

WILL OF BENJAMIN WHITELOCK OF PUTNEY, UPPER RICHMOND, SURREY 1853

I Benj'n Whitelock of Putney in the County of Surrey being of sound & disposing mind do hereby publish & declare this as and for my last will & Testament Revoking & I do hereby revoke any Will or Wills Codicil or Codicils heretofore made by me I hereby nominate & appoint my sons The Rev'd Benj Whitelock & John Will'm Whitelock Exec'rs to this my Will I wish all my just debts & funeral expenses which I desire may not exceed those incurred at the time of the decease of my late dear wife to be fully paid & satisfied It is my desire to be buried in Putney burial ground in the same vault as was prepared for my said dear departed I give & bequeath to my son The Rev'd Benj Whitelock all my freehold Estate 14 [Burroughs Bui'gs now 91 Great Surrey Street in the Parish of Christ Church & in the County of Surrey to him his heirs exec'rs admins & assigns forever I also give to my said son eighty Ship Charter shares in the London Assurance Four thousand pounds stat in the 3 p'nt Cons & Five thousand pounds Stock in the 3 + p'ct I then give & bequeath to my daughter Ann Salome Whitelock the beneficial lease of my house at Putney to her her exec'rs admins & assigns with all the furniture jewels plate & effects in and about the said premises I give further to my said daughter three thousand six hundred & fifty pounds stock in the 3 p'ct Cons & Fve thousand pounds stock in the 3 1/4 p'ct I then give & bequeath to my son John William Whitelock my Leasehold estate No 26 now 32 Great Charlotte Street in the Parish of Christ Church & in the County of Surrey with the fixtures therein to him his Ex'r adm's & assigns I further give to my said son John William Seventy shares in the Fire department of the London Assurance Three thousand six hundred & fifty pounds stock in the 3 p'ct Cons & further to him my said son Two thousand five hundred pounds stock in in 3+ p'ct I then direct **The Rest & Residue** of my property save & except such legacies I may be disposed to leave may be divided into three equal portions or shares to my son The Rev'd Benj Whitelock I give one portion or share & to my daughter Ann Salome Whitelock I also give one portion or share & to my son John William I give the remaining third portion or share Item give to Mrs. Mary Peyton of 12 Clapton Square the sum of one hundred pounds but and difficulty should arise as to the discharge for the same I then leave the said legacy of one hundred pounds to Will'm Henry Lane Esqr of Barnes Surrey I further give to Mr. James Peyton Susan Peyton & Samuel Peyton to each the sum of nineteen guineas I further give to William Henry Lane of Barnes Esq'r & Emily the wife of the said Willm Henry Lane to each the sum of ten pounds I give also to Thomas Lane of Antiqua Esq to Elizabeth his Wife & to Harriet their daughter to each three the sum of ten pounds I leave to Wilkins Wife of Henry Wilkens Esq of Waltham the sum of Ten pounds & like sum of Ten pounds to Mary the daughter of the said Henry Wilkins I leave further the sum of one hundred pounds to Caroline Armstrong of Chelsea & to Henry Arthur Spitter of Clapham Esq Ileave the sum of ten pounds These 13 legacies to be paid within three months after my decease & clear of duty I give to my old Servant Elizabeth Powell the sum of five pounds with a continuance of her weekly allowance To Ann Powell I give the sum of Five pounds To Sarah Clarke I give the sum of nineteen guineas To Mary Prothers George Parrott & Gunner to each I give five pounds if in my service at the time of my decease Mourning for such of my Servants as may in my service at the time of my decease Written in my own hand this 10th of August in the year 1848 **Benj'n Whitelock** Signed by the within named Testator as & for his last Will & Testament in the presence of us & in the presence of each other *Wm Aviss Putney Wm Aviss Jn*

I Benjamin Whitelock of Putney in the County of Surrey Do by this Codicil to my Will made on or about the tenth day of August 1848 hereby confirm & ratify the same except as hereinafter is expressed Whereas by my said Will I have bequeathed to my daughter Ann Salome Whitelock certain legacies which legacies I am hereby now revoke & in lieu and instead of the same I give & bequeath all and singular those legacies to my executors named in my Will viz my Sons the Rev'd Benjamin Whitelock of

Groombridge in the county and John William Whitelock of Putney in the County of Surrey In trust that they my said exec'rs & trustees do receive and take all profits benefits & advantages that may arise from those legacies & pay the amount of the same as they become due & receivable to my daughter now Ann Salome Reeves whose receipt alone shall be a sufficient discharge for the same notwithstanding her coverture But in the event of my said daughter dying leaving a child or children then & in such case I direct my exec'rs & trustees to apply the same for the support maintenance & education of such child or children at their or his discretion during his her or their minority and as he she or they may attain the age of 21 years such share to which he she or they may be entitled to be paid him her or them also in share and share alike But if my said daughter should die without leaving issue then and in that case I give & bequeath those legacies so named in my Will between my two Sons The Rev'd Benjamin Whitelock & John William Whitelock o the survivor share & share alike absolutely August 23,1849 **Benj'n Whitelock** - Signed by the within named Testator as & for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us & in the presence of each other the subscribing witnesses *George Perrett Putney Sarah Clarke Putney*

I **Benj'n Whitelock** of Point House, Putney & in the County of Surrey being of sound & disposing mind do hereby ratify & confirm a Will made by me on or about 10 August 1848 Also a Codicil thereto made on or about 23 August 1849 and this is to be considered as a further Codicil thereto whereas in my Will made on or about 10 August 1848 I had bequeathed to my son John William Whitelock Two thousand five hundred pounds in the 3 1/4 P'ct which I now partly revoke having given to my said son John William Whitelock One thousand five hundred pounds 3 1/4 P'ct stock to advance him in his profession [I therefore by this my Codicil leave to my said Son John William Whitelock only one thousand pounds in the 3 1/4 P'ct Stock instead of Two thousand five hundred pounds as named in my Will of 10 Aug 1848 - Dated June 19th 1850 **Benj Whitelock** Signed & delivered by the within named Testator as a further Codicil to his last Will & Testament in the presence of us & in the presence of each other *Edm'd Reeves 6 Lyons Inn Strand - Wm Reeves Stock Exchange*

Whereas I Benj'n Whitelock of Putney have by my Will dated on or about 10 Aug 1848 Also a Codicil thereto dated on or about 23 Aug 1849 Also a further Codicil thereto dated on or about 19 June 1850 .. of which I now confirm and add as a further Codicil thereto I now give to my son in law Edmund Reeves Esq the sum of One thousand pounds 3 p'ct Consols In my Will I have left to my Servant Geo Parrott five pounds to which I now add One hundred & forty five pounds together One hundred & fifty pounds for his great care & attention to me during my illness and the same to be paid in full with all my Broodings & Birds & Clothes To my Gardener Gunner I have left five pounds to which I now add so than his legacy may be nineteen quineas with all my Bees Stands Hives & and all my pigeons hutches & in the loft To Mary Prothers I have left five pounds to which I now add so that her legacy may be nineteen guineas To Ellin - I give five pounds To Charles Curling I leave ten pounds To the Residents in the Alms House I leave twelve pounds I leave my Coin Box & Contents to my daughter Ann Salome Reeves To Emily the wife of my son Benjamin I leave Twenty pounds and to Maria the wife of my son I also leave Twenty pounds Written by own hand & dated Oct 7 1852 - **Benj'n Whitelock** - Witness to the signature of Benj'n Whitelock & in the presence of each other *H. A. Spitta Clapham Rise - Sarah Clarke Putney*

In the Prerogative Court of Canterbury

In the goods of Benjamin Whitelock Esquire deceased

Appared Personally Henry Author Spitta of Clapham Rise in the County of Surry Esquire one of the subscribed Witnesses to the third Codicil to the last Will and Testament of the said Benjamin Whitelock late of Putney in the County of Surry Esquire deceased the said third Codicil bearing date the seventh day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty two and made Oath that on the said seventh day of December the said Testator duly executed his said Codicil by signing his name at the foot or end thereof in the presence of this deponent and of Sarah Clarke Spinster the other subscribed

Witness thereto who were both present at same time and this deponent and the said Sarah Clarke thereupon attested and subscribed the said Codicil in the presence of the said Testator and each other - *H.A. Spitta* - On the thirty first day of January 1853 the said Henry Author Spitta Esquire was only sworn to the truth of this Affidavit Before me *J.E.P. Robertson Sur Present John Nelson Not Pub*

Proved at London with three Codicils 4 th Feby 1853 before the Worshipful John Elliot Pasley Robertson Doctor of Laws and Surrogate by the Oaths of the Reverend Benjamin Whitelock Clerk and John William Whitelock Esquire the Sons the executors to whom Admon was granted having be first sworn duly to administer.

Benjamin Whitelock was born in the parish of All Hallows, Bread Street, London Sep.29,1763 the son of John Whitelock & Ann Lutkens. He married Elizabeth Lane (1786-1842) January 2, 1817 St.Olave, Old Jewry, London and they had the three children mentioned in the Will.

Boyle's Directory of London for 1800 lists Benjamin Whitelock, merchant of 46 Lime Street.

In Wimbledon Parish Church there is a memorial to Sarah Clarke who is a witness to the Will and the second Codicil:

“Sarah Clarke d.March 21,1859 aged 64 ... She was for nearly 40 years a faithful servant to the Late Benjamin Whitelock Esq. of Point house, Putney whose family in testimony of her worth have erected this Memorial.”

SOURCES: R1254, R3230 (1864), SOG339, X0172