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H. C. O.

Petition of P. G. J. J. J.  
Cant. to have letters  
of Administration granted  
to him

In the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford.

Province of Canada,  
COUNTY OF OXFORD,  
TO WIT:

You *Eliza Jane Clarke* of the Township of *Blainford* in the County of Oxford, do swear that

you know of no Will made by the late *Joseph Clarke* late of the Township of *Blainford* in the County of Oxford, *Yeoman* deceased, that you will well and truly administer all and singular, the Goods, Rights, Credits and Chattels of the said deceased; that you will pay all such Debts as the said deceased owed at *his* death, so far as such Goods, Rights, Credits and Chattels will thereunto extend, and by Law you are bound, that you will make a true and perfect Inventory of all and singular the Goods, Rights, Credits, and Chattels of the said deceased as have, or shall come into your hands, custody, power or knowledge, and exhibit, or cause to be exhibited, the same unto the Registry of the said *Surrogate Court* within the time limited by the said Court: and that you will also give a just and full account thereof unto the said Court, when you shall be thereunto lawfully required: You also swear that the property of the said *Joseph Clarke* deceased, is under the sum of *two hundred pounds* of lawful money of Canada, and that the said *Joseph Clarke* died at the Township aforesaid on or about the *twelfth* day of *February* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *fifty five*, and you further swear that you are the widow of the said *Joseph Clarke*

So HELP YOU GOD.

Sworn before me at *Woodstock* of Oxford, this *25* day of *July*

*W. Lapointe*

Judge of the Surrogate Court,  
County of Oxford.

in the County }  
A. D. 18*55*

*Eliza Jane X Clarke*  
*Widow*



Know all Men by these PRESENTS, that we *Eliza Jane Clarke* of the Township of *Blandford* in the County of *Oxford* widow of the late *Joseph Clarke* late of the Township of *Blandford* in the County aforesaid ~~deceased~~ *Joseph Clarke* <sup>deceased</sup> *Joseph Clarke* late of the Township of *Woodstock* in the said County *Solutor* and *Robert Cotton* of the Township of *East Oxford* in the said County *vermore* are held and firmly bound to *His Excellency Sir Edmund Walker* *Head Baronet Governor general of the Province of Canada*

and to his Successor and Successors in Office, in the sum of *three hundred and fifty pounds* of Pounds of lawful money of the said Province, to be paid to *our sovereign Lady*

*Queen Victoria* her Successors; for which payment, to be well and truly made, we bind ourselves severally, our Heirs, and each of our Heirs, Executors, and Administrators, firmly by these Presents. Sealed with our Seals, and dated at *Woodstock* in the County of *Oxford* this *twenty fifth* day of *July* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *fifty five*.

THE CONDITION of this obligation is such, that if the within bounden *Eliza Jane Clarke*

Administrat<sup>or</sup> of all and singular the goods, chattels, and credits of the said *Joseph Clarke* deceased, do make, or cause to be made, a true and perfect inventory of all and singular the goods, chattels, and credits, of the said deceased, which have or shall come into the hands, possession, or knowledge of *her* the said *Eliza Jane Clarke* or into the hands and possession of any other person or persons for *her* and the same so made, do exhibit or cause to be exhibited into the Registry of the *Sheriff's Court* <sup>County of Oxford</sup> on or before the *first* Monday in *January* next ensuing, and the same goods, chattels, and credits, and all other the goods, chattels, and credits of the said deceased, at the time of *his* death, which at any time after shall come into the hands or possession of the said *Eliza Jane Clarke* or into the hands and possession of any other person or persons for *her* do well and truly administer according to law, and further do make or cause to be made a true and just account of *her* said administration, at or before the *first* Monday of *Jan. 1856* and all the rest and residue of the said goods, chattels, and credits, which shall be found remaining upon the said Administrat<sup>or</sup> account, the same being first examined and allowed by the Judge of the Court for the time being, shall deliver and pay unto such person or persons, respectively, as the said Judge by his decree or sentence, conformably to the provisions in a certain Act of Parliament, intituled, "An Act for the better settling Intestate Estates," and passed in the twenty-second and twenty-third year of the reign of Charles II, and also in a certain Act passed in the first year of King James II, contained, shall limit and appoint; and if it shall hereafter appear that any last Will or Testament was made by the deceased, and the Executor or Executors therein named do exhibit the same into the said Court, making request to have it allowed and approved accordingly, if the said *Eliza Jane Clarke* within bounden, being thereunto required, do render and deliver the said Letters of Administration (approbation of such Testament being first had and made) in the said Court, then this obligation to be void and of none effect, or else to remain in full force and virtue.

Signed and Sealed in presence of me

*Eliza Jane Clarke* *her* mark

*The above being having been read over and explained to Eliza Jane Clarke who appeared fully understood the meaning thereof and made her mark thereto in my presence.*

*Daniel G. Miller*

*Robert Cotton*

*Wm. J. Laplante*



In the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford,

Daniel Gilbert Miller of the Town of Woodstock  
in the County of Oxford Collector and Robert Cotton  
of the Township of West Oxford in the said County  
of Ontario

SURETIES for the due administration of the estate of Joseph  
Clarke late of the Township of  
Blandford in the County of Oxford, Ontario  
deceased, severally made oath and say: And first the said Daniel  
Gilbert Miller for himself saith that he is worth  
the sum of one hundred and seventy seven pounds of lawful  
money of Canada, all his debts being first paid: And next the said  
Robert Cotton for himself saith that he  
is worth the sum of one hundred and seventy seven Pounds, of  
lawful money of Canada, all his debts being first paid,

Sworn before me at Woodstock, in the  
County of Oxford, this 25  
day of July in the  
year of our Lord 1855 by the said  
Daniel Gilbert Miller and  
Robert Cotton severally.

D. G. Miller  
Robert Cotton

W. J. S. Justice  
Judge Surrogate Court  
County of Oxford.

Bonds administered  
of D. J. Clarke, Dan  
Gilbert & Robt  
Cotton

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