

Mary Peerless of Speldhurst, widow 1811

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Will made 2nd May 1811 Probate 29th August 1812

In the name of God Amen I Mary Peerless of Speldhurst in the County of Kent widow being of sound and disposing mind memory and understanding but mindful of my mortality do this second day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Eleven make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say First I will and bequeath unto my two daughters Mary Wife of William Fowl of Tonbridge in the said County of Kent Labourer and Ann Wife of George Best of Rotherfield in the County of Sussex Farmer all my wearing apparel equally between them share and share alike as to all the rest remainder and residue of my Estate whatsoever and wheresoever and of what nature kind and quality soever the same maybe after payment of my just debts Funeral Expenses and the Expense of proving this my Will I do hereby give and bequeath the same unto and amongst my Children and Grandson hereinafter directed (viz) Joseph Peerless Mary Wife of William Fowl aforesaid William Peerless Ann Wife of George Best aforesaid John Peerless George Peerless David Peerless Abraham Peerless and my Grandson William Peerless Son of my late Son Robert Peerless deceased to be equally divided to and amongst them share and share alike to and for their own use and benefit And it is my will and desire and I do hereby direct that my Executors hereinafter named do place out at Interest on Government or other good Security in their own names the part or share of the residue of my Estate hereinbefore given and bequeathed to my said Grandson William Peerless until he shall attain the age of Eighteen years and when he shall have attained his said age of Eighteen years then to pay and transfer the said Securities in which the same shall have been so placed out together with the Interest accruing and arising therefrom unto him my said Grandson William Peerless and the heirs of his Body lawfully begotten to and for his and their own use and benefit but in case my said Grandson William Peerless shall happen to die before he attains his said age of Eighteen years having no Issue as aforesaid then I give or bequeath the part or share herein bequeathed to him unto and amongst all my aforesaid Children equally between them share and share alike and I do hereby make ordain constitute and appoint my said two sons William Peerless and John Peerless executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former and other Wills and Testaments by me at any time heretofore made In witness whereof I have to this my last Will and Testament set and subscribed my hand and seal the day and year first above written Mary Peerless Signed Sealed published and declared by the said Testatrix Mary Peerless as and for last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at her request in her presence and in the presence of each other subscribed our names as witness thereto Sarah Dadswell – Thomas Lockyer – E C Dadswell

Proved at London 29th August 1812 before the Judge by the oaths of William Peerless and John Peerless the Sons and Executors to whom admon was granted they having been first sworn by Commission duly to administer