

This is the last Will & Testament
of me Henry Spicer of Affpuddle in
the County of Dorset Farmer I hereby revoke
all wills and testamentary dispositions made
by me and declare this to be my last Will and
Testament I appoint Frederic John Johnson of
Bishops Caundle near Sherborne in the said County
of Dorset Farmer and my son William James Spicer
of Affpuddle aforesaid Farmer (hereinafter called
my Trustees) to be the executors and Trustees of
this my will I give to my daughter Maud Mary
Spicer the legacy or sum of £100- and to my
said son William James Spicer I give the legacy
or sum of £150- I give devise and bequeath all
my property not hereby otherwise disposed of unto
my Trustees upon trust that my Trustees shall
(subject to the conditions hereinafter contained with
respect to my business) sell call in and convert into
money the same or such part thereof as shall not
consist of money and shall divide the proceeds
after paying thereout my funeral & testamentary
expenses and debts and the legacies hereinafter
by this my Will or any codicil thereto joining

my children Maud Mary Spicer Kate Johnson
the wife of the said Frederic John Johnson, Henry
Spicer of Mankato America Alice Jane Kent
(the wife of F. A. Kent of Dorchester Brewer) and
the said William James Spicer in equal shares
and with respect to the business of a Farmer now
carried on by me at Affpuddle aforesaid or any
other business in which I may be engaged at my
decease I empower my Trustees to continue the
same to the end of the then current term or
tenancy with liberty for my Trustees to employ
therein the whole or any part of the capital which
shall be employed therein at my decease and also
such further part (if any) of my estate as they shall
think proper and with liberty also to employ Managers
agents clerks foremen bailiffs and labourers and
generally to act in the conduct of the said business
as they shall in their absolute discretion think
fit without being answerable for any loss arising
thereby in instances where I have therewith set my
hand to this my Will the sixth day of Sept. 1900

Witness

Signed Henry Spicer

Transcription of the Will of Henry Spicer – by Steve Spicer, September 15, 2020

This is the last Will and Testament of me Henry Spicer of Affpuddle in the County of Dorset Farmer. I hereby revoke all wills and testamentary dispositions made by me and declare this to be my last will and testament. I appoint Frederic John Johnson of Bishops Caundle near Sherborne in the said County of Dorset Farmer and my son William James Spicer of Affpuddle aforesead Farmer. (hereinafter called “my trustees”) to be the executors and Trustees of this my will. I give to my daughter Maud Mary Spicer the legacy or sum of £100 – and to my said son William James Spicer I give the legacy of sum of £150 – I give devise and bequeath all my property not hereby (?) disposed of – unto my trustees upon trust that my trustees shall (subject to the conditions hereafter contained with (?) to my business sell call in and convert into money. The same or such part thereof as shall not consist of money and shall divide the proceed after paying thereout my funeral and testamentary expenses and debts and the legacies bequeathed by this my Will on any codicil there to among My children Maude Mary Spicer Kate Johnson the wife of the said Frederic John Johnson, Henry Spicer of Mankato America Alice Jane Kent (the wife of F.A. Kent of Dorchester Brewer) and the said William James Spicer in equal shares and with respect to the business of a Farmer now carried on by me at Affpuddle aforesaid or any other business in which I may be engaged at my decease. I (empouse) my Trustees to continue the same to the end of the current levies or tenancy with liberty for my trustees to employ therein the whole or any part of the capital which shall be employed therein at my decease and also such further part (if any) of my estate as they shall think proper and with liberty also to employ managers agents clerks foremen bailiffs and labourers and general to act in the conduct of the sid business as they shall in their absolute discretion think fit without being answerable for any loss arising thereby in witness whereof I have thereunto set my had to this my will the eighth day of Sept. 1900

Signed Henry Spicer

Witnesses etc

The will probated in London 28 Sept 1903 to Frederic John Johnson and William James Spicer, Farmers:

Effects: £4330 11s. 1d. (\$552,728.12 in 2016 money per online currency converter.)

In the final division accounting, £3006 was divided between four of the beneficiaries with £751 10s each to Alice, Maude, Will and Henry. That final accounting is dated Sept 1, 1903.

That statement was included with the handwritten will (possibly a copy since there are no witness signatures) in the papers of Henry Spicer junior and is in my possession.