

**Between Longmore and his brothers and sisters, some concerning his mother's will**

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Registered;  
containing original  
bill & cash. de

2.73/1  
13 Bedford Row  
WC  
10 May 1873

My dear Thomas.

I only yesterday received the  
valuation from the Valuer, of which  
I send you a copy herewith inclosed.

Also the original bill and Order  
(for the purpose of passing) with the  
there being no  
two affidavits -  
step between £8000 & £9000

the proof must be for £9000 -

You will have to swear the affidavits  
after signing, & also putting your  
signature to the will & Order (the  
Commissaries will show you how to  
where to do this) & if there be any  
error or necessary alteration in the  
affidavits, as I have drawn them, the  
Commissaries will mark the alterations

by his initials in the margin -  
I don't know whether Warburton  
is in the County of Hants or of  
Southampton - this must be  
correctly inserted in each Affidavit  
You will pay the Commissioner's fee -

Let me know as soon as may be  
of the safe arrival of the Will & Codicil  
which I register for security's sake -

Your Uncle John intends to  
come to London on Tuesday next if  
it will be well to get the Will proved  
as soon as possible -

Please register the Will & Codicil  
& Affidavit on returning them to me -  
The copy balance you will keep  
Your affectionate Uncle

Hugh. W. Elsom  
Thos. Langmore Esq

Let me know  
Almost any attorney in Southampton  
or nearer to you is a Commissioner -

L 73/2  
London

13 Bedford Row W.C

20. June 1873

Dear Benjamin

I have no power in the matter  
of your dear Mother's Will, which if you  
have not seen, no doubt Maria  
would show you -

By that Will £100 a year is left  
to the Trustees, to be applied by them  
for your maintenance in the manner  
which should seem to them best -

Your Sisters having determined to  
remain together for the present, it was  
thought by all concerned to be more  
comfortable for you and them, for you  
to remain in the old Quarters -  
so long as your state of health  
made it advisable -

The alternative would be that

in pursuance of the Will, you would have to reside with a Medical man to be found by the Trustees, and so the £1000 a year and any accumulations of it would have to be applied -

As there is nothing in what has been done, so far as I know, inconsistent with the intention expressed in the Will I certainly should not like to interfere though I shall always be happy to do whatever may best conduce to your happiness and comfort and that of your Sisters - either by advice or otherwise

Your Affectionate Uncle  
Hugh W. Elcurn

Benj<sup>r</sup>. Longmore Esq.

L. 73/3  
St New Church R<sup>d</sup>  
Camberwell  
14 oct 73

My Dear Uncle,

Enclosed is a form  
~~for~~ referring to your  
share of the property  
left by Grandmama's  
will. If you will sign  
it & send it to me at  
the acc<sup>t</sup> & out<sup>g</sup> Genl's  
Dept Inland Revenue, I  
will present it at the  
same time with those  
referring to my four aunts  
& Uncle Charles. Uncle John  
has no doubt mentioned to

you that the duty (amounting  
I should imagine to about  
30<sup>s</sup>/or 40<sup>s</sup>/.) will be paid  
out of what Aunt Maria  
calls the Resid<sup>y</sup> account.  
Aunt Maria shewed me  
your letter ~~asking~~ for  
recommending her to make  
a statement of the  
receipts & payments for  
the year, which I will  
endeavour to assist her  
with.

I hope that Aunt Rosie  
& my Cousins are all well  
& am glad to hear my Baby  
Cousin is in good health.

I have not heard from  
Aunt Maria that you  
have been troubled  
late with any of your  
chest attacks & trust  
you may continue to  
enjoy immunity from them.  
I have to write a letter  
to Uncle John about  
the succession accounts  
so must conclude  
with love to all -

I remain

Your affect nephew  
Henry B. Moore

L 73/4

61 New Church Road  
Woolbury<sup>th</sup> 1848-

Many thanks my  
dear Thomas for the  
photographs also for  
your kind advice as  
to our anticipated  
residence with our family  
in Goddington Grove,  
which I shall duly  
attend to. M<sup>rs</sup> Carey  
and Miss Jay & mine  
I know every thing  
right. & if it be decided.

for us to go to them.

I trust it may be for  
our mutual benefit  
& comfort. The house  
is their own, but is larger  
than they need & as their  
income is small they  
would both be very glad  
for us to take part of it.  
& I am sure they would  
study to make us comfortable  
for they are really attached  
to us as we are to them.  
We should have two

bed-rooms & a sitting-room.  
And board with them.

For this we should pay  
£50 a year each - of course  
we should not bind  
ourselves to remain.

but should take the  
apartments for six months.  
Emma wishes me to thank  
you for the photographs  
& to explain to you why  
she did not remain  
longer at Worcester.

Uncle only invited her  
for a month - he had

arranged for Miss Marshall  
(who is at present out of the  
situation) to go to him  
this week - and as he did  
not ask Emma <sup>to</sup> prolong  
her visit she could not  
very well propose doing so -  
I am sorry Miss Marshall  
is going to stay with Uncle,  
she is a Roman Catholic,  
very clever & conversational,  
& I fear may influence  
Uncle - but I do not see  
how we can prevent it -

I sent Uncle an illuminated  
book - marked with the  
motto - "Hope, the Anchor of the  
Soul," & a text of Scripture  
& some <sup>pressed</sup> flowers for his birthday

273/5  
March 25. 1874  
St Johns Cottage  
East Cliff  
Herne Bay  
Kent

Dear Uncle I have just  
received your letter —  
by that it appears  
a wrong has been  
done to me and  
my children —

The money earned by  
my father was intended  
by him for his children  
not for "the natural  
life

life" of any one of  
them — if they had  
children and rational  
faculties to make  
a will —

Law and equity  
do not always agree.  
But it is for the  
judges to decide  
what is law and  
what is equity —  
My children have  
a right to know  
that my rational  
faculties

faculties are clear  
and calm —

And that my illegal  
pretence in reference to  
my Rational faculties —  
is both unjust and  
contrary to equity —

— I beg leave to consider  
that the will of my  
father as well as the  
will of my poor  
Mother — who was prejudiced  
in reference to me — have  
to be compared — and  
justly reconciled ac-  
— cording to equity —

your affec nephew  
Ben<sup>th</sup> Longmore