1838 Will of John Voaden

No 8 For the Stamp Office

Copy of the Will of John Voaden late of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon, Yeoman, deceased

Sole Executor William Voaden of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid Yeoman

Proved in the Archdeacon's Court of Totnes 12th Decr 1838

Effects Sworn under £1000

George Farwell Dy Regr

No. 1. For Executors.

Appeared personally William Voaden of Bratton Clovelly in the County of Devon and Archdeaconry of Totnes Yeoman the sole Executor named in the last Will and Testament of John Voaden late of Bratton Clovelly aforesaid Yeoman deceased who died on the seventh Day of December 1838 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 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 Thousand Pounds, to the best of this Deponents knowledge, information, and belief. [signed] William Voaden

Sworn on the twelfth Day of December 1838 before me [signed] [?] Crossley Surrogate

In the name of God Amen I John Voaden of the parish of Brattonclovelly in the County of Devon Yeoman Being aged but of a sound disposing mind memory and understanding Thanks be to God for it and considering the certainty of Death and the uncertain of the time thereof Do make and ordain this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form as follows

First I give and bequeath unto my son John Voaden to his Heirs forever my freehold Estate called Burden in the parish of Beaworthy in the County of Devon he paying my daughter Mary Martin four pounds per year out of the said Estate dureing her natureal life

Also I Give unto my son Stephen Voaden Fifteen Pounds per year out of my estate called North Thrushel in the Parish of Sourton in the said County of Devon during his natural life

Also I give unto my daughter Grace Seccombe Fifty Pounds she to receive the same Twelve Calendar months after my decease

Also I give unto my daughter Mary Martin Fifty Pounds to be paid to her at five payments Ten pounds a time at every year's end till all is paid

I also give unto my daughter Alice Smallacombe Fifty Pounds she to receive the same Twelve Calendar months after my decease

I also give unto Thomasin Drew one shilling

I also give unto my grandson William Voaden son my son Richard Voaden deceased Ten Pounds he to Receive the same when comes to the age of Eighteen Years

I also give unto my Grand daughter Alice Voaden (Daughter of Richard Voaden deceased) Five Pounds she to Receive the same when she comes to the age of Eighteen Years

I also give unto my grand daughter Grace Voaden daughter of Richard Voaden deceased Five Pounds she to Receive the same when comes to the age of eighteen years

All the rest & residue of my Lands and Tenements personal Estates Goods and chattels Ready money Bonds notes Dues and every thing I shall die possessed of or Entitled unto not before given and bequeathed I do hereby give and bequeath unto my son William Voaden and I do hereby nominate and appoint my said son William Voaden whole and sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament he paying my just debts and Legacies as before mentioned Hereby Revoking and disannuling all Former Will or Wills by me before made

In Witness hereof I the said John Voaden have hereunto set my Hand and Seal and published and declared this to be my last Will and Testament the Twenty Nineth day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight Hundred and Thirty Eight [signed] John Voaden

Signed Sealed Published and declared by the said Testator John Voaden to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have set our names as Witness and in the presence of each other Witness [signed] Roger Reddicliffe Robert Down [The mark of] Maria Rich

The Writing on this and the preceding Sheet contains a true Copy of the Original Will of John Voaden late of Bratton Clovelly Devon, Yeoman deceased, the same having been carefully examined therewith by us [signed] W. B. Hannaford W. Hannaford Clerks to George Farwell Deputy Registrar of the Archdeacon's Court of Totnes

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