

**Be it Remembered,**

That heretofore, to wit: on the

22<sup>nd</sup>

day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven

Herman Knoff, sole executor named  
in the last Will and Testament of Sophia  
Sherbe, late of Gloversville, Fulton Co., N.Y.

deceased, appeared in open court before the Surrogate of the County of Fulton, and made application to have the said last will and testament, which relates to BOTH REAL AND personal estate, proved; and on such application the Surrogate did ascertain by satisfactory evidence who were the husband heirs and next of kin of the said testa ment and their respective residences, being as follows:

John W. Sherbe, husband, Louis Sherbe,  
Fred Sherbe, Ida Sherbe and Kate  
Sherbe sons & daughters, residing  
at Gloversville, N.Y. Rose Knoff,  
daughter, residing in Brooklyn, N.Y.

and said Surrogate did thereupon issue a citation in due form of law, directed to said heirs and next of kin by their respective names, stating their respective places of residence, requiring them to appear in Surrogate's Court, before said Surrogate at his office, in the city of Gloversville in said county, on the second day of April one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven to attend the probate of the said will.

And afterwards, to wit: on the said second day of April 1897 satisfactory evidence by affidavit was produced and presented to said Surrogate of the service of the said citation, in the mode prescribed by law; and on that day

the said sole executor appeared in per-  
son and submitted said Will for pro-  
bate and no one

appearing to oppose the probate of said will

and such proceedings were thereupon had afterwards, that the Surrogate took the proof of said will hereinafter set forth upon this second day of April in the year one thousand eight hundred and ninety seven and he adjudged the said will to be a will valid to pass *real and personal* estate, and the proofs thereof to be sufficient; which said last will and testament and proofs are as follows, that is to say:

## WILL:

The last Will and Testament of Sophiah Sherber of the city of Gloversville, County of Fulton <sup>and</sup> State of New York.

I, Sophiah Sherber do make, ordain, publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, in manner <sup>and</sup> form following, that is to say:

First. After the payment of my just debts and funeral expenses, I give, devise and bequeath to my dear husband John W. Sherber all my estate, both real and personal, of every name and nature <sup>and</sup> wherever situated and rents, issues and profits thereof for and during the term of his natural life and from and after the decease of my said husband I give <sup>and</sup> bequeath to my daughter Kati Sherber the sum of \$200. and the organ and all the sofa furniture now owned by me and one bed and bedding sufficient for the same.

Second. I give and bequeath to my son Louis Sherber a bed and bedding sufficient for the same.

Third. I give and bequeath to my daughter Ida Sherber a bed and bedding sufficient for the same.

Fourth. All the rest, residue and remainder of all my estate, both real and personal, I give, devise and bequeath to my daughter Rosa

wife of Sherber, my son <sup>my son Fred</sup> Louis Sherber, my daughter Kati Sherber & my daughter Ida Sherber, share and share alike, provided always and I do declare that in case I shall in my life time advance and pay to any of my children, either sons or daughters any sum or sums of money for his or their benefit or advancement in the world or otherwise and shall signify the same in writing under my hand, then if any such sum or sums shall be equal to the share or shares of such child or children respectively of and in the premises by me hereby devised or bequeathed for their

respective benefits such sum or sums so paid or advanced shall in that case be accounted in full satisfaction of the share or shares of such child or children respectively in said estate and premises but if such advanced sum or sums shall be less than the share or shares of such child or children respectively of and in said premises, then such advanced sum or sums shall be accounted as part only of the share or shares of such child or children therein and in that case such child or children shall not receive or be entitled to any share or interest of or in such parts of the said premises which shall have been paid or advanced to him or her for the purposes aforesaid until the other or others of such child or children shall have received as much of the said premises as shall make his or her or their share or shares thereof equal to what shall have been so paid or allowed to or for the benefit, advantage or preferment of such child or children respectively for the end and intent that the said premises may be equally divided among all such children share and share alike.

The child or children of any of my children aforesaid to have the share or shares which his, her or their parent would have taken provided either of said children or child be deceased. And I will and ordain that the executors of this my last Will and Testament for and toward the performance of said testament shall with all convenient speed after the decease of my said husband bargain, sell, alien, in fee simple all of my lands for the doing, executing and perfect finishing whereof I do by these presents give to my said executors full power and authority to grant, alien, bargain, sell, convey <sup>and</sup> assure all the same lands to any person or persons and their heirs forever in fee simple by all and every such lawful ways and means in the law as to my said executor or to his counsel learned in the law shall seem fit or necessary.

Likewise, I make, constitute <sup>and</sup> appoint Herman Knoff without bonds to be the executor

of this my last Will and Testament, and I hereby revoke all former wills by me made.

In Witness Whereof, I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal the 19<sup>th</sup> day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety three.

Sophiah Sherber (S.S.)

The foregoing instrument was at the date thereof subscribed by Sophiah Sherber the testator therein named, in the presence of us and each of us. She at the time of making such subscription acknowledged that she executed the same, and declared the said instrument so subscribed by her to be her last Will and Testament. Whereupon we, at her request and in her presence, and the presence of each of the other, do here subscribe as witnesses thereto.

Henry H. Parker residing at Gloversville, N. Y.  
A. R. Blouel residing at Gloversville, N. Y.