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PROBATE COURT

— FOR THE —

County of

Genesee

ESTATE OF

John Sheldon's  
will

Deceased.

LETTERS TESTAMENTARY.

County of

Genesee

Probate Court

July 9<sup>th</sup>

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Judge of Probate.



State of Michigan, } ss. Probate Court for said County.  
County of Genesee

In the Matter of the Estate of John Sheldon Deceased.

By Henry R. Lovell Judge of Probate for said County.

To John H. Sheldon

of said County, GREETING :

Whereas, John Sheldon lately departed this life testate,  
being at or immediately preceeding to his death an inhabitant of the County of Genesee,  
and having, while he lived and at the time of his decease, estate within said County of Genesee  
, to be administered :

And Whereas, at a session of said Probate Court, holden at the City of Flint in  
said County, on the 3rd day of July in the year  
one thousand eight hundred and eighty eight the last Will and Testament of said deceased, (a  
copy whereof is hereto annexed), was duly proved, approved and allowed, wherein you are appointed Executor  
thereof :

Whereby Power of committing administration and full disposition of all and singular the goods, chattels,  
rights, credits and estate whereof the said deceased died possessed, in the State of Michigan, and also the hearing,  
examining and allowing the account of such administration doth appertain unto me ; and you have given a bond in the  
premises which has been duly approved and filed as required by law in that behalf :

Now, Therefore, Trusting in your care and fidelity, I do, by these presents, commit unto you, the

Said John H. Sheldon

full power and authority to administer and faithfully dispose of according to law, and the will of the said testator, all  
and singular the goods, chattels, rights, credits and estate of said deceased, within the State of Michigan, which shall  
at any time come to your possession, or to the possession of any other person for you, and to ask, gather, levy, recover  
and receive all the goods, chattels, rights, credits and estate whatsoever, of said deceased, which to him while  
he lived and at the time of his death did belong ; and to pay and discharge all debts, legacies and charges  
chargeable on the same, or such dividends thereon as shall be ordered and decreed by said Court : Hereby requiring  
you to make and return to said Court, within thirty days, a true and perfect inventory of all the goods, chattels,  
rights, credits and real estate of said deceased, which shall come to your possession or knowledge, or to the possession  
of any other person for you, and also to render a just and true account of your administration to said Court, within  
one year, and at any other time when required by said Court, and to perform all orders and decrees of said Court by  
you to be performed in the premises.

In Testimony Whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and the seal of said  
Probate Court, at the City of Flint the 9th  
day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight  
hundred and eighty eight

Henry R. Lovell Judge of Probate.



In the name of God, Amen. I, John Sheldon of the  
Town of Nundy, Genesee County and State of Michigan,  
feeling the uncertainties of human life and being of  
sound mind and memory do make, declare and  
publish this as my last will and Testament for  
the disposal <sup>after my death</sup> of my property, hereby revoking all former  
wills I may have made.

First: I direct that after my funeral expenses and all  
other just claims are paid, that my property be sold  
and divided as follows:

First: That out of the proceeds of my said property I  
direct that the sum of Fifty Dollars (\$50.) be paid  
to each of my two sons, John Harrison Sheldon and  
Warren Sheldon, and that the sum of Fifty Dollars  
(\$50.) be paid to my grand-daughter Annie Starnard,  
as she was named after my mother, and that  
the sum of Twenty-five Dollars (\$25.) be paid to  
each of my daughter Statira's two boys, John R. and  
Cash Starnard, in consideration of their being orphan  
children, and I direct that the balance of the pro-  
ceeds above mentioned from the sale of my property  
be divided equally share and share alike between  
my other four children as follows: one quarter or share  
to my daughter Clarissa and her heirs, she now  
being the wife of Augustus Derby, and one quarter or  
share to my daughter Statira and her children,  
G. Marcus, C. Starnard, (she now being the wife of  
Cyrus Lawrence) and one quarter or share to my  
daughter Mary Ann and her heirs (she now being  
the wife of John Richards), and one quarter or share  
to my son, Norman Sheldon and I hereby appoint  
my two sons John H. and Warren Sheldon as the



sole Executor of this my last Will and direct them to carry out its provisions within one year after my death or the expiration of a lease given by me to Anson Parks, or after the expiration of any lease I may hereafter give of my farm if in their judgment a suitable price can be obtained.

In Witness Whereof I herunto set my hand and seal this thirteenth day of July A. D. 1882.  
Signed in presence of  
Jno. H. Gotshall John Sheldon [seal]  
Anson Parks

The above instrument consisting of one sheet was at the date thereof signed, sealed, published and declared by the said John Sheldon as and for his last Will and Testament in presence of us who at his request and in presence of each other have signed our names above hereto as witnesses of the same.

Jno. H. Gotshall  
Anson Parks.

a true copy

Almira J. Lovell,

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