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The will of Joshua Le Mare (1772-1847)

This is the last will and testament
of me JOSHUA LE MARE of Spital Square in the County of Middlesex
Silk Manufacturer which I make publish and declare in manner and form
that is to say In the first place I direct that all my just debts and
funeral and testamentary expenses may be fully paid and satisfied by my
Executors hereinafter named with all convenient speed after my death I give
and bequeath unto my housekeeper Marion Fox an annual sum of twelve
pounds for and during the term of her natural life payable quarterly to and
for her own sole and separate use and benefit And I also bequeath to
the said Marion Fox such part of my goods furniture and household things 10
as shall be sufficient to furnish one room in a comfortable manner
and I give and bequeath unto my sons Joshua Richard Le Mare
and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare my Trustees and Executors hereinafter appointed
and the survivor of them their or his executors of administrators the sum
of One Hundred pounds in trust to lay out and invest the same in the Public
Works or Funds of Great Britain and to allow the dividends and interest
due on the same to accumulate until my Grandson Henry Wilson shall
attain the age of twenty one years and when he shall have attained the
said age of twenty one years then I give and bequeath the same to him to 20
and for his own use and benefit absolutely and I direct my said Trustees and
the survivor of them their or his executors and administrators to transfer
the same to him the said Henry Wilson accordingly but if my said Grandson
shall depart this life under the said age of twenty one years then I give and
bequeath the same unto my Grand daughter Ruth Sarah Wilson and my Grandson
Joseph Wilson their respective executors and administrators and assigns respectively
equally to be divided between them and share alike as tenants in common
and I direct my said Trustees and the survivor of them to transfer the same
to them respectively and I give and bequeath unto the respective treasurers
for the time being of the respective Societies hereinafter named the respective 30
sums hereinafter mentioned to be applied to the Religious purposes of their
Institutions respectively that is to say I give the sum of ten pounds to the
British and Foreign Bible Society I give the sum of ten pounds to the
Religious Tract Society I give the sum of ten pounds to the London
Missionary Society I give the sum of ten pounds to the Home Missionary
Society and the sum of ten pounds to the Baptist Missionary Society and
which said five last mentioned several sums I direct may be paid as
soon as conveniently may be after my decease And whereas I do now carry on
the trade or business of a Silk Manufacturer in Spital Square aforesaid
in Copartnership with my sons Joshua Richard and Richard 40
Le Mare Now do hereby give and bequeath all my share right and
interest in the said Copartnership and of and in all such Stock in Trade
and debts and other property and effects as shall be in or which shall be due
owing belonging or appertaining to the same at the time of my death
unto the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Richard Le Mare in the pro-
portions following that is to say the said Joshua Richard Le Mare to two
equal third parts thereof and the said Richard Le Mare to the other or
remaining equal third part or share thereof I give and bequeath unto the said
Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare their executors admin-
istrators and assigns all that my leasehold messuage or tenement and premises 50
in Spital Square aforesaid and all that my Factory Warehouse and premises
with the appurtenances situate in Blossom Street Norton Folgate in the
said County of Middlesex wherein my said trade and business is carried on
and all my fixtures in trade reels harnesses bobbins machines warping mills
and every other article and thing in or within the said factory or warehouse
and premises and also all my household goods and furniture plate linen
and china all which said several leasehold premises fixtures and other
things comprised in the said last mentioned bequest are and

constitute my own separate property Upon trust that the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare or the survivor of them or the executors or administrators of such survivor shall and do with all convenient speed after my decease cause the said several leasehold premises fixtures and other effects and property last mentioned to be valued by such person or persons and in such way and manner as to them or him shall seem proper and my sons the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Richard Le Mare or either of them or the survivor of them shall elect to become the purchasers or purchaser thereof respectively at such valuation as last aforesaid Then upon trust that they the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare or the survivor of them or the executors administrators or assigns of such survivor shall and do upon the amount of such valuation being paid to them or him or otherwise to his or their good liking and satisfaction secured to be paid by the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Richard Le Mare or either of them or the survivor of them assign and assure the said several leasehold premises and other effects and property last mentioned unto them the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Richard Le Mare or such of them as shall so make such election and their or his executors administrators and assigns absolutely But in case my sons the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Richard Le Mare or either of them shall not within the space of one calendar month to be computed from the day of my death signify in writing to my said Trustees and Executors or the survivor of them his executors or administrators their or his Election to become the purchasers of purchaser of the said several leasehold premises fixtures and other property and effects comprized in the said last mentioned bequest at a valuation to be made thereof as aforesaid or having made such election shall not if thereunto required by my said Trustees and Executors or the survivor of them his executors or administrators pay or otherwise to their or his good liking and satisfaction secure to be paid to them or him the amount of such valuation with interest for the same after the rate of Five pounds per cent per annum to be computed from the day of my death Then and in either of the said cases Upon trust that they the said Joshua Richard Le mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare or the survivor of them of the executors administrators or assigns of such survivor shall and be with all convenient speed absolutely sell and dispose of the said several leasehold premises fixtures furniture and other property and effects comprized in the said last mentioned bequest either together or in distinct lots or parcels and either by public auction or private contract unto any person or persons who shall be willing to become the purchaser or purchasers thereof or of any part thereof respectively for the best price or prices in money that can be reasonably had or obtained for the same and as to the sum or sums of money at which the said several leasehold premises fixtures furniture and other property and effects shall be valued at as herein before mentioned or as the case may be as to the monies to arise and be produced from or by the sale and disposition thereof or such parts thereof as shall become saleable by virtue of this my will and also as to ALL THE REST RESIDUE AND REMAINDER of my personal estate and effects whatsoever and wheresoever and of what nature kind or quantity soever subject to the payment of the sum of One thousand five hundred pounds hereinafter mentioned I give and bequeath the same and every part thereof respectively unto the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare their executors administrators and assigns But upon the trusts following (that is to say) As to for and concerning one equal third part or share thereof respectively in trust for my son the said Joshua Richard Le Mare his executors administrators and assigns as to for and concerning one other equal third part or share thereof respectively in trust for my son the said Ebenezer Robert Le Mare his executors administrators and assigns and as to for and concerning the other or remaining equal third part or share thereof respectively

in trust for my son the said Richard Le Mare his executors administrators and assigns and I do hereby give and bequeath unto the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare their executors administrators and assigns the sum of one thousand five hundred pounds to be raised from and which I hereby charge upon the said several trust monies and residuary personal estates and effects do as aforesaid give and bequeathed to or in trust for the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and Richard Le Mare and I do hereby declare that they the said Joshua Robert Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and the survivor of them and the executors administrators and assigns of such survivor shall be possessed of and interested in the said sum of one thousand five hundred pounds upon trust as soon as conveniently may be to lay out and invest the same in their or his names or name in the public stocks or funds of Great Britain and I hereby declare that the said Joshua Richard Le mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and the survivor of them and the executors and administrators of such survivor shall be possessed of the said sum of one thousand five hundred pounds and the funds and securities thereof upon the trusts and for the intents and purposes hereinafter mentioned expressed and declared of and concerning the same that is to say upon trust to secure and take the dividends and interest thereof as and when the same shall from time to time become due and payable and pay the same when secured but not by any mode of anticipation to such person or persons with shares and proportions for such intents and purposes and in such manner in all respects as my daughter Ruth the wife of Henry Wilson by any note or writing notes of writings under her own hand shall whether covert or sole and notwithstanding her coverture from time to time direct or appoint and for want or default of direction or appointment Upon trust to pay the same dividends interest and amount product and income into the proper hands of her my said daughter to and for her own sole and personal use and benefit during the time of her natural life exclusive and independent of her present or any other future husband and without being in any manner subject to liable to his debts control or engagements and for which said dividends interest and annual product and income I do hereby expressly declare that the receipt of receipts of her my said daughter or of such appointee or appointees as aforesaid shall from time to time whether covert or sole and notwithstanding her coverture be as good and sufficient discharge or good and sufficient discharge and from and after the decease of my daughter the said Ruth Wilson the said sum of one thousand five hundred pounds and the funds and securities in or upon which the same may be invested and placed out and the dividends interest and annual product and income then due thereon (if any) shall be in trust for the benefit of all and every the child and children of the marriage of my said daughter Ruth with the said Henry Wilson lawfully begotten or to be-gotten and who as to a son or sons have attained or shall live to attain the age of twenty one years and as to a daughter or daughters shall live to attain that age or be married which shall first happen in and by equal shares and proportions if more than one and in case all such children save one shall happen to die under or before the ages or times herein before mentioned then the said sum of one thousand five hundred pounds and the funds and securities thereof shall be in trust for such one or only surviving child his or her executors administrators and assigns absolutely But in case all such child or children shall happen to die as to a son or sons under the age of twenty one years and as to a daughter or daughters under that age without being or having been married then and in that event the said sum of one thousand five hundred pounds and the interest and securities thereof shall be in trust for the next of kin of my daughter the said Ruth Wilson as if she had died intestate and married provided

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always and I do hereby declare my Will and Mind to be that from and after the decease of my daughter the said Ruth Wilson it shall be and may be lawful to and for the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and the survivor of them and the executors administrators or assigns of such survivor to pay and apply the interest dividends and annual income of the share or respective presumptive shares of such of her child or children of and in the said sum of one thousand five hundred pounds and the funds and securities thereof as shall for the time being be under the age of twenty one years in for or towards his her or their maintenance and education respectively during their respective minorities provided also and I do hereby further declare my Will and mind to be that it shall and may be lawful to and for the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and the survivor of them and the executors administrators or assigns of such survivor from and after the decease of my daughter the said Ruth Wilson to levy and raise any part of the share or respective expectant or presumptive shares of such of her child or children as shall be a son or sons and shall be under the age of twenty one years of and in the said sum of one thousand five hundred pounds and the funds and securities thereof and to pay and apply the sum or sums of money to be levied or raised in putting or placing any such son or sons apprentice or apprentices clerk or clerks to any trade business profession or employment or otherwise for his or their preferment or advancement in the world notwithstanding he or they shall not then have attained or shall not afterwards live to attain the age of twenty one years provided also and I do hereby further declare my Will and mind to be that as regards all or any sum or sums of money which shall be allowed to remain in the hands of my sons Joshua Richard Le Mare and Richard Le Mare or either of them an amount of the said equal third part or share hereby given and bequeathed to my son the said Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and of the said sum of One thousand five hundred pounds hereby given and bequeathed to or in trust for my daughter the said Ruth Wilson as aforesaid the same respectively shall be paid off liquidated and discharged by them the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Richard Le Mare respectively by half yearly payments so that the whole of such sum or sums of money with interest thereon respectively after the rate of five pounds per cent per annum to be computed from the day of my death be fully paid off and discharged within the period of three years thence next following Provided also and I do hereby further declare my will and mind to be that the receipt or receipts of the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare or of the survivor of them or of the executors administrators or assigns of such survivor shall be a good and sufficient discharge or good and sufficient discharges for all sum or sums of money which shall be paid to them or him under and by virtue or in pursuance of this my will and that the person or persons paying such sum or sums of money and taking such receipt or receipts shall not afterwards be answerable or accountable for any loss misapplication or nonapplication of such sum or sums of money or any part thereof respectively nor be bound or required to see to the application thereof or of any part thereof provided always and I do hereby declare my will and mind to be that in case either or both my said trustees herein before named or to be nominated and appointed in pursuance hereof shall die or be desirous of being discharged from or refuse or decline or become incapable to act in the trusts hereby in them reposed then and in such case and when and so often as the same shall happen it shall and may be lawful to and for the survivor and remaining trustee his executors administrators or assigns by any deed or deeds writing or writings to be by him or them dated and delivered in the presence of and attested by two or more credible witnesses to nominate and appoint any fit person to supply the place of the trustee so dying or desirous of being discharged from or refusing

declining or becoming incapable to act as aforesaid and that immediately after every such nomination or appointment the said trust estates trust monies and premises shall be assigned and transferred so and in such manner as that the surviving or continuing trustee if any such there shall be or in such new trustee or trustees alone as the case maybe shall happen upon the trusts herein before expressed and declared of and concerning the same respectively or such of them as shall be then existing and that every such new trustee shall and may either alone or in conjunction with such surviving or continuing trustee as the case shall happen in all things act and assist in the management carrying on and execution of the aforesaid several trusts or such of them as shall be then existing as fully and effectually in all respects and to all intents and purposes and with all the same power and authority as if he or they had been named and appointed by this my Will And I hereby further declare that my said trustees hereinbefore named or to be nominated or appointed in pursuant hereof or either of them their or either of their executors administrators or assigns shall not be answerable one for another nor for any more monies than shall come to their respective hands and by no means for any involuntary loss ;and that they shall be allowed and may retain to and reimburse themselves respectively out of the said trust monies and premises all their costs charges and expenses occasioned by the due execution of the trusts hereby in them reposed And I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare joint EXECUTORS of this my will and lastly I do hereby revoke and make void all former and other Wills Codicils and Testamentary Dispositions by me 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 Joshua Le Mare the Testator have to this my last Will and Testament contained in seven sheets of paper set my hand to each sheet thereof this seventh day of January One thousand eight hundred and forty three. JOSHUA LE MARE Signed published and declared by the said Joshua Le Mare the Testator as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us both present at the same time who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses. W.F. Robinson Clerk to Messrs Le Mare & Sons. W^m Tayler 15 Church Street Spitalfields.

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THIS IS A CODICIL to my will above written. In lieu of and substitution for the Annuity of Twelve pounds to my housekeeper Marion Fox during her life bequeathed by my said will which bequest I revoke I do hereby declare give and bequeath unto her the said Marion Fox the annual sum of Twenty pounds for and during the term of her natural life to and for her own sole and separate use and benefit And I do hereby confirm my said Will in all other respects. Witness my hand this second day of August One thousand eight hundred and forty five. JOSHUA LE MARE. Signed published and declared by Joshua Le Mare the Testator as and for a Codicil to his last Will and Testament in the presence of us both present at the same time who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as Witnesses W Tayler Sol^r 15 Church Street Spitalfields. George Tayler his clerk

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THIS IS A FURTHER CODICIL to be added to and taken as part of the last Will and Testament of me Joshua Le Mare of Spital Square in the County of Middlesex Silk Manufacturer which Will bears

date the seventh day of January one thousand eight hundred and forty three Whereas I have in and by my said Will given bequeathed to or in trust for the benefit of my daughter Ruth the wife of Henry Wilson and of her Children the sum of One thousand five hundred pounds to be raised from and which I hereby charged upon the trust moneys and residuary personal estate and effects therein given and bequeathed to or in Trust for my sons Joshua Richard Le Mare Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and Richard Le Mare Now I do hereby revoke the said bequest of the said sum of one thousand five hundred pounds to or for the benefit of my said daughter and her children and instead thereof I do hereby give and bequeath unto the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare my trustees and executors therein named and appointed their executors administrators and assigns the sum of One thousand pounds to be raised from and which I do hereby charge upon my said trust moneys and residuary personal estate and effects Upon trust as soon as conveniently may be after my decease to lay out and invest the same in their or his names or name in the public stocks and funds of Great Britain And I do hereby declare that the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and the survivor of them and the executors and administrators of such survivor shall be possessed of the said sum of One thousand pounds and of the funds and securities thereof Upon the like trusts and to and for the like interests and purposes and with the same powers and authorities for the sole and personal use and benefit of my said daughter Ruth Wilson and for her children as are mentioned expressed and declared in my said will of and concerning the said sum of one thousand five hundred pounds and the funds and securities thereof so given and bequeathed to or for the benefit of her and her children as aforesaid And I do hereby ratify and confirm my said Will in all respects except as the same is hereby and a former Codicil which bears date the second day of August One thousand eight hundred and forty five altered and varied In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this twenty seventh day of July One thousand eight hundred and forty seven JOSHUA LE MARE Signed published and declared by the said Joshua Le Mare the Testator as and for a Codicil to his last Will and Testament in the presence of us both present at the same time who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses W^m Tayler 15 Church Street Spitalfields George Tayler Clerk to W Tayler Sol^r 15 Church Street Spitalfields.

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THIS IS A FURTHER CODICIL to be added to and taken as part of the last Will and Testament of me JOSHUA LE MARE of Spital Square in the County of Middlesex Silk Manufacturer which Will bears the date the seventh day of January One thousand eight hundred and forty three Whereas I have in and by my said Will given and bequeathed unto my sons Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare their executors administrators and assigns the sum of One thousand five hundred pounds to be raised from and which I thereby charged upon the several trust monies and residuary personal estate and effects therein before given or bequeathed to or in trust for the said Joshua Richard Le Mare Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and my son Richard Le Mare and I did thereby declare that they and the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and the survivor of them and the executors administrators and assigns of such survivor should be possessed of and interested in the said sum of One thousand five hundred pounds Upon trust as soon as conveniently might be to lay out and invest the same as therein mentioned and I did thereby declare that the said Joshua

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Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and the survivor of them and the executors and administrators of such survivor be possessed of the said sum of One thousand five hundred pounds and of the funds and securities thereof upon trust to receive and take the dividends and interest thereof as and when same should from time to time become due and payable and pay same when received as my said daughter Ruth the wife of Henry Wilson should direct or appoint and for want of or in default of such direction or appointment into the proper hands of her my said daughter to and for her own sole and personal use and benefit during the term of her natural life as in my said Will is mentioned and declared of and concerning the same and from and after the decease of my said daughter the said Ruth Wilson the said sum of One thousand five hundred pounds and the funds or securities in or upon which the same might be invested and placed out and the dividends interest and annual produce and income then due thereon if any should be In trust for the benefit of all and every the child and children of the marriage of my said daughter Ruth and the said Henry Wilson lawfully begotten or to be begotten and who should attain the age of twenty one years or be married as therein mentioned in equal shares and proportions if more than one and in case all such children save one should happen to die under or before the ages or times therein before mentioned Then the said sum of One thousand five hundred pounds and the funds and securities thereof should be In trust for such one or only surviving child his or her executors administrators and assigns absolutely But in case all such child or children should happen to die as to a son or sons under the age of twenty one years and as to a daughter or daughters under that age without being or having been married Then and in that case the said sum of One thousand five hundred pounds and the funds and securities thereof should be In trust for the next of kin of my daughter the said Ruth Wilson as if she had died intestate and unmarried with powers to raise money for the maintenance and education and for the preferment and advancement in the world of the said children as in my said will mentioned and whereas I have in and by a further codicil to my said last Will and Testament which Codicil bears date the twenty seventh day of July last I revoked the said bequest of the said sum of One thousand five hundred pounds to or for the benefit of my said daughter and her children and instead thereof I thereby gave and bequeathed unto the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare their executors administrators and assigns the sum of One thousand pounds to be raised from and which I thereby charged upon my said trust monies and residuary personal estate and effects Upon trust to lay out and invest the same therein mentioned and I did by my said further codicil declare that the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and the survivor of them and the executors and administrators of such a survivor should be possessed of the said sum of one thousand pounds and of the funds and securities thereof Upon the like trusts and for the like intents and purposes for the sole and personal use and benefit of my said daughter Ruth Wilson and for her children as are mentioned and declared in my said Will of and concerning the said sum of one thousand five hundred pounds and the funds and securities thereof Now I do hereby ratify and confirm my said further codicil and the trusts therein contained or referred to so far as respects the dividends interest and annual produce of the said sum of one thousand pounds and the funds and securities thereof for the benefit of my said daughter for and during the term of her natural life But I do hereby revoke all and every the trusts intents and purposes expressed and and declared in my said further Codicil or therein referred to of and concerning the said sum of one thousand pounds and the funds and securities dividends interest and annual product

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thereof from and after the decease of my said daughter for the benefit of her children or child for their maintenance and education preferment or advancement in the world and from and after the decease of my said daughter I do hereby declare that the said Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and the survivor of them and the executors and administrators of such survivor shall be possessed of the said sum of One thousand pounds and of the funds and securities thereof upon trust to raise and pay thereout the several sums of money following that is to say to my granddaughter Ruth Wilson the sum of one hundred pounds to my grandson Henry Wilson the younger the sum of one hundred pounds and to my grandson Joseph Wilson the sum of one hundred pounds and upon trust to retain and pay the remainder of the said sum of one thousand pounds and of the funds and securities thereof unto and equally between the said Joshua Richard Le Mare Ebenezer Robert Le Mare and Richard Le Mare and I do hereby ratify and confirm my said Will and Codicil in all other respects In witness whereof I the said Joshua Le Mare the Testator have to this further Codicil to my last Will and Testament contained in three sheets of paper set my hand to each of the said sheets this Twentieth day of September One thousand eight hundred and forty seven JOSHUA LE MARE Signed published and declared by the said Joshua Le Mare the Testator as and for a further Codicil to his last Will and Testament in the presence of us both present at the same time who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses LANCASTER RICHARD Foreman to Messrs Le Mare & Sons W^m Tayler 15 Church Street Spitalfields.

THIS IS A FURTHER CODICIL to be added to and taken as part of the last Will and Testament of me Joshua Le Mare of Spital Square in the County of Middlesex Silk Manufacturer which will bears date the seventh day of January One thousand eight hundred and forty three. Whereas I now carry on in Copartnership with my sons Joshua Richard Le Mare and Richard Le Mare the Manufacturing of Silk Goods at Manchester and I have lately purchased certain warehouse and other fixtures in trade shafting power looms machinery articles and things for carrying on the said Manufacture at Manchester and the same are my own separate property Now I do hereby declare and direct that my son the said Joshua Richard Le Mare shall have the option of becoming the purchaser of all and every my warehouse and other fixtures in trade reels harnesses bobbins winding and other machines warping mills shafting power looms machinery and other articles and things in upon or about the said Manufactory Warehouse and premises at Manchester at or for the price or sum of four hundred pounds But in case my son the said Joshua Richard Le Mare shall not within the space of two calendar months to be computed from the day of my decease specify in writing to the Trustees and Executors named and appointed and by my said Will his intention to become the purchaser of the said fixtures machinery and other articles and things at the said price or sum of four hundred pounds Then and in such case I do hereby declare and direct that my trustees and Executors shall and do sell and dispose of the said fixtures machinery and other articles and things either together or in distinct lots or parcels and either by public auction or private contract unto any person or persons who shall be willing to become the purchaser or purchasers thereof or of any part thereof respectively for the best price or prices in money that can be reasonably had or obtained for the same and as to the said sum of four hundred

hundred pounds or as the case maybe as to the monies to arise and be produced from or by the said disposition of my said fixtures machinery and other articles and things I do hereby declare that the same shall sink into and form part of my residuary estate and I do hereby ratify and confirm my said Will and former Codicils in all other respects In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this twenty ninth day of September One thousand eight hundred and forty seven JOSHUA LE MARE Joshua Le Mare the Testator as and for a further Codicil to his last Will and Testament in the presence of us both present at the same time who in his presence at his request and in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses LANCASTER RICHARD Foreman to Messrs Le Mare & Sons W^m Tayler 15 Church Street Spitalfields

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PROVED at London with four Codicils 9th May 1848 before the Worshipful Augustus Frederick Bayford Doctor of Laws and Surrogate by the Oaths of Joshua Richard Le Mare and Ebenezer Robert Le Mare Esquires the sons the Executors to whom Administration was granted having been first sworn duly to administer.

The above was transcribed, by P H Le Mare of Allithwaite, from a photocopy of the will held in the Public Records Office, London. Some illegible words were inserted later from the parchment probate of the will (held by J S Le Mare of Ipswich) dated 9th May 1848. The certificate of proof attached to the parchment copy bears two embossed stamps, one for one hundred pounds, the other for forty pounds. It is stamped "London 28.4.48" and below is handwritten "Sworn under eight thousand pounds and that the testator died 7 November 1847". Repetition of *hundred* from the bottom of page 8 to the top of page 9 appears in the copy in the Public Records Office.