

Will of Warren R. Houdlett, re

Know all men by these presents, That I, Warren R. Houdlett, of Malden, State of Massachusetts, being of sound disposing mind and memory, do make and publish and declare this to be my Last Will and Testament, To-wit:-

- 1st = I ordain and appoint Erastus Bartlett of San Francisco, State of California, and Joseph E. Burtt, of Malden, and Thomas N. Lord of Sumnerville, both of Middlesex County, State of Massachusetts, as Administrators and Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, in case of vacancy, by death or otherwise, of either one the two, to fill the vacancy by election of another, all to act without Bond.
- 2nd = I give to my sister Mrs. M. M. Alley, Five Hundred dollars, and to her daughter Emma L. Alley, Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars.
- 3^d = I give to my sister S. N. Merrill, One Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars, and to her daughter, Gertie S. Merrill, Five Thousand Dollars, and to her two daughters, Ellen and Annie, Two Thousand, Five Hundred Dollars each. --
- 4th = I give to my brother George S. Houdlett One Thousand five hundred dollars, and the free use of the Lot of land known as the Johnson Lot, situated in Dresden, Lincoln County, State of Maine, during his natural life only, after his decease the said Lot of Land, I give to his son, Warren R. Houdlett, and his heirs forever, on condition that he shall look after and care for and keep in good order a certain my buying Lot in Farrelth, Still County, located in the town of Dresden, State of Maine aforesaid, and keep a supervising brok. of the said Cemetery in general. I also give to his wife Louisa Houdlett, Five Thousand Dollars, and to his two daughters Hattie and Blanche Houdlett One Thousand Dollars each; and furthermore, I give to my said Brother George S. all of my Chamber furniture, Bed, and Bedding, Hairpins, jewelry, and

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- 5th = I give to my Brother Philip F. Hurdlett, Five hundred dollars, and if he should be deceased, before the said sum of Five hundred - should be paid over to him, it shall then go to his daughter Abbie F. Hurdlett, to whom I also give Seven thousand five hundred dollars, -
- 6th = I give to my brother Edward E. Hurdlett's daughter Elizabeth W., Five hundred dollars, and to Sarah E. Hurdlett, now Mrs. Spaulding Fox, now said five hundred dollars and to his son, now in San Francisco, California, Edward E. Hurdlett, Five hundred dollars, and to his son Henry Clay Hurdlett, my gold watch and chain, and also I give to the said Henry Clay, one thousand five hundred dollars, to help educate his three beautiful boys.
- 7th = I give to each of my nephews, one and all One hundred dollars each, -

8th = I now come to the last, though the most interesting part of the execution of my property, of which I wish and request my Executors to carry out to the letter, it is this: I have a Cemetery of about Eight Acres called Forest Hill, Cemetery located in Dresden, Lincoln County, State of Maine, my Native Town, where my Ancestors and many others are buried, which I have been for some time engaged in fencing and putting in order but is not yet completed, three sides is fenced, but the south side is not fenced, I now request my Executors to see that it is carried out as I desire: Say said fence to be built of Stone posts 7 by 8 inches square, laid on top, and bottom to be cut square across same, all of rough Stone, same as north side and to be 7 feet long each, five holes to be drilled through same $\frac{3}{4}$ inches in diameter, said holes to be made, beginning four inches from the top through the 7 inch part of the post, and thus downward to the bottom or back hole, each hole to be 9 inches apart from the other; said posts are to be set in the ground, along said line, in

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be fenced eight feet apart between the posts, and about
three feet in the ground, then use galvanized trans-
verse wire of 1/4 inch in diameter to be run through
each tier of ficles, when done the fence will
be finished, on the East or Road side is a stone
wall built faced on the Road side only, Now this
Wall I request my Executors to have painted with
wash of Lime Mortar on the face side downwards
from the top to within one foot of the ground
to give the water a free course through in the
winter, and on the inside of said Wall to be
painted down two feet only from the top, then
the top of the wall to be sharpened up about
6 inches with broken stones, so that it will shed
water and prevent the tops from running upon
it, the whole to be done by experienced workmen,
so well that it may stand forever, with but little
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all completed, I request my Executors to place
in Bank, say Eight Hundred Dollars, which shall
be a permanent fund forever, the interest only
to be used to keep the fence in good repair, as
it may be found necessary from time to time, -
Also \$600.00 Six Hundred Dollars, I request my Ex-
ecutors to be deposited in the same manner
as the other, for a different purpose, the interest
only, to be used for keeping the Cemetery grounds
in good order perpetually, Now a Corporation
will have to be made, and by a petition to the
Legislature of the State of Maine, it can be done
so readily, so that it can be managed by
regular officers chosen by the Lot Holders, then
through the Treasurer and Secretary, They can
draw any part of the interest money that
may be needed for fences, or for keeping the
grounds in good order, only in giving an
order of interest money it must be approved
of as correct by at least two of the selectmen,
and Town Clerk of the Town, otherwise in vain

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- Must not be paid by the Bank or Banker that hold the money on deposit under any consideration whatever.
- 9th = I request my Executors to not pay out any money whatever for Legacies until all the debts I leave behind are paid, also all the expenses for completing fences around the Cemetery and for the money donated and placed in Banks for Cemetery purposes whatever.
- 10th = I request the Executors, as all the property I have is in Houses and Building Lots, that they will not make any unnecessary sacrifice to close it up too quickly, thereby saving as much as possible to the Legatees. —
- 11th = Now if in settling up my Estate there should not be money enough to pay the Legatees what I have Willed them, then pay one and all pro Rata, each or if otherwise the same pro Rata. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal and caused publish and declare this to be my Will and Testament in the presence of the witnesses named below, this Ninth day of November, in Boston, in the State of Massachusetts, in the year of A.D. 1882.

Warren R. Hurdlett, (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Warren R. Hurdlett, as and for his Last Will and Testament in presence of men who at his request and in his presence, and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses, hereto. —

A. S. Giddens,

W. G. Sawyer,

J. F. Alexander,

Commonwealth of Massachusetts,
Co. of Middlesex, ss. — —

At a Probate Court holden at Cambridge, in and for said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-fifth day of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & eighty-five.

On the petition of Erastus Bartlett of San Francisco Cal., Joseph E. Burt of Malden, and Thomas W. Lord of Summerville, both in the County of Middlesex, praying that the instrument herewith presented, purporting to be the Last Will and Testament of Warren R. Wendell, late of Malden, in said County of Middlesex, deceased, may be proved & allowed, and Letters Testamentary issue to them the Executors therein named, and that they may be exempt from giving a security or sureties on their Bond pursuant to said Will & Statute, and the Heirs-at-Law next of Kin and all other persons interested, having been duly notified according to the order of Court, to appear & show cause, if any they have against the same, and no party objecting thereto, and it appearing that said instrument is the Last Will and Testament of said deceased, and was legally executed, and that said testator was at the time of making the same of full age and sound mind, & that said petitioners are competent persons to be appointed to said trust; It is therefore decreed that said instrument be approved & allowed as the Last Will and Testament of said deceased, and Letters Testamentary be issued to said petitioners, they first giving Bond, with or without surety or sureties, for the performance of said trust. —

George M. Brooks,
Judge of Probate Court.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts —
Middlesex, ss. — — — Probate Court —
Do Erastus Bartlett of San Francisco Cal., Joseph E. Burt of Malden, and Thomas W. Lord of Summerville, both in the County of Middlesex, and Commonwealth of said State, Greeting — — — Trusting in your care & fidelity, I, George M. Brooks, Esquire, Judge of the Probate Court in and for said County of Middlesex,

Will of Harner R. Bondlett, continued.

by virtue of the power and authority vested in me, do hereby certify, constitute and appoint you to be Executor of the Last Will and Testament of Harner R. Bondlett, late of Muldrow in said County deceased, Testate, which will was forever and allowed this day by said Court, and is now of Record in this Court, and you are ordered, to make and return to said Probate Court within three months from the date hereof, a true inventory of all the Real and Personal Estate of said deceased, which at the time of the making of such Inventory shall have come to your possession or knowledge, to administer according to Law and the Will of said deceased, all the personal estate of said deceased, which may come to your possession or that of any other person for you, and also the proceeds of any of the Real Estate of said deceased, that may be sold or conveyed by you, to render upon oath a true and correct account of your administration at least once a year, until your trust is fulfilled, unless excused therefore in any year by said Court, and also to render such account at such other times as said Court may order. And also within three months to cause notice of your appointment to be posted in two or more public places, in the city or town in which said deceased last dwelt, and within one year return your affidavit of having given such notice, with a copy thereof to the Probate Officer, in witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the seal of said Court to be affixed at Cambridge, this twenty-fifth day of September, in the year of Our Lord, One thousand Eight hundred & Eighty Three,

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George M. Brantley,
Judge of Probate Court.

"Counter signed"

J. H. Taylor, Register

Commonwealth of Massachusetts
Middlesex, ss:-- Probate Court--
I, Joseph H. Tyler, Register of the probate Court for
said County of Middlesex, having by Law, the
Custody of the Seal and all the Records, Books, Docu-
ments and papers of or appertaining to said Court,
hereby Certify the paper hereunto annexed to be true
Copies of papers appertaining to said Court, and
on file or of Record in the Office of said Court.
In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my
Hand and the Seal of said Court, this twentieth
day of February, in the year of Our Lord Eighteen
Hundred and Eighty-Nine. Joseph H. Tyler
Register.

I, George M. Brooks Esquire, Judge of the
Probate Court within and for said County of
Middlesex, hereby Certify, that Joseph H. Tyler whose
signature is to be seen to the above Certificate, 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, said
Certificate is in due form as used in this Court-
said Court. In witness whereof, I have
hereunto set my Hand this twentieth day of
February, in the year of Our Lord Eighteen Hun-
dred & Eighty-Nine. George M. Brooks,
Judge of Probate Court.

State of Virginia, Dec. Court of Ordinary, at Chambers March 20th 1884.
County of Lee. Upon the introduction of the within Will probated
and it appearing to the Court, that the Testator owned
property in this County at the time of his death, It is
ordered that this Will and probate be Recorded in
the Book of Wills in this Office.
George C. Edwards, Ordinary.
The within copy of Will of Warren R. Handlett,
Probate Certificate re: Recorded Mch. 20th 1884, in
Ordinary's Office Lee Co. Va. James Morgan, Clerk Ordinary.