

Lyddington Manor History Society

John BROWN, farmer and grazier of Caldecott

Will proved 1819

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1 This is the last will and Testament of me John Brown of Caldecott in
2 the County of Rutland Farmer and Grazier – First I direct that all my just
3 Debts, Funeral and Testamentary expences be paid and satisfied by my Executors
4 hereinafter named out of my Personal Estate as soon as may be after my decease.
5 I give and devise unto \Robert/ Lenton Ward of Gretton in the County of Northampton Farmer
&
6 John Ogden of Caldecott aforesaid Farmer All and singular my Freehold and Copyhold
7 Messuages Lands Tenements and Hereditaments whatsoever situate and being
8 at Caldecott aforesaid and East Farndon in the County of Northampton To hold
9 the same unto the said \Robert/ Lenton Ward and John Ogden and their Heirs upon the
10 Trusts following that is to say upon Trust to receive and take the Rents
11 Issues and Profits of all my said Estates Lands and Premises until the
12 youngest of my said two Sons shall attain his age of twenty one years and
13 to pay and apply such Rents Issues and Profits for and towards their maintenance
14 education and bringing up and when my said youngest Son shall attain his
15 age of twenty one years then to divide the surplus of any of such Rents
16 Issues and Profits equally between my said two Sons share and share alike
17 And ~~my Will~~ then upon further Trust to stand seized of all my said Estates Lands and
18 Premises in such uses upon such Trusts and In such intents and purposes
19 following (that is to say) As to for and concerning All that my Copyholds
20 3 Messuages *or* Tenements in Caldecott aforesaid with the Yards Outbuildings
21 and Premises thereto immediately adjoining and now in my own Occupation
22 And also all that Close piece or parcel of Land in Caldecott aforesaid called
23 Pitts Close to the Use of ~~the~~ my said Son John Brown his Heirs and Assigns
24 for ever – and as to for and concerning All that Messuage or Tenement
25 Garden and Premises in Caldecott aforesaid in the Occupation of Lucy Woodcock
26 And also all that Yard now in my Occupation adjoining the Premises in
27 the Occupation of the said Lucy Woodcock – And also all that my Freehold
28 Estate Land Hereditaments and Premises at East Farndon in the County

29 of Northampton – To the Use of my said Son Pridmore Brown his Heirs and
30 Assigns for ever. – And as to for and concerning all the rest residue and
31 remainder of my Closes pieces and parcels of Land in Caldecott aforesaid
32 To the Use of my said two Sons John Brown and Pridmore Brown *their*
33 Heirs and Assigns for ever equally to be divided between them share and
34 share alike \as Tenants in common and not as Joint Tenants/ - Provided always and my will is,
that in case my Wife *Mary*
35 Brown shall happen to be ensient of a Son at the time of my decease [*illeg*]
36 and in such case I hereby charge all and singular my Estates Lands and
37 Premises hereby Devised unto my two Sons John Brown and Pridmore
38 Brown respectively with the payment of the legacy or sum of eight hundred
39 pounds to be paid to such Son on his attaining the age of twenty one
40 years in equal proportions by my said Sons John Brown and Pridmore
41 Brown And in case my said ~~Daughter~~ Wife shall be ensient at the time
42 of my decease of a Daughter then I make chargeable my Estates Lands
43 and Premises so devised as *aforesaid* with the payment of the legacy or
44 sum of five hundred pounds to be paid to such child on her attaining
45 the age of twenty one years by my said Sons in the proportions aforesaid
46 I give and bequeath unto my said Wife L[?] *Mary* Brown the legacy or sum
47 of One hundred and fifty pounds to be paid to her my Executors hereinafter named
48 within six months after my decease – I give and bequeath unto the said Robert
49 Lenton Ward and John Ogden their Executors and Administrators All my Stock
50 Crops of Corn and Grain Book Debts Implements in Husbandry and all the rest
51 residue and remainder of my Personal Estate and Effects whatsoever except as hereinafter
52 mentioned respecting my *fine[?]* Household Furniture upon the Trusts following
53 (that is to say) Upon Trust that they the said Robert Lenton Ward and John
54 Ogden and the Survivor of them and the executors and Administrators of such
55 Survivor shall and do after my decease with the consent and approbation of
56 my said Wife carry on the Farming business to and for her use and benefit
57 for and during the term of her natural life or so long as she shall continue
58 my Widow unmarried and from and after the decease of my said Wife
59 or in the event of her marrying again then I direct that the said Robert
60 Lenton Ward and John Ogden and the Survivor of them and the Executors &
61 Administrators of such Survivor do and shall stand possessed of my said

62 Personal Estate Upon Trust for my said Sons John Brown and Pridmore
63 Brown equally to be divided between them share and share alike when
64 they shall attain the Age of twenty one years. And in case my said Wife
65 shall happen to marry again then my Will and Meaning is that the
66 said Robert Lenton Ward and John Ogden and the Survivor of them and
67 the Executors and Administrators of such Survivor shall pay unto my said
68 Wife the further legacy or sum of Four hundred and fifty pounds within
69 \twelve/ months next after such marriage out of my said Personal Estate
70 And my Will and meaning further is that my said Wife shall have the
71 use and Occupation of the Messuage or Tenement wherein I now dwell
72 for and during the term of her natural life or as long as she continues
73 unmarried without paying any Rent for the same. And shall also have
74 the use and Occupation of all my Houshold Goods and Furniture Plate Linen
75 and Woollen during the term of her natural life whether she may happen
76 to marry again or not – And from and after her decease then I direct that
77 the said Houshold Goods and Furniture may be equally divided between my
78 said two Sons John Brown and Pridmore Brown share and share alike –
79 And I do hereby declare that my said Trustees and Executors shall not
80 be answerable or accountable for the Acts Deeds Receipts or Defaults of the other
81 of them but each of them for his own Acts and Deeds only – And that they
82 my said Trustees and Executors shall not *in* any manner be accountable
83 for any loss which may happen in the Trust premises aforesaid so
84 that the same happen not through their or either of their willful
85 neglect or default. And I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint
86 the said Robert Lenton Ward and John Ogden Executors and
87 Trustees of this my Will In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my
88 hand and seal this eighth day of September One thousand
89 Eight hundred and eighteen.

90 John Brown

91 Signed Sealed Published and Declared by the
92 said John *Brown* the Testator as and for his
93 last Will and Testament in the presence of
94 us who in his presence at his request and in
95 the presence of each other have subscribed

96 our names as Witnesses – the words “Robert”
97 in the first sheet – and the words “as Tenants in
98 Common and not as joint Tenants” between the
99 fourth and fifth lines of the second sheet – and
100 the word “twelve” between the ninth and tenth
101 lines of the third sheet being first severally
102 interlined – John Wignell
103 Bentley Warren
104 John Taylor

Probate clause

On the ninth Day of February 1819 Robert Lenton Ward of Gretton in the County of Northampton, Farmer, and John Ogden of Caldecott in the County of Rutland, Farmer, the Executors in this Will named were duly sworn and also made Oath that the within named John Brown did not die possessed of Goods Chattels and Credits to the amount or Value of three thousand Pounds before me

R^d Atlay - Surrogate

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