

Samuel M. Howitt Will. Continued  
and one half of the work to go to my wife and the other half to go  
to pay funeral expences & debts I wish this property to stay on  
the farm to cultivate it further it is my wish that she have  
two hoes for her one chipping an one harvest cradle mowing  
scythe & mattock two horses, bair the two work horses or Jessie  
is to have one of them as his own but to remain on the farm in  
connection with the other one to work not to trade it, and Jessie  
to have all her increase & she shall have the drawing knifed augers.  
I will that my secretary and bookcase be sold with the other  
property not specially disposed of by my Executor.

After the death of my beloved wife it is my will that all  
that remains of my personal property shall insure and go to  
the sole use and benefit of my son Jesse J. Howitt.  
Section 6<sup>th</sup> I will and bequeath to my daughter Lucinda  
Hale the amount of a note I hold on her husband William  
C. Hale for the sum of five hundred dollars dated some  
eight or ten years ago which with the interest theron is all  
I intend her to have of my Estate though no interest was to be borne  
on it this note was drawn for 755<sup>£</sup> but credited so as to reduce  
it to \$500. and said Lucinda Hale & her husband shall pay  
out of said note One hundred dollars to my daughter  
Elizabeth Bon. to be paid to her in one year after the  
recording of this will without interest.

Section 7<sup>th</sup> So as much as my son Jessie is young it is my  
will that in the event that he should die without issue  
that his portion of my Estate be sold and Equally divided  
amongst all my heirs share and share alike.

Section 8<sup>th</sup> In as much as I place full confidence in the  
integrity of my esteemed friend John H. Grisham I hereby  
constitute and appoint him as my Executor to this my last  
will and testament hereby revoking and making void all  
all other wills by me at any time made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and  
affixed my seal this 21<sup>st</sup> day of February 1868  
Signed sealed and acknowledged in presence of Samuel M. Howitt  
in presence of these witnesses interlined  
in five places before signing.

John Meaden  
Nicholas Neufhauer

## Agreement between

William B. Proffitt, Esq. Chinnoth Hale & Wives

This Article of Agreement made entered into this 29<sup>th</sup> day of  
May eighteen hundred & sixty seven between William B. Proffitt  
& his wife Emily Proffitt & Barbara Ellender Chinnoth of the one part  
& Katherine Hodges of the other part witnesseth that the aforesaid  
Proffitt & Said Ellender Chinnoth hereby Agree & undertake to  
Mountain & keep the said Katherine Hodges reasonable well as well  
as they live their selves, with out her exertions or labor what ever  
going halves in the Expence & trouble of keeping her by the said  
Proffitt & Chinnoth & she may live at either Proffitts or Chinnoths  
which or when she may please for during her life time & its  
further agreed that for according to the time she may stay with  
either more than the other they are to settle accordingly that I  
the said Proffitt & Chinnoth & the said Katherine Hodges hereby  
require & Authorize William B. Proffitt to take charge of her  
money debts & to do with it or them the best he can & keep  
the said money to interest & pay her the interest to her as it be  
collected, for during her life time, her debts is may be about  
six hundred dollars, if all can be collected & as it respects all  
my paternal property of every kind that I may not have disprop  
osed of during my life time at my death that is to go to them  
equally that keep me & as for the principal of my money debt  
if the said Katherine Hodges wishes to spend any of it in  
her lifetime she can do so & as for what money may remain  
mine at my death that to be Equally divided between my  
daughters Emily Proffitt & Barbara Ellen Chinnoth the said  
Proffitt & Chinnoth has the income of her dower, in witness  
whereof we have hereunto signed our names the date above  
written:

in presence of witness

Jacob Douglass

Joseph Good

William B. Proffitt

Emily Proffitt

Nicholas H. Chinnoth

B. Ellen Chinnoth

Katherine Hodges  
make

The foregoing instrument was proven in open court at March term  
1868. by the oaths of Jacob Douglass & Joseph Good the two  
aboves signing witnessess <sup>and</sup> sworn to be true

J. D. Grisham A.B.