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[Latin] The reverend William, Bishop of the diocese of Asaph, to our beloved in Christ Master William Roberts clerk, rector of Llanarmon Dyffryn Keiriog, William Hughes clerk, vicar of Llangollen and Richard Evan clerk, curate there in the diocese of Asaph, greeting. To give an account of the corporal oath under written taken upon the holy evangelists of God by a certain Richard Blodwell natural and lawful brother of a certain John Blodwell late whilst he lived of Trevorucha<sup>1</sup> in the parish of Llangollen aforesaid gentleman deceased, a security bond (annexed to these presents) with two faithful sureties to be furnished by the said Richard Blodwell to be received by you in respect of which faithfully and with adroitness we are assured of the legal process of things mostly in this part on account of and to cause and direct by our authority and fully we wholly entrust (by the tenor of these presents) order, grant and authorise, as far as bearing by this same oath, and whatsoever in the premises to be done before one month next after the date of the said presents, certifying together with these presents. Given under the seal of our commissary general and principal official the sixteenth day of the month of April 1684.

John Mostyn surrogate.

Thomas Lloyd Registrar

#### The form of the oath

You shall sweare that as farr as you know or believe your brother John Blodwell late of Trevorucha in the parish of Llangollen and diocese of Saint Asaph gentleman deceased died without a will <as farre as you knowe or believe that> you shall well and truely administer his goods, you shall pay his debts as farr as his goods shall extend and the law will bind you, you shall make or cause to be made a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods chattles, rights and credits of the said deceased and the same soe made doe exhibite or cause to be exhibited into the registry of the consistory court of Saint Asaph and shall make ~~oe~~ a just and full accompt of your said administration when and as often as you shall be thereunto lawfully called or required; Soe help you God and the contents of this booke – Soe kisse the booke

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<sup>1</sup> Presumably Trevor Uchaf.

[Latin] sworn before me Richard Evans clerk the twenty sixth day of April 1684.

[Latin] Know all men by these presents that we Richard Blodwell of Trevorucha in the county of Denbigh and diocese of Saint Asaph gentleman and David Lloyd gentleman of Llangollen in the county aforesaid and Rhys Jones of the same in the county aforesaid yeoman are held and firmly bound to the Reverend father in Christ Lord William and by divine permission Bishop of Asaph in one hundred pounds of good and legal money of England to be paid to the same reverend father or his certain attorney his successors or assigns, to which certain payment well and truly made we are bound and each of us by himself for the whole sum and in the whole we bind our heirs executors and administrators firmly by these presents sealed with our seals given the twenty sixth day of the month of April and the thirty sixth year of the reign of king Charles the second now king of England etc. and the year of the Lord 1684.

The condicion of this obligation is such that if the above bounden Richard Blodwell the natural and lawful brother and administrator of the goods chattles and chattles rights and credittes of John Blodwell late of Trevorucha in the parish of Llangollen in the diocese of St Asaph gentleman deceased doe make or cause to be made a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods chattles, rights and credits of him the said deceased which have or shall come to the hands and possession or knowledge of him the said Richard Blodwell and the same soe made doe exhibite or cause to be exhibited into the registry of the consistory court of St Asaph att or before the feast of Saint John the Baptist next ensueing and the same goods, chattles, rights and credits of the said deceased and all other goods, chattles, rights and credits of the said deceased which att anytime after shall come to the hands and possession of the said Richard Blodwell or into the hands and possession of any other person or persons for him doe well and truly administer according to law and further doe make a true and just accompt of his said administration at or before the five and twentieth day of March next ensueing and all the rest and residue of the said goods, chattles, rights and credits of the said deceased which shall be found remaineing upon the said administrators accompt the same being examined and allowed of by the judge or judges ~~of~~ for the time being of the said court shall deliver and pay unto such person or persons respectively as the said judge or judges for the time beinge of the said court by his or their decree or sentence shall limitt and appoint; And if it shall appere that any last will and testament was made by the said deceased and the executor or executrix therein named doe exhibit the same into the said court requesting ~~it~~ to have it allowed and approved accordingly if the said Richard Blodwell being thereunto required do render and deliver the said letters of administration (approbation of such testament being first had and made) in the said court; then this obligation to be void or else to remaine in full force.

Sealed and delivered in the presence of Richard Evans clerk, Thomas Edwards,  
Henry Prichard  
(signature) Richard Blodwell, David Lloyd, mark of the Rhys Jones.

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Llangollen. [Latin] Inventory of the goods of John Blodwell gentleman deceased  
exhibited 25 June 1684.

A true and perfect inventory of all the goodes, cattles chattelles rights and credittes  
of John Blodwell of Trevorucha in the parish of Llangollen and diocese of St  
Asaph gentleman late deceased taken and apprised by the appraisours hereunder  
named the 19<sup>th</sup> day of June Anno Domini 1684

	£	s	d
In the first place in money due to the deceased	30	00	00
The horses	15	10	00
Item the cattle	22	11	00
Item the sheepe	08	00	00
Item in the little parlor	01	10	00
Item in the hall	01	06	00
Item in the greate parlor	02	00	00
Item in the puttory	06	00	00
Item in the kitching	01	00	00
Item in the seller	02	07	00
Item in the hall chamber	10	00	00
Item in the parlor chamber	07	10	00
Item in the butery chamber	02	00	00
Item in the cockloft	01	17	00
Item the linnen	04	05	00
Item more four tables two bedstids & two cubbords	04	10	00
Item wood	01	18	10
Item husbandry ware	01	05	00
Item poultry	01	00	00
	124	09	10 <sup>2</sup>

Richard Lloyd, Thomas Edwards, Ellis Williams,  
the mark of David Pary, John Thomas ?Robatr Ellis

*dorse* [Latin]

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<sup>2</sup> This is a corrected total

25<sup>th</sup> day of June 1684

This same inventory of the goods rights credits and chattels of John Blodwell lately deceased whilst he lived of Trevorucha in the parish of Llangollen and diocese of Asaph aforesaid gentleman deceased was exhibited by John Evans notary public proctor for Richard Blodwell gentleman brother and administrator of the same goods etc. for a full and accurate inventory etc. under declaration as far as of additions or subtractions if etc.