In the name of God Amen: I Ransom A. Butler of the town of Mexico Oswego county New York being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life do therefore make ordain publish and declare this my last Will and Testament that is to say: First after all my lawful debts are paid and discharged I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Pamelia Butler the house & lot where I now reside being the premises deeded me by Lyman Lawrence & wife & deed recorded in the Oswego County clerks office 2 day of 1856 in Book No 78 of Deeds page 816 to which record reference is hereby had I also give & bequeath to my said wife Pamelia all my household furniture tools & articles of use on said premises or belonging to me the use of which bequeathed are to be received by her in lieu of dower & kindred Secondly all the real and personal estate of my estate both real & personal I give & bequeath to my executors hereinafter mentioned for the following uses and purposes viz: To be used & expended so much thereof as may be necessary for the use and support of my wife & children to be living with her at home until my youngest child becomes 21 years of age at which time I do my property remaining unexpended shall be equally divided among my surviving children & my wife Pamelia not sooner shall be in condition to be thus divided as aforesaid thereafter as soon as can be done without involving loss thereby likewise I make, ordain & constitute my wife Pamelia & her and my son Harry S. Butler with full power to sell and convey by deed any real estate I may die seized to be executors of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking all former Wills by me made

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 16th day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty five

Ransom A. Butler L.S.

The above written Instrument was subscribed by the said Ransom A. Butler in our presence and acknowledged by him to each of us and we at the same time declared the above Instrument so subscribed to be his last Will and Testament and we at his request have signed our names as witnesses hereto in his presence and in presence of each other

Bradley Higgins of Mexico Oswego County
Charles Johnson of Mexico Oswego County

SURROGATE'S COURT.

In the matter of proving the last Will and Testament of

Ransom A. Butler DECEASED.

Oswego County, ss.

Bradley Higgins and Charles Johnson being first duly sworn, in open Court, upon their several corporeal oaths, each for himself, doth depose and say, that they are subscribing witnesses to the last Will and Testament of Ransom A. Butler late of the Village of Mexico in the County of Oswego and State of New York deceased. And these deponents do further say, that the said Ransom A. Butler deceased, did in the presence of each of these deponents, subscribe his name at the end of the instrument in writing, which is now here shown to these deponents, and which purports to be the last Will and Testament of the said deceased, and which bears date on the 16th day of July one thousand eight hundred and sixty five That the said deceased did at the time of subscribing his name to the said instrument as aforesaid, declare the same to be his last Will and Testament; and these deponents did thereupon subscribe their own respective names at the end of said instrument, as attesting witnesses to the execution thereof, each at the request of the said deceased, and in his presence and in the presence of each other; That the said deceased, at the time of so subscribing his name to said instrument as aforesaid, and publishing said instrument as aforesaid, was upwards of twenty-one years of age, and a citizen of the United States; that he appeared to be, and deponents believe he was of sound mind, memory and understanding, and not under any restraint, and as deponents verily believe, in all respects competent to devise real estate; that each of these deponents saw the other sign his name to said instrument in the presence of the said deceased,

Bradley Higgins
Charles Johnson

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 16th day of Oct A. D. 1865
V. M. Wheaton Surrogate

Oswego County, ss.

It appearing upon the proofs duly taken in respect to the *Last Will and Testament* of Ransom A. Butler late of the Village of Mexico in the County of Oswego and State of New York, deceased, that the said Will was duly executed, and that the said Ransom A. Butler at the time he executed the same, was in all respects competent to devise real estate, and not under restraint, the said last Will and Testament and the proofs and examinations are hereby recorded, signed and certified by me, pursuant to the provisions of the Revised Statutes, this 16th day of October A. D. 1865
V. M. Wheaton Surrogate.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF

Nicholas Collins Deceased.

BE IT REMEMBERED, That heretofore, to wit: on the 7th day of Sept in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty five Nancy Collins Executrix named in the LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of Nicholas Collins late of the City of Oswego in the County of Oswego deceased, appeared in open Court, before the Surrogate of the County of Oswego and made application to have the said LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT which relates to both Real and Personal Estate proved; and on such application, the said Surrogate did ascertain by satisfactory evidence who were the heirs at law and next of kin of the said testator, and their respective residences,

and said Surrogate did thereupon issue a Citation in due form of law, directed to the heirs at law, and next of kin by their respective names, stating their respective places of residence requiring them to appear before said Surrogate at his office in the ~~city~~ village of Oswego in said County, on the 2nd day of October A. D. 1865 to attend the Probate of said Will, and the parties having duly appeared & the said proof having been duly adjourned until the 2d day of Nov

And afterwards to wit: on the 2d day of Nov A. D. 1865 satisfactory evidence by affidavit, was produced and presented to said Surrogate, of the due service of said Citation in the mode prescribed by law; and on that day no one appearing to oppose the Probate of such Will such proceedings was thereupon had in said Court afterwards; that the said Surrogate took the proofs of said Will hereinafter set forth, upon this 2d day of Nov A. D. 1865 and he thereupon adjudged the said Will to be a valid Will of Real and Personal Estate, and the proofs thereof to be sufficient, which said LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT, and proofs are as follows, that is to say:

WILL: