

and allowed as the last will and testament of said deceased and letters testamentary bearing to said petitioners they first gave bonds without sureties for the due performance of said trust.

Geo P Choate, Judge of
Probate Court

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Essex SS.

Office of Register of Probate and Insolvency

I Jeremiah P Mahoney, Register of Probate and Insolvency for said County of Essex, having by law the custody of the seal and all the records, books, documents and papers of or appertaining to the Courts of Probate and Insolvency hereby certify the papers hereto annexed to be true copies of papers appertaining to the Courts of Probate and Insolvency and of record in the office of said Court viz. of the last will and testament of Francis Amory late of Beverly in said County. Gentlemen deceased, and of the decree of probate thereof. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said Court this ninth day of June in the year of our Lord One Thousand Eight Hundred and Eighty-one.



J P Mahoney,
Register

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I George P Choate Esquire, Judge of the Probate Court within and for the County of Essex hereby certify that Jeremiah P Mahoney whose signature is affixed to the annexed certificate and attestation is the Register and proper certifying officer of said Court and has by law the custody of the seal and all the records, books, documents and papers of or appertaining to said Court and that said certificate and attestation are in due form and entitled to full faith and credit. In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand this ninth day of June in the year of our Lord Eighteen hundred and Eighty-one

Geo P Choate, Judge
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State of Kentucky Henderson County Court
Henderson County 18th Term (27 day of Feb'y 1885)

I Geo H Smith clerk of the Henderson County Court do hereby certify that the foregoing paper, purporting to be the last will and testament of Francis Amory late of Beverly in said County of Essex was this day lodged in my office for record and that it came together with the certificates thereon endorsed has been duly recorded in my office. Attest Geo H Smith Clerk
By J A Boverly D C

Henderson Ky July 9th 1885 Life at best is short and I think it but right to put on paper some words and wishes for my two darling children Emma and Mary to look upon after I have passed away. I do not fear death, not because I am holy, or good, in my own strength, but because I know that my Redeemer liveth, and through His merits and pardoning grace I hope to be saved, and pray that He will keep my husband and dear children me and all in the path of safety, and we may be a united family in His kingdom forever. I wish my daughter Emma B. Tanner to have the writing desk left me by Aunt Sally and my daughter Mary to have the writing desk if they prefer to exchange its all right. The white counterpane made on my grandfather Hopkins for us in 1819 my daughter Emma can have. The quilt given me by my sister in law Mrs. Lee I wish my daughter Mary to have. I wish Mary to have my garnet jewelry, and Emma to have my topaz pin, & the silver service if she wishes it, if not then let Mary have it, my other jewelry, which is but little, they can divide and keep as souvenirs of a loving mother. My silver spoon I give to Mary as Emma has plenty, yet if Emma would like half dozen of the teaspoons she and Mary can arrange it. All my household furniture bedding &c I give to Mary with the exception of furniture and bedding for a room for my husband during his life. My children must always be kind and tender to their father, for whom I am gone he will miss me. At my death my daughter Mary comes into possession of half the house and lot on 2^d street in the City of Henderson Ky (where I now live) the other half is mine given me by deed of Mrs. & Mr. J. J. Tanner who held an interest in it by the will of my grandmother Catherine Brent. My half of said lot I give to my daughter Mary reserving for my husband John J. Duvich during his life (if he should need it so long) a means of support from the half, and at his death, or so soon as he does not need it as a means of support, I give it to my daughter Mary, to be taken possession of it by her and to use as she pleases. My daughter Emma B. Tanner is well provided for and does not need anything from me, but if I had it to give would gladly divide it with her and family. She is a darling loving daughter, and her husband Mr. Tanner is one of Nature's noblemen. The sword presented me by the State of Ky. in honor of Major Barbours gallantry as a soldier I leave to my grandson John Stewart Tanner believing he will prize it, and if ever called upon to use it will do so with honor to himself and to the cause he defends. The portrait of Major Barbours I present to the State of Ky. to adorn the walls of the Capitol. I give to my darling grandson Brent Tanner the engraving of Henry Clay, where he is making his celebrated compromise speech in the Senate in 1850. I except this picture in all other articles in the house given to my daughter Mary. I have some handsome books which Emma and Mary can divide between them, as Emma has a fine collection herself she should give Mary first choice of mine. My uncle John B. Bibb at his death left me a one thousand dollar (\$1000) Bond on a Cincinnati and Indianapolis Rail Road, it is in the hands of the Cashier of the Farmers Bank of Henderson in trust for me. At my death I give this \$1000 Bond to my daughter Mary B. Burch for

her sole use and benefit after my funeral expenses have been paid and a very plain slab put to mark my grave, with this epitaph, "she has done what she could". If my children do not find it necessary to use any of the one thousand dollar, (\$1000) to defray funeral expenses &c, then I wish Mary S. Bunch my daughter to have it all, (the \$1000 Bond above mentioned) to use and dispose of as she deems best, entirely free from the control of any one, should she marry, all I have left her is to be entirely her own free from the control of her husband, & not subject for any of his debts. After my death, whenever my daughter Mary S. Bunch calls for the \$1000 Bond in the possession of the Cashier of the Farmers Bank of Henderson Ky, he is required to give it up to her.

Martha S. Bunch.

I agree to & consent that this shall be received and recorded with all the force of my wife's last Will & Testament.

Geo. T. Bunch

State of Kentucky) March County Court 1888.
Henderson County) 20th (26th day of March 1888)

This day came Miss Mary S. Bunch and presented a paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of her mother, Martha S. Bunch and it appearing from the endorsement of her husband John T. Bunch thereon that said Will was made with his consent, and approval, and it further appearing from the evidence of said Mary S. Bunch that said Will was written entirely by the said Testator, and signed in her own proper signature while she was of sound mind and disposing memory, it is ordered that it be, and it is hereby admitted to Probate as the last Will and Testament of said Martha S. Bunch as to her real and personal estate and ordered to be recorded as such which is here done.

Attest

Geo. W. Smith C. C. C.

In the name of God Amen, I Alice A. Prather of the City of Henderson Henderson County State of Kentucky being of a sound and disposing mind do in the presence of these witnesses make execute and publish this my last Will and Testament being impelled thereto by a knowledge of my speedy death and early dissolution, to wit, I give and bequeath to my beloved husband Charles H. Prather in fee simple the House, Lot and appurtenances on the City of Henderson Ky between Seventh (?) and Eighth (?) on Elm street being the same upon which we now reside together with all rights in law and equity held, owned or enjoyed by me in connection with property therein mentioned. In Testimony whereof I have on this day of 1888 signed my name and affixed my seal.

Seal

Be it known that we the City of Henderson Ky were this day present and saw Mrs Alice A. Prather the Testator sign her name to the above will and the same in our presence and in the presence of each other was by the said Alice A. Prather declared and acknowledged to be her voluntary act and last will and testament free from the coercion or influence of any and all persons whomsoever. Witness our hands and seals on this the 21st day of March 1888.

Alice A. Prather

Edgar Martin

Frances S. Martin

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I Charles H. Prather do give my free will and full consent for my wife Alice A. Prather to dispose of her property either by will or deed as she may wish and remain satisfied Dec 20 1887

Chas H Prather

Henderson County Court April Term 25th day of April 1888

This day came Edgar Martin and Frances S. Martin his wife attesting witnesses to a paper filed on Monday 23rd day of April 1888 as the last Will and Testament of Alice A. Prather dec'd and also came Charles H. Prather and filed his consent in writing executed on the 20th day of December 1887, authorizing the said Testator, Alice A. Prather his wife to make a will and the said witnesses being duly sworn testified that the said will was read to the said Alice A. Prather in their presence and she signed same or rather signed the certificate thereto in their presence and that when she was signing the will itself and being of sound mind and disposing memory unimpaired she said paper to be her last Will and Testament and at her request they signed said paper in her presence and in the presence of each other. It is therefore ordered that said paper be & it is admitted to probate as the last Will and Testament of said Alice A. Prather both as to her real and personal estate, and ordered to record as such.

State of Kentucky Henderson County) 20th

April Term Henderson County Court 25th day of April 1888.

This day a paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Mrs Alice A. Prather late of Henderson County dec'd - was produced in open court and proven according to law by the oath of Edgar Martin and Frances S. Martin subscribing witnesses thereto thereupon the same was adjudged by the court to be the last Will of Alice A. Prather and ordered to be recorded which is here done.

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