Will of Hannah Hodgetts 1851

This is the last Will and Testament of me **Mrs Hannah Hodgetts** of Aston new Town of the Boughrough of Birmingham in the County of Warwick I direct that all my just debts and funeral and testamentary expenses be duly paid and satisfied by my executor hereinafter named as soon as conveniently may be after my decease

I give devise and bequeath all and every my household furniture linen and wearing apparel books plate china pictures horses carts and carriages and also all and every sum and sums of money which may be found in my house or be about my person or due to me at the time of my decease and also all my stocks funds and securities for money due on bonds bills notes or other securities and all and every other my estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever whether in possession or reversion remainder or expectancy unto my three daughters namely Hannah Littlewood of Crew Cheshire and Mary Johnson and Emma Hodgetts of Birmingham my youngest daughter **Emma** to have my household furniture and the survivor of them and the executors and administrators of each survivor upon trust as soon as conveniently may be after my decease to collect call in and recover such parts thereof as shall consist of money or securities for money and to sell dispose of and convert into money all other parts of my real and personal estate either by private auction or private contract as to my said executors shall occur meet and upon further trust when and so soon as the whole of any real and personal estate shall have been converted into money and received upon trust to pay unto my children equal to each part or share thereof unto Hannah Littlewood of Crew in County of Cheshire except the goods already named for her own use and benefit and to pay the next other equal part to parts or share thereof unto **Mary Johnson** of Aston of the Boughrough of Birmingham except the goods for her own use and benefit and to pay other equal part to parts or share thereof unto Emma Hodgetts of Aston new Town of the Boughrough of Birmingham County of Warwick for her own use and benefit and to pay over the remaining equal part or share unto of own use and benefit and I direct that the receipts of any said executors for the purchase money of my real or personal estate shall be good and sufficient discharges to the purchasers thereof and that said purchasers shall not be obliged to see to the application thereof and I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint Mrs Mary Johnson 42 Lower Hurst Street Mr Samuel **Brown** Scarth Street Birmingham Executors of this my will

And I do hereby declare that my said Executors and the survivor of them and the executors and administrators of such survivor shall and may at all times out of the first monies that may come to their or either of their hands reimburse and indemnify themselves and himself respectively all such costs damages charges and expenses as they or either of them may be put unto or sustain in and about the execution of the trusts of this my will and that neither of them shall be answerable for any loss which may happen to the said trust premises unless the same shall happen by or through his or their wilful

neglect or default nor for any loss which may happen from depositing any of the said trust monies in the hands keeping or custody of any Public Banker nor the one for the other of them neither shall either of them be answerable for such monies that shall actually come into his hands by virtue of this my will and hereby revoking and making void all former or other will by me at any time heretofore made I do declare this to be my last will and testament in witness whereto I the said **Hannah Hodgetts** have to this my last will and testament set my hand the fifth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty one ----- **Hannah Hodgetts** her mark X LS ---- Signed by the said testatrix and acknowledged by her to be her last will and testament in the presence of us present at the same time and subscribed by us in the presence of the said testatrix and of each other.

Joseph Whitehead ----- Charles George Xxxxxx

Proved at London 6th December 1851 before the Judge by the oath of **Mary Johnson** and **Samuel Brown** the executors to whom administration was granted having been first sworn by **XXXXXX** duly to administer.

Notes:

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Boughrough (for borough) as written

Crew (for Crewe) as written

Who was the 4th beneficiary whose name is left blank in the will?

The names Xxxxxx are indecipherable

LS is believed to be an abbreviation for loco sigilli - in the place of the seal