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The last will & Testament of Eliza Rodman proved the
30th day of August 1874.

I, Eliza Rodman, do make and publish this
as my last will and testament hereby revoking voice all
other wills, by me at any time made. I direct that
my funeral expenses, and all my debts be paid as soon
after my death as possible out of any money found among
the possessions of, or may fall due into the hands of
my Executors.
Secondly, I give and bequeath to my loving wife Susan
Rodman, the one half of the proceeds of my farm after
paying expenses of repairs and making crop, the other
half of the proceeds to whoever may live with her, be-
lieving at one half of the expense of keeping up the farm
and making crop, if there should be a surplus after a
decent support for her, then the balance to be divided
equally between my heirs, and I further give to her,
the full control of my house together with all the property
therein, she may choose to keep, both house hold and kitchen
furniture, this to be determined on by my Executors. I
also give one horse brute team and wagon, two cows
and calves, the one half of hogs, and the sheep, if it
should take this to support her, this to be determined on
by her, and my Executors, if there be any stock
left, then to be sold, and the money charge between
my heirs equally, and further her and the farming
implements, my Executors may think necessary to
carry on the farm, and at her death all land and
any thing she may be possessed of to be sold
and the money coming therefrom to be equally di-
vided between my heirs, having reference to a
Book of account, I have kept against my heirs.
I further will that Marshall Norton and Susan
Norton his wife live with their mother and
have half the profits of the farm after the expenses
are paid for raising the crop and keeping up
the farm. I further will that if Susan Rodman
wishes to live with her Grand Mother, and take care of
her that she have one cow, butter and fat

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nature, one cow and calf and two dollars in money to buy
cups and pans and cooking utensils, Thirdly, I bequeath to my
Grand son John H. Rodman, two hundred and fifty dollars,
or one fifth part of what of what ever my real estate may
bring, to be kept by my Executors, and paid to him at the
age of twenty one year, retaining the interest for their trouble.
I appoint my Executor here after named, the same to be
John or trustee, Fourthly, I will that one or more of my
heirs take my landed estate at the sum of two thousand
five hundred dollars, and pay to the other heirs their pro-
portional part of their share after retaining his or their
part, and if some of the heirs will take the place at
the price, then to be sold to the highest bidder, and the
money arising from the sale to be equally divided between
my heirs having reference to the book of account, Fifthly, as
against my heirs.

Sixthly, and lastly, I appoint my Son Samuel & David
son, and Marshall Norton my Executors in witness
whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this twenty
first day of December 1874.

Witness

E. L. Davis,

James H. Rodman

The last will & Testament of Alexander Skellam Son
of John and proved the 27th day of October A.D. 1874.

Alexander Skellam do make and publish this as
my last will and testament, hereby revoking and making void
all other wills by me at any time made.
First - I direct that my funeral expenses and all my debts
be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any
money that I may be possessed of, or may fall due into
the hands of my Executor.
Secondly, I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth the
house (known as the Redwood house) and all the land and
certain land, beginning on a large corner Drainslee-
-vants corner, thence across to the river, thence with the
road to Dr. Spruce's place all of my land south and
west of the road. - This land which I have given to my
wife Elizabeth I have at her (my wife's) death leave