

I Henry Dana Artemus Ward of Columbia in the State of South Carolina, now residing in Middletown Connecticut, being of a sound and disposing mind and memory do make and ordain this my last will and Testament.

1. I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Eliza Ann Ward and to her heirs and assigns forever, one third part of all my Estate real and personal in possession remainder, or reversion, except the plate that formerly belonged to my deceased mother -

2. I give and bequeath to my sisters in Law Julia Tracy Emily Tracy and Caroline Tracy and to their respective heirs and assigns forever the sum of one Thousand dollars each; and to my brother in law Samuel Franklin Tracy to my nephew Henry Ward Whittelsey and to my niece Maria Eliza Barnes and to their respective heirs and assigns forever, the sum of Five hundred dollars each.

The legacies specified in this article shall be paid within two years after my decease from the remaining two thirds of my estate above described -

3. All the residue of my estate aforesaid (including the said plate) of every nature and discription. I give devise and bequeath to my beloved son Henry Dana Ward and his heirs and assigns forever; and should I leave any other children then I give devise and bequeath the said rest and residue of my estate as aforesaid to all my children share and share alike and to their respective heirs and assigns forever --

4. In case all my children shall die without issue and without making a lawful disposition of the estate so given to them as aforesaid by last will & Testament or otherwise. Then I give and bequeath to the Corporation of Yale College in Connecticut the sum of Five thousand Dollars to be paid

queath to all my sisters in Law the daughters now living of Ebenezer Tracy share and share alike and to their respective heirs & assigns forever

5th. My furniture and plate (excepting the plate herein before mentioned) I value at the sum of two thousand dollars; and at that sum my said wife may if she pleases, take the same, without farther Appraisement, toward her portion or one third as aforesaid -

6. I nominate and appoint James Adams Esquire of Richland District. South Carolina and Jonathan Barnes Jr. of Middletown to be executors of this my last will and Testament -

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this fourteenth day of Dec'r in the year of our Lord. one thousand eight hundred and twenty four -

Henry Dana Artemus Ward

Signed, sealed & declared by the Testator Henry Dana Artemus Ward to be his last will & testament in the presence of us the undersigned who at his request have severally set our names hereto as witnesses in the presence of the s'd Testator and of eachother --

J. Schreiner

Oliver B Beebe

Edward J. Williams

At a Court of Probate held in Middletown in and for the District of Middletown on the 23'd day of April A.D. 1827 -

Then this Instrument was exhibited in Court as the last Will and testament of Henry Dana Artemus Ward late of Middletown deceased and at the same time Oliver B. Beebe one of the witnesses to the same appeared before this Court and made solemn oath that he saw the testator sign seal and heard him publish and declare the same to be his last will and testament in the presence of Oliver B Beebe and in the

subscribing witnesses (now absent from this State) and
that all three of them subscribed their names as witness-
es to the same in the presence of the testator and in
the presence of each other - and that ^{at} the time of the
testator signing this Instrument the said Oliver B Beebe
believed him to be of sound disposing mind and memory -

And thereupon it is Considered to be well proved and by
this Court is approved accepted and ordered to be record-
ed in the records of this Court and Jonathan Barnes Jr.
one of the Executors who is therein appointed personally
appeared before this Court, accepted the trust reposed in
him and gave bond according to law

Test Wm H. Fisk Clerk Pro Tem

State of Connecticut)

County of Middlesex) Middletown April 23. 1827

I hereby certify that the above and within is a true
copy of Record -

Cert'f'd By Wm H Fisk Clerk Pro Tem

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