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Petition of W<sup>m</sup> Bourgeois  
vs David Smith to prove  
the will of his late  
David Smith deceased

To his Honor William Lapham Justice of the Peace Judge of the  
Sovereign Court in and for the County of Oxford

The Petition of John Walth William Burgess and  
David Walth <sup>the younger</sup> both of the Township of East Oxford in  
the County of Oxford Executors under the will <sup>of the said</sup> and  
Testament of the late David Walth <sup>the elder</sup> late  
of the Township of East Oxford in the County of Oxford  
deceased

Humbly sheweth <sup>the elder</sup>

That the late David Walth Tutor of the said Township  
deceased duly made and published  
his last will and Testament in writing on  
about the twentieth day of March 1853 and  
hereby appointed your Petitioners Executors of  
his said last will. and departed this life  
at the said Township on or about the twenty  
fifth day of January <sup>in the year 1856</sup> ~~1856~~ without having  
in any way revoked his said will. That at the  
time of his decease he was possessed of real  
to divers goods and Chattels rights and credits  
amounting to the sum of one hundred and eighty  
nine pounds & thereabouts so far as your  
Petitioners have been able to ascertain <sup>and as respects the said County</sup> that the  
said will has not been proved. Your Petitioners  
being desirous of exhibiting and proving the  
said will pray they may be allowed to do so  
and as in duty bound will ever pray

Waltham Jan. 18 1856

Wm Burgess  
David Walth

an Inventory of the Goods and Chattles  
 of the late David Watt of the Township of  
 East Oxford in the County of Oxford taken this  
 twenty ninth day of January in the year of our  
 Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty two  
 by us test

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one Span of horses	70 " " "
ditto Colt	20 " " "
1 Cow	6 " 5 "
2 Heifers	10 " " "
2 Steers	10 " " "
1 Calf	2 " " "
13 Sheep	10 " " "
Pigs	3 " " "
Waggon	10 " " "
Wheyl	5 " " "
plow	3 10 " "
harrow	2 10 " "
fanning Mill	5 " " "
harness	2 10 " "
Sundries	2 10 " "
2 hay Stacks	2 " " "
3 tables	2 " " "
1 Bot. Chair	1 4 10 " "
Cloth	2 " " "
Stove	6 " " "
Cupboard	2 " " "
small Cupboard	1 6 " "
Sundries	10 " " "

Totals Amount 189 11 3 "

Witness }  
 M<sup>m</sup> Murray  
 David Watt

In the name of God Amen

I David Mattson of the Township of East Oxford  
in the County of Oxford in the Province of Canada  
being of Perfect mind and memory and knowing  
that it is appointed for all men once to die  
do make and ordain this my last will and  
Testament that is to say first of all I give and  
recommend my Soul unto Almighty God who  
gave it and my body to the earth, and as touching  
such worldly estate wherewith it hath pleased  
god to bless me in this life I give and dispose  
of the same in the manner following that  
to say First of all I give and bequith  
to my Son David Matt all my Landed  
property and Real estate also one Span  
of working horses and harness one pair of  
plows and one harrow and farming mill  
and all farming utensils about the place  
I also live and bequith to my Beloved Wife  
the house I now live in with all the furniture  
and house hold utensils bed and bedding also  
one cow to be kept summer and winter  
and twenty five Pounds per annum &  
as long as it shall please god to spare  
her in this world with full power to dispose  
of all the house hold furniture & and the  
Cow as she pleases the Said amount to  
be paid and now to be kept by my son  
David that is the conditions I leave him  
my afore said Property I also live and bequith  
all the rest of my Personal property to my  
son David and I hereby nominate and  
appoint M<sup>r</sup> Burgess of the Township of East

Oxford and County afore said and my son  
David as the sole executor of this my last  
will and testament Given under my hand  
and seal in the Township of East Oxford  
this twentieth day of March in the year of our  
Lord 1855.

<sup>his</sup>  
David X Watt  
mark

Signed and sealed by the  
Said David Watt as his last  
will and Testament in presence  
of us

John Watt  
James Watt

In the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford.

PROVINCE OF CANADA,  
COUNTY OF OXFORD,  
TO WIT:

You, *John Watt* of the Township of *Georgetown* in the County of Oxford

*James* one of the subscribing Witnesses to the last Will and Testament

of the late *David Watt the Elder* late of the said Town *Shippton*

deceased, do swear that you were personally present, and did see the said *David Watt*

sign, seal, publish, and declare the Will now shewn

to you as and for his last Will and Testament and you the said *John*

*Watt* do further swear that the name of *James*

which appears as Witness to the said last Will and Testament of the said

*David Watt the Elder* is the proper handwriting of *him* the said

*James* who, together with you, signed his name in the presence of the said Testator, and at his special

instance and request; and you likewise further swear that you verily believe that the said *David*

*Watt the Elder* at the signing of the said last Will and Testament

was of sound memory and understanding.

So HELP YOU GOD.

Sworn before me at *Woodstock* day of *January* A. D. 18*56*

*John Watt*

*W. J. Stephenson*  
Judge of the Surrogate Court,  
County of Oxford.

In the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford.

Province of Canada,  
COUNTY OF OXFORD,  
TO WIT:

*David Watt the Younger* of the Township of  
*Earl Onford* in the County of *Onford*  
*William Elder* maketh oath and saith, that the late *David Watt the*  
*late* of the Township of *Earl Onford* in the said County —  
*of Eomen* deceased, departed this life, at the said Township on or about the  
*twenty fifth* day of *January* in the year of our Lord, one thousand eight  
hundred and *fifty six*

Sworn before me at *Wassiluck* in the County  
of Oxford, this *30* day of *January* A. D. 18*56*

} *David Watt*

*W. Safford*

Judge of the Surrogate Court,  
County of Oxford.

In the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford.

Province of Canada,  
COUNTY OF OXFORD,

To William Burgess of the Town ship of  
Oxford in the County of Oxford

TO WIT:

the Executor named in the last Will and Testament of the late  
David Watt late of the said Town ship of ~~York~~ deceased, do  
swear that you believe the Will now shewn to you to be the last  
Will and Testament of the said David Watt that you will  
pay all the Debts and Legacies of the said deceased, so far as the Goods and Chattels, Rights and  
Credits of the said deceased shall extend, and by law you are bound: that you will exhibit  
a full, true, and perfect Inventory of the Goods and Chattels, Rights and Credits of the said  
deceased, in the Registry Office of the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford, when you shall  
be, thereunto lawfully required. And you further swear that the Goods and Chattels, Rights  
and Credits of the said deceased at the time of his death amounted to the sum of *one*  
*hundred and fifty nine pounds and five*  
*shillings and sixpence*

So HELP YOU GOD.

Sworn before me at *Woodstock* in the County of  
of Oxford, this *30* day of *January* A. D. *1856*

*Wm Burgess*

*W. Burgess*

Judge of the Surrogate Court,  
County of Oxford.



In the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford.

Province of Canada,

COUNTY OF OXFORD,

TO WIT:

You *David Watt* of the Town ship of *Carleton Place* in the County of *Carleton Place* the Execut<sup>or</sup> named in the last Will and Testament \_\_\_\_\_ of the late *David Watt* late of the said Town *Carleton Place* deceased, do swear that you believe the Will \_\_\_\_\_ now shewn to you to be the last Will and Testament \_\_\_\_\_ of the said *David Watt* that you will pay all the Debts and Legacies of the said deceased, so far as the Goods and Chattels, Rights and Credits of the said deceased shall extend, and by law you are bound: that you will exhibit a full, true, and perfect Inventory of the Goods and Chattels, Rights and Credits of the said deceased, in the Registry Office of the Surrogate Court of the County of Oxford, when you shall be, thereunto lawfully required. And you further swear that the Goods and Chattels, Rights and Credits of the said deceased at the time of his death amounted to the sum of *one hundred and eighty nine pounds five shillings or thereabouts*

So HELP YOU GOD.

Sworn before me at *Woodstock* of Oxford, this *30<sup>th</sup>* day of *January*

in the County }  
A. D. 1856 }

*David Watt*

*W. Safford*

Judge of the Surrogate Court,  
County of Oxford.