

lot of the town of West Hill, in said county, deceased and
 her heirs petition, praying for an order that an assessment of her
 D^o be made of the land and premises in her said petition set forth
 specified, and made satisfactory proof of lawful service of a copy of
 the said petition and notice of this application, and her marriage with
 and the death of the said John Raymond, and his seizure of the premises
 during the marriage, and after hearing the proofs and allegations of the
 parties, it is ordered that an assessment of the share of the said land and
 premises of the lands of the said John Raymond, her husband specified in
 her said petition, and further that Edward Dearden, Russell Bryan
 and Aaron Raymond their respective and distinct feoffees be
 appointed commissioners, for the purpose of making such assessment
 and

JOSEPH SURROGATE

The People of the State of New York, To Edward Dearden
 Russell Bryan and Aaron Raymond, of the County of West Hill, in
 the County of Orange, said feoffees

Whereas Henry Raymond, widow of John Raymond
 late of the town of West Hill, in said county, and State aforesaid
 deceased, lately presented her petition to Joseph Surrogate of our
 County of Orange, praying for an order pursuant to the revised Statute of this
 State, in such case made and provided, that an assessment of her share
 be made of the lands of the said John Raymond, deceased, situate in the said
 County, to wit: about one hundred and fifty acres of land, more or less
 & wholly described in a tract from John in Shicklet to the said John
 Raymond, and located in the twenty fourth Township of Seneca County, near
 West Hill, aforesaid, and whereas the said Henry Raymond, lately
 appeared in a court before the said Surrogate, held in the said County
 and made satisfactory proof of lawful service of a copy of the
 said petition and notice of her intended application in the premises
 in Adeline Raymond and Jane Eliza Raymond, heirs of the said
 John Raymond deceased, she of such service, on Charles David, Special
 guardian of the said Adeline and Jane Eliza, they being minors
 and on Peter Reed, who assumes a part of said premises, also that
 the said Henry Raymond was lawfully married to the said John
 Raymond, and that the said John Raymond was during his marriage
 and at the time of his death, seized of an estate of inheritance in the said
 lands, and that the said John Raymond departed this life on the
 twentieth day of June, one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight
 and that the said lands are situate in the said County, and that the
 said proofs were taken of the said Charles David, Special guardian aforesaid,
 and in the absence of all other persons interested in said estate
 Whereupon the said Surrogate aforesaid, after having heard the proofs
 and allegations to him made in the premises did thereupon make
 order, that an assessment of the share of the said Henry Raymond, be
 made of the lands of the said John Raymond, her late husband
 deceased, set forth in her said petition, and herein described, her
 one third part thereof, and that Edward Dearden, Russell

Henry and Aaron Raymond their respective and distinct
 feoffees, be appointed commissioners for the purpose of making such
 assessment -

I therefore the Surrogate aforesaid, in pursuance of the power
 in me vested by the revised Statute of this State, in such case made
 and provided, do hereby appoint you the said Ed^o Dearden, Russell Bryan
 and Aaron Raymond, commissioners to assess and lay off, as speedily
 as may be, one third part of the said lands above mentioned and described
 to the said Henry Raymond for her share thereof, and in making such
 assessment you are to take in view any permanent improvement
 made upon the said lands and premises, made by the heirs of the
 deceased or any other persons since the death of the said John
 Raymond, and if practicable avoid such improvement insofar that
 has not yet allotted to the said Henry Raymond, and if not practicable
 so to avoid the same as to make a deduction from the land and from
 an allotment to her, proportionate to the benefit she will derive from such
 part of the improvement, as shall be included in the portion of land
 which, hereby requiring you to make a full and ample report of
 your proceedings, with the quantity, contents and distances of the said lands
 and premises, allotted to the said Henry Raymond, with a description
 of the parts, stones and other permanent improvements thereof, and the return
 of your charges therefor to my Court on the 8th day of March next.

Given under my hand and Seal of Office, at Albany, in said
 County of Orange, this twentieth day of October, one thousand
 eight hundred and forty.

JOSEPH SURROGATE

I do swear that I will honestly and impartially discharge the
 duty and execute the trust reposed in me by the aforesaid appoint-
 ment.
 Edward Dearden
 Russell Bryan
 Aaron Raymond

To Joseph Surrogate of the County of Orange,
 We the undersigned Edward Dearden, Russell Bryan
 and Aaron Raymond, commissioners appointed by the said Surrogate
 to assess and lay off for the share of Henry Raymond and
 one of John Raymond deceased, the one third part of the land
 buildings and premises herein after described, of which the said John
 Raymond died seized, situate in the said County, now in the possession of
 the said Henry Raymond, which said appointment is hereto come,
 do respectfully report that we the said commissioners, first having been
 sworn before legal authority, honestly and impartially to discharge the
 said duty, and execute the trust reposed in us by the said appointment, did
 on the twenty seventh day of March last - met at the house of the
 said Henry Raymond, in the parish of Seneca after deceased, to discharge
 the duty, and execute the trust aforesaid, and as well the said Henry
 Raymond, as Charles David, Special guardian for Adeline Raymond