

Subscribed and sworn to before me  
this 19<sup>th</sup> day of August AD 1873.  
J. C. Reed  
Notary Publicate

It is therefore adjudged by the Court  
that the said paper writing is the  
last will and testament of the said  
J. C. Reed, and the same is made &  
recorded and filed. And whereas  
the said executors & trustees are  
appointed, duly qualified as such by  
the King the oath required by law  
the executor there in named David  
J. Hall the Notary Publicate renowned  
his said office.

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In the name of God, Amen:—I, William G. Plummer,  
of the city of Hoboken, in the County of Hoboken, and State  
of New Jersey, being of sound and disposing mind,  
Memory, and understanding, and calling to mind the mor-  
tality of my body, knowing that it is appointed unto  
all men once to die, and being desirous of settling and  
disposing of such worldly estate, wherewith it has pleased  
God to bless me in this life, while strength and  
Capacity admite, do hereby publish, pronounce, or-  
dain and declare this my last will and testament  
in manner following, that is to say:—

First. I order and direct, and my will is that in the first  
place, all and singular, my just debts, funeral ex-  
penses, and testamentary costs, charges and disburse-  
ments be first duly paid and satisfied out of my  
estate by my executors hereinafter named, and ap-  
pointed, or the survivor of them as soon after my de-  
cease as conveniently may be.

Second. I do give and bequeath unto my beloved wife  
Eliza B. Plummer, all and singular, my household goods  
chattels, plate, beds, bedding linen, jewelry, printed books,  
and family stores, and all other articles and things of  
household furniture situate and being in my dwelling  
house, in which I now reside, or such other dwelling  
house as I may reside in, at the time of my decease,  
and also my Iron safe, to have and to hold, the same un-  
to my said wife, her executors administrators and assigns  
forever, to her, and their own proper use ~~and~~ ~~and~~ ~~and~~ ~~and~~  
benefit and behoof forever.

Third. I do also give and devise unto my said ~~wife~~  
all and singular my right, title, interest, and estate, what-  
ever such right, title, interest and estate may be  
in and to all those two certain dwelling houses together  
with the lots of land and premises upon which the same  
are erected, known as street numbers One hundred  
and ninety eight, and two hundred and twelve, Wash-  
ington street, in the said city of Hoboken, with the mes-  
senger, premises, appurtenances, and hereditaments.  
To have and to hold the same unto my said wife  
her heirs and assigns to her and their own sole and  
proper use and benefit and behoof forever.

Fourth. I do also give and bequeath unto my  
said wife the one equal one third part of all

and singular my personal estate, including bonds  
mortgages, stocks money and other things whatsoever  
usually known by the name of personal property,  
(not including however my household furniture here-  
in before given, and bequeathed to her in severalty,)   
and to be paid to her as soon after my decease as  
my estate and assets are collected and Marshall-  
ed. To have and to hold such one equal third part  
to my said wife, her executors, administrators and  
assigns to and for her and their only and sole use, ben-  
efit and behoof forever. Provided however, and I do  
so order and direct that all the legacies in and by  
this will given to my father and sisters shall be first  
paid out of my personal estate, as well as the  
debts and other charges mentioned in the first clause  
of this will, in the first place; - and my said wife  
shall receive and be only entitled to receive the one  
equal third part of such and so much of my personal  
estate after all such legacies and debts are fully paid.

Fifth. I do give and devise unto my two children, Julia  
J. Hummer and Mary G. Hummer, all those four  
certain houses, together with the lots of land and  
premises whereon the same are erected, now known  
by the street numbers Seventy four, Seventy six, and  
one hundred and seventy one, Washington Street, in  
the said city of Hoboken, and Ninety two Hudson  
Street in the said city, with the messuages premises  
appartenances and hereditaments. To have and to hold  
the same unto my said two children their heirs and as-  
signs forever, subject however to the provisions here-  
inafter contained as to any other lawful children of mine  
which may be living at the time of my decease, and  
subject further to all provisions herein contained as to  
the time of the division of my estate, herein given to my  
said children, and subject also to the power right  
of their mother therein: -

Sixth. I do also give and bequeath unto my said two  
children the remaining two equal third parts of my  
personal estate after the payment thereout in the first  
place, of the several legacies herein given to my fath-  
er, sisters and sister-in-law, respectively, and of my  
debts and other charges as aforesaid, and also  
of the other one equal third part hereinbefore

to my said wife. To have and to hold the same unto  
my said children, their executors, administrators and  
assigns forever, subject to such provisions as are here  
in contained as to after-born children and also as to  
the time of the division of my estate among my  
children.

Seventh. And I do hereby declare that my will  
further is that in case of the birth hereafter of any  
other lawful issue of mine who may be living at the  
time of my decease, or within the lawful and natural  
period thereafter, that they and in that case such  
after-born child or children, shall share equally with  
my present two children the property and all the prop-  
erty both personal and real, by this will given and  
devised and bequeathed to my said two children Julia  
J. and Mary G. in the same manner and to the same  
extent, and have like and equal shares, in all re-  
pects, as if such after-born children were herein spe-  
cifically mentioned in each separate and distinct  
clause.

Eighth. And I do further declare that my will further  
is that none of my said children now living or which  
may hereafter be born, shall have their share, or any  
part thereof paid to them, or either of them other than  
the annual rent, & interest or income therefrom until  
such time as my youngest child ~~have~~ attained the  
age of twenty one years, at which time my said chil-  
dren shall each be entitled to have and receive his or  
her share, and portion of my estate herein given to them  
to be thereafter enjoyed by them severally.

Ninth. I do further declare that my will further is that  
in case any of my children should die before actually  
receiving his, her or their share and portion of my  
estate herein given to them, without lawful issue  
surviving at the time of the actual division of my  
estate among them as herein provided, for that then  
and in that case, the share and portion of such child  
so dying without lawful issue surviving as afore-  
said shall go to and be equally divided among my  
surviving children, share and share alike, and if  
only one surviving child, then to such survivor in en-  
tirety. Subject however to the legacies hereinabove given  
in that event. But in case any of my said

children or dying as aforesaid, should leave law-  
ful issue who may be living at the time of the actual  
division of my estate as aforesaid, then and in  
that case, such surviving issue of any of my de-  
ceased children shall take and be entitled to re-  
ceive the same share and portion of my estate  
which their his or her, deceased parent would  
have taken and received if living.

Ninth. And I do further ordain and declare that  
my will further is, that in case only one of my children  
should be living at the time of the actual division of  
my estate among my said children as aforesaid -  
the other or others of them being dead without leaving  
lawful issue surviving at that time, then then and  
in that case, I do give and bequeath unto my  
three sisters a legacy of five hundred dollars each  
and also a legacy to my father of five hundred dollars  
to be paid to them respectively by my executors or the  
survivors of them within two years after the happen-  
ing of the contingency in this clause specified, which  
said three legacies to my said three sisters respect-  
ively and the said legacy to my father in this clause  
specified, I do give and bequeath unto them respect-  
ively their respective executors, administrators and  
assigns forever, and to be paid out of the share and  
portion of my estate herein given to my said chil-  
dren and the remaining portion or part of such  
share to go to and given to my said surviving  
child -

Tenth. But in case all of my said children should  
happen to die before the said division of my said es-  
tate, and without lawful issue surviving them  
or any of them, then then and in that case, I give, devise  
and bequeath all and singular the said real and  
personal estate and property hereinbefore given to  
my said children together with the premises here-  
dements and appurtenances unto my said wife  
to have and to hold the same real and personal estate  
and property unto my said wife for and during the  
term of her natural life or so long as she may re-  
main my widow and during all that time to have and  
receive for her own use the rents incomes and  
profits thereof, and from and after the death of

after ~~and~~ marriage of my said wife whichever event  
shall first happen, I give devise and bequeath the same  
property and real estate and every part thereof unto my  
brothers and sisters and the lawful issue of such of them as  
may be dead, share and share alike, such lawful issue  
of such as may be dead taking and receiving such part or  
those as their deceased parent would have taken if living  
~~and twelfth~~. I do give and bequeath unto my ~~deceased~~  
father Benjamin Plummer of Mount Holly a legacy  
of five hundred dollars.

Twelfth. I do give and bequeath unto my three sisters  
Hannah S., Letitia, and Keziah a legacy of five hun-  
dred dollars each, and in case of the death of any of or  
either ~~them~~ before receiving the same without lawful is-  
sue surviving, her surviving sisters or sister shall take it  
and be entitled to receive the legacy herein given to such  
deceased sister in equal proportion, share and share a-  
like.

Fourteenth. I do give and bequeath unto Eliza Plummer,  
wife of Charles T. Plummer, my brother of Mount Holly a  
legacy of five hundred dollars, to be enjoyed by her for her  
own separate use, free from any control or debts of her  
present or any future husband, she may have and her  
own individual and separate receipt for the payment of the  
same given to my executors or the survivor of them  
shall be a sufficient voucher and discharge to them or  
her in that behalf. And I do order and direct that the a-  
bove mentioned legacies shall be paid to the several  
legatees respectively, in two years after my decease, with  
interest thereon from the time of my decease at the rate  
of seven per cent per annum, and are given and intended  
to be given to the said legatees respectively absolutely and  
without any reference or regard to the other and contingent  
legacies given to my said father and sisters in and  
by the tenth Clause of this my will.

Fifteenth. And I do further ordain order and direct that  
my said executors or the survivor of them shall man-  
age and take care of all and singular the property both  
real and personal herein given to my said children  
and collect and receive the rents, profits, interest, and  
income <sup>thereof, and apply the same to the support and mainte-</sup>  
or so much thereof as may be needful and  
necessary for that purpose, towards the support,  
maintenance and education of my said children

their respective minorities. And in case of any sum  
plus, to invest the same upon good real estate security,  
or land and mortgage, worth double the amount invested  
thereon, for their benefit during their respective minorities.  
Sixteenth. I do hereby authorize and empower my said ex-  
ecutrix, or the survivor of them, in case she or they should  
deem it for the best interests of my estate to sell either at  
public or private sale all and singular my and all real  
estate which I may own at the time of my decease  
and not herein before specifically given and devised  
to my said wife and children and all interest which  
I may own or in any way be entitled to unto in any  
such real estate either individually, severally, or jointly  
with any other person or persons, and authorize and  
empower my said Executrix or the survivor of  
them to make execute and deliver to the purchaser, or pur-  
chaser thereof all proper, necessary and sufficient deed  
and deeds of conveyance therefor, as fully and amply  
as I might or could do if living; and the proceeds of  
such sale or sales, in the hands of my said Executrix  
or the survivor of them shall be taken and considered as  
personal property, and shall be paid to my said wife  
and children in the same manner and in the same  
or like proportions and at the same time and times as  
my other personal property in and by this will is di-  
rected to be given and paid to them respectively.

Seventeenth. I do hereby expressly declare that nothing  
herein contained is in any way intended, nor shall the same  
be so construed as to take away, deprive, or in any way  
molest or interfere with my said wife of any dower  
dower right, or thirds which she may be by law en-  
titled unto in any of my said real estate, but on the  
contrary, my will and the true intent and meaning of  
the present on that subject is that my said wife  
shall have and be entitled to receive, and enjoy for her  
own use, all dower, and thirds by law secured to her in  
all my said real estate which I may own at the time  
of my decease.

Eighteenth. I do hereby nominate constitute and ap-  
point my said wife Eliza B. Plummer, and my said  
sister Hannah S. Plummer, executrix and executrix  
of this my last will and testament, and Guardian  
and Guardian of both the persons. a.s.d. 12

of my infant children during their respective minorities, and  
do request and direct that no personal or other securities  
or security be required of them or either of them as a condition  
of their being appointed either as executives or Guardians  
of this my will and testament.

Nineteenth. And I do further ordain and declare that my  
will further is that it shall be lawful for my said ex-  
ecutrix or the survivor of them acting either as such ex-  
ecutrix or Guardians in the first place, out of my estate gen-  
erally in their or her hands, of if none of my estate in their or  
her hands then out of the share interest and estate of my said  
children in their or her hands to deduct and reinterne  
themselves and herself respectively all and every such sum  
and sum of money, costs, to charges, travelling and other  
expenses as they or she may be put to, shall incur lay out  
or be charged with in the management of my estate, or in the  
management of the estate or property of my said children,  
or in the care and custody of the persons and property of my  
said children, or for or by reason of the performance of  
this my will or the management or execution thereof  
any other thing in anywise relating thereto. And finally  
all the rest, residue, and remainder of all my estate and ef-  
fects, real and personal, whatsoever and wheresoever  
not heretofore otherwise effectually disposed of (after  
payment of my debts, funeral expenses, legacies and other  
charges and deductions aforesaid) I do give devise and be-  
queath unto my said children in equal portion, share  
and share alike, subject to the same provisions as to survivor-  
ship, and other provision hereinbefore contained in respect  
of the other property given to them in and by this will.  
And I do hereby revoke, cancel, annul and make void  
all and every other former and other will and wills by me  
at any heretofore made, and publish and declare this to be  
my last will and testament. In witness whereof, I have  
hereunto set my hand and seal, this twenty fifth day  
of July in the year one thousand eight hundred and  
sixty six.

(Signed) William G. Plummer (L.S.)  
The foregoing instrument in writing, consisting of eleven  
pages was duly signed sealed and published pro-  
nounced and declared by the said William G. Plummer  
the Testator therein named in our presence so he  
who these lines set at the present time and hereat

his request and in his presence and in the presence  
of each other, have hereunto subscribed our names  
as attesting witnesses.

Wm B. Shepherd No 119 Hudson St., Hoboken  
Fred Klenen 120 Meadow St D.

I have this day annexed a codicil to this, my will,  
dated Nov. 14. 1871, consisting of five and one half  
pages; among the items of which is a legacy of twenty  
five hundred dollars to my sister, Hannah J. Plummer  
and also an additional one of same amount in trust  
for my father. Also one of one thousand dollars to  
my sister Letitia R. Plummer.

William G. Plummer.

This is a codicil to the last will and testament of  
me William G. Plummer, which last will and testa-  
ment bears date the twenty fifth day of July A.D.  
Eighteen hundred and sixty six, and is hereto an-  
nexed; and this present codicil is intended to be ta-  
ken and read as a part of said will, and I do hereby  
ratify and confirm the said last will and testament  
in all things as therein written, and contained, ex-  
cept so far only as the same may be changed or al-  
tered by this codicil.

First I do hereby give and bequeath unto my sis-  
ter Hannah J. Plummer, in addition to the provisions  
made for her in my said last will and testament  
the sum of twenty five hundred ~~dollars~~, to be paid  
to her as soon as conveniently can be after my de-  
cease, with interest thereon at the rate of seven per-  
cent per annum, payable semi-annually from the  
time of my decease until paid, to have and to hold  
the same to her, her heirs and assigns forever; and  
I do also give and bequeath to my said sister Han-  
nah J. Plummer, the further sum of twenty five  
hundred dollars to be paid to her as soon as con-  
veniently can be after my decease, with interest  
thereon at the rate of seven per cent per annum, pay-  
able semi-annually, from the time of my decease; in  
trust to pay the interest or income thereof to my  
father Benjamin Plummer, semi-annually, during  
his natural life, and at and after his decease  
to have and hold the said sum to her, her heirs and

assigns forever.

Second. Whereas, in and by the eleventh section of  
my said will, I did by oversight order and direct that  
in case of the decease of my said children before the  
division of my estate, without lawful issue, certain  
property should be held by my said wife "as long as she  
may remain my widow"; now, therefore, I do hereby or-  
der and direct that in the happening of the event  
therew specified, the said property shall be held by  
her "for and during her natural life" without regard  
to her remarriage if she should see fit.

Third. I do hereby give and devise unto my two children  
Julia S. Plummer and Mary B. Plummer, in addition to the  
provision heretofore made for them, the certain house and  
lot of land, with the appurtenances, situate on the south  
side of Main Street in the town of Orange, New Jersey, pur-  
chased by me of Moses B. Canfield: to have and to hold  
the same to them their heirs and assigns forever. Sub-  
ject however to the provisions contained in my said will  
as to any other lawful children of mine who may be living  
at the time of my decease. Subject also to the provisions in  
my said will as to the disposition of the same in case  
they should die before reaching the age of twenty-one with-  
out leaving lawful issue, and subject also to the  
right of dower, in the person, of their mother, in case they  
should decease after the division of my property as provided  
in and by my said last will.

Fourth. In regard to the house and lot of land whereon the  
same is situate, known as Number Ninety-two (92) Hud-  
son Street in the said City of Hoboken I order and di-  
rect as follows: I hereby give and devise the said house  
and lot of land whereon the same is situate, with, with  
the appurtenances to my executors and executors here-  
inafter named to have and to hold the same during the mi-  
nority of my said children, to receive the rents issues and  
profits thereof, therewith to make all necessary repairs  
about the said premises, and apply the balance, or so  
much as may be needful and necessary, towards the sup-  
port and maintenance of my said children or the  
survivor, with power to sell or dispose of the same  
at any time during the minority of my said children  
if they shall see fit: to execute and deliver the necessary  
and sufficient Deed of Conveyance for the same, and

invest the proceeds of such sale upon Bonds and  
mortgage, or unencumbered with real estate worth at  
least double the amount loaned or in the improvement  
of other property belonging to said children, or in the  
purchase of other lands and real estate. When my  
youngest child shall attain the age of twenty one years  
I hereby order and direct that the said property, or the  
proceeds thereof as reinvested, or so much thereof as  
shall then be remaining, shall vest in my said chil-  
dren or the survivors, as is provided in regard to the prop-  
erty devised to them in my said last will, subject to  
the right of dower in the same of my said wife: but in  
case of the decease of both my said children without  
lawful issue before the division of my property to them  
as provided in and by my last will, then it is my will  
and I do hereby order and direct that the said property  
or the proceeds thereof, shall be possessed and enjoyed by  
my said wife for and during her natural life, with re-  
mainder to my brothers and sisters in fee simple the  
law full issue of any brother or sister to take the share  
which he or she would have been entitled to if then liv-  
ing. In case of my said children should die before the  
division of my property, as provided in my said will  
without leaving lawful issue, the survivor is to take  
the same, subject to the legacies provided for, in that event  
as and by my said will.

Fifth. In regard to the three houses and lots - Known as  
Numbers seventy four (74) seventy six (76) and one hundred  
and seventy one, Washington Street in the city of Hoboken, de-  
vised in and by my said last will as to my said children  
Julia S. Plummer and Mary G. Plummer, it is my wish, and I  
do earnestly hope and desire that if they come into <sup>their</sup> possession  
they shall be held by them or the survivor of them for and dur-  
ing their or her natural life, that is to say that they or the  
survivor of them, shall not mortgage or sell the same of  
either of them, but will be content to receive the rents issues  
and profits thereof during their or her natural life, and dis-  
pose of the same thereafter as they shall see fit.

Sixth. I do hereby give and bequeath unto my sister Letitia  
R. Plummer, in addition to the provisions made for her in my  
said last will, the sum of one thousand dollars, to be  
paid to her as soon as conveniently can be after my decease  
with interest thereon at the rate of seven per cent per an-

num, payable semi-annually, from the time of my decease  
until paid; to have and to hold the same to her, her heirs  
and assigns forever.

Seventh. Whereas by my said last will I have appointed  
my wife Eliza B. Plummer and my sister Hannah J. Plum-  
mer, as, and to be, the executrices of my said last will  
and guardians of my children during their minority, Now  
I do hereby appoint my friend George Lindoley, of the town  
of Orange, my wife Eliza B. Plummer, and my sister Hannah  
J. Plummer, and the survivors and survivors of them, as  
and to be the Executor and Executrixes or Executrix of my  
said last will, and the codicil or codicils thereto, and the  
said Eliza B. Plummer, and Hannah J. Plummer, as and  
to be the guardians or guardian of the persons and property  
of my said children during their minority hereby giving  
and granting to my said executor and executrix, and the  
survivors and survivors of them, all the power and authority in  
and by my said will vested in my said executrices, ex-  
cept the guardianship of my said children which is to  
be exercised by my said executrices only, as above stated.  
In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and  
seal this Fourteenth day of November A.D. Eighteen hundred  
and seventy one.

(Signed) William G. Plummer L.S.

Signed sealed and delivered published and declared by the  
said William G. Plummer as to be a codicil to his last will  
and testament in the presence of us who were present at  
the same time and subscribed our names as witnesses,  
in his presence and at his request.

Nelson Lindoley  
Geo. P. Kingley.

Every County, ss. Frederick Klenow, one of the witnesses to  
the annexed writing purporting to be the last will and testament  
of William G. Plummer, the testator therein named, deceased, be-  
ing duly sworn on his oath, says that he saw the testator  
sign and seal the annexed writing and heard him publish  
pronounce and declare the same as and for his last will  
and testament. That at the time of the doing thereof, the said  
testator, was of sound disposing mind memory and understanding  
as far as this deponent knows and as he verily believes; that  
William G. Shepherd, the other subscribing witness thereto was  
present at the same time with this deponent and together

with him, subscribed his name thereto as a witness in the presence of the Testator and of each other at the request of the Testator and that said Testator died more than ten days ago.

Geo. H. Moore.

Sworn October 9<sup>th</sup> before 1892  
before me George D. G. Moore Surrogate

Essex County, N.J. George P. Kingsley, one of the witnesses to the annexed writing, purporting to be a Codicil to the last will and testament of William G. Plummer the testator therein named, deceased, being duly sworn on his oath, says that he saw the said testator sign and seal the said annexed writing, and heard him publish, pronounce and declare the same as and for a codicil to his last will and testament; That at the time of the doing thereof, the said testator was of sound, disposing mind memory and understanding, as far as this deponent knows and as he verily believes; that Nelson Lindley the other subscribing witness thereto was present at the same time with this deponent, and together with him subscribed his name thereto as a witness in the presence of the testator and of each other, at the request of the testator and that said testator died more than ten days ago.

Sworn October 9<sup>th</sup> 1892  
before me Geo. D. G. Moore,  
Surrogate

Essex Co. N.J. George Lindley, Eliza B. Plummer and Hannah J. Plummer, the executors in the annexed writing being duly sworn on their oaths, do say the annexed writing contains the true last will and testament, and codicil thereto, of William G. Plummer, the Testator therein named, deceased, as far as they know and as they verily believe; that they will, as the Executors thereof, well and truly, perform the same, first by paying the debts of said deceased, and then the legacies therein specified, as far as the Goods, Chattels and Credits of said deceased will thereto extend, and the law charge them that they will make, and exhibit into the Surrogate's office of the County of Essex a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the said Goods, Chattels and Credits as far as the same have or shall come to their possession or knowledge, or in the possession of any other person or persons to their use, to their knowledge. And that they will well and truly account when thereunto

lawfully required. And said testator died on the eighteenth day of September last.

George Lindley  
Sworn October 9<sup>th</sup> 1892 before } Eliza B. Plummer  
me Geo. D. G. Moore Surrogate } Hannah J. Plummer

State of New Jersey  
Essex County Surrogate's office,

I, George D. G. Moore, surrogate of the County of Essex, do certify the annexed to be a true copy of the last will and testament of and codicil of, William G. Plummer late of the County of Essex, deceased, and that George Lindley, Eliza B. Plummer and Hannah J. Plummer, the executors herein named, proved the same before me, and are duly authorized to take upon themselves the administration of the estate of the testator agreeably to said the said will.

(G. D. G.)

Witness my hand and seal of office the ninth day of October in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred and ninety two  
Geo. D. G. Moore  
Surrogate

State of New Jersey  
Essex County, N.J. I, George D. G. Moore, surrogate of the County of Essex and Clerk of the Orphans' Court of said County, do certify that the foregoing is a true copy of the original record of the last will and testament, and codicil thereto, of William G. Plummer, deceased, and the whole of such original record, with the probate thereof and the letters testamentary thereon issued, as the same is recorded in my office, and that said will has been proved in conformity with the laws of the state of New Jersey.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal of office, this fifteenth day of October A.D. Eighteen hundred and ninety two.

Geo. D. G. Moore, surrogate and  
Clerk of the Orphans' Court.

State of New Jersey  
Essex County, N.J. Charles L. Cifford, president Judge of the Orphans' Court of the County of Essex do certify that the attestation of George D. G. Moore to the foregoing certificate, is the attestation of the Surrogate of said County and Clerk of said Orphans' Court, that the seal

affixed thereto, is his official seal, and his name  
thereunto subscribed is in his own proper hand  
writing, and that said attestation is in due form of  
law.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand  
at the city of Newark in said County of Essex, the  
fifteenth day of October, A.D. Eighteen hundred  
and seventy two,

Charles L. C. Gifford  
Pres'd Judge.

State of New Jersey,

Essex County ss, I, George D.G. Moore, Surrogate of the  
county of Essex and Clerk of the Orphans' Court of said  
County, do certify, that Charles L. C. Gifford Esquire, by  
whom the foregoing attestation was made, and whose  
name is thereunto subscribed, was at the time of  
making thereof and still is president judge of the  
Orphans' Court for the County of Essex, duly commis-  
sioned and sworn, and that full faith and credit  
are due to all his official acts as such.

(L.S.) In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand  
and affixed my seal of office, this fifteenth day  
of October, Eighteen hundred and seventy two,

Geo. D. G. Moore, Surrogate and  
Clerk of the Orphans' Court.

State of North Carolina,  
Buncombe County, In the Probate Court.

It appearing to the satisfaction of the court from the exam-  
plification of the record herein after mentioned, that the last  
will and testament of William G. Plummer deceased, a  
citizen of the city of Orange in the County of Essex and  
the State of New Jersey, has been duly proved and  
allowed in the proper Court of Probate, of said County and  
State according to the laws of said State, and it further  
appearing that the said William G. Plummer left  
property in the town of Asheville, County of Bun-  
combe and State of North Carolina, it is therefore  
ordered and adjudged, that the exemplification  
of said Will, out of its probate in the proper  
Court of the said County of Essex, and State of  
New Jersey which has been produced and exhibit-

ed here, duly certified and authenticated, be allowed  
filed and recorded in this Court. Asheville N.C. the  
second day of April A.D. 1874.  
(Signed) F. C. Bragg  
Judge of Probate.

Joseph R. Brank of Reems Creek Buncombe County, State  
of North Carolina, do this 3<sup>d</sup> day of June in the year  
of our Lord Eighteen hundred and Seventy Two make  
and publish this my last will and testament  
I give devise and bequeath my Estate and prop-  
erty Real and personal as follows. That is to say

1<sup>st</sup> I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved  
wife Cyltha Brank one hundred acres of land  
which is the tract of Land on which I now  
live to have and to keep during her natural  
Life or widow-hood, then to be equally divided  
between my two Sons and daughter Robert  
J. Brank and Mitchell J. Brank and Flora  
Hamilton so that they shall and shall alike  
in point of value.

2<sup>nd</sup> I also give and bequeath unto my beloved  
wife Cyltha Brank all my personal  
property and household and Kitchen furni-  
ture (to wit) One dark bay mule one wa-  
gon and harness, one saddle and eight  
head of cattle and eight head of hogs and  
three head of sheep and farming tools and  
household and kitchen furniture to have  
and hold during her natural life and then  
to be equally divided between my two above  
named Sons and daughter Mrs.  
Robert J. Brank and Mitchell J. Brank and  
Flora Hamilton so that they shall and shall  
alike so far as valuation ~~so far as~~ is concerned.

3<sup>rd</sup> I give devise and bequeath fifty acres of land  
to my grand son Joseph Brank to have and  
to hold forever. This Land is known as my  
entry lying on the North side of my home  
tract.

4<sup>th</sup> I give and bequeath unto my grand son