**WILL OF RALPH HYDE of Werneth - 28 March 1856**

This is the last Will & Testament of me **Ralph HYDE** of Werneth in the county of Chester Farmer First I direct the payment of all my just debts funeral and testamentary expenses and subject thereto I give and devise and bequeath All the real and personal estate of which I shall die possessed (other than my interest in the farm hereinafter mentioned) unto my seven children **Betty TAYLOR** widow; **Mary HYDE**; **Sarah** the wife of **Edward CHEETHAM**; **Hannah ARROWSMITH** widow; **Ralph HYDE**; **Jonathan HYDE**; and **Jane** the wife of **Benjamin LEE** to and for their own use and benefit absolutely in equal shares and proportions I give devise and bequeath All my estate and interest in the farm and buildings I now occupy at Werneth aforesaid as tenant from year to year under **Thomas William TATTON** Esquire unto my said son **Ralph HYDE** for his own use and benefit absolutely I nominate and appoint my said sons **Ralph HYDE** and **Jonathan HYDE** to be Executors of this my Will I hereby revoke all former wills and testamentary writings before made and declare this only to be my last Will and Testament In witness whereof I the said **Ralph HYDE** have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand the **twenty eighth** day of **March** in the year of our Lord **one thousand eight hundred and fifty six** (signed) **Ralph HYDE**

Signed by the said **Ralph HYDE** the testator in the presence of us present at the same time who have attested and subscribed our names as witnesses to the above Will in the presence of the said testator and of each other **George TAYLOR,** Solicitor Stalybridge; **John DEARNLEY**, Werneth

Testator died 20 Nov 1862

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