

Wills of Real and personal property and the proof of them. — It was thereupon ordered on filing the said notice to him and affidavits, that leave be given to the said Aaron Han Bell to proceed in the proof of said Will.

State of New York. Richmond County, ss.

In the matter of proving the last will and Testament of Jacob Han Bell, late of Northfield and

Aaron Han Dams and Cornelius Han Dams of Northfield in the said County of Richmond, being duly sworn deponents and sworn, that they did see the said deceased, sign and seal the said instrument now shown to them, purporting to be the last will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the first day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty one, and heard him the said deceased, publish and declare the same, as and for his last will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and memory, and not under any restraint, to the best of the knowledge and belief of these deponents; that they the said deponents together with Abraham Crockeron the other subscribing witness, to the said will subscribed their names to the said will as witnesses, at the request of the testator in his presence and in the presence of each other and further these deponents do certify not. — Aaron Han Dams, Cornelius Han Dams. — Suborn the 10th day of June 1833. before me Rich^d. Crockeron Surrogate.

And thereupon it appearing to the said Court, that the said will was duly executed according to law, that the said deceased, the aforesaid testator who executed the same was at the time of making such execution of sound mind and memory and not under restraint.

It is ordered on due deliberation that the said will together with the proof thereof be recorded, which said proof is herein before recorded and contained, and that the said will so ordered to be recorded, is as follows, to wit

In the Name of God. Amen. I, Jacob Han Bell Senior, of the Town of Northfield in the County of Richmond and State of New York, (Farmer) laboring under bodily infirmities, licet through divine mercy, — possessing, sound, disposing, mind, memory and

understanding, and taking into serious consideration the uncertainty of human life. — So to order, adjust and dispose of my temporal concerns, and of the worldly property it has pleased God to bestow me with in this life. — Therefore hereby order and direct that the subsequent clauses in this instrument contained shall be considered, observed and respected as constituting my last Will and Testament in the manner and in the form following. — That is to say. — First, I give the love of all my Real estate to my wife Catherine, during her life time, and for her to have the full right and privilege to sell and dispose of any part thereof, and her title to be good for the same, or to dispose of it as she pleases — for her support if she stands in want thereof. — And after her decease the said Real estate or the remainder thereof to be divided equally into lots, between all my children within six months after her decease. — namely, Jacob, David, Isaac, John, Moses, Charles, Peter, Barbary, Mary, Elizabeth and Ann, to them their heirs and assigns forever. — Further, I hereby order that the share of my said Real estate to my son David is to be laid off adjoining his land and premises whereon he resides; — Further, I bequeath to my grand children of my daughter Catherine deceased, namely, Fannina, Catherine and Elizabeth the sum of twenty five dollars each, to be to them paid by my executor hereafter named, within a reasonable time of my said wife's decease. — Further as respects my personal estate, I also give the use thereof to my said wife, and for her to use the same as she judges proper, in making sale of the same or any part thereof or letting it so remain, and to have the full right and power to make use of the whole of the said personal estate for her support if she should require it. — Further the remainder of said personal estate if any there shall be after my said wife's decease, — I order to be equally divided amongst my said children within names and to their heirs and assigns, within the aforesaid limited time if practicable. — And further, I order my executor hereafter named to pay all my just debts if any there shall be and funeral expenses, first out of my estate Real or personal immediately after my decease. — And lastly, I hereby nominate, constitute, authorize and appoint my beloved wife —

Catherine my executrix and my sons Aaron and John my executor of this my last Will and Testament; hereby revoking, disannulling and disallowing all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made, ratifying, confirming and allowing this only to be my last will and Testament.

In Testimony Whereof. I the above named testator have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal the first day of October, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty six

Signed, Sealed, published and declared by the above named Jacob Van Pelt to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the Testator.

Jacob Van Pelt

Aaron Van Name. Cornelius Van Name. John Crocheron.

State of New York. Richmond County, ss.

Be it remembered, that a Surrogate's Court held for the County of Richmond, at the Surrogate office in said County, on the sixth day of June, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty three before Richard Crocheron Surrogate of the said County the last will and testament of Jacob Van Pelt deceased late of the said County, (of which the foregoing is a copy) was admitted to probate, after a citation to the heirs and next of kin to the said deceased, issued, served and returned and filed according to law. Whereupon at the place and on the day aforesaid, Aaron Van Name and Cornelius Van Name two of the subscribing witnesses to the said will after having been duly sworn by the said Surrogate, testified that they did see the said deceased sign and seal the said instrument, and heard him publish and declare the same as and for his last will and testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound mind and memory and not under restraint to the best of their knowledge, that they subscribed the said will as witnesses at the request of the testator and in his presence. Whereupon

I the Surrogate upon the proof aforesaid being satisfied of the genuineness and validity of the said will, Order that the said will be admitted to probate, and that Letter Testamentary thereon be granted to the executrix and to Aaron Van Pelt and John Van Pelt the executor in the said will named, after the expiration of thirty days from the time of taking the proof aforesaid, on their taking and subscribing the oath of office prescribed by law

Richard Crocheron. Surrogate

Be it also remembered that on the twentieth day of September in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty three personally appeared before me John Van Pelt

the executor in the said will of the said Jacob Van Pelt deceased, named and were duly sworn to the faithful performance and execution thereof by taking the usual oath in such cases required. Whereupon probate of the last will and Testament of said deceased, was duly granted by the aforesaid Surrogate to the said executor

Richard Crocheron. Surrogate

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