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The last will and testament of William McYlrea (who was buried the 27th of January 1692) at the making whereof he was in perfect memory.

1st he committed his soul to God and his body to Christian burial. Also the poor to be xxx at his executor's discretion.

Item he left to his wife during her natural life a certain parcel of meadow purchased by him from one xxx Kermott in the parish of Jurby and after his wife's decease that then his son Robert McYlrea should enjoy it while he lived, after whose death he left that the said meadow should fall to the estate of Dollough and descend as inheritance with the said estate to the heir and heirs thereof forever.

Item he bequeathed to his wife six pounds that was due to him from his son Daniel when he should receive the other half of the crop.

Item he left to his son Thomas McYlrea all what (skins?) he bought.

Item to his son Will as much cloth as will be a (suit?) if he comes for it

Item he left, constituted and ordained his said loving wife sole executrix of all the rest of his goods moveable and immoveable

J. Christian)
Will Corlett) jurati

The executrix sworn in Court in form of law
Probatum est solvit

The executrix hath given pledges William Corlett and her son Daniel McYlrea to pay all debts and legacies and to secure the Office sub pena fifty pounds sterling and thereupon the from beginning of January

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NOTES:

1. Son of Jon, baptised 1627 "*William McYlrea, son of John de Dollough, baptized the 11th of November, 1627*" [Ballaugh Register Book of Baptisms]
2. William was parish captain. He became the patriarch of the influential Mylrea line that provided Deemsters, Archdeacons, MHKs and Attorneys General to the Isle of Man. As the oldest son in the family, he was entitled to inherit the Mylrea estate known as the Dollough (Dollough moar & Dollough beg); composed for in 1643 when James 7th Earl of Derby altered tenure arrangements in order to raise money for his efforts in the English Civil War. Thomas Cowley composed for the Dollough estate on William's behalf, suggesting that John de Dollough had died, and that William was under-age. This Thomas Cowley might have been the husband of Jane, William's older sister or more likely an aunt
3. *Dollough* dates back to a considerably earlier time - at least 1511/1515 [Manorial Roll: "*From the wife of **John Gilrea** with Donald, son, for 1 tenement and half of a quarter of land 1s. And for a 4th part of one quarter of land 5/- demised to them 16s*" & "*From ameracements of tenants for the Lord's closes, viz. the wife of **John McGilrea** 6d.*". Recorded in 1593 as held by Donnold Mcylrea
4. William McYlrea married Ann Christian in 1645 in Jurby when he would have been about 18 years old
5. William's wife, Ann, was the daughter of Do [Donald/Daniel?] Christian, also baptised 1627, and with brothers Thomas, Robert, Patrick, Andrew, and sisters Bahee, Margaret. Her family might have had connections with the "Illiam Dhone" Christians?
6. Sons Daniel (1655), Thomas (1662), William (1667), Robert (1670) alive at time of William's death
7. No mention of daughters in his will although wife's 1693 will mentions 3 daughters Margaret (1646?), Jane (1647), Ann (1650). Several other children baptised as children of William evidently did not survive
8. Children:
 - Daniel married Margaret Curlett als Parr and set the Deemster/Archbishop line in train
 - Thomas - did he marry Margaret Tear in Jurby?
 - William - did he marry Ann Kneen and then Eleanor Quayle in Ballaugh?
 - Robert, the youngest, got the use of a family field/meadow in Jurby but only until he died - no evidence of him other than baptism and then parents' wills
 - Margaret - did she marry xxx Christian?? - Bride
 - Jane married Jon Cannell - Michael
 - Ann married John Bridson - Malew

Associated Documents

- 1656 Will: Thomas McYlrea (brother)
- 1678 Purchase: William Mylrea from John Corraige snr
- 1679 Marriage Contract: Daniel Mylrea & Margaret Curlett als Parr (son)
- 1683 Land Swap: William Mylrea with John Crinnilt
- 1692 Will: William Mcylrea
- 1693 Will: Ann McYlrea als Christian (wife)
- 1700 Will: Ellinor Cannell als McYlrea (sister?)
- 1709 Deed of Settlement: Daniel Mylrea to Daniel Mylrea (son to grandson)
- 1716 Will: Margaret McYlrea als Parr, Curlett (daughter-in-law)
- 1721 Will: Ann Bridson als Mylrea (daughter)
- 1724 Will: Daniel Mylrea (son)
- 1729 Will: Jane Cannell als McYlrea (daughter)
- 1731 Will: Margaret Christian als McYlrea (daughter?)
- 1746 Will: Ann Christian als Mylrea (grand daughter)
- 1757 Will: Daniel Mylrea (grand son)
- 1759 Will: Thomas Mylrea (great grand son)

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1775 Will: Daniel Mylrea (great grand son)
 1787 Will: William Mylrea (great grand son)
 Story: *William McYlrea 1627-1692*
 Story: *Frederick Thomas Mylrea 1803-1863* (great great great grandson)

Possible generational links in *William's* family

