

At a Surrogate Court held at the Surrogates office in the town of Caldwell, County of Warren on the 9th day of December 1833 before Stephen Pratt Esq. Surrogate of said County

County of Warren

In the matter of proving

the Will of Howgill Brown, deceased.

I, Abraham Gurney being first duly Sworn deposith and saith that I saw Howgal Brown ^{deceased} ~ subscribe the instrument now shown to him this depointment which purports to be the last Will and testament of ^{said} ~ Howgal Brown deceased bearing date the 16th day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two, and that he heard the said Howgal Brown declare the same to be his last Will and testament and that he this depoint did Subscribe his name as a Witness thereto at the request of the said Howgal Brown and further that at the time there of the said Howgal Brown appeared to be of Sound mind and memory of full age and not under any restraint and further this depoint saith not

Subscribed and affirmed to the 9th day } Abraham Gurney
of December 1833 before me L. Pratt Surrogate

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Will of Howgill Brown, deceased.

I, Joseph Griffen being first duly affirmed doth depose and say that he saw Howgill Brown deceased subscribe the instrument now shown to him this depointment, and which purports to be the last will & testament of said Howgill Brown deceased, bearing the date 16th day of February 1832 and that he heard the said Howgill Brown deceased declare the same to be his last will & testament and that he this depointment did subscribe his name thereto as a Witness at the request of the said Howgill Brown, and further at the time thereof the said Howgill Brown appeared to be of Sound mind and memory of full age and not under any restraint, and further I saith not

Subscribed and affirmed to the 9th day } Joseph Griffen
of Dec. 1833 before me L. Pratt Surrogate

The foregoing proof and examination taken before me the Surrogate aforesaid at the time and place first mentioned and the depositions of the respective witnesses were by them respectively submitted after having then carefully read over to them And I the said Surrogate being satisfied upon the said proof taken that the said Will was duly executed, that the said testament at the time of executing the same was in all respects competent to devise seal date and not under restraint do therefore allow the said Will proof and examinations to be recorded

Witnesseth Stephen Pratt Surrogate aforesaid the day and year first aforesaid

Stephen Pratt Surrogate

The last Will and Testament of Howgill Brown of the town of Queensbury County of Warren and State of New York

I, Howgill Brown considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being of sound mind & memory do make and publish this my last will & testament in manner and form following (First) I direct my Executor herein after named to pay all my just debts as of the sale of my personal property.

(Secondly) I will and bequeath to my two daughters Lucretia & Rachel Brown my home farm that I now live on and Also twenty five acres remaining of the farm that I bought of William Roberts with the exception of a certain strip or corner of land lying or being on the east line of the home farm between the brook and the high way containing two acres be the same more or less and Also five acres off the west end of said Roberts wood lot which two excepted pieces or parcels of land I (thirdly) will and bequeath to my daughter Ruth Carpenter

(Fourthly) I will and bequeath to my daughter Lydia Pendleton sixteen acres off the east end of my south farm.

(Fifthly) I will & bequeath to my seven children vis. Moses Brown Susannah Dean Mahala Baker, Jonathan Brown, Aaron Brown Hannah Peile & Ruth Carpenter the remaining part of my south farm to be equally divided amongst them

(Sixthly) I will & bequeath to my daughter Lucretia Brown, two cows and my Bay mare, wagon & harness & fanning mill (Seventhly) I will & bequeath to my two daughters Lucretia & Rachel Brown all my household furniture and farming utensils to be shared equally between them, and (Lastly) I appoint my friend Gersham Griffen and Joseph H. Gurney my sole executors of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made I do hereby order and appoint that if any differences or disputes shall arise concerning any gift or thing in this my will expressed or contained that no suit or suit at law or equity shall be brought or commenced for and concerning the same but the same shall be referred wholly to the award and determination of my friends Abraham Merritt & Seth Thomas and what they shall order or direct shall be binding and conclusion to all and every person or persons therein concerned.

In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this sixteenth day of the second month in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirty two

Howgill ^{his} X _{mark} Brown

Signed Sealed published and declared by the above named Howgill Brown to be his last will & testament in the presence of us who have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses in the presence of the Testator

Abraham Gurney

of the town of Queensbury

Joseph Griffen

Queensbury Warren County

Abigail H. Gurney

Queensbury Warren Co