

Miscellaneous Record, No. 18, Madison County

James F. Lee

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Peres Cowles,) Filed for record the 17th day of Feb A.D. 1913 at 5:22 o'clock P.M.
Copy of Will) Jeannette E. Beck Recorder.

Know all men by these presents.

That I Peres Cowles, of the County of Clarke and State of Iowa, being of sound mind ^{and memory} and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, do therefore make ordain and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, That is to say First, After all my lawful debts are paid and discharged the residue of my Estate real and personal I give bequeath and dispose of as follow to-wit,

The note I hold against Aenoch Cowles I give and bequeath to him it being more or less and the note I hold against Clinton J. Cowles I give and bequeath to him being more or less, I give Abner E. Cowles and Edson C. Cowles, The NW¹/₄ of SW¹/₄ and SW¹/₄ of NW¹/₄ Sec. 21 T. 72 R. 25 And three quarter Sections of land in Jasper County, Iowa I give to Enoch D. Cowles and Watson W. Cowles and The South East Quarter and the South half of the North East Quarter of Section No. fifteen Township Seventy-two Range Twenty-five, and SE¹/₄ of SW¹/₄ Sec 36 T. 72 R. 25, I give to Mariah Russell the North half of the North W Quarter of Section fifteen Township Seventy-two Range Twenty-five I give to George H. Cowles eldest son of Chester W. Cowles, The NW¹/₄ of Section 27 of timber land in Township Seventy-three Range Twenty-four and to Henry Cowles Son of Erastus Cowles, I give One Quarter Section of land situated about three miles north of Pleasantville in Marion County, Iowa To Sophia Smith I give Five Hundred dollars I give and bequeath to Almond E. Cowles, Lots No. Three (3) in Block No. Sixteen in the town of Osceola, Iowa, I give to Almond E. Cowles and Edson C. Cowles Lots No. Two and Three in Block No. 8 in Osceola Iowa. I give and bequeath to Henry Cowles Lots No Seven & Eight in Block No. Fifteen in Osceola, Iowa, I give and bequeath to Mariah C. Russell, Lot No. Four in Block No. Fifteen in Osceola, Iowa.

In Witness, Whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my Seal the 9th day of August, A.D. 1854 (Signed) Peres Cowles (Seal) The above written Instrument was Subscribed by the said Peres Cowles in our presence and acknowledged by him to each of us and be at the same time published and declared the above Instrument to be his last Will and Testament and we at the Testators request and in his presence have signed our names as Witness hereto.

M.R. Lamson

G.W. Howe

E.M. Smith

Attest copy, Attest: John A. Lindsey, County Judge.
State of Iowa Clarke County.

I, A.J. Edwards, Clerk of the District Court of Iowa.

In and for Clarke County, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the Will of Peres Cowles as the same was admitted to probate and now remains of record in my office, in Will Record 1. page 2. Witness my hand and the seal of said Court at my office in Osceola, Iowa, this 5th day of February 1913,

(District Court)
(Seal)

A.J. Edwards
Clerk District Court.