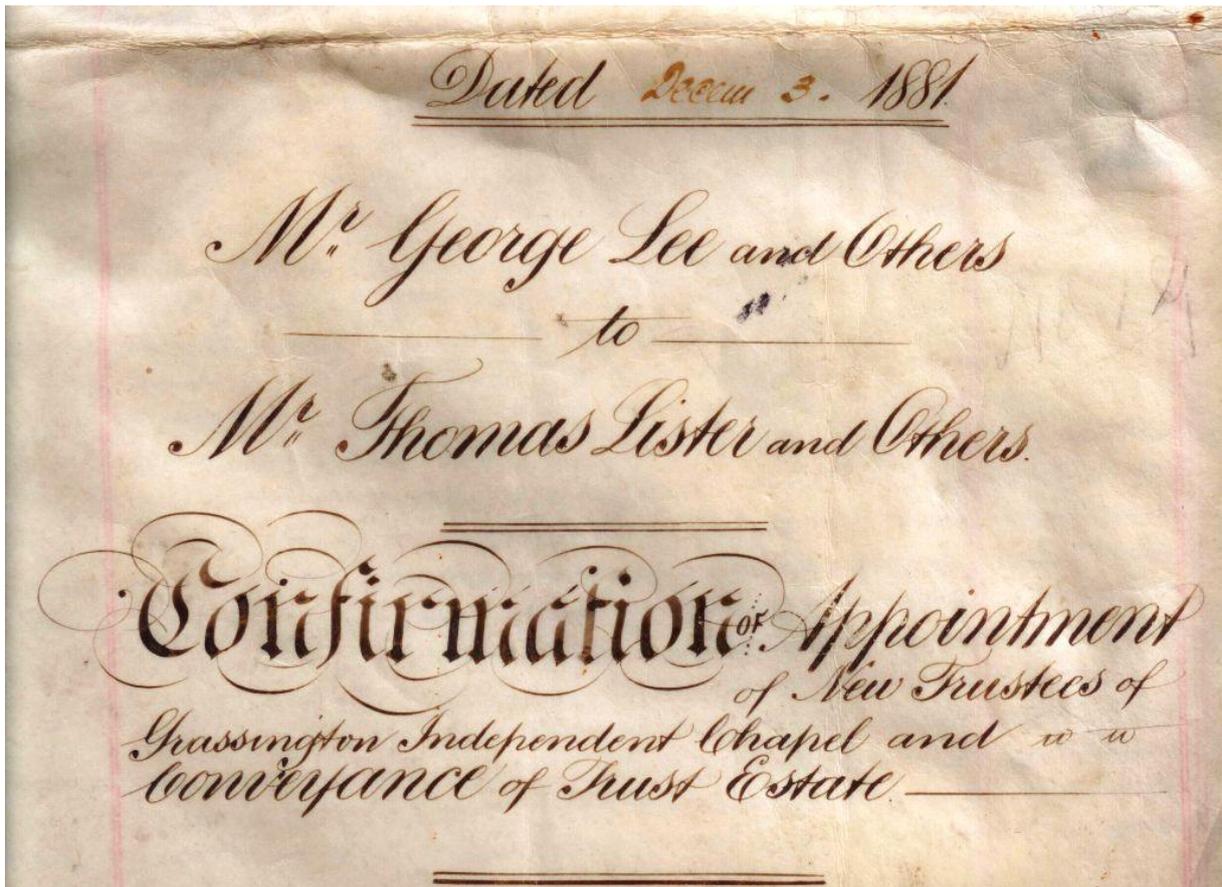


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This Indenture made the third day of December 1881 between George Lee of Skipton formerly of Grassington all in the county of York smelter Abraham Varley of Grassington aforesaid miner John Wright of Rilstone in the said County mason Thomas Lister of Grassington aforesaid sadler John Calvert of Skipton aforesaid painter and Thomas Binks Lee of Grassington aforesaid miner of the first part, John Whitaker of Grassington aforesaid miner Thomas Verity of Linton in the said County mill manager and Edmund Rogers of Grassington aforesaid butter factor of the second part and the said Thomas Lister the said Abraham Varley Samuel Farey of Skipton aforesaid manufacturer the said John Whitaker a Joseph Pattinson farmer John Heseltine Pattinson farmer the said Thomas Verity and the said Edmund Rogers all of Grassington aforesaid Benjamin Wainwright Stuff merchant James Law stuff merchant Thomas Rauson Hill stuff manufacturer Elias Thomas warehouseman and John Hill Manufacturer all of Bradford in the County of York and the said George Lee of the third part.

Whereas by an Indenture dated 15.5.1811 and made between Anthony Wrathall of the first part William Wrathall and the said Anthony Wrathall of the second part and Wilson Robert Leydon Robert Johnston Samuel Cockburn Joseph Lee Robert Somerville Alexander Little William Simpson John Harrison Lionel Knowles Christopher Lawson and Robert Brown of the third part the hereditaments described in the Schedule hereto were granted unto and to the use of the said several persons parties thereto of the third part upon the trusts and for the ends intents and purposes thereafter declared being trusts for the benefit of members of the Society of Protestant Dissenters of the Denomination of Independents.

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And it was provided and directed that when and as often as or at anytime after there should be only five or any less number (but not before) of acting trustees of the said trust estate the vacancy or deficiency in the number of trustees should then be supplied by the appointment of so many additional persons being Protestant Dissenters of the Denomination aforesaid as would make up the number of Trustees not less than twelve nor more than twenty such appointment to be made by the major part of the men subscribers to the said Chapel being members and Communicants as aforesaid who should be present at a Meeting convened for that purpose and with the consent and approbation of the surviving and continuing trustees or trustee and that all such conveyances should be made and executed as should be necessary or deemed advisable for vesting the said Trust Estate in the then acting Trustee or Trustees jointly with such additional Trustees.

And whereas by an Indenture dated 1.1.1880 (being a Deed of Appointment of New Trustees) made between [John Whitaker](#), [John William Irving](#), [Thomas Verity](#) and [Edmund Rogers](#) of the first part [Bessie Harrison](#) of the second part Henry Harrison of the third part and the said [Thomas Lister](#), [Abraham Varley](#), [Samuel Farey](#), [John Whitaker](#), [Joseph Pattinson](#), [John Heseltine Pattinson](#), [Thomas Verity](#), [Edmund Rogers](#), [Benjamin Wainwright](#), [James Law](#), [Thomas Rawson Hill](#), [Elias Thomas](#), [John Hill](#) and [George Lee](#) of the fourth part the said hereditaments described in the Schedule hereto were granted to the said parties thereto of the fourth part their heirs and assigns upon the trusts and for the ends intents and purposes contained and declared in the hereintofore recited Indenture of 15.5.1811.

And whereas the said hereditaments were by an Indenture dated 12.05.1825 granted by the parties of the third part to the said Indenture of 15.05.1811 by way of mortgage to one John Colton.

And whereas the said John Colton died in the year 1830 and the said hereditaments became vested in William Umpleby as surviving trustee of his Will subject to the equity of redemption subsisting in the said hereditaments and the moneys owing on mortgage of the said hereditaments were paid to the said William Umpleby at various times namely in the year 1848 and subsequent years.

And whereas the said [George Lee](#), [Abraham Varley](#), [John Wright](#), [Thomas Lister](#), [John Calvert](#) and [Thomas Binks Lee](#) together with [Benjamin Harrison](#), [John Hartley](#), [Bradley Simpson](#), [William Varley](#), [James Wiseman](#), [James Abbs](#), [Francis Wiseman](#), and [John Broughton](#) were in or about the year 1860 informally appointed to or took upon themselves the office of Trustees of the said hereditaments comprised in the Schedule hereto but no evidence can be found that they were duly appointed to the said office and it is believed that their appointment was informal and no conveyance to them of the outstanding estate in the said hereditaments from the surviving or continuing trustees or their representatives in whom such estate was vested was ever executed

And whereas by an Indenture dated 26.1.1861 and made between the said William Umpleby of the first part and the said [Benjamin Harrison](#), [John Hartley](#), [William Varley](#), [James Wiseman](#), [Geo Lee](#), [Abraham Varley](#), [Bradley Simpson](#), [John Wright](#), [Thomas Lister](#), [John Calvert](#), [James Abbs](#), [Thomas Binks](#), [Lee Francis Wiseman](#), and [John Broughton](#) of the second part the said hereditaments were granted by the said William Umpleby as mortgagee of the said hereditaments to the said parties thereto of the second part (being such informally appointed Trustees) To hold to them their successors heirs and assigns freed and discharged from the said Mortgage

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And whereas the said Indenture of 26.1.1861 with other deeds was for many years mislaid and the existence thereof and that the parties thereto of the second part had been appointed Trustees of the said hereditaments was forgotten and unknown at the time of the preparation and execution of the hereinafter recited Indenture of 1.1.1880

And whereas it is apprehended that the said parties of the second part to the hereuntofore recited Indenture of 1.1.1880 were not legally entitled to call for a Conveyance of the said hereditaments from the said William Umpleby as they had never been legally appointed Trustees of the said hereditaments and were not possessed of the legal estate therein and that the estate of the said William Umpleby of and in the said hereditaments became vested in them improperly and must be held by them in trust for the said parties to these presents of the third part.

And whereas the said [John Hartley](#), [Benjamin Harrison](#), [William Varley](#), [James Wiseman](#), [James Abbs](#) and [Francis Wiseman](#) are all dead and the said [Bradley Simpson](#) and [John Broughton](#) never accepted the trusts improperly vested in them as aforesaid but disclaimed all the estate in the said hereditaments and the said [John Wright](#) [John Calvert](#) and [Thomas Binks Lee](#) have for ten years and more now last past ceased to act as Trustees of the said hereditaments as they do hereby retrospectively admit and declare and the said [George Lee](#), [Abraham Varley](#) and [Thomas Lister](#) now are the only surviving and continuing Trustees of the number informally appointed as aforesaid

And Whereas the said John Whitaker, Thomas Verity and Edmund Rogers are the only men subscribers to the said Chapel and they have been for one whole year and now are members and communicants therein

And whereas the said several persons parties hereto of the first part are desirous to divest themselves of all the estate in the said hereditaments now vested in them under or by virtue of the hereuntofore recited Indenture of 22.5.1861 and to vest such estate in the several persons parties hereto of the third part in confirmation of the hereuntofore vested Indenture of 1.1.1880

Now this Indenture witnesseth that the said John Whitaker, Thomas Verity and Edmund Rogers being the only men subscribers to the said Chapel who have been for one whole year and now are members and communicants therein do hereby appoint reappoint and confirm the said several persons parties hereto of the third part as Trustees of the said hereditaments

And this Indenture also witnesseth that in consideration of the promises they the said several persons parties hereto of the first part according to their estate and interest of and in the said hereditaments described in the Schedule hereto and at the request and by the direction of the said John Whitaker, Thomas Verity and Edmund Rogers and also at the request and by the direction of [George Lee](#), [Abraham Varley](#) and [Thomas Lister](#) do and each of them doth hereby grant convey and confirm unto the said several persons parties hereto of the third part their heirs and assigns all and singular the hereditaments and premises described in the Schedule hereunder written together with the appurtenances thereto belonging

To have and to hold the said hereditaments and premises unto and to the use of the said several persons parties hereto of the third part their heirs and assigns upon the trusts and for the ends intents and purposes and with under and subject to the powers provisos and declarations

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concerning the same contained and declared in the hereinbefore recited indenture of 15.5.1811 or such of them as are now subsisting and capable of taking effect

In witness whereof the said parties to these presents have hereunto set their hands and seals the day and year first before written

The Schedule

All those messuages cottages or dwellinghouses situate and being in Grassington aforesaid formerly belonging to and in the occupation of Isabella Wrathall her undertenants and also the croft garden and orchard thereto adjoining or belonging formerly in the possession of John Gill and also all other the messuages cottages or dwellinghouses gardens and premises situate in Grassington aforesaid comprised in the hereintofore recited Indenture of 15.5.1811 which said hereditaments have been rebuilt and rearranged and as they now stand are more correctly described as all that Chapel now used as a place of religious worship by the Society of Protestant Dissenters of the Denomination of Independents with the Schoolroom Vestry Room and other erections and buildings yard and garden adjoining and belonging to the same and also all those three messuages or dwellinghouses contiguous to the said Chapel with the garden thereto belonging and adjoining formerly in the occupation of the Reverend Robert Aspinall Francis Lee and Christopher Ellerton and now in the several occupation of Christopher Sedgewick Margaret Stoyles John Armstrong all which said hereditaments are situate in Grassington aforesaid.

Signed, sealed & delivered by the same

George Lee
Abraham Varley
John Wright
Thomas Lister
John Calvert
Thomas Binks Lee
John W Whitaker
Thomas Verity
Edmund Rogers

In the presence of (Sworn) John Edward Gaunt Solicitor Leeds

Signed, sealed and delivered by the said *John Whitaker* in the presence of C G Croonce Baptist Minister Nelson Lancashire