

1821 Will of Richard Peard

No 12 For the Stamp Office (2 Aug)

Copy of the Will of Richard Peard late of Bratton Clovelly, Devon Yeoman

Executor Richard Peard of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid Yeoman

Proved in the Archdeacon's Court of Totnes 8 May 1821

Effects sworn under £200

Walter Prideaux Dy Reg

Forms of Affidavits to be required and received from Persons applying for Probates of Wills, and Letters of Administration, of the Value of the Personal Estate and Effects of the Deceased.

No. 1. For Executors.

Richard Peard of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon Yeoman the Sole Executor named in the last Will and Testament of Richard Peard late of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid Yeoman deceased who died on the Fourteenth Day of November 1820 maketh Oath and saith that he has made diligent search and due enquiry after and in respect of the Personal Estate and Effects of the said Deceased, in order to ascertain the full amount and value thereof; and that to the best of his knowledge, information and belief, the whole of the Goods, Chattels, and Credits, of which the said Deceased died possessed, within the Archdeaconry of Totnes, in the Province of Canterbury, (exclusive of what the Deceased may have been possessed of, or intitled to as a Trustee for any other Person or Persons, and not beneficially; but including the Leasehold Estates for years of the Deceased, whether absolute or determinable on Lives, and without deducting any thing on account of the Debts due and owing from the Deceased) are under the value of Two hundred Pounds and this Deponent further saith that the said Deceased had no Personal Estate and Effects at the time of his decease within the Province of York to which he this Deponent need to Administer. [signed] Richard Peard

Sworn on the 8th Day of May 1821 before me [signed] R H Froude Archdeacon of Totnes

Every such Affidavit to be exempt from Stamp Duty, and to be transmitted to the Commissioners of Stamps, together with a Copy of the Will to which it shall relate, under a Penalty of £50.

In the Name of God Amen I Richard Peard of the Parish of Bratton Clovelly and County of Devon Yeoman being of sound disposition mind and memory and understanding thanks be to God for the same do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say

First I recommend my Soul unto Almighty God my Maker hoping that through the merits of Jesus Christ my only Saviour and Redeemer I shall receive free and full pardon of all my sins and my body to be decently buried as hereinafter named

Item I give unto my Wife Mary Peard during her life her living in the House and the milk of a Cow and a thing of each sort and the bead [*bed*] I now lay on

I also give unto Jane Rendle the Wife of Willm Rendle fifty Pound to be paid her, twenty five pound six months after my decease and twenty five Pound at the end of twelve months after my decease

I also give unto Susanna Rice the Wife of Wm Rice fifty Pound to be paid her twenty five Pound six months after my decease and twenty five Pound at the end of twelve months after my decease and one fether bead performed

I also give William Peard my son twenty pound in ten pound six months after my decease and ten pound twelve months after my decease

Lastly all the rest of my Goods and Chattles I give unto Richard Peard my son And that quarter part of Land in Broadcraft where I now live he paying my debts and legacies and funeral Expense whom I do make and ordain my sole Executor

In Witness hereof I have set my hand and seal this thirteenth day of February 1815. [signed] Richard Peard

Witness hereunto [signed] Rich[?] Smith [The mark of] Robert Northcott [The mark of] Wm Nill[?]

The above contains a true Copy of the Original Will of Richard Peard late of Bratton Clovelly deceased the same having been by us therewith carefully examined [signed] Jas Willis Jr Francis Henry Forord Clerks to Walter Prideaux Deputy Register of the Archdeacon's Court of Totnes

Transcribed by Kim Baldacchino
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