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Abstract of the Will of Sarah Lawless of 63 West Street Brighton in the County of Sussex, Widow of the late Martin Lawless, written 12 Nov 1879, proved 3 Mar 1884.

Bequeaths to her eldest son, James Lawless, the gold ring that formerly belonged to his father.

Bequeaths to her second son, Martin Lawless, the twisted bone walking stick and telescope formerly the property of his father.

Bequeaths to her youngest son, Thomas Lawless, her late husband's business as tailor, together with all cloth, shop fittings &c.

Bequeaths a legacy of £10 to her eldest daughter, Mrs. Sarah Daniels, as well as her gold brooch containing a likeness of Sarah's late father.

Bequeaths a legacy of £10 to her second daughter, Mrs. Katharine Beck, as well as her golden brooch with an amber stone set with pearls and garnets.

Bequeaths a legacy of £10 to her third daughter, Mrs. Elizabeth Di Villa, as well as her small gold brooch set with a light red stone.

All her furniture, other monies and property she bequeaths to her youngest daughter Theresa Lawless, directing that Theresa pay her funeral and testamentary expenses.

Appoints her son, Martin Lawless, and her nephew, Alfred Keaton Gower*, co-executors of her last will and testament.

(Signed)

Witnesses: Robert Foreshow of 143 Dischling Rise Brighton and Richard Burton of 10 Cranbourne Street Brighton.

Sarah Lawless died 26 Jan 1884 at 63 West Street Brighton, aged 69 years.

Personal effects: £193 14s. 7d.

* Alfred Keaton Gower (c. 1835-1903), superintendent in charge of schools, was the son of John Coppard Gower and Mary Keaton. John Coppard Gower was Sarah's eldest brother.