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CHRISTOPHER LEWIS'S BEQUEST TO THE POOR OF SCRIVEN

"No. 18 – 'In the Name of God Amen. I, Crhistopher Lewis of Whixley in the county of York yeoman being at this Instant sick of body but of good perfect and sound memory thanks be to Almighty God Do make and ordain this my last will and Testament in manner and form as is hereafter expressed and declared I do hereby give grant and bequeath unto (Clare my wife and others) all my closes, Lands, Tenements and heriditaments whatsoever in Thorpunderwood provided always that my will and mind in that whosoever shall occupie possess or enjoy the said closes or grounds att Thorpunderwood by me formerly hereby given granted and bequeathed shall yearly and every year for ever more after the death of Clare my said wife and not before pay unto the poor of the Town of Whixley aforesaid forty shillings to be disposed on according as my good Friend Mr Richard Tancred of Whixley aforesaid and his heire shall think fit And also Twenty shillings to the poor of the Town of Scriven in the said Country to be likewise disposed on according as Sir Henry Slingsby Kt., his heirs and Assigns shall think fit both which Noble Gentlemen I hope will see that the said sums be bestowed to the best benefitt of the poor of the severall Towns and to no other use or purpose whatsoever In Witness hereof I the said Chrisopher Lewis hath hereunto set my hand and Seal the first day of May Anno R. Rs. Caroli Disimo Sexto, 1640. – (Signed) Christopher Lewis. (Witnesses) William Mauliverer, Bartholomew Towers.'

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