1830 Will of Richard Peard

No 5 For the Stamp Office (11 Sep)

Copy of the Will of Richard Peard late of Bratton Clovelly devon Yeoman deceased

Sole Executrix Alice Peard of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid Widow

Proved in the Archdeacon's Court of Totnes 25th May 1830

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.

Alice Peard of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon Widow the Sole Executrix as named in the last Will and Testament of Richard Peard late of the Same Place Yeoman who died on the twenty fourth Day of January 1830 maketh Oath and saith that she hath 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 her 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 an Effects at the time of his decease within the Province of York to which she this Deponent need to Administer [signed] Alice Peard

Sworn on the 26th day of May 1820 before me [signed] George May Coleridge Surrogate

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.

I Richard Peard of the parish of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon Yeoman being mindful of my mortality do make this my last Will and Testament in manner following.

First I give and devise the whole of my real and personal estate wheresoever and whatsoever unto my second Son Richard on his attaining the age of twenty one years subject to the payments hereinafter mentioned To have and to hold to my said son Richard his heirs executors Administrators and assigns forever

Also I give Sixty pounds to my eldest son William and to my three daughters Mary Betsy and Grace twenty five pounds each payable out of my real and personal property on my second Son Richard attaining the age of twenty one years

the profits arising from the whole of my real and personal property before my second Son Richard is twenty one years of age I give unto my wife Alice for the education and bringing up of all my children and for the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses

Also I give to my wife Alice when my son Richard attains the age of twenty one and she has resigned the whole of my real and personal property five pounds annually to be paid out of my freehold estate of Broadcroft in the parish of Bratton Clovelly for the term of her life or as long as she remains unmarried

In case my Wife Alice dies or marries again before my second son Richard is of the age of twenty one years my Will then is that my brother in Law William Rundle do take the care of the whole of my property for the benefit and sole use of my children as above expressed

And I do hereby constitute and appoint my wife Alice Executrix of this my last Will and Testament

If either of my children William Mary Betsy or Grace die before my second son Richard is of twenty one years of age then my will is that his or her legacy be equally divided amongst my surviving children

If my son Richard dies before he is of the age of twenty one years then my Will is that the legacies to my other children be paid to each of them on the day my second son Richard would have attained the age of twenty one years had he lived

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this ninth day of May One thousand eight hundred and twenty nine. [signed] Richard Peard

Signed declared and published as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who subscribed our names as Witnesses in the Testators presence and at his request [signed] Wm W Gurney Frances Bedford [The mark of] John Hatch

This Sheet contains a true Copy of the Original Will of Richard Peard of Bratton Clovelly Devon Yeoman deceased the same having been carefully examined therewith by us [signed] John Wm Hodges Nicholas Gidley Clerks to Walter Prideaux Deputy Registrar of the Archdeacon's Court of Totnes

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