



EXTRACTED by  
Proctor  
DOCTORS' COMMONS.

*John Bird* by Divine Providence, Archbishop of Canterbury, Primate of all England, and Metropolitan, To our well-beloved in Christ *Matilda Davis Spinster* the natural and lawful daughter of *John Davis* late Chief Factor of Hudsons Bay in North America deceased *Writing: Whereas* the said *John Davis*

having whilst living, and at the Time of *his* Death, Goods, Chattels, or Credits, in divers Dioceses or Jurisdictions: did (as is alledged) in *his* Life-time rightly and duly make *his* last Will and Testament (hereunto annexed) and did *brother William Davis* and *his* sister *Ann Davis Spinster* and in the said Codicil *Thomas Vincent Esquire* Executors. And *Whereas* the said *William Davis* alone duly proved the said Will and Codicil and for some time intermeddled in the Goods of the said Deceased but died leaving part thereof unadministered. And *Whereas* the said *William Davis* survived *his* Co-Executors and died *Antistak* and *Nancy Davis Widow* the Relict of the said Deceased died without having taken upon her Letters of Administration with the said Will annexed of the unadministered Goods of the said Deceased. And *Whereas* in the Month of *January 1851* Letters of Administration with the said Will and Codicil annexed of the unadministered Goods of the said Deceased were granted to *Elizabeth Davis Spinster* the natural and lawful daughter of the said Deceased who for some time intermeddled therein but died on or about the *15<sup>th</sup> December 1854* leaving part thereof still unadministered.

AND WE, being desirous that the said Goods, Chattels, and Credits, may be well and faithfully administered, applied, and disposed of according to Law, DO therefore by these Presents grant full Power and Authority to you, in whose fidelity we confide, to administer and faithfully dispose of the said Goods, Chattels, and Credits, *twice left unadministered* according to the Tenor and Effect of the said Will: and first to pay the Debts of the said Deceased, which *he* did owe at the Time of *his* Death, and afterwards the Legacies contained and specified in the said Will, so far as such Goods, Chattels, and Credits, will thereto extend and the Law requires: You having been already sworn well and faithfully to administer the same, and to make a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the said Goods, Chattels, and Credits, *twice left unadministered* and to exhibit the same into the Registry of Our Prerogative Court of Canterbury, on or before the last Day of *September* next ensuing; and also to render a just and true Account thereof. And we do by these Presents ordain, depute, and constitute you *Administratrix* of all and singular the Goods, Chattels, and Credits of the said Deceased (with the said Will annexed.) *twice left unadministered as aforesaid. also residuary legacies being named in the said Will.* Given at London the *thirty first* day of *March* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *fifty six* and in the ninth year of our Regency.

*Wm. Dymaley*  
*Imp. Registrar*  
*W. J. Gosling* Register.

*Sworn Under*  
*Two thousand*  
*Pounds*  
*and that the*  
*Testator died on*  
*or about the*  
*3<sup>rd</sup> September*  
*1824.*

*Former Grants*  
*November 1825*  
*and January 1851*  
*Under same Seal*

*H. F.*



# In the Name of God Amen

I John Davis of Albany Factors Adversary Day in North America  
 declare this to be my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former  
 monies or sums of monies I may be possessed of or may be due to me at  
 Davis and likewise my Wife Ann Davis both of London and to be put  
 in trust and my Executors who may be alive at my decease shall and  
 in case of the death of my Wife or the death of one or more of my Ex-  
 ecutors monies shall be applied as aforesaid for the use of the survivors  
 Will and devise is that on the death of all my aforesaid Executors then and in  
 my monies aforesaid to the issue of my two Sons John and William and to their heirs  
 be alive at the decease of all my Executors I bequeath the aforesaid monies to my  
 be freely appoint my Brother William Davis and my Sister Ann Davis the  
 Will and I bequeath to my Brother William Davis one hundred pounds sterling and to my  
 sterling to purchase a trust in remembrance of an affectionate Mother and to my Sister  
 sterling likewise to purchase a trust in remembrance of me and that these be paid  
 Du Quatre ventres I have decreed set my hand and seal this tenth day of August in the  
 one thousand eight hundred and twenty. — John Davis —  
 above named John Davis to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of us who have  
 named as witnesses. — Jacob Corrigal. — Robert Elliott Bayfield.

## Codicile

to my Will made in the presence of the great Magistrate and Justice of the Peace  
 is in presence of my Wife Ann Davis and appoint Thomas Vincent Esq<sup>r</sup> Chief  
 Factors to the Adversary Day Company a joint Executor to my last Will jointly with my Brother William and  
 my Sister Ann Davis I am moved to add this Codicil to my Will on reflecting on the uncertainty of life and the  
 situation I have my Wife and Children I have with me a sum of money which will soon be received from a bond  
 of anxiety as my right estate friend is due to write I see look up with confidence and I shall myself Thomas  
 Vincent Esq<sup>r</sup> will in case of my death except of my silver wearing watch (No: 3923) and five guineas to purchase  
 a ring or other trust to keep in remembrance of me Du Quatre ventres I have decreed set my hand and seal the  
 next day of September in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty two. — John Davis. —  
 signed sealed published and declared by the above named John Davis in the presence of us who have decreed set  
 subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the Notary. — D. R. Stuart — Erlund Erlandsen.

568 St. Albans  
 Nov. 1825

Extracted by Anne Hudson Cuckill of Appach  
 Doctors Doctors Commons



# Administration

with the Will and Codicil annexed of the Goods left to the use and behoof of  
*John Davis*

— deceased —

Dated 31<sup>st</sup> March 1856.

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