

120 at New York and being first severally  
duly sworn by me the said Procurate  
and deposed and say each for himself that  
he they the said deponents saw Henry Taft  
now deceased subscribe the instrument  
now shewn to him these deponents which  
purports to be the last Will and Testament  
of the said Henry Taft deceased bearing  
date the twenty eighth day of August in  
the year of our Lord one thousand  
eight hundred and forty four - That  
they the said deponents heard the said Henry  
Taft deceased recite the same to be his  
last Will and Testament and that they the  
said deponents did subscribe their names  
thereto as witnesses at the request of the said  
Henry Taft deceased and that at the time  
thereby the said Henry Taft was of full age  
of sound disposing mind and memory  
competent to devise real estate and not  
under any restraint

Sgt B D Munro  
Procurate

Pleasur Gaffs Will  
I Hudson Guy of the town of Pine in the  
County of Clinton and State of New York  
being of sound mind memory and under  
standing blessed be God for the same do  
make and publish this my last Will and  
testament in the manner and form follow  
ing: that is to say - First. I order and direct  
that all my just debts and funeral expenses  
be first paid out of my personal estate and

121 in case of a deficiency of assets for that purpose I  
hereby authorize and empower my executors herein  
after named if they shall deem it necessary for the  
payment of my debts to sell and dispose of some  
of my real estate as may be sufficient to make up  
the deficiency of assets and to make and execute  
a deed or deeds of the parcels or parcels so sold  
and generally to do and perform all acts necessary  
to effectuate my intention to pay said debts  
required for that purpose out of my real estate  
Second: I give and bequeath unto my beloved  
wife Mary after the payment of all my just  
and legal debts and bequests by my executors  
one third of all <sup>the</sup> remaining goods and chattels  
and credits lands and tenements of which I may  
be possessed and which are not otherwise held  
after disposed of and until the said debts and  
legacies above mentioned are paid by my ex  
ecutors above mentioned it is my will and I  
hereby order and determine that she shall  
have a good and comfortable support out of  
the property hereby left by me during her life  
or as long as she shall remain my widow  
and it is further my will and desire and  
I hereby order and I determine that my said  
wife Mary shall not be entitled to nor  
hold the other third of all my goods and chattels  
lands and tenements any longer than her nat  
ural life or so long as she shall remain my  
widow Third: I give and bequeath to my  
youngest daughter Ellison one hundred  
and thirty two dollars and sixty three cents  
in such goods and articles as she may  
want including in the above bequest a cow  
and eight sheep - I also give and bequeath

unto her beds and bedding equal in all respects in quality and quantity to what I gave to my daughter Mary as an inheritance. And it is further my will that my daughter Millis or have a home with her mother and my three youngest sons and her support as long as she shall remain unmarried. Sixth. I give, devise and bequeath unto my eldest son George the Lot of land lying in the town of Plattsburgh in the County of Clinton called the "Allen Lot" which he purchased of a man by the name of Allen a year ago last March in full of his portion on my executors paying the balance due for said lot. And it is my will and desire that if I shall not obtain a title to said lot before my decease, that my executors receive the deed of the same and execute a deed to the said George of the said lot.

Fifth. I give, devise and bequeath unto my second son David the farm called the "Peabody Lot" being the same on which the said David now lives which is in the town of Plattsburgh in the County of Clinton and it is my will that the said David pay to my son George ten dollars in team work or other labor.

Sixth. After the payment of all my just debts and legacies as herein before mentioned and the support of my beloved wife as above mentioned. I give, devise and bequeath the remainder of all my goods and chattels and credits, except my household furniture lands and tenements including the one third above given and devised and bequeathed to my beloved wife Mary after her decease

or when she shall marry, to my sons Edmund Cyrus and Nelson, they paying all of my just debts and legacies as aforesaid tenants in common and stand and share at the expense that my son Edmund shall have and receive one hundred dollars in stock and my son Cyrus shall have and receive fifty dollars in stock more than their equal shares, when my youngest son Nelson shall arrive at the age of twenty one years. Seventh. It is my further will and desire that my three youngest sons support my wife Mary as aforesaid mentioned and give unto my daughter Millis a good and comfortable home as long as she shall remain unmarried.

Eighth. I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary all of my household furniture. And I hereby order that the same shall at her decease go to whomsoever she shall appoint or if she die intestate, the same shall go to my three youngest sons Edmund Cyrus and Nelson for land during the time till my youngest son shall arrive at the age of twenty one years and one year after.

Ninth. I hereby constitute and appoint my wife Mary Day executrix and my son Edmund Day and Joshua Brace my son in law and Thomas D. Gibson executors thereof declaring this to be my last will and testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 5<sup>th</sup> day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven.

Rufus Day <sup>Esq</sup> <sup>1837</sup>  
Signed, published and declared by the above named Rufus Day to be his last will and testament in

presence of us, who have hereunto respectively subsci-  
bed our names as witnesses in the presence of  
and at the request of the testator and in presence  
of each other as witnesses.

S. J. M.  
Zephaniah Platt town of Pier, Clinton County N.Y.  
Thuron Day town of Pier, County of Clinton New York

Clinton County }  
Surrogate Court } Be it remembered that on  
the ninth day of April in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and thirty eight  
personally came before H. John D. Palmer  
Surrogate of the said County Zephaniah Platt  
and Thuron Day of the town of Pier in the County  
of Clinton and State of New York and being  
first severally duly sworn by me the said Surrogate  
did depose and say each for himself that he  
(then the said deponents) heard Rufus Day now  
deceased acknowledge that he subscribed the  
instrument now shew'd to him these deponents  
which purports to be the last will and testament  
of the said Rufus Day deceased reciting date  
the fifth day of September in the year of our Lord  
one thousand eight hundred and thirty seven  
That they the said deponents heard the said  
Rufus Day deceased declare the same to be  
his last will and testament and that he they  
did subscribe his name thereto as witnesses  
at the request of the said Rufus Day deceased  
and that at the time then of the said Rufus  
Day was of full age, of sound disposing  
mind and memory, competent to dispose  
real estate and not under any restraint.

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H. J. D. Palmer  
Surrogate

I Rufus Day of the town of Pier in the County of  
Clinton aforesaid state of New York being of sound mind  
and memory and understanding, blessed be God  
for the same I do make and publish this codicil to  
my last will and testament that is to say -  
I shall then die by my last will and testa-  
ment dated on the fifth day of September in the  
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and thirty seven give, devise and bequeath  
unto my eldest son George Day all that lot of  
land lying in the town of Plattsburgh known  
as the "Allen Lot" and also by the said will did  
give devise and bequeath to my son David  
Day all of that piece or parcel of land lying  
in the town of Plattsburgh aforesaid in the County  
of Clinton known as the Peabody lot on which  
the said David now lies. Therefore I the said  
Rufus Day do hereby order and determine, give  
devise and bequeath to my three youngest sons  
Edmond Byrnes and Nelson Day, all the tim-  
ber standing or growing or lying down upon  
the following described piece of land or lot of  
land being a part of the "Allen Lot" so called  
and bounded and described as follows viz  
Beginning at the south west corner of said lot  
called the "Allen Lot" from thence running  
north on the west line of said lot thirty two  
rods, thence east parallel with the south line  
of said lot twenty eight rods, thence south  
parallel with the west line of said thirty two  
rods, thence west on the south line of said  
lot twenty eight rods to the place of beginning.  
And I further order and determine, give devise  
and bequeath unto my three youngest sons Edmond  
Byrnes and Nelson Day all the timber standing

126 or growing, or lying down both green and dry  
upon the following piece, parcel or lot of land  
being a part of the "Peabody Lot" so called and  
bounded and described as follows. I, R. Day,  
signing at the southwest most corner of said  
lot, then running north on the west line of  
said lot thirty rods thence east on a line  
parallel with the south line of said lot,  
thirty rods, thence south on a line parallel  
with the west line of said lot, thirty rods  
hence west on the south line of said lot  
thirty rods to the place of beginning.  
Providing the said Edmund Cyrus and Nelson  
Day shall get the said timber off from the  
piece on the "Allen Lot" within thirteen years  
from the date hereof and the timber on the  
piece on the Peabody Lot off within twenty five  
years from the date hereof— And it is my  
further will and desire that my three  
youngest sons Edmund, Cyrus and Nelson  
Day shall have their support and maintenance  
at good common education out of the joint  
property other where left to them by my last  
will and testament aforesaid without  
any charge or expense to either otherwise  
than is provided by my last will and testa-  
ment as aforesaid—

The word "else" in the twelfth line from the bottom  
on the fourth page interlined before signing.  
In witness whereof I have hereunto set my  
hand and seal this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December  
1837

Rufus Day

Signed published and declared  
by the above named Rufus Day to be a codicil

127 to his last will and testament in presence of  
those who have names respectively subscribed herein  
as witnesses in the presence of and at the  
request of the testator and in the presence of each  
other as witnesses.

Signed by Thomas A. Wilson at the request of the testator  
Theron Day of the town of Pier Clinton County  
William Day of the town of Pier in the County of Clinton

Clinton County

Shelburne, N.Y. April 4<sup>th</sup> Be it remembered that on the  
ninth day of April in the year of our Lord one  
thousand eight hundred and thirty eight  
seven all came before Sh. Day & G. Shimer  
Notary public of the said County Theron Day and  
William Day of the town of Pier in the County  
of Clinton and State of New York and being first  
sworn duly sworn by me the said Notary  
did depose and say each for himself that he  
they the said deponents heard Rufus Day  
now deceased acknowledge that he subscribed  
the instrument now shown to him (the de-  
ponents) which purports to be a codicil to the  
last will and testament of the said Rufus  
Day deceased bearing date the fifteenth day  
of September in the year of our Lord one thousand  
and eight hundred and thirty seven  
That they the said deponents heard the  
said Rufus Day deceased declare the same  
to be a codicil to his last will and testa-  
ment and that they did subscribe their  
names thereto as witnesses at the request of the  
said Rufus Day deceased and that at the  
time thereof the said Rufus Day deceased  
was of full age, of sound disposing mind

and memory competent to devise real estate  
and not under any restraint —

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John B. Skinner  
Surrogate

### Elisha Bradford's Will

In the name of God amen I Elisha Bradford of the town of Plattsburgh in the County and State of New York being of sound disposing mind memory and understanding do hereby make publish and declare my last will and testament in manner and form following

First—I order and direct that my executors hereinafter named pay all my just debts and funeral charges as soon after my decease as conveniently may be —  
2<sup>nd</sup> I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Lucy Bradford if she survives me all my personal property of what kind or nature soever to be for her use and benefit during her natural life — I give and bequeath unto my son Elisha Bradford Junior all my real estate, of which I am now seized and also after the decease of my wife Lucy all my personal property of every kind for the use and benefit of the said Elisha Bradford Junior his heirs, executors administrators or assigns forever — I hereby nominate and appoint Truth Mead and Elisha Bradford junior executors of this my last will and testament and hereby expressly revoke all and

every former will by me made

In witness whereof I have caused to set my hand and seal this nineteenth day of May in the year of our Lord eighteen hundred and thirty four

Elisha Bradford

signed, sealed, published and declared by the testator to be his last will and testament in the presence of us at his request and in his presence and in the presence of each other have subscribed our names as witnesses

John Winters Plattsburgh Clinton County  
James A. Mead Plattsburgh Clinton County

Clinton County }  
Surrogate Court } Be it Remembered that  
on the nineteenth day of November in the  
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and thirty eight personally came before  
the Honorable John B. Skinner Surrogate of the  
said County James A. Mead of Plattsburgh  
and John Winters late of Plattsburgh but  
now of Chazy in the County of Clinton and  
State of New York and being first searally  
duly sworn by me the said Surrogate  
did depose and say each for himself that  
he (they the said deponents) saw Elisha Brad-  
ford now deceased subscribe the instrument  
now shown to them these deponents which  
purports to be the last will and testament  
of the said Elisha Bradford deceased on  
the nineteenth day of May in the  
year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred  
and thirty four That he they heard the  
said Elisha Bradford deceased declare