

This is the last Will of me Charles Minton of Middle Barton in the Parish of Steeple Barton in the County of Oxford retired Shepherd I give and devise all my Cottages buildings gardens and their appurtenances thereto belonging situate at Middle Barton aforesaid and all other my real estate whatsoever and wheresoever to my Friends William Wing of Steeple Aston in the same County Land Agent and Henry Cole of Westcot Barton in the same County Baker In Trust for the absolute benefit of my wife Harriet for and during the term of her natural life And I declare my will to be that the receipts of my said wife from time to time shall be a sufficient discharge to the several Tenants of my said real estate And that she shall out of the rents and profits thereof keep up all the buildings in sufficient and tenantable repair and insured against loss by fire And after the decease of my said wife I give and devise to my the Widow of my late son Robert Minton the new Cottage and garden down to the first of the old Cottages therefrom and all the width of the said Cottage garden to the opposite hedge-row And after her decease or marrying again I give and devise the same to my grandson Charles Minton son of my said deceased son Robert Minton his heirs and assigns for ever And I declare my will to be that the respective owners and occupiers of the said new Cottage and garden shall always have and enjoy a right of footway to the spring of Water and to fetch Water therefrom uninterruptedly at their convenience I give and devise to my son Charles Minton the two Cottages with their appurtenances now in the occupation of James Davis and Joseph Steumann with the rest of the garden ground and the Buildings thereon To hold the same from the death of my said wife for the period of his natural life And after the decease of my said son I give and devise the same to my said

Grandson Charles Minton his heirs and assigns for  
ever I give and devise to my son Charles Minton  
All those my four Cottages with all appurtenances thereto  
belonging now or lately in the several occupations of David  
Matthew Vincent Parsons John Bolton and William  
Shurborn and also the cottage and garden occupied by  
Widow Brock To hold the same to my said son Charles  
during his natural life And after his decease to his wife  
Ann during her natural life or Widowhood And after her  
decease or marrying again to my said Grandson Charles  
Minton his heirs and assigns for ever I give and  
bequeath all my personal property household goods and  
effects to my wife Harriet during her life And after her decease  
to my said son Charles Minton I appoint the said  
William Wing and Henry Cole Executors of this  
my will And declare my will to be that they may  
repay themselves out of my personal estate or by money  
raised on such part of my real estate as they shall see  
fit all costs and charges travelling expenses and outlay  
they may incur sustain or be put to in the execution of the  
trusts of this my will as well as reasonable charges for  
their time employed in such execution It being also my  
will that they shall respectively be accountable for so  
much money only as may come to their hands  
respectively and each for his own defaults only and not  
for the defaults of each other I revoke all former wills and  
testaments by me at any time heretofore made In witness  
whereof I have to this my will written on one sheet of  
paper at my hand this Tenth day of August One thousand  
eight hundred and sixty six The mark X of  
Charles Minton Signed by the Testator  
affixing his mark and by William Wing writing his  
name by and at his express direction and request in  
the presence of us who in the presence of the Testator

and of each other present at the same time have at  
his request subscribed our names hereto as Witnesses -  
a correction by erasure and ink in spelling the names  
of the Testator his sons and his grandson having  
first been made and the word grandson on page 2  
having first been altered to sons in the twentieth line

\_\_\_\_\_ Solomon Baker, Victualler, Middle Barton  
\_\_\_\_\_ Caleb Nicholls, Sailor, Middle Barton -