The Will of Richard STRANGE Yeoman of Headington, 1800

Probate Court of the Bishop of Oxford (Oxfordshire Record Office W. 101.115; 64/4/28.)

In the Name of God Amen. I Richard Strange of Headington in the County of Oxford yeoman being weak in Body but of sound and disposing Mind, Memory and Understanding praised be God for the same do make publish and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner following (that is to say) I recommend my Soul to Almight God who gave it hoping for a joyful Resurection through the alone Merits of my Saviour and Redeemer Jesus Christ and my body I commit to the Earth to be decently buried at the Discretion of my Executrix and as touching my worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless me I dispose thereof as follows firt my Will and desire is that all my just Debts and funeral Expences be paid and satisfied Item I give and bequeath to my Son Richard Strange the sum of one hundred and five pounds my silver pint cupp and all my Horses waggons Carts and Implements of Husbandry of what Nature of kind soever as I shall die possessed of. Also I give devise and bequeath unto my Daughter Elizabeth Walland all that my copyhold Messauge or Tenement Garden Hovel and Premisses with the appurtenances situate in the parish of Headington aforesaid now in the occpation of John Walland and Elizabeth his Wife and Richard Tellard to hold unto the said Elizabeth Walland her Heirs and Assigns for ever together with the Sum of one hundred and fifty Pounds and my silver Coffea Pott. Also I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Sarah Strange one hundred and fifty pounds my silver Teapott and Lamp and three silver Tea Spoons. Also I give and bequeath unto my four Children Richard Strange Elizabeth Walland Hannah Crawford and Sarah Strange all and singular my Beds Bedding and household Furniture to be equally divided between them Share and Share alike. Also I give and bequeath unto my Daughter Hannah Crawford my eight day Clock my silver Tankard and two Silver Table Spoons. Also also all the rest residue and Remainder of my personal Estate Goods and Chattels of what nature or kind soever as I shall die possessed of (and not hereinbefore by me given) she paying thereout all my just Debts funeral Expences and Legacies above mentioned. And I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my Son in Law William Crawford and the said Hannah Crawford his Wife Executor and Executrix of this my last Will and Testament and declare only to be my last Will and Testament In Witness whereof I the said Richard Strange the Testator set my hand and Seal this twelfth day of February one thousand seven hundred and eighty nine.

Richard X Strange his Mark. Signed sealed published and declared by the said Richard Strange the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at his requet in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as Witnesses thereto. Jno. [?] Thos. Prestidge Henry Godfrey

This Will was proved at Oxford the sixth day of August 1800 before Thomas Davis Clerk Surrogate of French Lawrence D.C.L. Chancellor of the Diocese of Oxford lawfully constituted by the oaths of William Crawford and Hannah Crawford Executor and Executrix therein named to whom Administration was granted being first [?] duly to administer.

Valerie Grant said on Sat, 3 Feb 2001

Thank you so much, the daughter named is our Hannah! We only knew that our Hannah STRANGE married Wm CRAFFORD in 1777 in Headington, Oxford, England. Any further information has come from your list. Lots of Hannahs out there so it was wonderful to find the (Crawford) Crafford name to connect her to her father. Valerie Grant, Sechelt BC