

Frances Hayward of Belhurst. Etchingham, Spinster c1810

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Will made c1810, probate 5 January 1822

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Appeared Personally *Mary Austin* of Etchingham in the County of Sussex Widow *Thomas Hayward* of Ticehurst in the said County of Sussex Farmer and Ann Hayward (the Wife of the said Thomas Hayward) and first the said Mary Austin for herself made Oath that Frances Hayward late of Belhurst in the parish of Etchingham aforesaid in the County of Sussex Spinster departed this life on or about the thirty first day of October one thousand eight hundred and ten and that in or about the month of March one thousand eight hundred and eleven she found in the wearing apparel of the said Frances Hayward the paper writing hereunto annexed purporting to be and containing the last Will and Testament of the said deceased in the following words "If I di my diser is for my Sister An to have all my mone and my Clos that is fet my bes let har have haf let me hope you will all do your best for har so in she a poar un hap e gal in this lif" and having now with care and attention viewed and inspected the said paper writing She further made Oath that the same is now in every respect in the same plight and condition as when found by her as aforesaid and that no other paper of a testamentary nature has been found or discovered since the said deceased's death And the said Thomas Hayward and Ann Hayward for themselves made Oath that they knew and were well acquainted with the said Frances Hayward deceased for several years before and to the time of her death and they also knew and were well acquainted with her manner and character of handwriting having several times seen her write having now with care and attention having viewed and perused the before recited Last Will and Testament of the said deceased they further made oath that they verily and in their consciences believe the whole body series and contents of the said Will to be of the proper handwriting of the said Frances Hayward deceased - *Mary Austin – Thomas Hayward – Ann Hayward* – the Seventeenth day of December One thousand eight hundred and twenty one the said Mary Austin Thomas Hayward and Ann Hayward were duly sworn to the truth of this Affidavit Before me *J B Hayley Commissioner*

On the fifth day of January 1822 Admon (with the Will annexed) of the Goods etc. of Frances Hayward late of Belhurst in the parish of Belhurst in the parish of Etchingham in the County of Sussex Spinster dec[eas]ed was granted to Mary Austin Widow one of the natural & lawful Sisters and next of kin of the said dec[eas]ed being first (by Com[missi]on) duly to administer No Ex[ecut]or or Residuary Legatee being named in said Will Elizabeth Austin Widow the nat[ur]al & lawful Sister & Thomas Hayward the nat[ur]al & lawful Brother & who together with the said Mary Austin are the only persons entitled in the distribution of

the personal estate & effects of the said deceased in case she had died intestate having first consented