

in the Surrogate Court ⁽²³⁴⁾
C. Oxford

Bond

Catherine Cuspy
to
the Governor of the
Province

Sent letter 29th July
by Post

filed 30th of June
1857 J. H. P.
for Regr.

W. Lapprant
prop. of the duplicate bond
County of Oxford.

Know all Men by these PRESENTS, that we *Catharine Empey* of the Township of *Drilman* in the County of *Concord* widow of the late *John Empey* late of the said Township of *Drilman* yeoman deceased *John Ruckle* of the said Township of *Drilman* and *Benjamin Hopkins* of the said Township of *Drilman* are held and firmly bound to his Excellency Lieutenant General Sir *William Eyre* K. B. Administrator of the Government of *Canada* and to his Successor and Successors in Office, in the sum of *four hundred* Pounds of lawful money of the said Province, to be paid to *our sovereign lady the Queen or her Successor or*

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 *Concord* this *Thirtieth* day of *June* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *fifty seven*

THE CONDITION of this obligation is such, that if the within bounden

Catharine Empey

Administration of all and singular the goods, chattels, and credits of *John Empey* 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 *Catharine Empey* 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 *County of Concord* Court, 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 *Catharine Empey* 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* day of *July* A. D. 1857 and all the rest and residue of the said goods, chattels, and credits, which shall be found remaining upon the said Administration 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

Catharine Empey 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

Wm. R. R. R. R. R.

Catharine Empey
John Ruckle
Benjamin Hopkins

In the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford, *John Ruckle* of the Township of *Durham* in the County of *Oxford* *Benjamin Hopkins* of the said Township of *Durham* of *Canada*

SURETIES for the due administration of the estate of *John Empey* late of the Township of *Durham* in the County of *Oxford* of *Canada* deceased, severally made oath and say: And first the said *John Ruckle* for himself saith that he is worth the sum of *Three* *hundred* pounds of lawful money of *Canada*, all his debts being first paid: And next the said *Benjamin Hopkins* for himself saith that he is worth the sum of *Three* *hundred* Pounds, of lawful money of *Canada*, all his debts being first paid.

Sworn before me at *Woodstock* in the County of *Oxford*, this *20th* day of *June* in the year of our Lord 1857

by the said *John Ruckle* and *Benjamin Hopkins* severally.

John Ruckle
Benjamin Hopkins

W. Lapointe
Judge of the Surrogate Court
County of *Oxford*.

in the County of Oxford, Ontario
Co. Oxford
David
Benjamin Hopkins
to
the Executors of the
Estate
of
John Empey
1857
for
John Ruckle

A List of Goods and Chattels of the Late ^{Dec}
 John Emery of Dereham in the County of Bedford Year 1811

One Mare and Colt	71.00
one two ^{three} year old Do	110.00
two two ^{two} Do Do	160.00
one yoke of Oxen	85.00
two Cows	40.00
one Sow and five pigs	12.00
one fanning Mill	10.00
one Waggon	12.00
one Cutter	16.00
Metal Castings ^{lbs} 100 to 1/2 cts p lb	16.20
Ironeries in Black Smith Shop	5.00
One Stove and its furniture	8.00
half Doz ⁿ Chairs	5.00
two Beds ^{beds} and Bedding	40.00
One Clock and one Stand	4.00
Harrow	3.50
Notes of Hand	
James Switzer to John Ruckle	57.00
Mr ^s Latham and William Stonehouse	35.90
Richard Stonehouse and Rich ^d Collins	12.20
Micheal and John Jones	4.20
George Shively	12.75
Five acres of Potatoes 6 ^{1/2} p acre	30.00
one five Do wheat 8 Do	40.00
3/4 Potatoes and Corn	8.00
Peas 12 ^{1/2} 1/2 ym 5 ^{1/2} Books 2 ^{1/2} one fork 50	19.00
Fifteen Bushels wheat 107 p lb	26.12
Buffalo robe and Dishes 2 ^{1/2}	4.00
	907.07

John Ruckle } Appraisers
 Benjamin Hopkins }

To His Honor William Lapsbrooke Esquire. Judge of the Sessions
County of Oxford

The Petition of Catharine Empey of the Township of Deereham
in the County of Oxford Widow of the late John Empey late of the said Township
of Deereham. Woman deceased.

Humbly Sheweth

That the late John Empey late of the said Township of Deereham
deceased departed this life at the said Townshipp on or about the fourth day
of June last past intestate. leaving divers goods and Chattels rights and
Credit all within the County of Oxford amounting in the whole to the sum
of two hundred pounds & more as your Petitioner has been enabled
to ascertain. That your Petitioner has searched for but found no will
made by the said deceased. That she asked the said deceased to make
a will but he refused to do so. That your Petitioner is the Widow of the
said deceased. That as yet no Letters of Administration of the goods and
Chattels rights and Credit of the said deceased have been granted. Your
Petitioner therefore humbly prays you Honor will be pleased to grant Letters
of Administration of the Estate & Effects of the said deceased. And
your Petitioner as in duty bound will ever pray.

Woodstock 30 June 1707.

Catharine Empey

Let administration be granted to the Petitioner.

30 June 1707

W. Lapsbrooke
Judge

In the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford.

Province of Canada,
COUNTY OF OXFORD,
TO WIT:

You *Catharine Empey* of the Township of *Windsor* in the County of Oxford, do swear that

you know of no Will made by the late *John Empey* late of the Township of *Orreham* in the County of Oxford, *Grandam* 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 *John Empey* deceased, is under the sum of *Three hundred pounds* of lawful money of Canada, and that the said *John Empey* died at the Township *foresaid* on or about the *fourth* day of *June* in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and *fifty seven* and you further swear that you are the *Widow of the said John Empey deceased.*

So HELP YOU GOD.

Sworn before me at *Windsor* in the County
of Oxford, this *30th* day of *June*

A. D. 18*57*

Catharine Empey

W. Laprotiere

Judge of the Surrogate Court,
County of Oxford.