In the name of God amen

I, George R. Pratt of the town of Mexico N.Y. being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life do therefore make ordaine publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament that is to say

First: After all my lawful debts are paid and discharged I give and bequeath my estate real and personal as follows to wit: I hereby order & direct my executrix hereinafter named to purchase after my death a casket for burial worth at least one hundred dollars besides other necessaries for my funeral & burial and that my remains be entered in the Whitney Cemetery three miles East of Utica & that she purchase a suitable lot therein. I further order and direct my executrix hereinafter named to lay out & expend not less than twelve hundred dollars and not more than fifteen hundred dollars in erecting & purchasing a monument at my grave which monument is to be erected at my grave in said Whitney Cemetery. I further order & direct my said executrix to erect at the grave of my mother in said Whitney Cemetery a tombstone at an expense of not less than seventy five dollars.

After the above provisions of my will have been complied with I give & bequeath unto Justice Wheeler of the town of Walcott the sum of three hundred dollars.

I further give & bequeath to Isa Woodruff daughter of my sister Bocksey Root the sum of three hundred dollars I further give & bequeath to Michael Miller of Schuyler N.Y. one hundred & fifty dollars

I further give & bequeath to Nancy Biddlecom my sister of Mexico N.Y. the sum of two hundred dollars I further give & bequeath unto Hannah Louis of Mexico N.Y. the sum of three hundred dollars & all the rest residue & remainder of estate both real & personal & of every name & nature which I may now have to may have at the time of my decease except one chest of tools which chest is the one next to the largest which I now have, & one hundred dollars which I give & bequeath unto Curtis Crossman of Deerfield N.Y.

Likewise I make constitute and appoint Hannah Louis of the town of Mexico N.Y. to be executrix of

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SURROGATE'S COURT.

In the Matter of Proving the Last Will and Testament of Franklin E. Griffith late of Mexico DECEASED.

Oswego County, ss: Matthew Bradbury and George H. Stone 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 said Bradbury or Jonas Butterfield last Will and Testament of Franklin E. Griffith late of the town of Mexico in the county of Oswego, and State of New York, deceased. And these deponents do further say that the said Franklin E. Griffith deceased, did, in the presence of ~~each of these deponents~~ himself or said Butterfield, 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 31 day of March one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight. 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~~ said witness 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~~ said witnesses the other sign his name to said instrument in the presence of the said deceased & said deponents say that said Butterfield is now dead but that they are well acquainted with his handwriting & also with the handwriting of said Griffith & know that the signature of said Griffith unto the signature of said Butterfield as subscribing witness to said Will is genuine.

Subscribed and sworn to before me, this 24 day of June A.D. 1878

J. H. Skinner SURROGATE.

Matthew Bradbury
Geo. H. Stone

Oswego County, ss.

It appearing upon the proofs duly taken in respect to the *Last Will and Testament* of Franklin E. Griffith late of the town of Mexico in the County of Oswego and State of New York, deceased, that the said Will was duly executed, and that the said Franklin E. Griffith 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 24 day of June 1878

J. H. Skinner Surrogate.

LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT OF Franklin E. Griffith DECEASED.

Be it Remembered, That heretofore, to wit, on the 24 day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and seventy eight Mary A. Griffith Executrix named in the LAST WILL AND TESTAMENT of Franklin E. Griffith late of the town of Mexico 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 it appearing that all of said heirs were in open Court this 24th day of June

~~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 an in the village of in said county on the day of A. D. 18 to attend the Probate of said Will~~

And afterwards, to wit: on the 24 day of June A. D., 1878 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 24 day of June A. D. 1878 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: