

Received of the Will & Test. of Mr. Garrison, Junr.

In the name of God, Amen, I do make and declare of the town of New Haven in the County of New Haven and State of New York, this 1st day of January, 1833, and in consideration of my mortal sickness, do a lasting will, in memory of my illness, according to the following: — But seeing a sickness from which I am now suffering, and fearing the approach of death, I do declare, that my dissolution is at hand approaching, and being apprehensive of being interred with the receptacle of a mortuary of the cemetery before my body is removed, I do direct, that the sum of one hundred dollars be paid to the trustees of the cemetery, in order to have my body interred in a decent and Christian like manner, and in strict accordance with my present desire, and that said sum shall be sufficient to cover my expenses in accordance with the above direction.

Previous to the division of my worldly property it behoves me to invoke the blessing of my creation and to turn over into the hands of God, equity and my immortal spirit, whenever in the course of his all wise and unerring Providence he shall be pleased to sum up my life; beseeching his gracious assistance thereby, only for the righteous sake of the blessed Peacemakers. — My body I request may be committed to the earth, in a decent and Christian like manner as my executors shall be pleased to direct.

Item. — It is my will and so hereby do I do and direct that my executors, or the survivor, or survivor of them, shall immediately after my decease and interment, proceed to call in and collect all the monies that shall then be found due to me from every person and person whomsoever on bond, note, or book debt, or otherwise howsoever, and without delay to settle and pay off all my funeral and testamentary charges, in, upon, or against my estate, and also all my just debts, out of my personal estate.

Item. — I give and devise unto my two sons — John Brown Garrison and James B. Garrison, all that certain lot of land, situate, lying and being in the Town of

Glastonbury, bounded westerly and northerly by lands of John Britton, easterly by the road leading to the Quaker Meeting house, and westerly by lands of Mr. Dow, the same more or less, and also twenty acres of the homestead farm whereon I live, — to commence at the Northwest corner of my said farm at the long field of Mr. Dow, and running from thence along Dow's line to a lot of wood lands Peter Little's Butcheress or the Executors of George Garrison, deceased, subject to the lands of Peter Little with said lands to Dow, and to go no farther than to Peter Little's last lot of wood lands. — And also five acres of salt meadow, lying in the Old Town meadow, to be part of the easternmost end of said meadow.

Item. — I give and devise unto my two sons — Jacob and Abraham Garrison the remainder of my said homestead farm, both upland and salt meadow.

Item. — I give, devise and bequeath unto my son Garrison's Garrison, eight acres of land which I purchased of my brother Jacob Garrison, lying on the northwesterly side of the Garrison road, leading to late Revell's farm. — Also seven hundred dollars and that the same shall be subject to an adjustment of accounts between James B. Garrison and himself if not adjusted before my release. — My said sons Jacob and Abraham Garrison to pay to my estate one thousand dollars, to be paid in four annual installments of two hundred and fifty dollars each.

It is my Will that Jacob shall have five acres less in the division of the land so left him and Abraham, and that Abraham shall have five acres more than Jacob, if my said son Jacob shall die without lawfull issue, his share to be equally divided among the remaining heirs of my heirs share and share alike; But in case he shall have a lawfull heir, or heirs, then it shall go to them their heirs and assigns forever. — And if my two sons Jacob and Abraham shall divide the lands so left to them. — Abraham to have the Northwesterly part, and Jacob the Southeastern part.

Jacob to have the easternmost half part of the dwelling house and one half of the kitchen, and one half of

the Barn and other out buildings, during his natural life, and an equal right to the passage and yards round about the house and out buildings and the Well, and after his decease to belong to the said his heirs and assigns forever.

Item. — The land so given to my said Sons John & Garrison, James & Garrison & Jacob Garrison, Abraham Garrison and Remondus Garrison, to have and to hold the said lots of Land and lots of Meadow as aforesaid described and every part with the appurtenances thereto belonging, to and for the use and behoof of my said Sons, their heirs and assigns forever. Except Jacob, there in case he should not have lawfull issue to be divided among the remainder of my heirs.

Item. — Give and bequeath unto my daughter Catharine wife of John Simonsen the sum of eight hundred dollars.

Item. — Give and bequeath unto my daughter Maria, wife of Stephen Wood the sum of eight hundred dollars. — Item. — I give and bequeath unto my grand Daughter Susan Boaine the sum of one hundred Dollars, my best Bedee, Feather Bed, Bedstead and furniture belonging to the same. — Item. — Give and bequeath unto my two sons Jacob & Abraham my best Waggon.

Item. — I give and bequeath unto my son Jacob one feather bed, bedstead and furniture complete for the same. — Item. — I give and bequeath unto my son Abraham, one feather bed, bedstead and furniture complete for the same. — Item. — I give, devise & bequeath unto my three Sons John C, Abraham and Jacob, my fishery, with my fishes and everything appertaining to the same. — Item. — It is my will, and I do hereby order and direct that in case at any time after my decease my said Son Jacob, should wish to let out, or rent his part of Land so as aforesaid devised to him, he shall first offer it to his brother Abraham.

Item. — It is my will and I do hereby order & direct my Executors hereafter named to sell all of the

remainder of my personal estate within six months after my decease and interment. — If there should be an overplus of money after paying the legacies aforesaid, such overplus to be equally divided among my heirs, then and there alike or their heirs. — Lastly. — I do hereby nominate, constitute authorise and appoint my three Sons John & Garrison, James & Garrison and Abraham Garrison to be the Executors of this my Last Will and Testament, hereby revoking, disannulling and disallowing all Wills and Testaments by me at any time heretofore made; ratifying, allowing and confirming this only to be my last Will and Testament.

In Testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal the tenth day of August, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred & thirty eight.

John Garrison

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced & declared by the said John Garrison as and for his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, who have signed our names as Witnesses thereto, at the Request and in the presence of the Testator, and also in the presence of each other.

Pitkara Conner, of the Town of Cattletown. Tenant
Henry Perine, of the Town of Southfield. Tenant
Simon S Perine, Town of Southfield. Tenant.

State of New York, Richmond County. Is At a Surrogate's Court held here for the said County at the Surrogate's Office in the Village of Richmond, on the fourteenth day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred and thirty nine. — Before Pitkara Conner, Surrogate of the said County, for the purpose of proving and recording the last Will and Testament of Col. John Garrison, late of the town of Southfield, in the County of Richmond, deceased, and also for allowing the said Will to Probate, in pursuance of the Statute of the State of New York, and the laws made & provided concerning Wills and the proof of them. — On the application of Abraham Garrison, one of the Executors in the said Will now deceased. — The said Abraham Garrison appears in his testi-

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per person; John & Garrison & James W. Garrison, Executrix
and executors named in said Will also appear. —
Proof of the due service of citation heretofore issued by
said Prothonotary, to the next of kin thereof at law of the said
deceased, being made, — on filing said citation & proof
of the due service thereof, leave was given the said ap-
pellant to prove the said Will,

In the Matter of Proving the last Will and Testa-
ment of Col. John Garrison, deceased.

Rihana Connor, of Bartletton, Pittsylvania County, being
sworn, deposes & saith, that he did see the said deceased
sign and seal the instrument now shown to him, pur-
porting to be the last Will and Testament of the said deceased
bearing date the tenth day of August, in the year of our Lord
one thousand, eight hundred & thirty eight, and heard him
the said deceased publish and declare the same as and for
his last Will & Testament, that at the time thereof the said de-
ceased of sound disposing mind and not under any restraint
to the best of the knowledge & belief of this deponent. — And that
he the said deponent together with Henry Perine & Simon
& Perine the other Subscribing Witnesses to the said Will, sub-
scribed their names to the said Will as witness at the request &
in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each
other. — And further this deponent saith not. — Rihana Con-
nor. — Sworn the 14. day of Oct 1839. before me Richd Crockett. Justice

Henry Perine of Southfield in the County of Pittsylvania
being sworn. deposes that he did see John Garrison late
of Southfield, deceased, sign and seal the instrument now
shown him, purporting to be the last Will & Testament of the
said deceased, bearing date the tenth day of August in the
year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred & thirty eight
and heard 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 & memory &
not under any restraint, to the best of the knowledge & belief of
this deponent. — And that he the said deponent, together with
Rihana Connor & Simon & Perine, the other Subscribing Wit-
nesses to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto as wit-

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nesses. At the request and in the presence of the said Testator and in
the presence of each other. — Henry Perine. — Sworn the 14th day of
October 1839. before me. Richd Crockett. Justice

Simon & Perine of Southfield in the County of Pittsylvania
being duly sworn, deposes and saith that he did see John Garri-
son late of Southfield, deceased, sign and seal the instrument
now shown to him, purporting to be the last Will & Testament
of the said deceased, bearing date the tenth day of August,
in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred and
thirty eight, and heard him the said deceased publish
and declare the same as and for his last Will & Testament,
that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound
disposing mind and memory and not under any re-
straint, to the best of the knowledge and belief of this depon-
ent. — And that he the said deponent, together with Rich-
ard Connor & Henry Perine the other Subscribing Witnesses
to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto as witnesses
at the request and in the presence of the said Testator and
in the presence of each other, — And further this deponent
saith not. — Signed. Simon & Perine. — Sworn
the 14th day of October 1839. before me. Richd Crockett. Justice

The foregoing proofs and examinations, taken before me
the Sunogate aforesaid, at the time and place first men-
tioned, and the depositions of the respective witnesses, were by
them respectively subscribed, after having been carefully
read by them. — And I, the said Sunogate, being satisfied
upon the proofs taken, that the said Will was duly ex-
ecuted; — that the said Testator at the time of executing the
same, was in all respects competent to receive real estate,
and not under restraint, as therefore allow the said Will,
proof and examinations, to be recorded. — Which said
Will, proof and examinations are herein before recorded
and contained. — And also I the said Sunogate, up-
on the proofs aforesaid, being satisfied of the genuineness
and validity of the said Will, do therefore Order that
the same be admitted to Probate and that letters Testa-
mentary thereon be granted to John & Garrison, James
& Garrison and Abraham Garrison the Executors in

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the said Will named, on their taking and subscribing
the Oath of Office prescribed by law.

Witness, Richd Crocker, Surrogate aforesaid,
the day and year first aforesaid

Richd Crocker, Surrogate

State of New York, Richmond County,
Be it remembered, that in a Surrogate Court, held in and
for the County of Richmond, at the Surrogate Office in said
County, the fourteenth day of October, One thousand eight hundred
and nine and thirty nine, before Richd Crocker, Surrogate
of the said County, the last Will & Testament of Col. John Gerrit
son, late of the said County, deceased, (of which the preceding
is a copy) was admitted to Probate, after a Citation to the next
of kin and heirs at law of the said deceased, issued and
returned signed, according to law. — Whereupon at the place
and on the day aforesaid Richd Crocker, Henry Birne &
Simon Devine, the subscribing witnesses to the said Will were
duly sworn by the said Surrogate, and testified that they
did see the said deceased sign and seal the said instrument,
that they heard him publish ^{according to his last Will and Testament} declare the same before
the time thereof, the said deceased was of sound disposing
mind and not under any compulsion, to the best of their
knowledge & belief, and that they subscribed the said Will
as witnesses at the request and in the presence of the said
Testator. — Whereupon, the Surrogate aforesaid upon
the proof aforesaid, being satisfied of the genuineness &
validity of the said Will, order that the said Will be ad-
mitted to Probate, and that letters testamentary thereon be
granted to the executors in the said Will named, on their
taking and subscribing the Oath of office prescribed by law.

Richd Crocker, Surrogate

Be it also remembered that on the fourteenth day
of October, One thousand eight hundred and thirty nine,
personally appeared before me John G. Garrison, James
B. Garrison & Abraham Garrison the executors in the Will of
Col. John Garrison, deceased, and were duly sworn to the
faithful performance and execution thereof, by taking the usual
oath in such cases prescribed. Richd Crocker, Surrogate

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Witness the name of God. Amen. I William Hyde
Bailey of the Town of Smithfield, County of Richmond
and State of New York, being of sound disposing mind
and memory, do make and publish this last Will
and Testament, in the town following, to wit.

First. I order and direct that my executors hereinaf-
ter provide, pay and settle my funeral charges
out of my personal estate.

Second. All my property in this Country, I give
and bequeath to my wife Anna, for her sole use & behoef

Third. All the property which belonged to my wife
Anna at the time of our marriage, being a house and
Mortgage for the sum of two hundred pounds ster-
ling, I give and bequeath to my wife Anna, for her
sole use and behoef.

Fourth. All the personal property which devolved
to me on the death of my Mother (in England), I give
and bequeath as follows, viz. the income of one third
I give and bequeath to my wife Anna, during her nat-
ural life, and at her death the principal is to be
equally divided among my children. — The remain-
ing two thirds, I give and bequeath to my children,
to be equally divided among them. — The interest
during their minority being appropriated to their
support and education, under the direction of their
Mother, to whose kindness and attention I recommend
them; — and the principal to be paid them, when
they severally attain the age of twenty one years.

Fifth. To the kind care of my Mother, I recommend
my wife and children.

Sixth. I nominate, constitute and appoint my
trusty friend H. Williams of London, England,
Executor, and my beloved wife Anna, Executive of this
my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all for-
mer Wills by me made.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand
and seal, this twenty ninth day of August, in the year of
our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and thirty
nine.

William Hyde Bailey

Carried, Deacted, published and declared by the
above named William Hyde Bailey, as and for his
last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, who
have hereunto subscribed our names, in the presence
of the Testator, among the presence of each other.

J. W. Charles Moore. Notary Public, N.Y.

Sam'l P. Smith. Castleton. N.Y.

State of New York, Richmond County. —
At a Surrogate Court held in the said Richmond County, at the Clerk's Office in the Village of Poughkeepsie, on the thirty-first day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred & thirty nine, before Rich'd Crocheron, Surrogate of the said County, for the purpose of admitting to Probate the last Will and Testament of William Hyde Bailey, late of the County of Richmond,
deceased, in pursuance of the Statute of the State of New York, and the laws made and provided concerning Wills and the Proof of them. — In the application of Ann Bailey the executrix in the said Will named.

The said Ann Bailey, appears in her proper person, Emily — being a minor, except other wise by her Guardian J.W. Charles Moore. The Citation to the Court of him to attend the Probate of said Will — heretofore issued by the said Surrogate was returned with the due acknowledgement or denial thereof. On filing said citation & acknowledgement or denial leave was given said Applicant to prove the said Will.

Rich'd Crocheron. Surrogate

In the Matter of Proving the last Will & Testament of William Hyde Bailey, deceased.

J. W. Charles Moore, Notary Public, Richmond County
Being sworn, deposed and saith, that he did see the
said deceased, sign and seal the instrument now
shown to him, purporting to be the last Will and Testa-
ment of the said deceased, bearing date the twenty-
third day of August, in the year of our Lord, one
thousand eight hundred and thirty nine, in a house

in 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 mind and memory, of full age and not under any
restraint, to the best of the knowledge and belief of this deponent,
and that he the said deponent together with Sam'l P. Smith the
other subscribing witness to the said Will, subscribed their names
thereto as witnesses, in the presence of the Testator and at his re-
quest, and in the presence of each other, and further this de-
ponent saith not. — J. W. Charles Moore. — Sworn the
31st day of October 1839, before me, Rich'd Crocheron, Surrogate

Sam'l P. Smith, of Castleton, in the said County of
Richmond, being duly sworn, deposes that he did see
William Hyde Bailey, late of said County, deceased, —
sign and seal the instrument now shown to him, pur-
porting to be the last Will and Testament of the said de-
ceased, bearing date the twenty-third day of August,
one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine, 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
dispossession mind and memory and not under any
restraint to the best of the knowledge and belief of this
deponent, — and that he the said deponent, together
with J. W. Charles Moore the other subscribing witness
to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto as wit-
nesses, at the request and in the presence of the Testator,
and in the presence of each other. — Sam'l P. Smith. — Sworn
the 31st day of Octo- 1839, before me, Rich'd Crocheron, Surrogate

The foregoing proofs and examinations taken be-
fore me the Surrogate aforesaid, at the time and
place first mentioned, and the depositions of the tes-
tifying witnesses were by them respectively submis-
sed after having been carefully read to them. —

I the said Surrogate being satisfied from the
proof aforesaid, of the genuineness and validity of
the said Will, (which said Will and Proof is herein
before recorded and contained) do therefore order
that the same be allowed to Probate and that letters

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Testamentary thereon to Ann Bailey the applicant
the executrix in the said Will named; on her tak-
ing and subscribing the oath of office prescribed by law.

Witness, Richard Crocheron, surrogate before me the
day and year aforesaid. Richd Crocheron, Surrogate

State of New York, Richmond County, ss.

Be it remembered that a Surrogate Court held in me
for the said County, at the Office of the Surrogate on
thirty first day of October, in the year of our Lord, one thousand
eight hundred and thirty nine, before Anna
Crocheron, surrogate of the said County, the last Will & Testa-
ment of William Hyde Bailey, late of the said County deceased,
(of which the foregoing is a copy) was admitted to Probate af-
ter citation to the next of kin of the said deceased, duly issued
and served. and upon examination according to law. — Whereupon
at the place and in the manner aforesaid, it is declared here desir'd. To
omit the usual intimation to the said Will, to say also
by the said Surrogate that the said testator has been
deceased, and to seal the said instrument, that they being
published and sealed the same is and for his last Will and
testament that at the time of the said deceased was done
authorizing Anna and not under any restraint, to the best of his
knowledge & belief, that they execute the said Will as
trustees of the same and in the presence of the said testator.
Whereupon the said Surrogate upon the said Anna being
satisfied of the concurrence and fidelity of the said Will, or
that the said Will be admitted to Probate and that letter
Testamentary thereon be granted to Ann Bailey the executrix
in the said Will named, on her taking & subscribing the
oath of office prescribed by law.

Richd Crocheron, Surrogate

Be it also remembered, that on the said thirty first
day of October 1839, personally appeared before me
Ann Bailey, the executrix named in the Will of the
said William Hyde Bailey, and were duly sworn to
the faithful performance & execution thereof by taking
the usual oath, in such cases prescribed.

Richd Crocheron, Surrogate

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Of the name of Esq. Americ. J. Peckham
of County, of Castleton in the County of Richmond
and State of New York, being weak in body, but
of sound mind, memory and understanding, do
make and declare my last Will and Testament
as follows. Namely, In the first place I authorize
my executors herein after named, to
pay all my just debts and funeral expenses. —

Item. I give and bequeath to my daughter in
Elizabeth Cary, the good bed, bedstead, bedding
and curtains to the same, — the eight yellow
wooden bottom chairs which were in my par-
lor, the small willow inner gate, table cover
and tea service, my nice peacock chair, my lap-
dog Rockwell, the carpet on my parlor floor, —
the looking glass and candlesticks on the mantel
piece in the same room, my new fine lake
over, two pictures representing a Rose and a
lady, six blue plates, six inside sized plates,
six cups and saucers, my large family Bible and
new prayer book, four table cloths, the sheets
which were her mother, and the sum of fifty dol-
lars, to be paid to her by my executors, as soon as
they conveniently can after my decease. — I also
give to her my clothes, prof' and a new set of knives
and forks. — I give and bequeath to my son
Abraham Moore Cary all my surveying books and
instruments. — I give to my daughter Catherine
my spectacles. — I give to my son Willie
my silver watch. — I give to my four
grand children, Elizabeth Frances, Catherine C., —

James Grayson and Ann Eliza Cary the children
of my son Abraham, deceased, the sum of ten dol-
lars, each, and I hereby release the estate of my
said son Abraham from all claims which I have
against the same, on account of monies advanced
by me to him during his life time, for deftition of
which I hold his notes.

All the rest, residue and remainder of my estate

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both Real and Personal of what sever kind or description the same may be, I give, devise and bequeath to my eight Children Thomas S. Gary, Rich-
ard Moore Gary, Anthony Bird Gary, Joshua Gary,
Samuel Gary, William Gary, Elizabeth Gary, and
Catherine Simonson the wife of Benjamin Simonson,
to be divided between them in equal shares apportioned, and I hereby further make and declare my executors hereinafter named to sell and dispose of my said Real and personal estate, not herein otherwise disposed of at public or private sale as they may think most advisable.

I hereby nominate & do appoint my sons Thomas S. Gary and Richard Moore Gary and my son in law Benjamin Simonson, executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all Wills by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto affixed my hand and seal this third day of September
One thousand, eight hundred and thirty nine.

Richd S Gary

Signed, sealed, published and attested by the said Testator Richard S Gary as and for his last Will and Testament in the presence of us, who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses thereto, at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other.

Henry B Metcalfe, testator, Richmond County.
Abraham Blake, Staten Island

State of New York. Richmond County, At a Surrogate Court, held in and for the said County at the Surrogate Office in the Village of Richmond, on the twenty second day of January, in the year of our Lord, One thousand, eight hundred and forty, before Richard Simonson, Surrogate of the said County.

In the matter of Proving the last Will and Testament of Richard S Gary, late of Castleton in the County of Richmond, deceased.

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Will and the Applicant for its proof appeared in his proper person, now as Gary & Beig's Surrogate executors & trustees named in said Will also appeared, the said Richd Gary, Notary & the Citation before issued by the said Surrogate to the next of kin & heirs at law of the said deceased, to attend the probate of said Will, Proof of Service of Citation, by publication in the State paper, transmitting copies to his next of kin, and the acknowledgement of Service by those residing in his County, - Wherupon the said deceased being called, said that the next of kin and heirs of deceased were duly cited to attend the Probate of said Will as required by law. Following the said citation and proof of service, came the three Disinvent of executors to the Master's Court, - where it was given to said Applicant to prove the said Will.

In the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of Richd S Gary, late of Castleton, Richmond County, and Henry B Metcalfe of said County being sworn, deposed and said, that he saw the said deceased sign and seal the instrument now known him purporting to be the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the third day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine, and heard him deceased recite or publish and declare the same as his for his last Will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound mind & memory, not under any restraint to the best of his knowledge and belief of this document. - And that he the said deponent together with Abraham Blake the other subscribing witness to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto as witnesses, at the request and in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other. - Henry B Metcalfe Sworn the 22nd Jan 1840. before me, Richd Crocheron, Surrogate

Abraham Blake of the said County of Richmond being sworn, deposed and said, that he saw Richard S Gary deceased sign and seal the instrument now known him purporting to be the last Will & Testament of the said deceased bearing date the third day of September, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine, and

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Beara the said Decrees, publish and declare the said instrument as and for his last Will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and not under any restraint to the best of the knowledge and belief of the deponents. And that he the said Deponent, together with Henry B Metcalfe the other Subscribing witness to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto and signed at the request and in the presence of the said John and in the presence of each other and justly wrote unto Elizabeth Blake Sworn the 22nd January 1838. In the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and thirty eight.

The foregoing Brooks and examinations taken before me the Surrogate hereinafter at the time and place first mentioned, and the Returns of the Testimony and Witnesses, were by them respectively signed after having been carefully read to them. — That the said Summons being published where it is or ought to be, that the said Will was duly executed, and the said Estate at the time of executing the same, was in all respects consigned to the said Real estate and not under restraint. — Wherefore allow the said Will to go and examinations to be received. — Which said Proofs and examinations are now done before me and contained. —

Witness, Richard Crocheron, Surrogate upon the day and year first aforesaid

Rich^d Crocheron, Surrogate

State of New York, Richmond County. — Be it remembred that a Surrogate Court, held in and for the County of Richmond at the Surrogate office in the said County, the twenty second day of January, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred & forty, before Richard Crocheron Surrogate of our said County, the last Will and Testament of Richard Slaney, late of the said County deceased (of which the foregoing is a copy) was admitted to Probate after citation to the next of kin she is at law of the said deceased, issued served, returned and filed according to law. — Whereupon at the place and on the day above written Henry B. Metcalfe & Abraham Blake the sub-

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Living witnesses to the said Will, were duly sworn by the said Surrogate, testifying that they are the said deponents and seal the said instrument, that they 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 disposing mind and not under any restraint to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they subscribe the said Will as witnesses, at the request made in the presence of the said Testator. — Whereupon the said Surrogate adjourned upon the said Plaintiff being satisfied of the sufficiency, and fidelity of the said Will, to cause that the said Will be admitted to Probate, and that letters testamentary thereon be granted to the executors in the said Will named, without taking & subscribing the oath of office prescribed by law.

Witness, Richard Crocheron, Surrogate upon the day and year first aforesaid

Rich^d Crocheron, Surrogate

Be it also remembred that on the said twenty second day of January, one thousand eight hundred and forty one and forty personally appeared before me Thomas J. Tracy, Richard Moore Tracy and Benjamin Simon, the Executors named in the Will of Richard Slaney deceased and were duly sworn to the faithful performance and execution thereof, by taking the usual oath in such cases prescribed. — Whereupon Probate of said Will was granted and letters Testamentary issued to the said Executors, pursuant to the decree made in the premises — Witness, Richard Crocheron, Surrogate aforesaid, the day and year aforesaid

Rich^d Crocheron, Surrogate

Wth John E Blake of the Town of Cattetan, in the County of Richmond and State of New York, subscriber of the present instrument of life. Do witness and declare this my last Will and Testament, so planned and formed following, to wit:

First. It is my will that all my property, both Real and Personal shall be left to son to be distributed after my decease in such proportion as my Executors hereinafter mentioned may appoint.

Second. The money due me from George M. Barrett deceased 19th ult, together with what may accrue from the sale of my property there be divided as follows, viz. to Elizabeth, wife of John, shall have been paid, also those three given to my wife Mary as her due to her, or as she pleased in case of a widow. After which in the remaining shall be equally divided among my children John, Eugene, Gustave, Pauline, Henry, Catherine, Sarah and Martha, except that it is my will that John shall have fifteen dollars more than the others as he has frequently desired me. — And it is my will that my son Isaac receive nothing, whatever from my estate, and that my sons in law have nothing to say or do in the settlement of my estate and that of my other children above mentioned, it is my will that they receive nothing, but that their part be divided among my remaining children.

Third: — It is my will that Jacob Degroot of John Blake my son be Executor of this my last Will and Testament.

Signed, sealed, published & declared by the above named John E Blake, who last Will & Testament in the presence of us, who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the Testator the eighth day of May one thousand, eight hundred & thirty eight.

Jacob Degroot
J. H. W. Merriman
John E Blake

State of New York, Richmond County, &c.
At a Surrogate Court held in and for the County of Rich-
mond at the office of the Surrogate in said County the fif-
teenth day of March in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight
hundred & forty. — Present, Richard Brooker, Surrogate
In the matter of the Proof, Execution & Probate of the last
Will and Testament of John E. Blake, late of said County and
Jacob Degroot one of the Executors named in the said
Will and the applicant for its Proof appeared, and return-
ed the citation hitherto issued by the said Surrogate to the
next of kin & heirs at law of the said deceased, to attend the
Probate of said Will this day, and made oath of the due
service thereof; whereupon the said Surrogate was satisfied
that the heirs & next of kin have been cited as required
by law; and finding the said citation & oath of service,
the said applicant was allowed, to prove the said
Will.

In the matter of Proving the last Will & Testa-
ment of John E Blake, late of Cattetan, Richmond Coun-
ty, deceased.

Jacob Degroot & John J. Blake of Cat-
tetan deceased, being sworn before me and saith
that they will see the said deceased, sign and seal
his testament now shown them, purporting to be the
last Will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing
date the eighth day of May, in the year of our Lord
one thousand, eight hundred & thirty eight, and
having seen 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 ad-
dressing mind and memory able to understand and
saint to the best of the knowledge and belief of these
deponents. — And that they the said deponents,
together with J. H. W. Merriman the other Subscribing
Witness to the said Will, subscribed their names
thereto as witnesses, at the request and in the pres-
ence of the said Testator and in the presence of each other.

Sown the 16th day of
March 1840. Before me —

Richrd Crocker, Surrogate

Jacob Degroot
John J. Blake

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The foregoing Proofs and Examinations taken before me the Surrogate aforesaid, at the time and place first mentioned, and the Depositions of the Witnesses, were by them subscribed, after the careful reading of them. And I the said Surrogate being satisfied from the Proofs aforesaid, that the said Will was duly executed, that the said Testator at the time of executing the same was in all respects competent to devise & bequeath Real and personal estate and not under restraint. Do therefore allow the said Will, Proofs and Examinations to be recorded in which said Will, Proofs & Examinations are herein before recorded and certified.

Witness, Richard Crocham, Surrogate
the day and year first aforesaid

Rich^d Crocham, Surrogate.

State of New York, Richmond County, A.S.
Be it remembered that a Surrogate Court held in and for the County of Richmond, at the Surrogate Office in the said County the sixteenth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty before Richard Crocham, Surrogate of the said County, the last Will and Testament of John E. Blake late of the said County deceased (of which the foregoing is a copy) was brought to Probate after Citation to the next of kin and heirs at law of the said deceased, opened, viewed, returned and filed according to law.

Whereupon at the place and on the day aforesaid Jacob Segert & George Eliot two of the subscribing Witnesses to the said Will, were duly sworn by the said Surrogate and testified that they did see the said deceased sign & seal the said instrument, that they heard him publish and declare the same as and for his last Will & Testament, that at the time of the said deceased was of sound mind and not under any restraint to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they together with J. H. M. Merven the other subscribing witness, subscribed their names thereto as witnesses at the request and in the presence of the said

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Testator. Whereupon the Surrogate aforesaid 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 Letters Testamentary thereon be granted to the Executors in the said Will named, on their taking & subscribing the Oath of Office prescribed by Law.

Witness, Richard Crocham, Surrogate aforesaid, the day and year first aforesaid

Rich^d Crocham, Surrogate

Be it also rememberead that on the said sixteenth day of March, one thousand eight hundred and forty personally appeared before me Jacob Segert one of the Executors in the said Will of the said John E. Blake deceased, and were duly sworn to the faithful performance and due execution thereof, by taking the usual Oath in such case prescribed.

Rich^d Crocham, Surrogate.

John E. Blake, of the town of North Tarrytown, in the County of Westchester, New York, deceased, do make, give and publish my Last Will & Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by me at any time heretofore made. — I direct so far such worldly effects as it shall please God to intrust me with, I desire of the same as follows. — First. I direct that all my debts and funeral expenses be paid as soon after my decease as possible, Out of the first money that shall come into the hands of my Executors herein after named, from any portion of my estate Real or Personal. — Also I direct that the whole of my Real and Personal property be disposed of by public auction, save and except such a part of the household furniture, my beloved wife Mrs. May wish to retain for her own use, which shall remain at her own disposal. — First. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mrs. May the lawful interest of the sum of two thousand dollars during her life, which said sum of two thousand dollars, may remain on mortgage on my Real

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property, or placed in good security elsewhere at the discretion of my Executor, since then my said beloved wife shall have died, or other cause require my partition of the principle of the said sum of two thousand dollars, such portion to be left to her at the discretion of my Executor. — All the rest residue and remainder of my Real and Personal estate of what kind and nature soever; I give and bequeath in eight equal shares, in the manner & form following. — First, one share thereof to the children of my late eldest son James Wood, in their attaining age, — the second share thereof to my son Peter Wood and his heirs, — the third share to my daughter Anna and her heirs, — the fourth share to Charles Wood and his heirs, — the fifth share to Elizabeth Brown and her heirs, — the sixth share to Peter Wood and his heirs, — the seventh share to the Daughter of the late Mr. Costeloe, in her discretion, but in the event of her death, then her share to be equally divided among her heirs the remainder davon surviving, or their families. — the eighth share to the three daughters of the late Parish Kirk, & to many of them that may be living at the time the executors receive. — My will also desire to see that the said two thousand dollars bequeathed for the use of my beloved wife, or whatever portion of the said sum may remain after her decease, be left to my said wife and shall be distributed in the following manner. — Two hundred dollars thereof to the children of my late son James Wood, Two hundred dollars to my son John Wood and his heirs, — and two hundred dollars to Charles Wood and his heirs. — The residue which may be left, about fourteen hundred dollars, to be divided in eight equal shares to my heirs as before mentioned, in the same manner and upon the same principles as the residue is divided after my decease. — My will also desire also is that my executors shall do justice of the property, so as to be able to make the division and distribution agreeable to this my will, and proceed with the

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same as far as is practicable within two years after my decease. — Likewise I make, constitute and appoint my sons John Wood, Charles D. Wood and Anna or Captain James Wood, to be executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills by me made.

The witness whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name, and affixed my seal, the twentieth day of March in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven.

James Wood Esq

The above written instrument is subscribed by the said James Wood in my presence and acknowledged by him to be his, and at the same time acknowledged the above instrument to be his last Will & Testament, and as at his request here signed his name and his signature placed at his name Warren Astor, State of New York
Edward Fletcher, State of New York
Henry Bloufield, State of New York

State of New York
Richmond County, 3^d. Be it remembered that a Surrogate Court, holding and for the County of Richmond at the surrogate office in said County, the twenty third day of March, one thousand eight hundred & forty four.

Present, Richard Crocham, Surgeon
In the matter of proving the last will & testament of James Wood, deceased

In reading and filing the Petition of Charles D. Wood, propounding the will of the said deceased, it is practice that a citation issue to the next of kin & heirs at law of the said deceased in pursuance of said Petition, returnable the fourth day of April next at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon of that day.

Be it also remembered, that a Surrogate Court held in & for the said County, the said fourth day of April before the said surrogate, — In the matter of proving the last

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Will and Testament of James Wood, deceased. — That
D. Wood, the applicant for the prob'g of the said Will, affeath and
make return of the citation to the next of kin & heirs
at law of the said deceased to whom the probate of the said
Will this day. — And make proof of the service of said
citation. — Whereupon the said court being satisfied, that
the heirs at law know of him, have been cited to appear & answer
the probate of said will as required by law, — the filing of
said citation and proof of service, have been given the said
applicant to prove the said will.

Richd Crocheton, Surrogate

In the matter of Probating last will
and Testament of James Wood and 3

Potowmaka County. — Mr. Warren Alston & the said
testimony being sworn, dofforth and saith that he did
see the said deceased sign and seal the instrument
now shown him, purporting to be the last Will & Testament
of the said deceased, bearing date the twentieth day of
March, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred
and thirty seven, and to have then seen the said
deceased publish and declare the said instrument
as such for his last Will & Testament, that at the time
thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind
and not under any restraint to the best of the knowl-
edge and belief of this deponent. — And that this said
deponent together with Edward E. Becker & Henry Blaw-
felder the other subscribing witnesses to the said Will
subscribed their names thereto as witnesses, at the re-
quest and in the presence of the said Testator and in
the presence of each other — signed. Warren Alston
Sworn the 4th day of April 1840. before Richd Crocheton, Surrogate.

Potowmaka County. — Mr. Colevan & Becker of said coun-
try being sworn deposed and saith, that he did see James
Wood, now deceased, sign and seal the instrument now
shown him, purporting to be the last Will and Testament
of the said deceased, bearing date the twentieth day of March
in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred

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and thirty seven, that he heard the said deceased pub-
licly declare the said instrument as such for his last Will &
Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of
sound disposing mind and memory and not under any re-
straint, to the best of the knowledge and belief of this deponent.
And that he the said deponent, together with Warren Alston &
Becker hereinbefore the said witnesses to the said
will subscribed their names thereto as witness at the re-
quest and in the presence of the said Testator, and in the
presence of each other — signed. Colevan & Becker
Sworn the 4th day of April 1840. before me. Richd Crocheton, Surrogate

The foregoing proofs and examinations taken before
me the fourth day of April at the time and place first men-
tioned, and the depositions of the respective witnesses,
were by them respectively subscribed after having been care-
fully read to them. — And I the said Surrogate being
satisfied upon the proofs taken, that the said Will was care-
fully executed, that the said Testator at the time of executing
the same, was in all respects competent to execute Real
estate and not under restraint. — Therefore allow
the said Will, Proof and examinations to be recorded.
— Within said Will, Proofs & Examinations are herein be-
fore recorded and contained.

Witness. — Richd Crocheton, Surrogate aforesaid
the day and year first aforesaid.

Richd Crocheton, Surrogate

State of New York. — Potowmaka County. —
Be it remembered, that a Surrogate Court, held in and
for the County of Potowmaka, at the Surrogate Office in the
said County, the fourth day of April, one thousand eight
hundred and forty, before Richard Crocheton, Surrogate
of the said County, the last Will & Testament of James
Wood, late of the said County, deceased, (of which the pre-
going is a copy) was admitted to probate after a testa-
ment to the next of kin and heirs at law of the said
deceased, issued, served, returned and filed according
to law. — Subscribed at the place and on the

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My Apresence Warren Astor & Cecilia S. Parker
two of the Subscribing witnesses to the said Will, was duly
sworn by the said Surrogate and testified that they did
see the said deceased, sign and seal the said instrument
that they heard him publish and declare the same at and
for his last Will & Testament, that at the time thereof the said
deceased was of sound disposing mind, and not under any
constraint to the best of the knowledge & belief of the said witness
and that they subscribed the said will as witnesses at the re-
quest and in the presence of the said testator. — Whereupon
the Surrogate upon the said deceased being satisfied of
the genuineness and validity of the said Will, Ordained that
the said Will be admitted to Probate, and that after Testa-
mentary thereon be granted to the Executrix, in the said
said Will named, on their taking & subscribing the
Oath of office prescribed by law.

Notary Publick Crocker. Surrogate Apresence the
day and year just Apresence. Rich. Crocker, Notary

It is now remembred that on the said ninth day of
April one thousand eight hundred and forty, persons
ally deceased were me, ~~John~~ Wood, Charles Wood &
James Wood, late, the executors named in the Will of the
said deceased and since have done sworn to the full
and perfect performance and execution thereof by taking the usual
oath in open Court, respectively. — Whereupon probate
of the said Will was granted and letters testamentary issued
to the said Executrix, pursuant to the laws made
in the premises. — Said said letters recorded in the
Book kept for that purpose in the office of the Surrogate.

Notary Publick Crocker. Surrogate Apresence the
day and year Apresence.

Richd. Crocker. Surrogate

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In the Name of God, Amen, I John
Harrington of the Township of Westfield, County of Rich-
mond said State of New York. — Considering the uncer-
tainty of this mortal life, and being of sound and per-
fect mind and memory. — Blessing be Almighty God
for the same. — I make and publish this my last Will
and Testament in manner and form following. —

First. — I recommend my soul to God that gave it
and my body to the Earth to be buried in a decent man-
ner by my Executors hereinbefore named, and of such
worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bless me with
in this life, I give and direct of as follows. —

First. — I give unto my true Daughter Eliza Remond
Wiman three feather beds which they shall choose, also
two bedsteads with all the furniture belonging thereto,
also all the bed furniture that I possess, — such as blan-
kets, sheets, pillow cases, curtains &c. in my possession
of whatsoever nature, white & black. — Also all the
silver plate that I am possessed of. — All the above
mention'd articles to be equally divided between
them both, share and share alike. — Item, then
I will and desire, that my Executors shall sell as
soon as convenient, all the rest and residue of my
personal property at public sale, and pay my fun-
eral charges due just debts. — Item, I will & desire
my Executors to allow and pay towards my two
sons, Calumna Remond and Richard Seaman's educa-
tion fifty dollars each, for so long as they shall not
have completed the same before my decease, or as
long as of the same as shall be sufficient. —

Item, Then I will and desire, all my lands and
possessions, shall be sold by my Executors, or their Ex-
ecutors as soon after my decease as my son Daniel
and my two daughters above mentioned shall con-
sent and agree, and monies arising therefrom
and the remainder of the sale of my personal property
if any there be, I give and bequeath unto all my
sons and daughters, namely: John, Daniel,

Commons Kearney, Richard Scaman and Scaman
and Eliza, Share and Share alike, and given up
to them when either of them shall arrive to the age
of twenty one years, if it is in the power of my Execu-
tors so to do. — As my son John has received of me
in my life time, one Thousand Dollars, and that a
amount shall be charged to his account as so much
Received on his portion, or legacy above designated.

In case either of my two daughters shall die with-
out issue before, or after receiving said legacy, the
surviving daughter shall receive the same, if the de-
ceased daughter has not disposed of the same in Will
or otherwise. — And if either of my sons should
die under the age of twenty one years, his portion shall
be equally divided between all my surviving sons
and daughters. — And I direct the amount of the
legacy that shall fall to the share of my two sons E. R.
Maurice Kearney and Richard Scaman, shall be
paid out to me by my executors in good security —
untill they shall arrive to the age above mentioned
and at the death of the same, shall be applied to
wards their support as my executors shall think
they stand in need of. — Lastly, I do hereby
nominate, constitute and appoint my son Maurice
and my friends James Totten, Cornelius Cole and
Edward Taylor and executors of this my last Will and
Testament, hereby revoking, disallowing and disan-
nulling all former or other Wills by me heretofore made,
ratifying and confirming this and no other to be my
last Will and Testament. — In witness whereof
I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal
this twenty ninth day of September, in the year of
our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and twenty five, 1825

John Van Dyke
Signed, sealed, published, pronounced and
acknowledged by the said John Van Dyke as and for his
last Will and Testament, in the presence of us, who have
hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence
of the Testator and of each other.

William M. Ferran, Cornelius J. Totten, James Totten.

State of New York 3^d
Pitman County 3^d. Be it remembered, that a Surrogate
Court, held in and for the County of Pittman at the Surrogate
Office in said County the eighteenth day of February, one thousand
eight hundred & thirty nine. — Present, Richard Bruchon, Surveyor
In the Matter of proving the last Will and

Testament of John Van Dyke late deceased
for granting and filing the Petition of Edmund H. Van Dyke
for probating the Will of the said deceased. — It is proved
that a Citation issued to the heirs & next of kin to the said de-
ceased, in pursuance of said Petition, returned the eleventh
day of March next, at the hour of ten o'clock in the forenoon.

Be it also remembered, that at Adams
Court held in due for the said County, the sixteenth day
of May, one thousand eight hundred & forty before the said Sur-
rogate. — On the matter of proving the last Will and Testament
of John Van Dyke, and — On adjournment, Edmund H.
Van Dyke the applicant for the Probate of said Will appeared
and made return of the citation aforesaid issued by the said
Surrogate to the heirs & next of kin — with their acknowl-
edgment of due service thereof. — Whereupon the said Court
being satisfied that the heirs & next of kin have been
citied to appear and attend the Probate of said Will
as required by law, on filing the said Citation & ac-
knowledgment of service before this date the said Ap-
plicant to prove the said Will. —

Rich D'Orioncon, Surveyor

State of New York 3^d
Pitman County 3^d.

In the Matter of proving the last
Will & Testament of last John Van Dyke late of the Town
of Westfield, deceased. — William M. Ferran & James
Totten of the said town of Westfield, being sworn deponents
and saith, that they did see the said deceased sign and
seal the instrument now shown them purporting to be
the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing
date the twenty ninth day of September, in the year of
our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and twenty five,
that they heard the said deceased, publish and declare the
said instrument as and for his last Will and Testament.

That at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound
thinking mind and memory and did then and there
restrain, to the best of the knowledge and belief of
those deponents, - said that they the said deponents,
together with Cornelius J. Totten the other subscriber
to witness to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto
as witnesses, at the request & in the presence of the said
Testator, and in the presence of each other. - Signed
William Mc. Ferrin. - James Totten. - This the 16th
day of May 1840. Before me, Richd? Crochavan, Notary

The foregoing Proof & examination taken
before me the Notary before named, at the time & place
first mentioned, and the subscription of the two
witnesses, were by them respectively subscribed,
after having been carefully read to them. - And
the said Notary being satisfied when the Proof
taken, that the said Will was duly executed, that
the said Testator, at the time of executing the same,
was in all respects competent to dispose Real estate
and not under restraint. - Do therefore allow the
said Will, proofs and examinations to be recorded
which said Will and proofs are having before recorded
and certified.

Notary. Richd? Crochavan, Notary before named
the day and year first aforesaid.

Richd? Crochavan, Notary

In the Name of God. Amen. I, Peterson Vincent, a man, of the Town of Westfield, Pittsford County and State of New York, being weak in body, but of sound mind and memory, do hereby make my last Will and Testament instrument, whereof the witness hereinafter mentioned shall and publish this my last Will and Testament instrument, in the following, viz. — First, I nominate my wife into the hands of Almighty God who gave it, and my executors to the same, to be buried in a decent Christian like manner by my executors herein after named, — And as touching such worldly property as I am possessed of, I direct of the same as follows: — Where that my executors shall sell and dispose of all my Real and Personal estate as soon as they will prefer it, to my executors; and I furtherly give them full power and authority to sell same before the year of our Lord either in debt, or the whole together; and give to the purchasers, or purchasers thereof good and sufficient Deed, or Deeds, conveying all the right, title and interest to the same, in as good, clear and sufficient manner as I can, or can do. — And since I do hereby direct that the proceeds arising from sale or sales, shall be applied to the payment of my debts; since the same and remainder if any there will be after discharging my debts, I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Vincent. — After paying Expenses, Executing of this my last Will and Testament, — hereby revoking and making null and void all former Wills by me made.

In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and seal, this sixth day of April, in the year of our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and forty.

Peterson Vincent

Published, witnessed and acknowledged by the said Peterson Vincent, to be his last Will and Testament, in the presence of these witnesses.

Moses Vincent, of the Town of Westfield
George ^{his} Mervin, of the Town of Westfield
John Shea, of the Town of Westfield

State of New York }
Pittsford County. } Be it remembered, that a Notary Public
hereinafter for the County of Pittsford at the Surrogate's Office in the said
County, the eighteenth day of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty
Signed, Sealed, Published and made public record in the office of the
Notary Public in the County of Pittsford, State of New York.

In the Matter of the last Will and
Testament of Peterson Vincent, late deceased

In reading and fixing the Petition of William Shea, prothonotary of the said County; it is W-
itnessed that I witness this to the best of my knowledge of
the said deceased, in pursuance of said Petition, returnable the
twenty fifth day of May instant, for sealing in the presence

Be it also remembered that a sum
of two hundred dollars in the hands of the said Notary Public,
the thirtieth day of May, before the said Notary. — In
the Matter of Proving the last Will and Testament of Peterson Vincent,
deceased. — Will is made this the applicant for the proof of said
Will affixed, and made return of the same to the said Notary Public
and receipt of him of the said deceased, to prove and attest the Robate
of the said Will this day, and now being the date of the said
written. — Whereupon the said Court being satisfied, that the said
Witnesses of him, have been called to attend the Robate of said Will
as required by law. — Sustaining the said witness and proof of de-
ceased leave to give the said applicant to prove the said Will.

John Enchanted Notary.

In the Matter of Proving the last Will and
Testament of Peterson Vincent, deceased

Witness, George
Mervin & John Shea of the Town of Westfield, in the County of Pittsford, being sworn before me and saith, that they do见证 Peterson Vincent, late deceased, — sign and seal
the instrument now shown them purporting to be the last
Will and Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the
sixth day of April, in the year of our Lord, one thousand
eight hundred and forty, — that they heard the said deceased
publish and declare the same instrument to be 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 their knowledge and

beliefs of those Deponents, and that they the said deponent, each and severally, subscribed the said Will as Testator, at the request hereof in the presence of the said Testator and in the presence of each these — signee. Noe Shillant, George ⁱⁿ Yerrell, John Shee. — done the 25th day of May 1840 before me — Wm. Crochance. Notary.

The following oath & examination taken before me the Notary aforesaid, at the time and place aforesaid, doe the deponente & the respective witness, respectively, subscribe, after having been interrogated respecting them. — As to the said signs, — it being testified upon the part taken, that the said Will was duly executed; that the Testator at the time of executing the same, was in full & perfect health & memory, and not under restraint. — To him for whom the said Will, is or was intended to be recorded, within said Will such Books are hereinbefore recorded. — In witness whereof, — Wm. Crochance, Notary aforesaid, the day and year first aforesaid.

Wm. Crochance. Notary

State of New York. Richmond County, A.D.
Be it remembered that a Notary, Court held
in law for the County of Richmond, at the time
of his life in the said County the twenty-fifth day of
May, One thousand eight hundred & forty, by the
Richmond Notary aforesaid & the said County, in the
Hand of the Rev. Mr. Minant, late of the said
County, deceased, (of which the foregoing is a copy)
Was delivered to Robate after a citation to the said
widow and next of kin of the said deceased, there,
severa, Notaria and sealed according to law. —
Whereupon at the place and on the day aforesaid, Mr.
Jos. Minant, George Hersee and John Shee, the Sub-
scribing Witnesses to the said Will was duly sworn by
the said Notaries and testifie that they did see the
said deceased, sign and seal the said instrument,
that they heard him publish and declare the same in
and for his last Will and Testament, that at the time
of the said deceased was of sound disposing m-
ind and not under any restraint, to the best of

their knowledge and belief, and that they subscribed the said
Will as witnesses at the request and in the presence of the said
Testator. — Whereupon I the Notary upon the proof of such
said being satisfied of the genuineness and validity of the said
Will, order that the said Will be committed to Robate, and that
such Testamentary Power be granted to the Executive & Ex-
ecutor in the said Will named, in their taking & subscribing
the oath of office prescribed by law.

Wm. Crochance. Notary

Be it also remembered, that on the said twenty-fifth day
of May, said year aforesaid, he willed & bequeathed be-
fore me Mary Anne Minant & William Shee the sum
of one hundred dollars, and were due
by them to the faithful performance and execution there
of, by taking the usual sum in such cases preserved

Wm. Crochance. Notary

In the Name of God. Amen. I
Cornelius Maglame, of the Town of Westfield,
Richmond County, State of New York, con-
sidering the uncertainty of this mortal life, and
that it is decreed that all men shall die. Do make
and publish this as my last Will and Testament, in
manner and form following. — viz. I bequeath my
soul into the hands of Almighty God, who gave it,
and my body to the earth to be buried in a decent
Christian like manner. — And as touching such world-
ly estate as I am possessed of, I dispose of the same in
the following manner. — I will and bequeath all
to my wife Beliefe all my Real and Personal estate
as long as she remains my widow, except what money
I may have at the time of my decease, which shall be
left at interest. — And the interest to pass unto my said
wife yearly and every year, all of which I give unto her
on condition that she supports and maintains my chil-
dren, namely, William and Alice Maglame, until they arrive
at age, & can take care of themselves. — Next in case my
said wife should marry, then I order and direct that

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My Executor herein after mentioned shall take charge of my Real and Personal estate for the use and benefit of my said children, namely, William and Alice Waglam, and divide the same between them share and share alike, which said Real estate I give unto them their heirs and assigns forever, and if either of my said children should die before they arrive at age leaving no issue, his or her share shall go to the survivor of them or who has, & assigns to co. And my said wife shall have no more or less estate than the two above who will have the residue, but it must be distributed to the use of my said children herein named as above directed. — And further, I constitute and appoint William Shea and son the William Waglam, Executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereon bearing date making full and true all former Wills by me made.

In witness whereof, I have signed to certify, and seal this instrument seal'd July the 2d, in the presence of eight hundred and forty three.

Cornelius Waglam

Published, pronounced and declared by the said Cornelius Waglam to be his last Will and Testament, in the presence of us,

Peter Vincent, of the town of Westfield,
John Storer, of the town of Westfield
William Shea, of the City & County of New York.

State of New York —
Richmond County —
S. J.

Be it remembered that a Surrogate's Court, holding a session for the County of Richmond at the Surrogate's Office in the said County the eleventh day of May, one thousand eight hundred and forty. — Present. Barbara Crocker, Surrogate

In the matter of proving the last Will and
Testament of Cornelius Waglam, deceased

On reading and filing the Petition of William Shea proponing

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the Will of the said deceased. It is proved that a Citation issued to the heirs, widow & next of kin of the said deceased, in presence of the said Petition, returnable the fifteenth day of June next, two o'clock in the afternoon. — At the hearing in law by the said Petition, that William and Alice Minam, heirs of the said deceased be the heirs to the said deceased, & were proved that their father Peter Waglam of the town of Westfield in County of Richmond deceased, be appointed guardian of the said minors, & therefore it is ordered that the Probate of said minors be the proceedings to be had for the said Petition.

Be it also remembered that a Surrogate's Court held in law for the said County, at the place aforesaid the fifteenth day of June, 1840 before the said Surrogate In the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of Cornelius Waglam, deceased; — William Shea the applicant for the probate of said Will appeared, and made return of the Citation to the heirs, widow & next of kin of the said deceased to appear & attend the Probate of said Will, and make affidavit of the due service thereof, and also retained the appointment of Guardian with the consent to become Guardian, successively, wherever the said court being satisfied, that the proceedings on the Petition for proving the said Will have been agreeably to law. — In filing the said Citation, affidavit of service, appointment of consent of Guardian, leave was given the said applicant to prove the said Will

With Execution. Surrogate

In the matter of proving the last Will &
Testament of Cornelius Waglam, deceased

Peter Vincent of the Town of Westfield, in the County of Richmond, being sworn deposeth and saith, that he doth see the said deceased sign and seal the instrument now shown him purporting to be the last Will & Testament of the said deceased, bearing the twentieth day of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight hundred and thirty nine, and receive the said deceased publish and declare the same as such for his last Will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind & memory and not under any restraint, to the best of the knowledge

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and a belief of this deponent, and that he the said deponent together with John Stover & William J. Shea, the other subscribing witnesses to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto as witnesses at the request made in the presence of the said Testator, and in the presence of each other, (Signed) Peter Vincent. — Sworn the 15th day of June 1840, before me

Peter Crocheron, Surrogate of Pittmonroe County, Asst. John Stover of Westfield, being sworn, deposes and saith, that he did see Cornelius Woglass late of Westfield in Saia County, deceased, sign and seal the instrument now shown him, purporting to be the last Will & Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the twentieth day of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred & thirty nine, and he heard him the said deceased, publish & recite the said instrument as and for his last Will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased, was of sound disposing mind and not under any restraint, to the best of the knowledge & belief of this deponent; and that the said deponent together with Peter Vincent & William J. Shea, the other & subscribing witnesses to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto as witnesses, at the request of the said Testator, and in the presence of each other.

John Stover. — Sworn the 15th day of June 1840, before me

Peter Crocheron, Surrogate

Pittmonroe County, Asst. Wm. J. Shea of the City of New York, being sworn deposes and saith, that he did see Cornelius Woglass late of Westfield, in the said County, deceased, sign and seal the instrument now shown him, purporting to be the last Will & Testament of the said deceased, bearing date the twentieth day of July, in the year of our Lord, one thousand, eight hundred & thirty nine, and he heard the said deceased publish and recite the said instrument as and for his last Will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and not under any restraint to the best of the knowledge and belief of this deponent; — and that he the said deponent together with Peter Vincent and John Stover the other subscribing witnesses to the said Will, subscribed their names thereto as witnesses, at the request and in the presence of the said Testator, and in the presence of each other. — (Signed) William J. Shea. — Sworn the 15th day of June 1840, before me — Peter Crocheron, Surrogate

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The foregoing proofs and examinations taken before me the Surrogate aforesaid, at the time and place aforesaid, and the deposition of the respective witnesses were by them respectively subscribed, after having been carefully read to them. — And the said deponent being asked if she upon the proof taken, that the said Will was duly executed, that the said Testator at the time of executing the same, was in all respects competent to devise real estate, and not under restraint. — She therefore allow the said Will, proofs and examination to be recorded; which said Will and proofs aforesaid before recorded and sealed. — Witness, Peter Crocheron, Surrogate aforesaid, the day and year first aforesaid. — Peter Crocheron, Surrogate

State of New York, Pittmonroe County

Be it remembered, that a Surety Bond, held in due form for the County of Pittmonroe, at the Surrogate's Office in the said County, the fifteenth day of June, one thousand, eight hundred & forty, before Peter Crocheron, Surrogate of the said County, the last Will & Testament of Cornelius Woglass, late of the said County, deceased, (of which the foregoing is a copy) was admitted to Probate after a Citation to the heirs, widow and next of kin of the said deceased, issued, served, returned & filed according to law. — Whereupon at the place and on the day aforesaid Peter Vincent, John Stover & William J. Shea the subscribing witnesses to the said Will was duly sworn by the said Surety, and testified that they did see the said deceased, sign & seal the said instrument, that they heard him publish and recite the same as and for his last Will and Testament, that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound disposing mind and not under any restraint to the best of their knowledge and belief, and that they did see the said Will as witness, at the request and in the presence of the said Testator. — Whereupon I the Surety upon the proof above said being satisfied of the genuineness and validity of the said Will, order that the said Will be admitted to Probate, and that letters testamentary thereon be granted to the Executrix in the said Will named, on their taking and subscribing the oath of office provided by law.

Peter Crocheron, Surrogate

Be it also remembered, that on the said fifteenth day of June, personally, appeared before me Wm. J. Shea, one of the Executrix in the said Will named, and was duly sworn to the Office of Executor. — Wm. H. Neale being a minor by law disqualifica. — Peter Crocheron, Surrogate

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In the Name of GOD. Amen. I
Abigail Wares of the Town of Westfield, Rich-
mond County and State of New York, being weak
in body but of sound mind and memory, bles-
sed be Almighty God for the same, do make and
publish this as my last Will and Testament, in
manner and form following, to wit, I first re-
commence my soul unto God who gave it, and
my body unto the Earth, to be buried in a decent
Christian like manner by my Executors here in
mentioned; — And as relates to what little estate
which I possess, I dispose of the same in the following
manner. — First give and bequeath unto my
daughter Mary, wife of John Williams, one feather
bed, bolster and pillow, — Then give unto my
daughter Louisa, widow of David Mervenace, fur-
niture and bedding enough for her use and the use
of my daughter Eliza Ann, for them to use as long
as my said daughter Louisa, shall take care of my
daughter Eliza Ann; And all the residue of my
personal estate shall be sold; and the proceeds thereof
shall be put out at interest, and the interest thereof paid
yearly and every year for the benefit and use of my said
daughter Eliza Ann; but if her necessity requires it,
the principal may be appropriated to her use also as my
Executor think proper, And in case that my daughter
Louisa should not think proper to take charge of my
said daughter Eliza Ann, in such case I order
that the goods which she retains and holds for her
use and the use of my daughter Eliza Ann shall
be sold and the proceeds thereof to be appropriated
for the use of my said daughter Eliza Ann, as aforesaid.
— And lastly, I constitute and appoint
William Shea, Executor, since my daughter Lou-
isa Mervenace, executrix of this my last Will
and Testament. — In witness whereof, I have
hereunto set my hand and seal, this sixth day
of September, A.D. One thousand eight hundred &
thirteen.

Abigail Wares

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Published, pronounced and declared by the said
Abigail Wares at her last Will and Testament in the pres-
ence of us.

William Shea. — Emeline Grant.

State of New York 3
Richmond County 3 To be remembered that a
Surrogate Court held in Anna for
the County of Richmond, at the Surrogate Office in the said
County, the twenty fourth day of August, one thousand
eight hundred and forty. — Present Richard Crocheron, Surgeon

In the matter of proving the last Will and
Testament of Abigail Wares late deceased
On reading & filing the petition of William Shea propounder
ing the Will of the said deceased. — It is ordered that a bi-
tention issue to the next of kin of the said deceased in pursu-
ance of the said petition, returnable the thirty first day
of August instant, two o'clock P.M. — And whereas
it appearing in and by the said petition, that Abel
Wares & Jacob Wares, two of the next of kin of the said deceased
deceased are minors, an order was made and entered
that B. P. Minard of the town of Westfield in said County
be appointed Guardian of the said minors, to appear
for and take care of the interests of the said minors in the
proceedings to be had on the said petition.

We it also remember, that a Surrogate Court held in
Anna for the said County, at the place aforesaid the thirty
first day of August, 1840. before the said Surrogate. —

In the matter of proving the last Will & Testament of
Abigail Wares, deceased. — William Shea the applicant
for the probate of the said Will appeared, and made return
of the petition to the next of kin, of the said deceased, on
date. — Also returned the appointment of Guardian of
the minors, next of kin of the said deceased, and the con-
sent of B. P. Minard to become such Guardian, in writing
under his signature. — Whereupon the said court being
satisfied that the proceedings on the said petition have been
legal and that the next of kin have been duly cited to at-
tend the probate of said Will as required by law, and in

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the said citation, Affidavit of Service, Appointment
and Consent to become Guarantor, leave to be given
the said Applicant to prove the said Will.

Peter C. Crookshon, Junr.

State of New York,
Richmond County,

In the matter of proving the last Will
& Testament of Abigail Hayes, deceased
William Frank & Emeline Frank of this place in the
county of Richmond being sworn doth declare under oath
that they did see the said Abigail Hayes, sign & seal
the instrument now showne them, purporting to be
the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, bear-
ing date the sixth day of October, in the year of our
Lord, one thousand eight hundred & thirty nine, that
they hence forth doth declare & publish and declare the
said instrument to be and for her last Will & Testament
that at the time thereof the said deceased was of sound
disposition mind and memory bore not under any
restriction to the best of their knowledge and belief of the
deponents. — And these deponents further doth
they subscribe the said Will as witnesses, at the request
and in the presence of the said Testator, each in the pres-
ence of each other. — Signed William Frank, Emeline
Frank. — Sworn the 31st day of August 1840.
Before me. Peter C. Crookshon, Junr.

Richmond County, N.Y. The foregoing proofs & examination
taken before me the Surrogate aforesaid, and the depositions of
the witnesses were subscribed after having been carefully
read to them. — And I the said Surrogate being satisfied
by the proof so taken of the genuineness & validity of the said
Will, do allow the said Will to be recorded, which said Will
together with the proofs thereof is herein duly recorded; and
do also allow the said Will to Probate, and Order that letters to
testamentary be granted to the executors in said Will named
on the estate of the said Abigail Hayes, on their taking the oaths
of Office prescribed by law. In witness whereof I have hereunto
subscribed my name August 31. 1840.

Peter C. Crookshon, Junr.

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At a Court of Chancery held for the State of New York at
the Village of Saratoga Springs on the twenty first day
of July one thousand eight hundred and forty
Present:

Rubert H. Walworth, Chancellor.

In the matter of the Application of John Galf for Letters
Rogatory or a Commission to prove the last Will & Testament
of Cornelius Roberts late of New Brighton in the County
of Richmond, State of New York deceased and to prove
also the last will and testament and a Codicil of
Catherine Roberts the wife of the said Cornelius
Roberts late of Havanna in the Island of Cuba,
now deceased.

An application having been made
to this Court upon the petition of John Galf
for letters rogatory or a Commission to prove
the last Will & Testament of Cornelius Roberts,
directed to any judge or tribunal having Juris-
diction of Civil Causes at Havanna and
such letters Rogatory or Commission having
been duly issued and returned and upon
reading and filing an affidavit & notice
of motion on the part of the aforesaid John
Galf and also an affidavit of Mr Randolph
W. Townsend, and after hearing of J. Bowen
on behalf of the said John Galf and M. J.
Townsend on behalf of the parties oppos-
ing the above application it is Ordered
that the instrument pronounced as the will
of the above named Cornelius Roberts, Executed
by said Cornelius Roberts jointly with his wife
Catherine at the City of San Carlos de Matan-
zas in the Island of Cuba and bearing
date the twenty second day of April 1825 be
and the same is hereby Established as a valid
will of personal Estate of the said Cornelius
Roberts, and it further appearing that the original
will is in the possession or custody of a

(40) Court or tribunal of justice at Havana from whence by the laws of that country and the practice of the Court where it is deposited, it can not be removed; and that the authenticated copy of the said original will of Cornelius Roberts and Catherine his wife, annexed to the said commission is a true and exact copy thereof.

It is ordered that the original exemplification of said will and the proofs taken under the Letter Registry heretofore issued in this matter both in the Spanish Language and in the English translation thereof be recorded in the office of the Register of this Court and that a copy of this decree be transmitted to be recorded in the office of the Surrogate of the County of Richmond and that the said Surrogate issue Letters testamentary or of Administration with the will annexed theron in the same manner as if the original will had been duly proved before him and recorded in his Office

Copy

Testamento = En el nombre de Dios Todo-poderoso, Not. Dr. Cornelius Roberts, natural de Thorpshire, lugar de Loenlock en Inglaterra vecino del partido de Caminar, hijo de legítimo matrimonio de Dr. Juan y de Da. Elizabeth Brown, de la propia naturaleza el primero difunto, y Da. Catalina Calf, natural de Londres del mismo vecindario, hija de legítimo matrimonio de Dr. Guillermo y de Da. Francisca Biasch de igual naturaleza; hallandose sanos y en nuestro entero juicio, creyendo y confesando como firmemente creemos y confessamos el altísimo e inefable misterio de la beatísima Trinidad, padre, hijo y espíritu Santo,

(41) las personas que aunque realmente distintas tienen unos mismos atributos y son un solo Dios verdadero con una misma esencia y todos los demás misterios y sacramentos que crea y confesa nuestra Santa Madre la Iglesia Católica, Apostólica, Romana, en cuya fe y creencia hemos vivido, vivimos, protestamos vivir y morir como fieles Católicos cristianos; llamando por nuestra intercesora a la siempre virgen e inmaculada preciosa Virgen María Reina de los Ángeles, Nuestra Santísima Madre de Dios y Gran mestra, y por medianeros a los Santos Ángeles de nuestro guarda, a los de nuestro nombre y devoción y demás de la Corte celestial, para que impetrén de nuestro Señor y Redentor Jesucristo, que por los infinitos méritos de su preciosísima vida, pasión y muerte nos perdone todas nuestras culpas y llevad nuestras almas a gozar de su beatísima presencia y teniendo la muerte que es tan preciosa y natural en toda criatura, como suelta su alma con mayor examen y sencilla reflexión, la otorgamos en la forma siguiente = Encorriendo mis manos sobre la alma de Dios, nuestro Señor, que ha sido de la madre, y mandamos el cuerpo a la tierra, de que fué formado; dejando a cargo de maestro albacea la disposición def. funeral = Mandamos que se celebren las tres misas del alma, y las treinta de San Gregorio. Mandamos que se paguen las sendas forzadas, ya religiosas, como del estadio = Declaramos ser casados según rito de nuestra Santa Madre Iglesia Católica Apostólica Romana, habrá tiempo de veinte y dos años, de cuyo matrimonio no hemos tenido prole. Declaramos por nuestros bienes un Caftal situado en el partido de Caminar = Declaramos que lo que nos

deben ó debemos constar de nuestros libros, apuntes y papeles = Declaramos yo, Dr. Cornelius, que por fallecimiento de mi Padre, quedaron algunos bienes, de los cuales mada fué percibido. Declaramos no haber aportado al matrimonio capitales algunos y que por consiguiente todos los bienes que poseemos son gananciales. Es nuestra voluntad instituirnos el uno, al otro por herederos absoluto, único y universal de todos nuestros bienes y acciones y de rechos, presentes y futuros, que por cualquier título sabidos o ignorados, nos pertenezcan y puedan pertenecernos; siempre que el Padre o padres del que falleca primera hayan fallecido antes; en caso se les sobreseja usando de la facultad que la ley da a los hijos para disponer libremente del tercio de sus bienes; nos legamos este testamento en tal caso; aunque no es posible por la avanzada edad de nuestros padres nos persuade que a la fecha habran fallecido y mas porque sin embargo de nuestras solicitudes, no hemos podido conseguir de mucho tiempo a esta parte, noticia alguna de que vivan. Es nuestra voluntad que en caso de que vivan algunos ó alguno de los padres del que primera primera se practiquen extrajudicialmente los inventarios, clasificaciones y demás partes del juicio testamentario con la sola condición de presentarlos al tribunal para la aprobación; en caso en el caso, puesto que el uno es heredero único, universal y absoluto del otro; queremos que entre en la posesión y disfrute de la herencia sin necesidad de la formacion del juicio testamentario, para evitar así todas costas; prohibiendo en una de las facultades que las leyes otorgan que justicia alguna se mire.

a obrar de oficio, pues deberá limitar su ejecución a la simple apertura y protocolacion de este testamento = Nos nombramos reciprocamente albaceas y tenedores de bienes. Por el presente testamento renunciamos, anulamos y cada uno enajenara otras disposiciones testamentarias por escrito, de palabra o en otra forma de fecha anterior a la del presente; queremos que el solo tenga valor de ultimo voluntad, y que si se presentare algun otro, a quien que contenga esta cláusula, Cafetal de Jose de Pieno Vista en Canimar, aunque sea de fecha posterior; no merezca él ni crédito alguno. Así lo otorgamos y firmamos en la ciudad de San Carlos de Matanzas en veinte y dos de Abril de mil ochocientos veinticinco = Cornelius Roberts Catherine Roberts

Translation -

On the Marie of Almighty God. - We Cornelius Roberts, a native of Shropshire in the County of Shropshire, in England, a resident of the township of Canimar, in the San Jose Cafetal and Elizabeth Brown of the same place, and the first of whom is now dead = Lucia Catherine Esty, a native of London, of the same residence as above mentioned, lawful daughter of William and Frances Birch of the same place; being of sound health and mind, be living and existing, as we do firmly believe and confess in the highest and ineffable mystery of the most Glorious Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Ghost; - three persons really distinct but having the same attributes, and being one only true God of the same essence, and believing all the other mysteries and sacraments which are believed and confessed by our Holy Mother, the Catholic Apostolic Roman Church, in whose faith and belief we have lived,

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to live and protest to live and die in a common faith -
full Christians and Catholics; taking for our inter-
cessor the ever Virgin and immaculate most Glori-
ous Queen of the Angels, the most Holy Mary, Mother
of God, and our Lady, hence taking as our Mediator,
our Holy Guardian Angels, those of our Name and de-
votion and others of the Celestial Court, in grace that
they may obtain from our Lord and Redeemer Jesus
Christ that through the infinite mercies of his most hu-
miliating life, passion and death he may pardon all our
faults and may take our souls to enjoy his blessed
presence; and being fearful of death which is cer-
tain and natural to every creature, save its hour
uncertain, do after mature deliberation and reflec-
tion, make and publish our Will in the manner
following: — We recommend our souls to God
our Lord who created it from nothing, and we com-
mit our bodies to the Earth out of which it was form-
ed, leaving to the care of our Executor the disposition
of the funeral rites. — We direct that the three Masses
for the soul of said, and also the thirty Masses of Saint Gregory. — We direct that the oblation donations whether
Religious, or pertaining to the state should be paid.
We declare that we were married according to the Rites
of our holy Mother, the Catholic, Apostolic Roman Church,
about twenty two years ago; that we have had no issue
of said marriage. — We declare as our property a lot
of plantation situated in the township of Canimar.
We declare that what is due to us, or what we owe
will appear from our books, minutes and papers. —
I the said Cornelius declare that my father left some
property at the time of his death, of which property no-
thing has been received. — We declare that we owned
no Capital at the time of our marriage, and that conse-
quently we have acquired since said marriage all the
property which we now possess. — It is our Will to appoint
each other absolute, sole and universal heir of all our
property, actions and rights, present and future, in
which by reason of any title known, or unknown belong,

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or may hereafter belong to us; provided
that the father, or the father or mother of either of us who should
die first, should have died previously, but if such father,
or mother be living, then in hindrance of the power which
the law gives to children of disposing freely of the one third
part of their property. — We bequeath and devise each third
part to such parent, in the event above mentioned, although
it is hardly possible that such father or mother should be
living at the advanced age of our parents, leads us to sus-
pect that they are now dead, and because notwithstanding
making our anxious inquiries we have not been able
for a long time to obtain any information that they are
living. — It is our Will that in case any one, or both
of the parents of either of us who should die first should be
living, the inventories, taxations and other parts of the
legal testamentary proceedings should be made extrajur-
idically with the sole proviso that they should be sub-
mitted to the tribunal for its approval. — But on the
contrary event as the one of us is the sole universal and
absolute heir of the other, it is our will that such heir
should take possession of and enjoy the inheritance with-
out the necessity of instituting legal testamentary proceed-
ings. Which direction is for the purpose of saving costs,
and the trouble of the power which the law grants us;
we forbear every feeage from interfering officially in the
matter, in as much as such judge is to limit his inter-
vention in the matter to the mere opening and regis-
tering of this Will. — We mutually nominate each other
Executor and Administrator, of our property. — By this
present Will we revoke, annul and make void every other
testamentary disposition, written, manuscript, or in
any other form, of a date prior to the present Will; —
and it is our will that this alone should have force as
our last Will; and that if any other should appear even
through it should be of a subsequent date, unless it contain
the clause following viz. Caseta Sra. Josefa de la Sierra
Vista en Canimar, the same shall be entitled
to no credit whatever. — Thus executed and
signed in the City of San Carlos, de Matanzas, on the

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twenty second day of April, one thousand eight
hundred and twenty five.

Cornelius Roberts
Catherine Roberts

State of New York
In Chancery.

I certify that I have compared
the preceding Copy of the Will of Cornelius Roberts
and Catherine Roberts in the Spanish language and
English translation thereof with the original Exempli-
fication and Record in my office, and that the same
are correct transcripts therefore and of the whole of
such Exemplification.

In witness whereof I have hereunto sub-
scribed my name and affixed the seal of the
Court of Chancery of our said State at Albany,
the first day of September, one thousand, eight
hundred and forty.

John M. Davison
Register

State of New York
Rutland County

I certify that I have compared
the preceding record of the copy of the Will of
Cornelius Roberts & Catherine Roberts
in the Spanish language and English translation
thereof, with the Exemplification and certified copy
thereof, under the seal of the Court of Chancery, and in
my Court; and that the same are correct re-
cord thereto. — Also a correct record of said
certificate of the Register of the Court of Chancery
attached to the said Exemplifications.

In witness whereof I have hereunto
subscribed my name and affixed my
seal of office, the twelfth day of October
one thousand, eight hundred and forty.

P. H. Crookshank, Notary

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At a Court of Chancery held for the
State of New York at the City of Alba-
ny, on the sixth day of October one thou-
sand eight hundred and forty.

Present: Reuben H. Walworth, Chancellor.

In the matter of the probate of the will
& Codicil of Catherine Roberts late of
Havana in the Island of Cuba, deceased, an applica-
tion having been made to this Court upon the petition of
John Galf for Letters Rogatory or a commission to prove
the last will and testament of Mrs Catherine Roberts
directed to any Judge or Tribunal having jurisdiction of
Civil causes at Havana in the Island of Cuba, and such
Letters Rogatory or Commission having been duly issued and
returned; and on reading & filing affidavits & notice of
motion on the part of the aforesaid John Galf, and after
hearing Mr Taber of Counsel for John B. Purroy in support
of said motion, Mr Woodruff in behalf of Franklin
S. Hinney who was the solicitor of the Administrator
in his lifetime appearing to oppose, but as he did not
profess to appear for any one who now had any inter-
est in opposing the probate of said will & Codicil, the
motion was made & the proofs submitted on the ex-
 parte argument of the Counsel of Galf; it is ordered
that the instrument propounded as the will of the
said Catherine Roberts executed by her at Havana
on the twenty fifth day of April one thousand eight hun-
dred and thirty eight and the Codicil thereto annexed
executed on the fifteenth June of the same year, be &
the same are established as a will of personal estate of
the said Catherine Roberts, and it further appearing that
the original will & Codicil is in the possession or cus-
tody of a Court or tribunal of Justice at Havana,
from whence by the laws of that country & the prac-
tice of the Court where it is deposited it cannot
be removed and that the authenticated copy of said
original will and Codicil of said Catherine Roberts
annexed to said Commission is a true and exact copy thereof.