

The following Will was obtained from the National Archives (PROB 11/1562/383) on the 27th of July 2021. And belongs to Linley Hurst, it is dated from 24th January 1814. With it being proved on the 25th of November 1814

I have chosen to convert the language used at the time into something more akin to that we would see today.

This is the last Will and Testament of me Linley Hurst of Keyston in the County of Huntingdon Gentleman

I give devise unto Susannah Pearson of Keyston aforesaid widow heirs and assigns all that my cot Messuage (a small residential holding or cottage property with attached land rights) Tenement or dwelling house situate lying in Keyston aforesaid in my own Occupation with the Barns Stables Yard Garden orchard and Spinney thereunto adjoining and belonging with their and every of their appurtenance

Also, all that my close of pasture land or ground called Lown's Close containing by estimation four acres more or less lying and being in Keyston aforesaid and adjoining the aforesaid premisses or towards the west

Also, all that my other close or pightle (a small, enclosed piece of land) of land with the Appurtenance or granary standing thereon and the garden thereunto belonging with the appurtenance situate in Keyston aforesaid opposite to the aforesaid Messuage Tenement or dwelling house

Also, all that my spinney containing by estimation half an acre more or less adjoining the Keyston Road on or towards the East

And also, all that my land called the Grove land containing by estimation one acre more or less to hold the same hereditaments and premisses and every part thereof unto the said Susannah Pearson her heirs and assigns for ever

Subject nevertheless to the payment of the sum of ten pounds yearly and every year to Jane Jackson of Oundle in the County of Northampton and her assigns for and during the term of her natural life by two even and equal half yearly payments in the year the first payment thereof to begin and be made on the six calendar months next after my decease and I hereby subject charge and make liable the aforesaid Messuage dwelling house and premisses hereinbefore devised to the said Susannah Pearson with the payment of the said yearly sum of ten pounds

I give and bequeath the sum of five hundred pounds unto my Nephew John Roberts of Bourn in the County of Lincoln Grocer his Executors administrators and assigns to and for his and their own absolute use and benefit

I give and bequeath the sum of three hundred pounds unto my Nephew William Roberts of Bourn aforesaid Yeoman his Executors administrators and assigns to and for his and their own absolute use and benefit

I give and bequeath the sum of two hundred and fifty pounds unto my friend Charles Frederick Foster of Oundle aforesaid Banker his Executors administrators and assigns to and for his and their own absolute use and benefit

I give and bequeath the sum of one hundred pounds unto my Nephew George Sanderson his Executors administrators and assigns to and for his and their own absolute use and benefit

I give and bequeath the sum of one hundred pounds unto my friend Mary Stoker her Executors administrators and assigns to and for her and their own absolute use and benefit

I give and bequeath the sum of twenty-five pounds unto my God daughter Elizabeth Ewbank

I give and bequeath the sum of twenty pounds unto my Nephew Thomas Roberts

I give and bequeath the sum of twenty-five pounds unto my Servant Sarah Dent

All which said legacies I will and direct shall be paid within twelve calendar months next after my decease by my Executrix and Executor hereinafter named out of my personal estate and effects which I hereby subject charge and make chargeable with the payment thereof

And as to for and concerning all the rest residue and personal and real whatsoever of what kind nature or quality soever also whatsoever or wheresoever and wheresoever entitled to or interested in or entitled unto I give and bequeath the same and every part thereof subject as aforesaid and to the payment of all my just debts funeral expenses and the charges of proving and executing this my will unto the said Susannah Pearson her Executors administrators and assigns to and for her and their own absolute use and benefit

And I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint the said Susannah Pearson and Charles Foster joint Executrix and Executor of this my last Will and Testament

And I hereby further declare it to be my will and direct that my said Executrix and Executor or either of them their or either of their Executors or administrators shall not be responsible or accountable for or charged or chargeable with more of my estate and effects or monies than she/he or they shall actually receive or shall come to their respective hands by virtue of this my will nor with or for any loss or reduction which shall or may happen of the same or any part thereof so as such loss happen without their or one of their wilful neglect or default nor the one of them my said Executrix or Executor for the other of them but each for himself and herself only

And also, that it shall and may be lawful for each they my said Executrix and Executor and each of them shall and may by and out of my personal estate and effects retain and reimburse herself and himself all such costs charges and expenses which they shall sustain expend or be put unto in and about the execution of this my will

And lastly, I hereby revoke and make void all former and other wills by me at any time heretofore made and declare this alone to be and contain my last Will and Testament

In Witness whereof I the said Linley Hurst have to this my last will and testament contained in three sheets of paper set my hand and seal that is to say to the two first my hand and to this third and last sheet my hand and seal this twenty fourth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fourteen
L Hurst Signed

sealed published and declared by the said Linley Hurst the Testator as and for his last will and testament in the presence of us who in his presence and at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses

John Groves
James Abbott
M. Tinner attorney Padstow

PROVED at London 25th November 1814 before the Judge by the oaths of Susannah Pearson widow and Charles Frederic Foster Esquire the Executors to whom administration was granted having been first sworn by common duty to administrate

This is the last Will and Testament
of the said Robert of Ripton in the County of Shropshire
Gentleman I give bequeath unto Susanna Parron of the
County of Shropshire widow hereafter all that my tenement
situate in the town of Ripton aforesaid in my own occupation with the two Barons
and belonging with their own of their appurtenances also all
that my close of pasture land or ground called Lewis or
close containing by estimation four acres more or less
lying and being in Ripton aforesaid and adjoining the
aforesaid premises on or towards the west also all that
my little close or plot of land with the appurtenances or ground
standing thereon and the garden thereto belonging with
the appurtenances situate in Ripton aforesaid opposite to the
aforesaid Shropshire Tenement or dwellinghouse also all
that my dwelling containing by estimation half an acre
more or less adjoining the Ripton Road or on towards the
east and also all that my land called the Grove close
containing by estimation one acre more or less to have the
same with the appurtenances and premises and other part thereof
unto the said Susanna Parron and heirs and assigns
for ever subject notwithstanding to the payment of the sum of
Ten pounds yearly & upwards to the said Susanna Parron or her heirs
in the County of Shropshire and as aforesaid during the
term of her natural life by two equal and equal halves
yearly payments in the year the first payment thereof to be
made on or before the day of the calendar month of May after
my decease and the second payment thereof to be made on or before
the day of the calendar month of November after
the first payment thereof and the said payments to be made
unto the said Susanna Parron with the payment

of the said yearly sum of Ten pounds I give and bequeath
the sum of Ten pounds I give and bequeath the sum of five
hundred pounds unto my Discreet John Roberts of Bourne in
the County of Lincoln Esquire his Executors administrators and assigns
to and for his heirs own absolute use and benefit I give and
bequeath a few sum of Ten hundred pounds unto my Discreet
William Roberts of Bourne of one and bequeath his Executors
administrators and assigns to and for his heirs own absolute use and
benefit I give and bequeath the sum of two hundred and a
fifty pounds unto my friend Charles Frederick Esquire of Oundle
after and after his Executors administrators and assigns to and for
his heirs own absolute use and benefit I give and bequeath
the sum of one hundred pounds unto my Discreet George
de la Barre his Executors administrators and assigns to and for his and
his heirs own absolute use and benefit I give and bequeath the
sum of one hundred pounds unto my Discreet Sarah
his Executors administrators and assigns to and for her and
her heirs own absolute use and benefit I give and bequeath
the sum of twenty five pounds unto my God Daughter
Elizabeth Fairbanks her and bequeath the sum of twenty
pounds unto my Discreet Charles Roberts Esquire and
bequeath the sum of twenty four pounds unto my Discreet
Sarah Esquire that all which said legacies I will and
direct shall be paid without any delay or delay
until after my decease by my Executors and Executors
without out of my personal Estate and Effects which I hereby
subject charge and make chargeable with the payment
of and as to the administration of all the rest of my

personal and real Estate of my personal Estate and Effects
of what nature or kind soever and whatsoever value
shall be possessed of or entrusted in or settled upon I give and
bequeath the same and every part thereof subject as aforesaid
and to the payment of all my just debts funeral Expenses
and the charges of proving and settling this my will unto
the said Executors administrators and assigns and assigns
to and for his and his heirs own absolute use and benefit and
I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint the said
Discreet John Roberts and Charles Frederick Esquires
and Executors of this my last will testament and I hereby
further declare it to be my will and direct that my said
Executors and Executors or either of them or either of
their Executors or assigns shall not be responsible or
accountable for or charged or chargeable with more of my
Estate and Effects or monies than due to or they shall actually
receive or shall come to their respective hands by virtue
of this my will nor with or for any loss or reduction of value
shall or may happen of the same or any part thereof or
as much loss happen without their or one of their wilful or
neglect or default nor the one of them my said Executors or
Executor for the other of them but each for himself and
only and also that I shall and they may be lawful or
lawful by my said Executors and Executors and each of them
shall and may by and out of my personal Estate and Effects
pay and reimburse himself and himself all such costs
charges and Expenses which they shall incur in the
execution of this my will and do
lastly I hereby revoke and make void all former and other
wills by me at any time heretofore made and declare this
above to be my last will and testament in
testimony whereof I have said and hereby do give to this my
last

last will & testament contained in three sheets of paper
set my hand & seal that is to say to the two first my hand
and to this third and last ^{last} my hand & seal this twenty fourth
day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight &
hundred and fourteen I burnt & signed sealed published &
declared by the said Henry Ernest the testator as and for his
last will & testament in the presence of us who in his presence
and at his request and in the presence of each other have
humbly subscribed our names as witnesses John Brown
James Abbott // Wm. Finney attorney Liverpool //

PROVED at London 25th November 1874 before the
Judge by the oaths of Edmund Pearson and Charles
Frederick Wyke Esquires the Executors to whom admission was
granted having been first sworn by common duty to administer.