



Legacy of Dame Ann James

June 16th 1798

Dame **Ann James** by a Codicil to her Will of this date gave and bequeathed to her Trustees therein names the sum of £1000 to be distributed from time to time to such Poor persons in the Parishes of Corsham and Biddestone as might be considered as objects of Charity by her said Trustees in such proportions as they should think proper. This sum with the accumulations thereof has in pursuance of a Decree of the Court of Chancery been laid out in the purchase of £1913 17s 2d, 3 per cent Bank Annuities the Dividends arising therefrom are by an Order of the said Court received by the Churchwardens, or by the Minister & Overseers of the respective parishes and laid out in the purchase of Coals and Clothing & by them distributed amongst such poor Inhabitants who may stand in most need of the same.

March 1st 1848. Thomas Little
 James Elliott Churchwardens