

publishing the said last will & testament, was a citizen of the United States, of full age and of sound mind and memory, not under restraint and was in all respects competent to make a last will and testament
Sworn this 9th day of May 1850 before me

A. J. Merriam

J. H. Whitney Co. Judge &c.

In the matter of proving the last will and testament of Thomas H. Wentworth, deceased - State of New York, Otsego County ss: Thomas H. Wentworth of Otsego being duly sworn hath deposed and says that soon after the decease of Thomas H. Wentworth late of Otsego, in said County this deponent found in the trunk of said Thomas H. Wentworth, deceased a paper purporting to be the last will & testament of said Thomas H. Wentworth deceased, bearing date the 18th day of June 1849 and which paper so found is the same paper here presented & presented for probate as the last will & testament of said Thomas H. Wentworth deceased, and this deponent says that said paper remained in the hands of this deponent from the time of its being so found until it was presented for probate & the surrogate unaltered in any respects.
Sworn before me May 7th 1850

T. H. Wentworth

J. H. Whitney Co. Judge &c.

Otsego County ss: Recorded, the preceding last will and testament of Thomas Hamilton Wentworth, deceased together with the proofs taken in the Otsego County Surrogate's Court relating to the said last will and testament which record is hereby signed and certified by me pursuant to the Revised Statutes this ninth day of May in the year one thousand eight hundred and fifty.

J. H. Whitney Co. Judge &c.

Be it remembered that hereupon writs on the 26th day of March A.D. 1850 John P. Hammond Executor named in the last will & testament of Nathaniel Hammond, late of New Haven in the County of Otsego deceased, appeared in open court before Orin H. Whitney County Judge of Otsego County and made application to have the said last will & testament, which relates to both real and personal estate, proved; and on such application the said judge did ascertain by satisfactory evidence, who were the widow, heirs & next of kin of the said testator and their respective residences and said judge did thereupon issue a citation in due form of law directed to the said widow heirs and next of kin, by their respective names stating their respective places of residence, requiring them to appear before said judge at the Otsego Hotel in the City of Otsego on the 9th day of May then next & attend the probate of the said will. And afterwards writs on the said ninth day of May, satisfactory evidence was by affidavits produced & presented to said judge of the service of the said citation in the mode prescribed by law. And on that day no one appearing to oppose the probate of said will, such proceedings were thereupon had afterwards that the said judge took the proof of the said will hereinafter set forth, upon this ninth day of May one thousand eight hundred and fifty. And he adjudged the said will to be a valid will of real and personal estate, and the proof thereof to be sufficient which said last will and testament and proof are as follows: that is to say:

In the name of God Amen. I Nathaniel Hammond, of the town of Scriba in the County of Otsego, knowing the uncertainty of life, and being in sound mind but in feeble health, do make & publish my last will & testament in the words following to wit:

I order & direct, that all of my just debts be first paid out of my estate, and my funeral expenses, which I suppose can be done without the sale of my real estate, and if such debts cannot be paid without a sale of personal property, then I direct such sale to an amount sufficient to pay such just debts & funeral expenses, to be made.

I give and bequeath to my dearly beloved wife all of my estate both real and personal, subject to the condition and reservation, hereinafter contained - which are that my said wife Elizabeth Hammond shall have and enjoy all of my said real & personal estate for and during her natural life and upon...

Writs

Secord