

### **Will of Robert Squirrel Newcomb, draper of St Osyth, 1843**

In the name of God Amen.

I Robert Squirrel Newcomb, Draper of St Osyth in the County of Essex, revoking all others, appoint this to be my last Will and Testament.

I give the sum of Fifty Pounds sterling to the New Wesleyan Chapel, Harwich in the County of Essex.

I give Fifty Pounds to the Wesleyan Methodist Missionary Society.

I give to my affectionate Brother William, all my Freehold Property in the Parish of Tendering in the County of Essex, consisting of Five Cottages, a Blacksmith's Shop, and Building attached thereto – subject to a Mortgage of £240 held by Mr Brookes of Weeley And a Note of hand £75 held by John Bird of Tendering in the said County of Essex.

I give to my affectionate Brother James all my Freehold and Copyhold Estate in the Parish of St Osyth in the County of Essex, and with him to pay my beloved Mother Hannah Newcomb, out of the above Estate the sum of Twenty Pounds a year for the term of her natural life.

I also give to my Brother James all my Property employed in the Business now carried on by the Firm of Robert Squirrel & James Newcomb in the Parish of St Osyth in the County of Essex.

I give to my beloved Sister Margery Cushion the sum of Twelve Pounds per annum for the term of her natural life, to be paid Quaterly by my Brother James Newcomb.

I give all my Books to be equally divided among my Brothers and Sisters.

I give to my affectionate Brother Joseph Newcomb the sum of Fifty Pounds as my Executor to be paid to him by my Brother James.

I wish my Funeral expenses to be paid by my Brother James Newcomb.

I appoint my Brothers Joseph James and William to be my Executors of this my last Will & Testament.

Witness my hand this tenth day of March 1843.

Signed: Robt Squirrel Newcomb

Witnesses: W. Booth, Jas Dunnett.

7<sup>th</sup> June 1843

Joseph Newcomb and James Newcomb two of the executors within named were sworn to the truth of this Will and to the due performance thereof; that to the best of their knowledge information and belief the Amount of the value of the Goods Chattels and Credits of the Deceased is under the sum of Eight Hundred Pounds and that the Testator died on or about the twenty sixth day of March last in the Parish of St Osyth in the County of Essex (Power being reserved to William Newcomb the other executor in the said Will named for proving the same when he may apply).

Before me Samuel Carr Surrogate.

Proved: 30 Jun 1843.

ERO ref: D/ABW 136/1/51