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State of North Carolina,
County of Gaston.

I, Margaret Elizabeth Howe, widow of David Howe, deceased, being of sound mind and memory do hereby make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following, to-wit:

Item: I give and bequeath to my beloved step son Robert Q. Howe all my household and kitchen furniture, stock, farming implements and personal property of any and every kind after paying my funeral expenses and any debts I may owe at the time of my death.

Item: I Hereby give and devise to said Robert Q. Howe, his heirs and assigns in fee simple forever all the real estate of which I may be seized and possessed consisting of the place whereon I now live in Gastonia Township and adjoining the lands of Elmer Spencer, John Robinson and Park Huffstetler containing seventy acres, more or less, with all the buildings and improvements of any and every kind.

I hereby constitute and appoint my friend Geo. W. Dickson, Executor to this my last will and testament to carry the same into effect.

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the 13th day of January, A. D. 1908.

Margaret E. Howe (Seal)

We, the undersigned residents of the County of Gaston and State of North Carolina,

Margaret E. Howe (Seal)

We, the undersigned residents of the County of Gaston and State of North Carolina, do hereby certify that the Testatrix, Mrs Margaret Elizabeth Howe acknowledged to us that she signed the foregoing paper as her last will and testament and we at her request, in her presence and in the presence of each other sign the same as witnesses thereto.

Jan'y. 13, 1908.

Geo. A. Sparrow

S. G. McAlister

State of North Carolina,
Gaston County.

In the Superior Court.

In the Matter of the last will of Margaret E. Howe.

It appearing to the Court by the oath and examination of Geo. A. Sparrow and S. G. McAlister the subscribing witnesses thereto, that the paper writing propounded by the Executor therein named, is the last will and testament of Margaret E. Howe, and that the same was duly executed by said Margaret E. Howe in the presence of said witnesses and that at the time of signing the same the said Margaret E. Howe was of sound mind. It is thereupon adjudged that the said paper writing be admitted to probate as the last will and testament of the said Margaret E. Howe and the Executor therein named qualify as such.

This the 15th day of July, 1911.

C. C. Cornwell, Clerk Superior Court.