

Will of John Fox (d. 10 May 1846).

This is the Last Will and Testament of me John Fox of Bolton by the sands in the County of Lancaster and late of Burnscale in the Parish of Melling in the said County husbandman made this Seventeenth day of September in the year of Our Lord Christ One thousand eight hundred and forty five.

In the first place I give and bequeath all my Real Estate situate at Burnscale in Roeburndale in the parish of Melling aforesaid that is to say my Ancient Estate and the Estate adjoining lately purchased by me of Mr. John Bateson then of Carus Farm in the parish of Walton in the County of Lancaster Unto my Nephew John Richardson Fox of Bolton by the sands in the County of Lancaster Farmer, And to his Heirs and Assigns for ever, And also all my Mortgages, Bonds, Money and Securities for Money and all other my Personal Estate and Effects whatsoever and wheresoever To hold to him the said John Richardson Fox his Heirs, Executors, Administrators and Assigns for ever To, For and upon the Uses, Trusts, intents and purposes hereinafter mentioned, In the first place I order and direct all my just Debts, Funeral and Testamentary expenses shall be paid with all convenient speed after my Decease and with the payment thereof I charge both my Real and Personal Estate, secondly I give and bequeath to the children Lawfully begotten of my late brother Isaac Fox formerly of Mount Cressy in the Island of Jamaica deceased the Sum of One Hundred Pounds to be equally divided amongst such of them as may be living at the time of my decease; And for the due payment of the Legacy, beforementioned I charge my Real as well as Personal Estate, with full power to my Executor to sell and convey and give good Title to the purchaser or purchasers of my Real Estates or any part thereof and the surplus of my personal and Real Estate I give unto my Nephew the said John Richardson Fox his Heirs or Assigns for ever, And I do hereby nominate and appoint my Nephew John Richardson Fox aforesaid Sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, And Lastly I do hereby revoke and make void all and every former and other Will and Wills by me at any time heretofore made And do publish and declare this only to be and contain my last Will and Testament, In Witness whereof I the said John Fox have hereunto set my hand and seal that is to say my hand to the bottom of the two preceding Pages hereof and my hand and Seal to this last Page this Seventeenth day of September One thousand eight hundred and forty five.

Signed, Sealed, Published and
declared by the said John Fox as and
for his last Will and Testament in
the presence of us who in his presence
and at his request, and in the presence of
each other have hereunto subscribed our
Names as Witnesses.

John Fox

H.B. Fielding
Richd. Jenkinson
Thomas Darwen

On the twenty fourth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty six the foregoing Will of John Fox late of Bolton by the Sands in the County of Lancaster and formerly of Burnscales in the parish of Melling in the said County husbandman within the Archdeaconry of Richmond in the Diocese of Chester who departed this life on or about the tenth day of May one thousand eight hundred and forty six was proved in common form and John Richardson Fox of Bolton by the Sands aforesaid Farmer was sworn well and faithfully to execute and perform the same and so forth and that according to the best of the knowledge information and belief of the said John Richardson Fox the whole of the Goods chattels and Credits of which the said Testator John Fox died possessed within the Archdeaconry of Richmond in the Diocese of Chester (excluding of what the said Testator might have been possessed of or entitled to as a Trustee for any other person or persons and not beneficially and without deducting anything on account of the Debts due and owing by and from the said Testator) were under the value of Twenty pounds.

Before me

Geo. Morland,
Surrogate.

Reference: Will (1846) and Probate Act of John Fox, of Bolton by the Sands, and Burnscales in the parish of Melling, husbandman: Archdeaconry of Richmond, Diocese of Chester (W.R.W. K. 1846 Will of John Fox), Lancashire County Record Office, Bow Lane, Preston, Lancashire.

Death Registration:

1846, June quarter.

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Source: The General Register Office, St. Catherine's House, Kingsway, London.