

Case 10349

Perry Word.

Be it remembered, that P. Perry Word, of Mendon, in the County of Worcester and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, being of sound mind and memory, but knowing the uncertainty of this life, do make this my last will and testament.

After the payment of my just debts and funeral charges, I bequeath and devise as follows.

To my son William P. Word, I give all notes and obligations I hold against him, and cancel all claims I have against him.

To my son, Henry G. Word, I give and devise, my wood lot in Northbridge, containing about two and one half acres, to him and his heirs and assigns forever.

To my son, Obadiah A. Word, I give and bequeath the sum of Three Hundred Dollars.

To my son, Joseph H. Word, I give and devise my wood lot, known as the Torrey Lot, containing about two acres, situated in said Mendon, on Wolfpond Hill so called.

To my daughter Waiter C. Taft, I give and bequeath the sum of One Hundred Dollars.

To my daughter, Mary J. Shippee, I give and bequeath the sum of One Hundred Dollars.

To my daughter, Harriet C. Freeman, I give and bequeath the sum of One Hundred Dollars.

To my daughter, Caroline F. Walker, I give and bequeath the sum of Three Hundred Dollars, to be paid within one year after my decease.

To my daughter, Nancy C. Word, I give and bequeath the sum of Five Hundred Dollars, to be paid to her, when she becomes twenty-one years of age.

To my step-daughter, Sarah J. Stoddard, I give such part of the moneys I have received as pecuniary on her account, as shall be unpaid at my decease.

I desire that my wife, Eliza Word, shall hold and retain, all such personal property, as she had, at the time of our marriage.

To my son, Samuel W. Word, I give my watch.

To my son, Frank H. Word, I give my gun.

To my said son, Frank H. Word, I give and devise, one half of the residue, of my estate, real, personal or mixed, to him, and his heirs and assigns, upon condition that he shall pay, within one year after my decease, the above named legacies, to my son, Obadiah A. Word, and to my said

daughter, Waiter C. Taft, Mary J. Shippee, and Harriet C. Freeman, and said balance of pecuniary moneys, to my step daughter Sarah J. Stoddard.

To my wife, Eliza Word, I give and devise the other one half of my estate, real, personal, or mixed, during her natural life time, to be in full of all her rights in and to my estate, and of all sums I have received from her, or on her account. But, nevertheless, I desire that she shall, if in her judgment, it would be safe and expedient, turn over to my said son, Samuel W. Word, the whole or any part of said one half of my estate, when he shall become twenty-one years of age, he making provision for her maintenance, if necessary.

At the decease of my wife Eliza Word, the said one half of my estate last above named, real, personal or mixed, I give and devise to my said son, Samuel W. Word, to him and his heirs and assigns provided nevertheless, that my said wife shall pay the above named legacy of Three Hundred Dollars to my daughter, Caroline F. Walker, and the above named legacy of Five Hundred Dollars, to my daughter Nancy C. Word, out of the last above named, one half of my estate. It is my wish that my minor children shall have a home at my homestead, while they may wish to remain, and that all my children shall meet in family reunions and friendships, as during my life time, at my said homestead. I nominate and appoint my said wife, and my said son, Frank H. Word, executors of this my last will and testament, and request that no sureties shall be required on their Probate Bond.

In testimony whereof, I hereunto set my hand, and in the presence of three witnesses declare this to be my last Will, this Tenth day of December, in the year one thousand eight hundred and eighty nine.

Perry Word.

On this Tenth day of December A. D. 1885, Perry Word, of Mendon, has signed the foregoing instrument in our presence, declaring it to be his last Will, and as witnesses thereof we three do now, at his request, in his presence, and in the presence of each other, hereto subscribe our names.

Geo. E. Parker.

Perry Adams.

Henry M. Goddard.

✓ A true record.

Attest.

J. W. Southwick, Register