Lyddington Manor History Society

Thomas STOKES, gentleman of Caldecott

Will proved 1818

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- This is the last Will and Testament of me
- 2 Thomas Stokes of Caldecott in the County of Rutland Gentleman Whereas by an
- 3 Indenture of Assignment bearing over date herewith and executed previously hereto I
- 4 have assigned over all my household Goods Implements of household Wares
- 5 Merchandizes Debts Monies Securities for Money and all other my Personal Estate and
- 6 Effects whatsoever I now am possessed of unto my Nephew Samuel Stokes upon certain
- 7 Trusts therein mentioned Now I do by this my last Will and Testament in the first place
- 8 satisfy and confirm the said Appointment assignment and every matter and thing
- 9 therein contained also I give and devise to \unto/ my said Nephew John Stokes all that my
- 10 Messuage or dwelling House with the Yard Barns Stables Outbuildings Orchard
- 11 Garden Homestead and Appurtenances thereto belonging or therewith occupied
- 12 situate standing and being in Caldecott aforesaid and now in the occupation of my
- said Nephew John Stokes also all that my freehold Allotment Plot Piece or Parcel
- of Land or Ground in Caldecott aforesaid containing sixteen Acres in a certain field
- there before the enclosure thereof called the Upper Field being the first freehold
- allotment made to me on the said Inclosure and also all that my Copyhold
- allotment Plot Piece or Parcel of Land \or Ground/ in Caldecott aforesaid containing sixty
- Acres one Rood and seven Perches in the said Field before the inclosure thereof called
- the Upper Field being the first Copyhold Allotment made to me on the said
- 20 inclosure together with all and every the rights Members and Appurtenances
- 21 whatsoever to the said Allotments Pieces or Parcels of Land or Ground belonging or
- in anywise appertaining To hold the same unto my said Nephew John Stokes for
- 23 and during the term of his natural life and from and after his decease I give and
- 24 devise the same and every part thereof unto my Nephew Samuel Stokes his Heirs &
- 25 Assigns for ever he or they paying unto all and every the Child and Children of the
- said John Stokes who shall be living at the time of his decease the sum of Four hundred
- 27 Pounds of lawful Money of Great Britain apiece and if there shall be but one such
- 28 Child then the sum of four hundred Pounds of like lawful Money to such only Child
- 29 the same to be paid at his their age or respective ages of twenty one years if a son
- or Sons and if a daughter or Daughters at her or their said age or ages or day or

- days of Marriage which shall first respectively happen with Interest in the
- meantime and until payment of the said sums or sum and I do hereby subject
- 33 the same Estate accordingly to and with the payment thereof also I give and devise
- unto my said Nephew Samuel Stokes all that my other Messuage Tenement or
- 35 dwelling House at Caldecott aforesaid with the Yards Barns Stables Outbuildings
- 36 Gardens Orchards Homesteads and other the appurtenances to the same belonging or therewith
- occupied and now in the occupation of my said Nephew Samuel Stokes also all that my
- freehold allotment Close Piece or Parcel of Land or Ground in Caldecott aforesaid containing
- 39 five Acres two Roods and fifteen Perches in a certain field there before the inclosure
- 40 thereof called the Middle Field being the second freehold allotment made to me on the
- said inclosure and also all that my freehold allotment Plot Piece or Parcel of Land \or Ground/
- 42 Caldecott aforesaid containing twenty nine Acres and fourteen Perches in the said Field
- before the inclosure thereof called the Middle Field \and Lower Field/ being the third freehold allotment
- 44 made to me on the said Inclosure also all that my Copyhold Allotment Plot Piece or
- Parcel of Land or Ground at Caldecott aforesaid containing thirty one Acres one Rood
- and thirteen Perches in the said Field before the inclosure thereof called the Middle Field
- being the second Copyhold Allotment made to me on the said Inclosure and also all that
- 48 my other Copyhold Allotment Close Plot Piece or Parcel of Land or Ground at Caldecott
- aforesaid containing seven Acres and nine Perches in the said Field before the inclosure
- thereof called the Middle Field being the third Copyhold allotment made to me on the
- said inclosure together with the Rights Members and Appurtenances whatsoever to the
- said last mentioned allotments Plots Pieces or Parcels of Land or Ground belonging or in
- anywise Appertaining To hold to him my said Nephew Samuel Stokes his Heirs and
- Assignes for ever And as to all the rest residue and remainder of my real and personal
- 55 Estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever and of what nature kind or sort soever
- the same may be or consist at the time of my decease I shall \be/stand seized or possessed
- 57 respectively of or in anyways intitled to in Possession reversion remainder or expectancy
- or otherwise howsoever and not hereinbefore \or/ otherwise disposed of I give devise bequeath
- 59 the same and every part thereof unto my said Nephew Samuel Stokes his Heirs Executors
- Administrators and Assignes according to the several natures and legal qualities thereof \respectively/ to
- and for his and their own sole use and benefit And I appoint my said Nephew
- 62 Samuel Stokes Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament and I revoke and

- make void all former and other Wills by me at anytime heretofor made and declare
- this alone to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said Thomas
- 65 Stokes the Testator have to this my last Will and Testament contained in two sheets of
- paper set my hand and Seal (that is to say) to the first sheet hereof my hand and to
- 67 this second and last sheet hereof my hand and seal this twenty third day of December
- in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventeen, Thomas Stokes
- 69 Signed Sealed Published and declared by the said Thomas Stokes the Testator as and
- for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who in his presence at his
- 71 request and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as Witnesses
- 72 Graham Hall, Benjamin Bell, Henry Jeffs
- Proved at London 21st August 1818 before the Judge by the Oath of Samuel
- 74 Stokes the Nephew & sole Executor being first sworn by Commission duly to administer

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