Page 42 I Caswell B. Striplin of the County of Sutter in the Satate of California do make publish and declare this my last will and testament as follows that is to say. 1st I desire that all my debts be paid.

2nd I give and bequeath to my daughters Malinda E Curtis and Eliza J. Striplin and to my son Francis M. Striplin the sum of five dollars each.

3rd I devise and bequeath to my son Francis M. Striplin, in trust never the less for the use and benefit of my daughter Mary Striplin and of my sons Augustus L. Striplin Edward A. Striplin and William C. Striplin all the remainder of my estate both real and personal, notes and accounts, except my "Silver Watch and my doubled barrelled shotgun" which I give and bequeath to my said son William and which I desire to have delivered to him whenever he shall have arrived at the proper age to use them. To have and to hold said estate in trust as aforesaid for the support maintainance and education of the said Mary, Augustus L Edward A. and William C. until said William C is Twenty One years of age and then to divide said property or the proceeds thereof with the exceptions aforesaid, equally between said

Page 43 Mary, Augustus L Edward A. and William C. unless he the said Francis M., as such trustee should deem it proper sooner to divide said property or the said proceeds thereof, between said Mary, Augustus L Edward A. and William C and deliver the same to them or either of them.

> I also give full power to said Francis M as such trustee, to manage lease and any and all of said property, and from time to time to invest and reinvest theeproceeds of the same, in any manner that to him shall seem best, in any State or Territory or District of these United States.

And <u>in case</u> the purchase money is not fully paid and a deed procured for the North West Quarter of Section Seventeen (17) Township number Twelve (12) North Range Four (4) East. of land in said County before my death, then I direct that said Francis M. as trustee as aforesaid and Executor of this my last will and testament Complete such purchase and take a deed for the same in trust as aforesaid.

4th I hereby appoint said Francis M. Executor of this my last will and testament and guardian of said Mary, Augustus L, Edward a. and William C. Striplin. In Witness whereof I hereunto subscribe my name and affix my seal this 20 day of June 1868

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Caswell B. Striplin

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On this 20th day of June 1868 the foregoing will was read to the said Caswell B. Striplin and executed by him in the presence of us and each other and declared by said Caswell B. Striplin to be his last will and testament and we subscribe our names as witnesses thereto, at his request in the presence of said Caswell B. Striplin and each other.

> R. C. Denise John J. Grunewald

Filed August 3rd 1868

C. E. Wilcoxon Clerk

In the matter of the last will and testament of Caswell B. Striplin deceased. In Probate Court in and for Sutter County California. Testimony of R.C. Denise subscribing witness to will R. C. Denise being duly sworn deposes and says: I am a resident of Sutter County over the age of twenty one years. I knew Caswell B. Striplin on the 20 day of June 1868. On that day he signed and sealed Whe instrument marked as filed in this court August 3rd 1868 purporting to be his last will and testament.

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I am one of the subscribing witnesses. I also knew John J. Grunewald at the date of said Instrument. He is the other subscribi witness. Said instrument was signed and sealed at the residence of the deceased in Sutter County on the 20 June 1868 in my presence and that of the said John J. Grunewald, and the said Caswell B. Striplin then and there published the said instrument as, and declared the same to be his last will and testament, and requested us in witness thereof to sign the same as witnesses. The said Grunewald and I then and there in the presence of each other and of said testator subscribed our names as witnesses to the said instrument.

I further state that at the time the said Testator executed said instrument he was over the age of Eighteen years, being about fifty; was of sound and disposing mind and not under any undue influence or fraudulent misrepresentations. Testator left seven children living whose names are properly given in said instrument they are all residents of Sutter County. I know nothing about his property.

Subscribed and Sworn to before me this 24th day of August AD 1868 R.C. Denise

C.E. Wilcoxon Clerk BY S.S. Russell Deputy

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John J. Grunewald being duly sworn deposes and says. that he is the person named in the foregoing affadavit as one of the subscribing witnesses to the instrument therein referred to. That he has heard the whole of the foregoing deposition read and knows its contents and that the same is in every particular relating to the said instrument and the heirs of said deceased and the execution and publication of said instrument true and that he so states upon his own knowledge. That as to the property of the deceased he knows nothing.

Subscribed and sworn to before me

this 2nd day of August 1868

John J. Grunewald

C.E. Wilcoxon Clk

By S.S. Russell Dep.

Deposition of Francis M. Striplin

I am the person named as Executor in the document referred to in the foregoing depositions as to the last will and testament of Caswell B. Striplin. I reside in Sutter County. Am over 21 years of age I am the son of said Testator He is dead. he died on or about the 6th day of July 1868 at his residents (sic) in Sutter County. He left estate both real and personal in Sutter County, The Real Estate is properly described in the Petition for the probate of the

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will. Its value I think is about \$500.- The personal property is also properly described in petition but I think the value is placed too high. I think the Two Horses and Wagon are worth about \$400.- The Harness about \$30.- The Gun \$10.- Watch 255\$ (sic) Household furniture \$50.- The account against Curtis for \$261. I regard as worthless.

The deceased left no widow. Mr. Denise One of the subscribing witnesses handed me the document referred to in the preceding deposition as the last will and testament of the deceased stating it to be such and I believe it to be the last will and testament of the said Caswell B. Striplin. The next of kin of said deceased, with their ages are properly named and set forth in said petition. Subscribed and Sworn to before me

this 24 day of August 1868) C.E. Wilcoxon Clerk By S.S. Russell Dep Filed Aug 24th 1868

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In the Probate Court of the County of Sutter State of California

I Phil Keyser County Judge of the County aforesaid, and exofficio Judge of the Probate Court thereof, do PAGE 48.....

hereby certify: That on the 24th day of August 1868 the annexed instrument was admitted to probate as the last will and testament of Caswell B. Striplin, deceased, and from the proofs taken and the examination had therein the said court finds as follows: That Caswell B. Striplin died on or about the 6th day of July 1868 in the County of Sutter State of California; that at the time of his death he was a resident of the County of Sutter; that the said annexed will was duly executed by the said decedent in his lifetime, in the County aforesaid, in the presence of R.C. Denise and John J. Grunewald the subscribing witnesses thereto; also that he acknowledged the execution of the same in their presence and declared the same to be his last will and testament and the daid witnesses attested the same at his request in his presence and in the presence of each other; that the said deceased at the time of executing said will was of the age of eighteen years and upwards was of sound and disposing mind , and not under restraint undue influence or fraudulent misrepresentations nor in any respect incompetent to devise and bequeath his estate.

In Witness whereof I have signed this certificate and caused the same to be attested by the clerk of this Court under the seal thereof, this 24th day of August AD1868. Phil W Keyser

County Judge and Exofficio Judge of the Probate Court Sutter Co. PAGE 49....

Attest: C.E. Wilcoxon Clerk By S.S. Russell Deputy Filed Aug: 24 1868 and Recorded Aug 25 1868 in Book "A" of Wills Record of Sutter Co at ppp 42,43,44,45 & ?

> C.E. Wilcoxon Clerk By S.S. Russell Deputy

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