Hastings being crazy of body yet of perfect memory, the lord be prayed, doe make this last will & Testament in manner and forme as followeth. And first I commend my soul into the hands of Al-mighty God my Maker, in through the mediation of Jesus Christ my blessed Redeemer in hope of a glorious Resurrection to life & happiness at the last day & my body ... committ to the Earth to be decently buried by my Executrix hereafter to be named. I give & bequeathe unto the Rev. & my dear beloved Pastor Mr. Sherman, the sum of forty shillings in mony to be paid him within five months after my Decease. I give & bequeathe to my oldest son Thomas Hastings the sum of five pounds to be paid to him a year after my decease, the Reason that I give him no more is because I have been at great charge to bring him up to be a Scholar and I hope he will live well by his arts and learning: Also I have given him above three score pounds to begin the world withall which I hope may suffice for the present.

I give & bequeath to my son John Hastings, all that Tenement that I bought of Thomas Tarbull lying & being in Watertowne conteyning thirty five acres of upland & four acres & halfe of meadow land belonging to it, near a place called the Bridges, with the addition of upland & meadow land & swamp that I bought of Capt. John Wincoll & have a Deed to show for it. Also two acres of meadow land that I bought of William Hagar of Watertowne, it lay in the meadow called path meadow. All this I give to my son John Hastings. I give & bequeathe to my son Joseph Hastings that Tenement that I bought of Martyn Townsend lying & being in Watertowne with the addition of a slip of land with a barne standing upon it that I bought of Henery Bright Sen'r, deceased. Also ten acres of woodland in my land bought of John Page called by the name of Mayhews plains.

I give & bequeathe to my son Benjamin Hastings all those lands lying in Deerfield which I bought of my son Thomas Hastings, I have his Deeds by me for it. As also a meadow that cost me ten pounds lying in Deerfield. All this I give to Benjamin.

I give & bequeathe to my sone Nathaniel Hastings all that Divident of land that was given me by the inhabitants of Watertowne lying near to Chesters brook conteyning Twenty five acres. Also halfe of the Divident called farme land lying near a place called Magus plain. Also three acres of meadow land in Broad meadow.

I give & bequeathe to my son Samuel Hastings All tht Divident of land that I bought of John Hastings to be possessed of all the age of 24 years. Also I give my son Samuel the other halfe of my farms at Magus plaine.

I give & bequeathe my daughter Hephzibah Bond forty pounds in mony & goods which she have received upon her marriage as may appeare upon my book & in ... it was paid.

I give & bequeathe to my eldest Grand Daughter, the daughter of Thomas Hastings, the sum of five pounds out of my estate.

I give & bequeathe to my Grand Daughter Hannah Hastings, the daughter of Thomas Hastings, the sum of three pounds out of my estate.

And all the rest of my estate that I dy possessed of and not in this my will bequeathe, as my Dwelling house & barne and houses for cattle & all my Houehold stuffe & all instruments for the carrying of Husbandry, as carts, plow & other utensils for the carrying on of Husbandry. As also my orchard and Apple mill & all my arable alnds & pasture lands, mowing land & meadow lands at patch meadow & Rock meadow and my Marshe at Cambridge, my horse, oxen, young cattle & all my cows & swine. All these I give to my beloved wife Margerett Hastings & do make her my sole Executrix of this my last will & Testament, desiring her to deliver out to my children any necessity shall be by sickness or any other ways my will is that she may sell moveables cattell or lands for her supply & comfort. Further my will is that what shall be left after my wive decease if God bless what he hath given that it be to be had, Then my will is that my son Thomas shall have twenty pounds & the rest of the estate that is left to be divided to the rest of my children if they be continued in the land of the living, but my will is that my wife shall have liberty to mend the portion of them that have left bequeathed them in this my will as also to gratify them most that have been most obedient & comfortable to her in this time of her life.

Sign'd & sealed in  
Presence of us  
Henry Bright  
John Bright

**Thomas Hastings Senr**  
& a seale

Cambr. 7.7.1685  
Sworne by Henry Bright Senr  
& John Bright  
Before Daniel Gookin Esg.  
& Tho. Danforth Dpet. Govr & R.

Joseph Hastings, Nathaniel Hastings & Thomas (?) Bond Junr  
Are impowered to take care for the gathering of the estate together & securing from wast  
& to take an ...