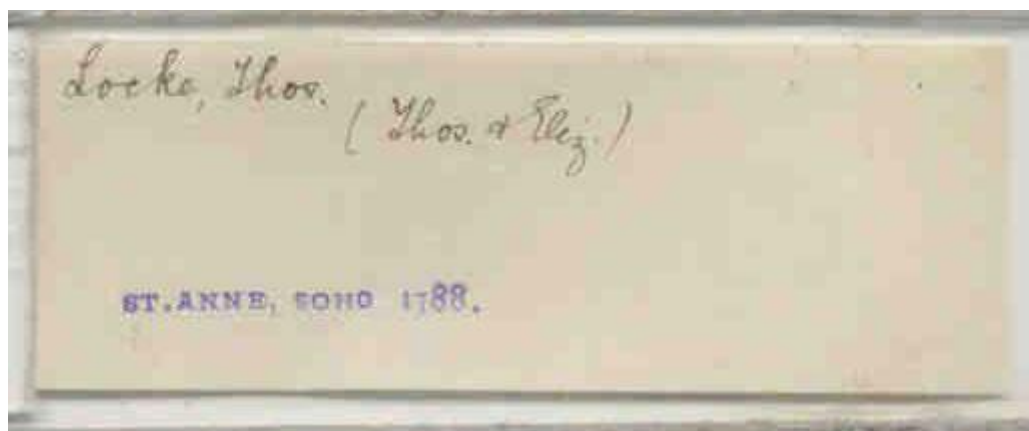


Capt Thomas Locke Will - 1850

Thomas Locke was baptized in St Annes Soho (Westminster) in 1788:



There is a hand written copy of his christening record signed by his father Thomas in his 1807 Madras Army cadet application.

Thomas Locke joined the Madras Army after a second cadet application in 1809-10, and was commissioned as an Ensign in the 7th Madras Native Infantry.

Married in 1820 to Helena Frances Frederica de Sadlo (d1821), 1822 to Indiana Laura Shaw (Adrian's 4xgrt grandmother) (d1827), and 1828 to Justa Jacobina Hoff Wodschow. Justa died in 1857 and also left a will (lds 506908). All told his unions produced around 16 children who were all brought up by Justa.

Capt Thomas Locke was "invalided" in 1827 "at his request", and transferred to the 2nd Native Veterans Battalion, then later to the 1st NVB where he was when he died in July 1850 aged 62.

His will is in lds 527451, pt 3 p23.

Probates
 granted by
The Supreme Court of Judicature
 at
Madras
 From 1st July to 30th September 1850.

This is the last Will and Testament
 of me Thomas Locke. I give and
 bequeath one third of all my property
 of what nature or kind - soever unto
 my beloved wife Justa Jacobine Stoff
 for her own sole use and benefit - and
 I give and bequeath the remaining
 two thirds of all my said property to
 all my children to be divided equally
 between them share and share alike -
 and I appoint my said wife Justa Jacobine
 Stoff the sole Executrix of this my will -
 Dated at Madras this Twenty eighth
 day of July one thousand eight hundred
 and fifty.

Signed by the Testator?
 Thomas Locke as and for
 his last Will in our
 presence who in his presence
 at his request and in the
 presence of each other have
 hereunto signed our names
 as witnesses.

Alex^r Stewart
 J. Rheinins.

The mark

of Thomas Locke

Examined compared and Carefully Collected with the Original Will and attested to be a true Copy.

J. Shaw
 Chief Clerk

The lack of a proper signature can be taken as a sign of infirmity rather than illiteracy, as he had earlier signed three wedding records and one imagines would have had to have demonstrated adequate literacy standards to be accepted as an (officer) cadet in the first place.