1836 Will of Henry Skelley

No 9. For the Stamp Office

Copy of the Will of Henry Skelley late of Bratton Clovelly Devon Yeoman deceased Sole Executrix Mary Skelley of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid Widow. Proved in the Archdeacon's Court of Totnes 9th Feby 1836. Effects sworn under £200 George Farwell Dy Reg

No. 1. For Executors.

Appeared personally Mary Skelley of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon Widow the Sole Executrix named in the last Will and Testament of Henry Skelley late of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid Yeoman who died on the twenty fourth Day of November 1835 and made Oath 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 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 Two hundred Pounds [The Mark of] Mark Skelley

Sworn on the Ninth Day of February 1836 before me [signed] William W Gurney Commissioner

In the Name of God Amen I Henry Skelley of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon Yeoman being in good health and of sound mind memory and understanding do make publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following

And first I resign my Soul unto Almighty God hoping through the merits and intercession of Jesus Christ My Saviour to obtain pardon of all my sins and to inherit everlasting life and my body I commit to a Christian burial at the discretion of my Executor hereinafter named and as to the goods and effects which it has pleased God to bestow upon me I give devise and dispose of the same in manner following (that is to say)

First I give unto my Son Henry Skelley the Sum of five pounds to be paid unto him in six months after his Mother's decease

I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Mary Chubb the Sum of ten pounds to be paid unto her in six months after her Mother's decease

I give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Liza Martyn the Sum of One pound to be paid unto her one year after my decease

I give unto my Grand daughter Mary Ann Williams the Sum of One pound to be paid unto her one year after my decease

I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son John Williams the Sum of One pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son James Williams the Sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I give unto my Grand Son Richard Williams the Sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I give unto my Grand Son William Williams the Sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I give unto my Grand Son Henry Williams the Sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Hariet Williams the Sum of one pound to be paid unto her one year after my decase

I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son William Scovern the Sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I give unto my Grand Son Robert Scovern the Sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Suffia Scovern the Sum of one pound to be paid unto her one year after my decease

I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son Richard Scovern the Sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Charlotte Scovern the Sum of one pound to be paid unto her one year after my decease

I give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Mary Ann Scovern the Sum of one pound to be paid unto her one year after my decease

I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son John Scovern the Sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son Isaac Scovern the Sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decase

I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son Richard Skelley the Sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I give and bequeath unto my Grand Son William Skelley the Sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I ive unto my Grand Son John Henry Chubb the Sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I give and bequeath unto Richard Chubb my Grand Son the sum of one pound to be paid unto him one year after my decease

I give and bequeath unto my Grand daughter Agnes Chubb the Sum of one pound to be paid unto her one year after my decease

I give unto my Grand daughter Harriett Skelley the Sum of one pound to be paid unto her one year after my decease

I give and bequeath all the rest residue and remainder of my goods and chattels ready Money Money at Interest Bills bonds notes and all other Securities for Money quick and dead goods and Chattels of what kind soever I give unto my beloved Wife which I do hereby make my full and whole Executor of this my last Will and Testament her paying my debts legacies and funeral charges and I do hereby revoke all former Wills by me made and acknowledge this to be my last Will and Testament and after my Wife's decease it is my Will and pleasure that all my aforesaid Goods and Chattels of what kind soever shall be equally divided between my two daughters Frances Williams and Elizabeth Scovern them to have and enjoy all and singular the aforesaid Goods and Chattels them paying their mothers funeral expences debts and legacies which two Daughters I do constitute make and ordain them to be my whole and sole Executrixes of this my last Will and Testament in manner and form aforesaid and I do hereby revoke disannul and make void all former Wills and Testaments by me made

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and Seal this the fiteenth day of July one thousand eight hundred and thirty two [The Mark of] Henry Skelley

Signed Sealed published and declared by the Testator Henry Skelley as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of use who have subscribed our names as Witness thereto in the presence of the Testator and in the presence of each other [signed] John Nichols John Horn

The writing on this and the annexed Sheet contains a true Copy of the Original Will of Henry Skelley late of Bratton Clovelly Devon Yeoman deceased the same having been carefully examined by us [signed] John Wm Hodges Jas Willis Clerks to George Farwell Deputy Registrar of the Archdeacon's Court of Totnes

Transcribed by Kim Baldacchino 16 July 2014