

PUBLIC
RECORD
OFFICE

The National Archives



(c) crown copyright

to be together with all their debts and all belonging thereto containing
 any other floating craft & may have share or interest in or posses-
 ion of or part and that the said estate should remain to be divided
 among certain persons with the said property of and in craft as ac-
 cording named and justice bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Mathew
 the sum of five pounds for mourning clothes at my decease and I
 further add that all my household furniture & leave to be equally
 divided amongst the above named persons George Sumner and Sarah
 Mathew my children and justice bequeath that all other debts to
 be paid and all other documents I have or might have made
 now revoke and I hereby declare most solemnly this to be my faith-
 ful and last will and Testament in the presence of Almighty God and a
 witness is witnessed in my presence and signed by the undersigned
 and thereby to the above said my name and seal this second
 day of February one thousand eight hundred and forty three
 James Stamp Mathew. In Signa sealed and delivered published
 and published by the above Testator in our presence and decto
 asked our names in the presence of the said Testator and in the
 presence of each other and on the same day at the same time and
 place this extra day of February one thousand eight hundred and
 forty three. William Hollibonnett John Hall Gravesend 41 A. S.
 Wives Grace Street Gravesend

[Faint handwritten notes and signatures in the right margin, including names like 'Mary Mathew' and dates.]

On the 22nd February 1845 John Mathew (with the will annexed) of the
 goods Mathew and widow of James Stamp Mathew late of Gravesend
 in the County of Kent Testator deceased was granted to Mary at
 Mathew widow the rest of the said estate having been previously
 duly administered. No Executor or Administrator named.

This is the last Will and Testament

of me Henry Mathew of Gravesend in the County of Kent
 Esquire in the first place I recommend my soul to God who gave it
 and my body I commit to the earth and direct that my funeral
 may be conducted with as little expense as possible and I give and
 bequeath unto my eldest son George Mathew my Gold watch & some
 of the property of the Grandfather Mathew Estate and also my
 plain Gold finger ring my silver gilt snuff box and my silver pen
 case and also all my remaining apparel for this use and benefit
 and I give and bequeath unto my youngest son James Edward at
 Mathew my pocket Gold Chronometer watch the Chain and seals
 attached thereto and my Diamond brooch my Gold snuff box and a
 all other kinds of Jewels containing 15 and 16 and 17 and 18 and 19
 and not any Jewels of any description which belongs or shall
 hereafter to and generally worn by my wife and all my silver
 in papers and Manuscripts for this use and benefit and I give
 and bequeath unto my wife Maria Mathew my four
 Alter candlesticks and silver and bequeath all my household furni-
 ture plate wine China and the pictures in my house at the time
 of my decease to my said wife for her use during the term of
 her natural life or so long as she shall continue unmarried
 and if she shall marry or be married or if she shall be
 married then I give and bequeath the said furniture plate
 China and the pictures to my said son George or in case of his
 decease of either of them my said wife then to the survivor of them
 and as to all the rest I bequeath unto the Administrators of my
 personal estate and effects to be divided and distributed

Henry
 Mathew
 W.