Will of John Manners Kerr (1766-1843)

Note: Paragraph breaks have been added to make the will easier to read; underlines _____ indicate words that I could not read; square brackets [] are words where I am uncertain of the transcription.

This is the last Will and Testament *of me John Manners Kerr*¹ of Maesmor in the County of Monmouth a General in Her Majesty's army as follows that is to say

I give and bequeath my Gold Chronometer to my Son John James Kerr² Esq^r

and I give devise and bequeath all the rest and residue of my property both real and personal and of what nature or kind soever and wheresoever situate unto my beloved wife Catherine³ her heirs Executors Administrators and Assigns for ever to and for her and their own use and benefit requesting my dear wife to give "Morris's Book of Prayers" to each of my children and that after the death of my said wife my portrait may be given to my daughter Mary Alston⁴

And I do hereby nominate and appoint my said Wife and George Hunt of N° 10 Great James Street in the County of Middlesex Solicitor Executrix and Executor of this my will hereby revoking and making void all other wills by me at any time heretofore made

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty fourth day of March one thousand eight hundred and forty two *John Manners Kerr* — (*SS*) — Signed sealed published and declared by the said John Manners Kerr the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses. *Tho*^s *Bellingham Northampton /—/ James Mostby Butler to Gen*^l *Manners Kerr ./.*

Proved at London 13th May 1843 before the Judge by the oaths of Catherine Mary Margaretta (in the Will written Catherine⁵) Kerr Widow the Relict and George Hunt Esq^r

¹ General John Manners kerr (1766-1843), the Testator, son of Charlotte née Dicey (1734-1772) and Dr William Kerr (1738-1772), husband of (i) Isabella née Errington (1774-1808), (ii) Margaret née Davies (1770-1825) and (iii) Catherine Mary Margaretta née Lloyd (c1776-1859).

² Commander John James Kerr RN (1799-1872), son of the Testator and Isabella née Errington (1774-1808), husband of Harriett née Russ (1808-1883).

³ Catherine Mary Margaretta née Lloyd (c1776-1859), wife of the Testator, daughter of Catherine née Maurice (c1750-?) and Edward Lloyd (c1750-1818).

⁴ Mary Alston née Kerr (1793-1845), daughter of the Testator and sabella née Errington (1774-1808), wife of Justinian Alston (1780-1848).

⁵ Possibly Catherine and Katherine. In the copy this was transcribed from I cannot make out the error that was in the original will.

the Exors to whom Admon was granted they having been first sworn to wit the said Catherine Mary Margaretta Kerr by Comon and the said George Hunt before the Worshipful William Calverley Curteis Doctor of Laws and Surrogate duly to Administer.

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