

I could not get across my poor parishion-
er's humbugging I do. - but have written
to the individual who is said to have
chancery'd the case & hope I shall
get some reply without a Luke "click"
in it.

Now - am I with the greatest love
alive? - Here's a thing turned upon
the top of a big hill this ~~for~~ morning
to torment you with. - Will you, as an
especial favour to myself, & as an act of
charity, which I am sure you love, give
your kind opinion, as to the enclosed will.

James Watkins has 2 several sons
& 2 daughters. ^{Children} ~~Sons~~ all dead but
one ^{son} Thomas Watkins - and 2
daughters - one married - Smith,

his wife dies leaving a daughter Frances
Smith - he (Smith) has not been heard
of for more than 20 years. -
The other dau. Mary continues unmarried.

James Watkins leaves everything as
you see, to Thomas ~~to~~ and Mary Wat-
kins, his surviving children - nothing
to his grandchild Frances Smith, because
said J. & M. Watkins, her uncle and
aunt, brought her up as their own. -

Thomas Watkins recently died in-
testate - no one remains of the family
but his unmarried sister Mary and
his niece Frances Smith - whose
father no one has heard of for a very
long time.

Is there any reason why Mary
Watkins the within named should
administer to the enclosed will? -