

1857 Will of John Palmer

No 4 For the Stamp Office

Copy of the Will of John Palmer late of Bratton Clovelly Devon Innkeeper deceased

Executrix Betty Palmer of Bratton Clovelly Devon Widow

Proved in the Archdeacons Court of Totnes 12th October 1857

Effects sworn under £100

Geo Farwell Dy Reg

No. 1. For Executors.

Appeared personally Betty Palmer of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon and Archdeaconry of Totnes Widow the Executrix named in the last Will and Testament of John Palmer late of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid Innkeeper deceased who died on the Twenty third Day of May 1857 and made Oath 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 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 entitled 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 One Hundred Pounds, to the best of this Deponents knowledge, information, and belief. [signed] Betty Palmer

Sworn on the Twelfth Day of October 1857 before me [signed] J W Burrough Surrogate

This is the last Will and Testament of me John Palmer of Bratton Clovelly Devon Innkeeper

I give to my Son John Palmer five shillings

I give to my Daughter Mary Palmer, now the Wife of John Distant five shillings

I give to my Son William Palmer five shillings

I give to my Daughter Kezia Palmer, now the wife of Thomas Deacon five shillings and

I give to my son Nicholas Palmer all my real and Freehold property called Broads tenement consisting of Three Cottages, Pigs houses, Gardens Orchard and Meadows with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging

And all the residue of my personal property (subject as aforesaid) I give to my Wife Betty Palmer and I appoint my said Wife Betty Palmer my Executrix of this my Will hereby revoking all former and other Wills

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this twenty fifth day of April one thousand Eight hundred and Fifty seven [signed] John Palmer

Signed sealed and delivered by the said John Palmer the Testator in the presence of us present at the same time who at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as Witnesses [signed] Thomas Shopland Oliver Harris Higgins

The above writing contains a true Copy of the original Will of John Palmer late of Bratton Clovelly Devon Innkeeper deceased the same having been carefully examined therewith by [signed] William Hannaford Jas Page Clerks to Geo Farwell Dy Reg of the Archdeacons Court of Totnes

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