

# This is the last Will and Testament

*of me Frances Man~~n~~ of N<sup>o</sup> 75 Coley Place Reading in the County of Berks, spinster. I direct that all my just debts and funeral and testamentary expenses be fully paid and satisfied by my executors hereinafter named as soon as conveniently may be after my decease. And I also desire that after my decease my said executors shall cause me to be buried in the upper part of the Church Yard of Saint Mary Reading, that my Coffin shall be constructed of plain elm wood and my grave shall be bricked. I give and bequeath unto James Welsh of Castle Hill Reading aforesaid, a General in the Army and Matilda Loadsman of 76 Smithfield in the City of London, widow, mother of Bertram Loadsman hereinafter mentioned all those the Long Annuities now standing in my name with the Governor and Company of the Bank of England and other the stocks, funds, monies, securities for money, furniture, plate, linen, china and other the personal Estate and Effects whatsoever and wheresoever and of what nature or kind soever and of which I may die seized or possessed. In trust to stand possessed of the same and make sale and dispose of the said long annuities and other my personal estate and effects and convert the same into money. And then upon trust to invest the produce of such sale as aforesaid in government or real securities as to my said executors*

*shall seem most expedient. Upon trust to pay the interest, dividends or yearly proceeds thereof unto and for the maintenance, duration or benefit of Bertram Loadsman (son of Bertram Loadsman, late of Newbury in the said County of Berks, deceased) and who is now residing with me until he should have attained the age of twenty one years and then to pay the principal sum to the said Bertram Loadsman for his own absolute use and benefit. And it shall be lawful for my said executors if they shall think fit during the minority of the said Bertram Loadsman to advance out of such principal money any desirable sum for the apprenticing, schooling or advancement in the world of the said Bertram Loadsman. And I hereby nominate and appoint the said James Welsh and Matilda Loadsman Executors of this my will and declare that they shall be responsible for such acts and deeds only as either of them shall actually perform. And I hereby revoke all former and other wills by me at any time heretofore made and declare this only to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and subscribed my seal this fourteenth day of December one thousand eight hundred and forty one and desire you to be the witnesses thereof -- Frances Man -- Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said testatrix as and for her last will and testament in the presence of us who at her request in her presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto. Charles Lamb, 8 Furnwalls Inn Sol'r -- Henry Stamp 97 Castle Street Reading.*

*Proved at London 27<sup>th</sup> April 1842 before the worshipful Augustus ffrederick Bayford, Doctor of Laws and Surrogate by the oath of Matilda Loadsman, widow, one of the executors to whom Administration was granted having been first sworn duly to administer. James Welsh, Esquire, the other executor and one of the Universal Legatees in trust named in the said will having renounced the probate and execution thereof and also the Letters of Administration with the said will (? of the goods of the said deceased as by acts of Court appears).*