

I George Withy of Melksham in the

Country of Wilts being of sound and disposing mind, memory and
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understanding do make this my Will in manner and form following
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that is to say first it is my Will and I hereby direct that all my just
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debts Financial and Testamentary expenses be paid and discharged. I
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give unto John Fowler of Melksham the sum of nineteen guineas
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in trust to be by him given to such poor persons resident in Melksham
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as in his judgement he may think proper in sums not exceeding five
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shillings or less than one shilling in any one case. I give unto my
shillings or less than one shilling in any one case. I give unto my

Son George my Silver Gilt Watch Chain and Seals. I further give and
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bequeath unto my Son George all my right and interest in certain
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Freehold and Leasehold Premises situate and being at N^o 69 Castle
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Street Bristol now in the possession of William Herbert and others to
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one moiety of which I am entitled on the demise of my wife as bequeathed
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to me by the will of my son Samuel to hold to him and his heirs
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for ever. I further give and bequeath unto my son George twenty five
for ever. I further give and bequeath unto my son George twenty five

shares in the North Wilts Banking company to hold to him and his
shares in the North Wilts Banking company to hold to him and his

heirs for ever. I give and bequeath unto my son John all that my freehold
heirs for ever. I give and bequeath unto my son John all that my freehold

estate at Downend with a quarter of all acre of Land in Bye Mead
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situate and being in the Parish of Mangotsfield in the County of Glouster
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and which I purchased of Champion to hold to him and his heirs for
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I give unto my son Edward all my right and interest in ten shares
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in the Kennet and Avon Canal to hold to him and his heirs for ever
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I further give unto my son Edward all the shares now held in the
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I further give unto my son Edward all the shares I now hold in the
Melksham Gas Works with all interest due thereon to hold to him and
his heirs for ever. I further give unto my son Edward twenty five
his heirs for ever. I further give unto my son Edward twenty five
shares in the north Wilts Banking Company to hold to him and his
heirs for ever. I give unto my hereinafter named Executors to have my
Will fifty pounds each of good and lawful money of Great Britain current
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in England on condition of their taking upon them the trust reposed
herein. I give and bequeath unto each of the children of William and
Hester Simpson viz Edward, George and Mary who may be living at the
time of my decease the sum of nineteen guineas to be placed to their
respective accounts in the Savings Bank at Melksham. I give and bequeath
unto each of the children of James and Rachel Tanner viz Mary Ann,
John and James who may be living at the time of my decease the
sum of nineteen guineas to be placed to their respective accounts in the Savings
Bank at Melksham. I give and bequeath unto each of the children of John
and Mary Atree viz John, Joseph, Sophia, Elizabeth and Stephen who may
be living at the time of my decease the sum of nineteen guineas to be
placed to their respective accounts in the Savings Bank at Melksham. I give
unto my niece Mary Atree the sum of nineteen guineas for her own
use and benefit. It is my will and I hereby direct that the above Legacies
to the Simpsons, Tanners and Atrees shall be paid in six months after
my decease and either remain in the Bank during their respective
or to be used before at the discretion of their parents if occasion should
require it as to the best and proudest of all my real and personal

require it. As to the rest and residue of all my real and personal
 estate and effects of what nature so ever and who so ever whether in
 possession or expectancy, I give and bequeath the whole and every part
 hereof unto my dear wife Lydia to hold to her and her heirs for ever. Lastly
 I appoint my sons George and John Withy (executors) to have my will
 contained in one sheet of paper and sealed with my Seal this the twenty
 second day of October and in the year One Thousand eight hundred and
 thirty six George Withy signed sealed published and declared by the
 Testator George Withy 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 subscribed our names as Witnesses the day and year above
 written Charles Mallinson, Tea Dealer Melksham Wilts. -----
 -- W Clarke of Melksham, Warehouseman – W Crocket
 of Melksham, Warehouseman both in the employ of Fowler & Mallinson/
Proved at Swindon 6th December 1837 before the Judge by George
 Withy and John Withy the sons the executors to whom administration
 was granted having first made a solemn and direct declaration of
 affirmation according to act of Parliament by Commission duly to
 administer.