

Homestead

Homestead
and
Business connected
therewith

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Will of John S. Morse
appraisement
Receipts

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Know all men by these presents, That I John S. Morse of Amesbury in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts Esquire, being of sound disposing mind and memory, do make ~~and~~ publish and declare this to be my last will and testament.

- First. It is my will that all my just debts of which there are but few, and none of magnitude be speedily and punctually paid, and the legacies hereinafter bequeathed be discharged as soon as circumstances will permit, and in the manner hereinafter directed.
- Second. I give and bequeath to my grandchildren, children of my daughter Hannah Weed Sawyer, deceased, viz: John Andrew ^{Jackson} Sawyer, Annette wife of Joshua Grant, Ann Lizzie wife of Edward Hunter, Ephraim Alvah Sawyer; Ella Maria wife of William Tison, and ^{Hannah} Francis, wife of Joseph Nowell, to their sole use respectively, two thousand dollars, to be equally divided between them in one year after my decease.
- Third. I give and bequeath to my son-in-law Leonard Sawyer and his present wife, Susan E. Sawyer, the use and improvement of all my land and buildings at the Landing (so called) in Amesbury, to have and to hold during their lives, after their decease it is my will that said land and buildings be sold, converted into cash, and divided equally between all my grandchildren then living.
- Fourth. I give and bequeath to my daughter Sally Maria Neal wife of Phillips J. Neal and heirs, to her own use, two thousand dollars to be paid to her in one year after my decease.
- Fifth. I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary W. Morse six hundred dollars with interest from the fifth day of September eighteen hundred and sixty five (the date of our marriage) which sum is to be paid to her instead of a note which I gave her since our marriage, and is in addition to the marriage contract, which is on record in the Registry of Deeds

at Salem, and may be found among my papers, intending to make in the whole the sum of eleven hundred dollars with interest from the date of our marriage; also it is my will, that she may live in my house where I now live two years after my decease with my son, if she shall choose so to do, and be supported during said time out of my estate; and I am persuaded that out of the regard which my son bears to me, and for the kind attention which my said wife has rendered me, that he will treat her kindly, and not let her want for any thing which she may really stand in need for her comfort and support,

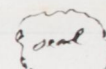
Sixth. I give, devise, and bequeath to my son Ephraim Wied Morse the rest, residue and remainder of all my estate, which I now have, or may hereafter acquire, or to which I may be entitled at my decease; provided he shall come home take charge of, and carry on my farm;

But if my said son shall neglect or refuse to come home after due notice has been given him of my decease, and of the provisions of this will, eighteen months having elapsed, Then in that case I give to my said daughter Sally Maria Neal one quarter part of said residue and remainder, and to my grandchildren above named I give one quarter part of said residue and remainder to be equally divided between them; and the remaining one half part thereof I give to my grandson Edward W. Morse, son of my son Ephraim Wied Morse, to him and his heirs.

Seventh. I ordain and appoint my said son Ephraim Wied Morse executor of this my last will and testament; and having full confidence in his ability, fidelity, and discretion, I empower him for the purpose of carrying out the provisions of this will, to sell and dispose of at public or private sale any of my estate, which he may deem for the best advantage of all concerned, and to pass deeds to convey the same and it is also my request that he be exempt from giving bonds to the

Court of Probate; But if my said son shall decline to come home and accept said trust; or if it shall be necessary to have this will approved before he can conveniently arrive here; it is my will that Joshua Colby Esquire of said Amesbury be appointed to act as executor of this will, untill my son shall have had time to arrive and accept said trust.

In witness of all and each of the things herein contained I have hereunto set my hand and seal this twentieth day of March in the year of Our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty eight,

John S. Morse 

Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the above named John S. Morse to be his last will and testament, in presence of us, who in the presence of the testator and of each other and at his request have subscribed our names as witnesses.

D. M. Fikesbury
Elbridge M. Morse
Nathaniel S. Tilton

Copy of the Will of
John S. Morse Esq
March 20th 1868

Wm. H. Graves

Personal property
Farming implements & Tools.

1 Horse Rake	15 00	3 Hand Rakes	30
1 Plow	2 00	1 Manure Fork	1 00
5 Forks	2 00	3 Shovels	1 00
5 Ladders	5 00	4 Ox Chains	4 00
1 Ox Yoke	1 00	1 Corn Sheller	3 00
1 Lot old Casks	0	1 Sled	1 00
1 Safer Rake	40	1 Harrow	3 00
1 Cultivator	1 00	1 Mowing mill	5 00
1 Cart & mowing	8 00	1 Warming pan	1 00
1 Stone Drag	2 00	1 Iron Bar	1 25
4 Hoes	1 50	5 axes	1 50
1 Hatchet	10	1 Broad axe	75
3 Drawing Knives	5 00	4 Pickles	1 00
Set-chisels Files Gunfiles &c	1 00	1 Gutter Shave	10
3 Hammers	1 50	1 Wood Saw	25
4 Saws	50	3 Wedges	50
3 Augers	1 00	1 pr Cut-hooks	50
12 ft. lead pipe	4 00	2 Oil cans	1 00
1 Set-muscles (3)	50	1 Han Rope	4 00
Meal Bags	1 50	1 Spoke Shave	5
Set-nail boxes, nails &c	75	6 Prythes	1 50
4 Runes	50	3 Bags heads	3 00
3 Prythe smooths	2 00	4 Cider bbls.	3 00
3 Pipes Cider	6 00	200 lbs. pork	24 00
1 Pork Barrel	25	35 flour bbls.	2 00
80 gals. Vinegar			

1 Chaise	65 00	Household Furniture	
1 Old Buggy	5 00	1 Parlor Stove	4 00
1 Concord Wagon	35 00	1 Covered chair	5 00
1 Old Chaise harness	10 00	1 Counterpane	2 00
Curry Comb & Brush bells &c	1 00	1 Cloth for lightstand	5 00
1/2 lb Trace chains	1 00	1 Light Stand	3 00
1 Sleigh	3 00	4 White curtains muslin	5 00
Road scraper	4 00	1 Carpet-	8 00
1 Chaise harness	20 00	1 Bedstead	3 00
1 Grind Stone	8 00	1 Carpet-	8 00
1 Pump	2 00	1 Gilt-looking glass	1 50
1 Meal chest	5 00	3 White curtains	3 00
1 Mattock	75	1 Cane seat-Rocking chair	2 00
1 Wood Tunnel	1 00	1 Hair mattress	20 00
		1 Bureau	7 00
Live Stock & Hay		6 cane seat-chairs	3 00
16 Cords Wood cut	64 00	1 Wood "	5 00
2 Oxen	200 00	1 Desk (back chamber)	5 00
2 Cows	80 00	1 Wairer	5 00
1 Horse	20 00	1 pr. Brass andirons	5 00
12 English tons Hay	250 00	1 " Shovel & tongs	10
Meadow "	80 00	1 Clothes Horse	25-
Salt. "	5 00	1 Light Stand	25-
		1 Wash "	5 00
		1 Chest	5 00
		1 Parlor Stove	5 00
		1 Cherry dining table	3 00

	1 Trunk	2 00	1 Apple parer	25
	1 Rugg	2 00	3 Flat irons	1 50
	1 Table cover	50	1 Table	25
	Yds. Oilcloth	6 00	6 Wood bottom chairs	1 50
	1 Carpet-	12 00	1 Iron Bake pan	25
	1 Sofa	8 00	4 Tin pails	1 50
	1 Plain Carpet	3 00	2 Stone jugs	50
	2 Lamps	2 00	2 Baking pans	10
	2 Curtains	10	1 Skimmer	10
	1 Rocking chair	1 00	3 Tin Bake pans	25
	1 Desk	5 00	1 Stone pitcher	50
	1 Stove	2 00	3 oil cans	50
	1 Clock	25 00	1 Clothes basket	25
	1 Watch	40 00	1 Churn	3 00
	1 Clock (old)	10 00	1 Pr. Bellows	25
	1 Table cover	50	1 Wood box	25
	2 Spy glasses	2 00	2 little Baskets	20
	1 Spirit level	2 00	1 Paste Board	10
	1 Feather bed	15 00	1 Little Warden bucket	10
	2 Pillows	2 00	3 Kitchen roller	75
	1 Bureau	2 00	2 table cloths	2 00
	1 Surveying instrument	30 00	1 Closet	5 00
	1 Table	1 50	1 Rolling pin	25
	1 Stove	18 00	2 Warden sugar bucket	25
	6 Milk pans	50	3 Earthen milk pans	25
	2 Stone jars	1 00	9 Silver teaspoons	4 00
	1 Mortar	10	3 table "	4 00
	2 Earthen bean pots	30	1 Butte knife	1 00
	2 Sugar boxes	5	11 knives & forks	75

Sitting room

Bed room

Kitchen

1 Set China	6 00	Shares in Corporations		
1 Doz. dinner plates	1 50			
2 Covered dishes	2 20	24 Shares Ocean		
1 Glass pitcher	25	National Bank		
4 Decanters	25	Newburyport Mass.	16 80	00
20 Kitchen plates	1 00	2 Shares Pow-wow river		
4 Deep dishes	25	National Bank of		
2 Tumblers	15	Salisbury Mass.	300	00
2 Bowls	15	2 Shares West Amesbury		
1 Lantern	10	Manufacturing Co.	100	00
1 Chuse safe	5 00			
1 Dressing table	2 00	Provisional Notes &		
1 Bolster	1 50	other securities		
1 Linen	1 00			
6 Wood seat-chairs	1 25	2 certificates of		
1 Cushion	10	deposit in Bank		
2 Whole pitchers	10	of San Diego		
1 Lantern	75	San Diego Cal. for		
2 Salt cellars	20	four thousand dollars		
1 Underbed	25	in gold coin	46 00	00
3 Comforters	4 00	Note of Aaron B. Sawyer		
2 Gilt-frame glasses	2 00	amt. Aug. 15	403	89
2 Tea canisters	15	Note of Job Hoyet	198	83
1 Table	40	" " E. A. Sawyer	296	71
6 wood seat-chairs	1 25	" " Richard Cutler	22	60
4 Pews in Baptist Church S. Amesbury	100 00	" " Saphronia Moody	198	80
		" " D. M. Tuftsburg	15 17	30

Signed Joshua Colby
Benj. F. Sargent
E. Budge M. Morse

Amt. of Real Estate
as per Schedule exhibited \$ 12010 00
Amt. Personal Estate \$ 10758 63
\$ 22768 63

Personal Property

Farming Implements and Tools

1	Horse Rake	\$1.50	3 Hand Rakes	.30	15	30
1	Plow	2.00	1 Manure Forks	1.00	3	00
5	Forks	2.00	3 Shovels	1.00	3	00
5	Ladders	2.00	4 Ox chains	2.00	9	00
1	Ox yoke	1.00	1 Corn Shelter	3.00	4	00
1	Lot Old Casks		1 Sled	1.00	1	00
1	Looper Rake	.40	1 Harrow	3.00	3	40
1	Cultivator	1.00	Winnowing Mill	5.00	6	00
1	Cart & Mowing	8.00	Winnowing Pan	1.00	9	00
1	Stone Drag	2.00	1 Iron Bar	1.25	3	25
4	Hoes	1.50	5 Axes	1.50	3	00
1	Watchet	.10	1 Broad Axe	.75		45
3	Drawing Knives	.50	4 Sickles	1.00	1	50
	Lot Chisels Files Gimlets &c			1.00	1	00
3	Hammers	1.50	1 Gutter shave	.10	1	60
4	Saws	.50	1 Wood saw	2.50 ^{25c}		75
3	Augers	1.00	3 Wedges	.50	1	50
12	Rect Lead Pipe	4.00	1 pr Cant Hooks	.50	4	50
1	Set Measures (3)	.50	2 Oil Cans	1.00	1	50
	Meal Bags	1.50	1 Hair Rope	4.00	5	50
	Lot Nail boxes old nails &c			.75		75
4	Planer	.50	1 Spoke Shave	.50		55
3	Scythe Snaths	2.00	6 Scythes	1.50	3	50
2	Large Cider Casks		3 Hogsheads	3.00	3	00
3	Pipes	6.00	4 Cider barrels	3.00	9	00
1	Port barrel	.25	200 lbs Ports	24.00	24	25
40	Gals Vinegar	30.00	35 Flour barrels	2.00	32	00
						\$151.70

1 Surveying Instrument 30

1 Spirit Level 2

1	Chaise	65.00	1 Concord Wagon	35.00	100	00
1	Old Buggy	5.00	1 Old Chaise Harness	10.00	15	00
1	Chain Harness	20.00	Curry comb & Card	Belt & Reel	21	00
1 1/2	Set Trace chains	1.00			1	00
1	Sleigh	3.00			3	00
1	Road scraper	4.00			4	00
1	Grindstone	8.00	1 Mattocks	.75	8	75
1	Pump	2.00	1 Wood Tunnel	1.00	3	00
1	Meal chest	5.00			5	00

Live Stock & Hay

16	Cords Wood cut	64.00			64	00
2	Oxen				200	00
2	Cows				80	00
1	Horse				20	00
12	Tons Hay	25.00			}	335 00
	Mudon "	80				
	Set	5				

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Household Furniture

1	Parlor stove	4.00 ✓	1 Light stand	3.00 ✓	7	00
1	Covered chair	5.00 ✓	4 White Curtains	5.00 ✓	1	00
1	Counterpane	2.00 ✓	1 Carpet	8.00 ✓	10	00
	Cloth for Light stand	35.50 ✓				50
1	Bedstead	3.00 ✓	1 Hair Mattress	20.00 ✓	23	00
1	Carpet	8.00 ✓	1 Bureau	7.00 ✓	15	00
1	Gilt Looking Glass	1.50 ✓			1	50
3	White Curtains	3.00 ✓	6 cane seat chairs	3.00 ✓	6	00
1	Cane seat Rocking chair	2.00 ✓	1 Wood do	.50 ✓	2	50
					66	50

Parlor chairs
Jutting from chairs

1	Desk	50 ✓	1	Clothes Horse	25 ✓	75
1	Walter	50 ✓	1	Light Stand	25 ✓	75
1	Dr Brass Andirons	50 ✓	1	Wash stand	50 ✓	1 00
1	Dr Shovel & Tongs	10 ✓	1	Chest	50 ✓	60
1	Parlor Stove	50 (\$5.00) ✓				5 00
1	Cherry Dining Table	3.00 ✓	1	Trunk	2.00 ✓	5 00
1	Rug	2.00 ✓	1	Table Cover	50 ✓	2 50
	7 yds Oil Cloth	6.00 ✓				6 00
1	Carpet	12.00 ✓	1	Sofa	8.00 ✓	20 00
1	Stair Carpet	3.00 ✓	2	Lamps	2.00 ✓	5 00
2	Curtains	.10 ✓	1	Rocking chair	1.00 ✓	1 10
1	Desk	5.00 ✓	1	Stove	3.00 ✓	8 00
1	Clock	25.00 ✓	1	Watch	40.00 ✓	65 00
1	Clock (old)	10.00 ✓	1	Table cover	50 ✓	10 50
2	Spy Glasses	4.00 ✓				4 00
1	Spirit Level	2.00				2 00
1	Feather Bed	15.00 ✓	2	Pillows	2.00 ✓	17 00
1	Bureau	2.00 ✓				2 00
1	Surveying Instrument	30.00				30 00
1	Table	1.50	6	Wood Bottom chairs	1.50	3 00
1	Stove	18.00 ✓	1	Iron Bakepan	.25	18 25
6	Milk Pans	50	4	Tin Pails	1.50	2 00
2	Stone Jars	1.00	2	Stone Jugs	.50	1 50
1	Mortar	.10	2	Baking Pans	.10	20
2	Earthen Bean Pots	30	1	Skimmer	.10	40
2	Sugar Boxes	25 ³⁵	3	Tin Bake pans	25	50
1	Apple Parer	.25	1	Stone Pitcher	.50	75
3	Flat Irons	1.50	3	Oil cans	.50	2 00
1	Table	.25	1	Clothes Basket	.25	50

Desk chamber
Parlor

Entry

Living room

Bed room

Kitchen

Wash room

1	Churn 3.00	3 Kitchen Rollers .75	291	40
1	pr Bellows 25	2 Table Cloths 2.00	3	75
1	Wood Box 25	4 Chest 1 Closet 5.00	2	25
2	little Baskets .20	1 Rolling Pin .25	5	25
1	Paste Board 10			45
1	little Wooden Basket .10			10
2	Wooden Sugar Buckets .25			10
3	Earthen Milk Pans .25			25
9	Silver Teaspoons 4.00	3 Table Spoons 4.00	3	25
1	cream Spoon Butter Knife 1.00		8	00
11	Knives & Forks .75		1	00
1	Set China Ware Tea Service 6.00			75
1	Box Dinner Plates ¹⁵⁰ & 2 cov'd Dishes 2.00		6	00
1	Glass Pitcher .25	4 Decanters .25	3	50
20	Kitchen plates 1.00	1 Caston .10		50
4	Deep Dishes .25	2 White Pitchers .10	1	10
2	Tumblers .15	2 Bowls .15		35
		2 Salt Cellars .20		50
1	Lantern .10	2 Tea canisters .15		25
1	Cheese safe 50	1 Table .40		90
1	Dressing Table 2.00	1 Underbed .25	2	25
1	Bolster 1.50	3 Comforters 4.00	5	50
1	Quilt 1.00	2 Gilt Frame Glasses 2.00	3	00
6	Wood Seat Chairs 1.25		1	25
			329	05
4	Pews in Baptist Church at South Amherbury. 200 \$100.00		100	00

Newly Recd.

Shares in Corporations

24	Shares Ocean National Bank of Newburyport Mass.	\$ 1680.00	1680 00
1	Shares Powow River National Bank of Salisbury Mass.	\$ 300.00	300 00
2	Shares West Amesbury Manufacturing Company	\$ 100.-	100 00

Promissory Notes & other Securities

2	Certificates of Deposit in Banks of San Diego, San Diego Cal ^a for four thousand dollars in Gold Coin	\$ 4600.00	4600 00
	Note of Aaron C. Sawyer amt. Aug. 15 th	403.89	403 89
	" " Job Hoyt	198.83	198 83
	" " E. A. Sawyer	296.71	296 71
	" " Richard Cutter	22.60	22 60
	" " Sophronia Moody	198.80	198 80
	" " S. M. Tubestury	1517.30	1517 30

Accounts

J. A. J. Sawyer for	\$ 66.00
for ^a C. Richardson	14.00
Theodore Grant	2.50
James Preney	3.05
John Fournier	.70
Joseph Estabrook	2.00
Gilbert Davis	12.50

Amount of Real Estate as per Schedule exhibited	\$12010 00
And Personal Est do do do	<u>10758 63</u>
	\$22768 63

Signed Joshua Colby
Benj F. Sargent
Edwidge M. Morse } Appraisers

Merch^e

Household Furniture	\$298.05
Shares in Corporations	2040.00
Prominory Notes & other Securities	7238.13
Property employed in business	<u>1142.45</u>
	10759.63

The Farm containing 94 acres
Dwelling House & outbuildings \$8680.00

Old House 40.00

Barn

Mill House & Mill (Cider) 200.00

3 acres at Pine Hill (woodland)
(There are 4 acres in the tract save in N.H.)

3 acres Salt Marsh at Salisbury \$160.00

3 $\frac{3}{4}$ acres land at Landing

{ Buildings on same House Barn } \$20.00.00
{ and shop }

{ 15 Rods land & buildings at Mills \$1000.00
{ Village

{ 10 Rods Land & buildings at Rings
{ Island

\$ 300.00

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Inventories & Affidavits
Office copy

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Armsbury Mass Dec 1st 1873
Received from E. W. Morse one
San Diego City Bond of the denomination
of one thousand dollars and one
yoke of Oxen, ^{and one Cow} in full for all
claims or demands for myself
and wife against the Estate of
John W. Morse late of Armsbury
deceased.

L. Sawyer

Leonard Sawyer

Receipt

Dec 1/73

Amesbury Sept. 24th 1873

Received from E. W. Morse Executor of
the last Will & Testament of John S. Morse
late of said Amesbury, deceased, the
sum of nineteen hundred thirteen ⁵⁰/₁₀₀
dollars (\$1913.50) being in full for the
legacy bequeathed me by the will of
said deceased, and also in full of all
demands against the estate of said
deceased.

Mary W. Morse

Receipt of M. W. Morse
Nov 1874

Nov 24/74

Pay E.W.M. \$60 being interest due
me on my certificate of deposits dated Aug 9/74
for the 3 months ending Aug 9/74 currency

Nov 24/74

Please forward the interest as it falls
due upon my certif.

to my address at this place either by P.O.
O. or draft on W.G. as may be best
& safest.

Very W. Man
Care Dr H. G. Miller
262 Benefit St
Providence
R.I.

Delivered above originals to
Hubbell Jan 14/74

May W. Morse

Memorandums

William Colby
Friday July 3^d
to

at 1⁰⁰ per week

13 Maple Sugar

14 See page 293 (Oct.) '74 of the
Scientist, Am. for an
article on page 225
Railroads Bulls on the track
Send Gunn

15 Plan of Haverhill
Home

~~16 Spoons~~

~~16 Marine Insurance~~

17 Burrells for Honey

18 Get paper at Alders
Howards letter
Preserve for its intention
about shipping

19 Whaler

20 John Clement present

21 Edmund Baskets + Tools

22 Write Darnall when we
are coming
do do whaler

23 Pay for fixing wagon

24 Laura

25 Send deed to Miss Gould
and have her sign it.

1 ~~Locate points for
Photographic views~~

~~2 Well Hole for Sarah~~

~~3 Fix Lane~~

4 Trim Trees

5 see cemetery

6 List of trees
+
how set out

~~7 Break out of Mowing Land~~

~~8 What name on Edwards Whip~~

~~9 Tiltons Sweet Apple~~

10 Edward trade

~~11 Arrives with Gordon
stage~~

12 Salzer Probate

Edward chips
Philip "

Elbridge

Hard wood for
Edward

Beck why not saw

Posts

Price 20⁰⁰

2 loads lumber
on Sunday

one tree 19 logs
are log 5 feet through

Brush out of mowing grounds
Tilton was to have brush
for firing it up

Boards for carriages

Hay - sell - Tilton

Give Round Whelps fins
of Corn

Who dig holes for
trees

How Mark ^{making post} top +

Pike ^{who marks}
Sargent
Goodwin
Jedkins of Hosh

~~Philip did you
wheel over that
tbl from the lot~~

~~chips~~

618.33 in Bank
389. " Pocket

~~957~~
\$957.

J. A. J. \$300.
Edward 100.
Mary 750.
Moon Est 236.
Coupons 100.

\$786.

Coupons 100
 486.
Str. fare out }
Jag } 300.
 } 1186.

Check favor Edward 50.00
Moon Est 236.61

must use

Andrew 233. 233.33
Edward 50. .50

Mary 40. 233.83
Moon 236.
Str. fare out }
Jag } 300.
 } 459

618.33
233.83

384.50

Aug	21	\$ 884.	draft from San Diego
Sept	2	500.	
"	8	1050.	Bond to Moore Sargent
"	29	150.	
"	30	660	Bond to firm Patton Sargent
Oct	14	290	
	14	350	Elbridge loan
	18	109	Check for Aaron
	21	1554	" " Ocean Bank

For value received I
promise to pay Mary A. Bay or
her order, one hundred and fifteen
dollars and fifty six cents, (\$115.56)
on demand with interest.

Mary C. Morse

October 1st - 1873.

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Saturday June 13th

Met W. H. Haskell said he had just come from Mr Pearson who was going to N. D. soon was moving down, asked me if I had seen him wished me to see him and said he wanted me to assure him that he had nothing but the most friendly feelings towards Mr P. see

Saw B. F. Sargent he said he could not have regretted the affair ^{more} if it had been his own brother, he believes this would be such a lesson that he would be more truly wro than ever before - that he would hold up both hands to have him remain as cashier & he himself would go his bonds (and he owns 130 shares of the Bank Stock)

-over

Berry (Municipal Merchant) felt very
sorry for Mr Pearson would have
as much confidence in him now
as ever thought it would be re-
laxed he would never forget.

For
~~San Diego~~

Amesbury
Memorandum