

Probate records of the Archdeaconry of Wiltshire, P3/1813/65

Abstract of the Will of Joseph Hunt of Hilmarton in the County of Wilts, Carpenter, written 1 Nov 1813, proved 23 Dec 1813.

Wills and directs that **his wife Hester Hunt** shall have use and occupation of his dwelling house and household goods, plate, linen and china, along with the garden, timber yard, workshops and hereditaments in Hilmarton, for the term of her natural life, she taking an inventory within a month of his decease and delivering it to **his sons Jesse Hunt and James Hunt**.

Gives, devises and bequeaths to his said sons Jesse Hunt and James Hunt his said dwelling house, garden, timber yard, workshops and hereditaments and the premises which are on a freehold lease, as tenants in common, subject to the occupation and use thereof by his said wife.

Gives £5 to his said son Jesse Hunt.

Gives £5 to **his daughter Patience wife of William Taylor**.

Gives £1 to **John Hunt the natural son of his late daughter Mary Hunt**.

Declares his wish that, after his decease, his present trade be carried on by his said sons Jesse Hunt and James Hunt, during the life of his wife, and that she receive a third of the profits thereof.

Gives all his stock in trade and all other personal estate to Joseph Edwards of the parish of Hillmarton, Gentleman, in Trust, to be appraised and valued and sold to his said sons Jesse Hunt and James Hunt, so long as either of them continue his trade at the aforesaid premises....

Appoints the said Joseph Edwards sole executor of his last will.

(Signed)

Witnesses: John Edwards, John Gabriel, Marcus Tully

Joseph Hunt of Hillmarton was buried in Hillmarton on 10 Nov 1813, aged 61 years (b.c. 1752). Joseph was christened on 22 Mar 1751/2 in Hillmarton, son of William Hunt and Ann Hitchcock.

Joseph Hunt married Hester Hopkins in Hillmarton on 31 Oct 1774.