

## **John and Elizabeth Shaw**

### **John Shaw**

*John Shaw died in 1762. There is no will of his on record. His wife Elizabeth died on December 21st, 1787, and was buried in Horwich church.*

### **Elizabeth Shaw**

Elizabeth Shaw was born as sister to Hugh Willoughby 15<sup>th</sup> Baron Willoughby of Parham and was a co-heiress. The Hon. Elizabeth Shaw's will was proved at Chester, December 29th, 1787, and the abstract is as follows:

"Dated 7th March, 1787, Elizabeth Shaw of Rivington co. Lanes, widow.

"By debts and funeral expenses etc. to be paid. I give all that messuage and tenement called Pilkingtons wherein I now live with the lands and hereditments belonging in Rivington (except the close called the Shaw Spot part of the said estate and containing two roods and 24 perches) unto my eldest son George Shaw for his life without impeachment of waste and after the termination of that estate I give the same unto my sons Charles Shaw, John Shaw and Daniel Shaw and to their several heirs equally as tenants in common and joint tenants.

"I give all my messuage and tenement called Hammers with the Hamers belonging in Rivington containing 21 acres 35 perches, in possession: Richard Brownlow as tenant, unto my son Charles Shaw his heirs and assigns forever.

"I give all my messuage called the Lower Knowles with the lands belonging in Rivington containing 27 acres 3 roods, in possession of John Worsley tenant unto my son John Shaw his heirs and assigns forever.

"I give all my messuage called Jepsons with the lands belong in Rivington, containing 31 acres 31 perches, in possession of Thomas Hart tenant, unto my son Daniel Shaw his heirs and assigns forever. Also I give to him all that rivulet and after-course running through the estate; Jepson's with all benefits arising there from, in the possession to Richard Pilkington and Thomas Nightingale as tenants, to hold to him and his assigns forever free from any encumbrance.

"I give one undivided moiety or half of all my messuage called Higher Knowle and the lands belonging in Rivington containing about 1 rood, in possession of John Leigh as tenant and also of all my messuage called Darbyshires with the lands belonging in Rivington, containing about 8 acres 1 rood 20 perches, in possession of Roger Hart as tenant, unto my daughter Jane Barker and her assigns for her life without impeachment of waste.

After the determination of that estate I give the same unto William Isherwood yeoman and John Kershaw cotton manufacturer both of Rivington and their heirs during the life of the said Jane Barker, upon trust only to preserve the contingent uses etc. but not to convert the rents to there use. After the death of the said Jane Barker

I give the same to her lawful children and to their respective heirs equally as tenants in common. For default of such issue I give the same unto all the children of my daughter Anne Hart deceased and to the lawful children of my other two daughters Betty, wife of John Higson and Hannah, wife of Ebenezer Roscow and to their several heirs forever, equally as tenants in common. The other moiety of half of the said messuages

I give unto all the lawful children of the said Anne Hart and in their heirs equally as tenants in common. For default of such issue I give the same unto all the lawful children of the said Jane Barker, Betty Higson and Hannah Roscow and to their heirs forever, equally as tenants in common.

"I give all my messuage called Brownlows and the lands belonging in Rivington containing 14 acres and 1 rood, in the possession of John Brownlow as tenant, unto my said daughter Betty Higson for her life without impeachment of waste and after the determination of that estate

I give the same to William Isherwood and John Kershaw and their heirs during the life of my daughter Betty, upon trust to preserve the contingent uses but not to convert the rents to their own use. After the decease of my daughter

I give the same unto all her lawful children and to their respective heirs equally as tenants in common, for want of such issue I give the same unto all the lawful children of Jane Barker, Anne Hart and Hannah Roscow and to their several heirs forever equally as tenants in common.

"I give all my messuage called Rowlinsons and the lands belonging in Blackrod containing 17 acres 20 perches, in possession of James Townsend as tenant unto my exors. and their heirs upon trust by partage etc. to raise £100 within 12 months after my decease and pay the same unto my daughter Betty Higson and after the payment of the same

I give the said estate unto my daughter Hannah Roscow for her life without impeachment of waste and after the determination of that estate I give the same unto William Isherwood and John Kershaw and their heirs during the life of my daughter Hannah, upon trust to preserve the uses but not to convert the rents to their own use.

After her decease I give the same unto all her younger children and to their respective heirs equally as tenants in common. For default of such issue I give the same unto the eldest or only son or daughter of my said daughter and to the heirs of such son or daughter forever and for default of such issue I give the same unto all the lawful children of Jane Barker, Anne Hart and Betty Higson and to their heirs equally as tenants in common.

"I give all my messuage called Browns with the lands belonging in Rivington containing about 2 acres 10 perches, in possession of James Taylor as tenant and also the close of land called the Shaw Spot, hereinbefore mentioned to be part of the said estate called Pilkingtons, containing 2 roods 24 perches, in possession Thomas Taylor as tenant unto my grandson Joseph Hatton and his heirs forever.

"I give all my messuage called Sales and the lands belonging in Rivington, which I hold by lease for lives under Robert Andrews of Rivington Esq. containing about 10 acres, in possession of Thomas Taylor, as tenant, unto the said Joseph Hatton his heirs etc. during all my estate and interest therein.

"I give all the residue of my goods and personal estate unto the said Joseph Hatton.

"I give unto my said son Charles, John and Daniel Shaw all my messuage etc. situate in Ollerton Fold, Withnell, in possession of Simon Leach as tenant, containing about 14 acres of land to hold to them their heirs etc. as tenants in common and subject to the payment of £300 now lying thereon which I owe to Sir Henry Hoghton Baronet his heirs etc.

"I appoint the said Charles and John Shaw exors.

(Signed) Elizabeth Shaw.

"Witnesses: Richd. Fox.

John Anderton.

William Partington."