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[Letter of Administration]

The People of the State of New-York, by the Grace of God
Free and Independent: To *D. W. Whitney*
of the town of *Albion* in *Albany* county,
send GREETING:

D. W. Whitney

WHEREAS *James Whitney* of the town
of *Albion* in the County of *Albany*

as is alleged, lately died intestate, having whilst living, and at the time of his death,
goods, chattels, or credits within this state, by means whereof the ordering and grant-
ing administration of all and singular the said goods, chattels and credits; and also the
auditing, allowing, and finally discharging the account thereof, doth appertain unto us;
and we, being desirous that the goods, chattels and credits of the said deceased may
be well and faithfully administered, applied and disposed of, do grant unto you the said
D. W. Whitney full

power by these presents, to administer and faithfully dispose of all and singular the said
goods, chattels and credits, to ask, demand, recover and receive the debts, which unto
the said deceased, whilst living, and at the time of his death did belong, and to pay
the debts which the said deceased did owe, so far as said goods, chattels and credits will
thereto extend, and the law require; Hereby requiring you to make, or cause to be
made, a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits of
the said deceased, which have or shall come to your hands, possession or knowledge, and
the same so made, to exhibit, or cause to be exhibited into the office of the Surrogate of
the said county of *Albany* at or before the expiration of six calendar months
from the date hereof; and also to render a just and true account of administration
when thereunto required; And we do by these Presents, depute, constitute and appoint
you the said

D. W. Whitney

Administrator of all and singular the goods, chattels and credits which were of the
said *James Whitney*

In testimony whereof, we have caused the Seal of Office of our said Surrogate to be
hereunto affixed.

WITNESS *W. H. [illegible]* Esquire, Surrogate of the said county,
at *Albion* the *fourth* day of *May* in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred and *seventy* and of our Independence the *forty* first