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**Removal Order Elizabeth Bragg 1787**

To the Church-wardens and others, the Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Hatherleigh in the County of Devon to convey: And to the Church-wardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Bratton Clovelly to receive and obey These.

Whereas Complaint hath been made, by you the Church-Wardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Hatherleigh aforesaid, unto us whose Hands and Seals are hereunto set, two of his Majesty's Justices of the Peace, in and for the County aforesaid (whereof One is of the Quorum), that Elizabeth Bragg Spinster lately intruded herself into your said Parish of Hatherleigh there to inhabit as a Parishioner contrary to the Laws relating to the Settlement of the Poor, and become chargeable to your said Parish of Hatherleigh

We, therefore, upon due Examination and Enquiry made into the Premises aforesaid, and on the Oath of the said Elizabeth Bragg taken before us do find and adjudge the same to be true: and we do also adjudge that the last Place of the legal Settlement of her the said Elizabeth Bragg was and is in the Parish of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid.

These are therefore, in his Majesty's Name, to order and require you the Church-wardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Hatherleigh aforesaid, That you, some or one of you, do forthwith remove and convey her the said Elizabeth Bragg from your said Parish of Hatherleigh to the Parish of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid, and her deliver to the Church-wardens and Overseers of the Poor, or some or one of them there, together with this our Order, or a true Copy thereof.

And you the Church-wardens and Overseers of the Poor of the Parish of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid, are likewise hereby required, in his Majesty's Name, to receive and provide for her the said Elizabeth Bragg as an inhabitant of your said Parish of Bratton Clovelly until from thence she shall be discharged by due Course of Law.

Given under our Hands and Seals the Eighteenth Day of July in the Twenty Seventh Year of the Reign of our Sovereign Lord George the Third by the Grace of God, of Great-Britain, France, and Ireland, King, Defender of the Faith, and so forth, and in the Year of our Lord 1787.

[Signed J. Arnett George Bickford]

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