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Born: 1574 Hertfordshire, England

Married: Bridget Benion

Died: 1660 London, England

Parents: Thomas Carter & Jane Hyll

Ca. 1574 John Carter was born in Hertfordshire, England. According to Curren-Briggs, he was son of Thomas Carter ca 1528- of Watford and Aldenham by his third wife, name unknown. 1588 – John Carter became the apprentice of the Vintner of London, William Carter 1565-1614, his half brother. Ca. 1596 John Carter married his first wife, a sister of Gabriel Benion, daughter of Thomas Benion and Isabel Higginson of Berkswell, Warwickshire. She was the mother of all of John Carter's children per Dr. Barry Hayes. 1625/29 John Carter married his second wife, Bridget. 23 Apr 1630 – John Carter made his will and 6 May 1630 - will was proved by his executor and brother in law, Gabriel Benion of London. The death occurred at Carter's home on Newgate Street, London. He requested burial at Christchurch.

Will of John Carter

In The Name of God Amen the three & thirtieth dai of Aprill Anno Domini one thousand Six hundred & Thirtie And in the Sixt yeare of the Reigne of our Sovereign Lord Charles by the grace of god Kinge of England Scotland Ffrance and Ireland defender of the faith: I John Carter nterli and Vintner of London beinge at this present sicke and weake in bodie but of good sound and perfect minde and memorie praise bee given to God for the same knowinge the certaintie of death and the __certaintie of the tyme and houre thereof Doe therefore make a ordaine and declare this my last will and testament in manner and forme followinge, that is to saie, first and principle I nterl and command my soule into the hands of Allmightie God my creator and master of his sonne Jesus Christ my onely Saviour and redeemer and of the holy ghost my Sanctifier, and comfortor, three distinct persons but one true, and everlastinge God assuredly trustinge and free of the nterline that I shall be saved and have full and free pardon and forgiveness of all my Sinnes by and through the onely merritts death and passion of my Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ and by none other meanes whatsoever My bodie I nterl to the earth from where not it came to bee decently buried in Christchurch London as niere to my late wife as maie bee And my will and minde is that all such debts and somes of money as I shall truly ____ indebted or give to any person or persons at the tyme of my decease shal be paid by my Executor hereunder named And after my debts and nterli expenses shall be paid and discharged I give and bequeath to the poore of the parish of Christchurch aforesaid fortie shillings to bee distributed and given amongst them accordinge to the discretion of the churchwardens and overseers of the said parish for the tyme being.

Item I give and bequeath to Elizabeth Cooper and Elizabeth Foster my servants twentie shillings apiece
Item I give and bequeath to my Executor hereunder named twentie shillings

Item I give and bequeath to my overseers hereunder named twentie shillings apiece. Item I will that my whole estate shalbe devided into three equall partes accordinge to the customs of the Cittee of London

One equall third part whereof I give and bequeath **to Bridgett my lovinge wife** to her own proper use

and _____ for ever

One other equall third yte whereof I give and bequeath to my Children viz George William John **Thomas** Robert Anne Elizabeth Mary Silvester and Isabell Carter to bee devided parte and parte _____ , amongst them and to bee paid by my Executor when and at such tyme and tymes as they shall severallie? And respectively attaine the age of one and twentie yeares And if it Shall happen any of my said Children to die before they shall attaine their said age of one & twentie yeares as aforesaid Then I will and my meaninge is that the partes and persons of my estate of him her or them soe dyinge shall remayne and come unto the Survivors or Survivor of my said Children and to bee paid by my Executor at their age of one and twentie yeares as aforesaid

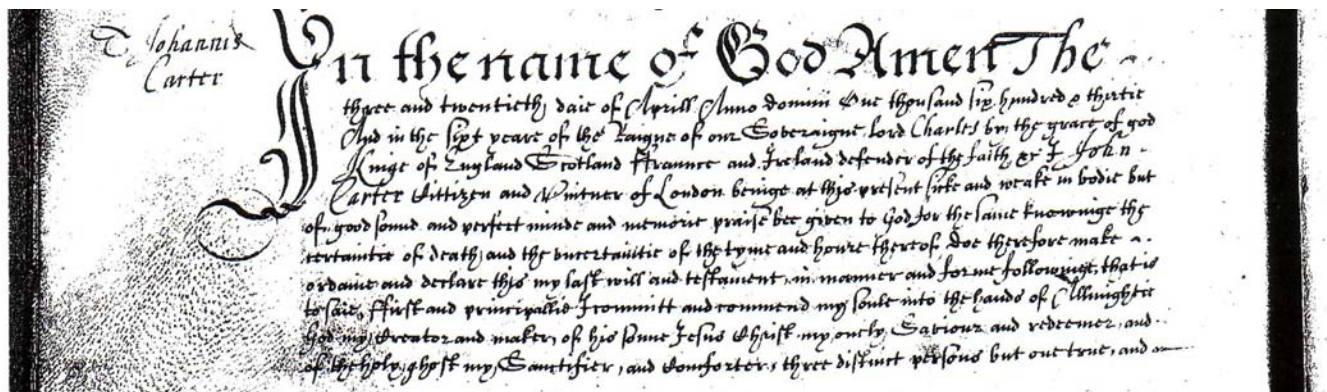
Item I give and bequeath out of the remainder of my estate unto my foresaid sonne George twentie pounds and the remainder therof to him, and the other of my said Children equallie, to bee paid as aforesaid, and with the _____ or _____ as is above expressed And I will that the _____ nterli and _____ nterl which shall arise or maie bee made of my said Children porcons shalbe expended by my Executor for their education and _____ nterlined? And if any _____ shalbe that the same shalbe equallie devided to and amongst them as abovesaid

And of this my last will and testament I doe make my loveinge brother in lawe Gabriell Benion Cittizen & Tallowchandler of London full and sole Executor And overseer thereof I doe ordaine and appoint my very loveinge friend William fforte Cittizen and Vintner of London & Robert Daivy? Cittizen and Ironmonger of London whom I doe desire to bee, aydinge and assistinge to my said executor in the executinge thereof for the good of my said wife and children.

In witness whereof to this my last will and Testament of the said John Carter have sett my hand and seale the dait and yeares abovewritten John Carter

Signed Sealed pronounced declared by the within named John Carter the testator for his last will and testament the three and twentieth daie of Aprill one thousand six hundred and thirty in the presence of Robert Jasfro? The marke of Margaret Thomas and John Sharpe J_ [Jr?] Md that the is so ords (one of sonne George twentie pounds and the remainder thereof to him and the other of my said) betweene the one and twentieth and twentieth lines within written were _____ nterlined before their sealinge hereof and afterwards read in _____ [front] of the witnesses above named /.

Copy of original will follows:



everlivinge God as surely trustinge and stedfastly beleevyng that I shalbe saved and have full and
 free pardon and forgiveness of all my synnes by and throughte the only meritt of deathe and passion of my
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 my wife to have and to enjoy for ever One other equal third part
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 to my said Exorutor in the executinge thereof for the good of my said wife and Children In
 witness wherof to this my last will and Testament I the said John Carter have sett my hand
 and seale the daie and yeares above written John Carter Signed sealed pronounced and
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 then sealinge herof and afterwards read in part of the within named .1.

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