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Robert Pitcairn asks Sarah Longbottom, granddaughter of William Brower, to accept him as agent for younger heirs in reclaiming estate of Nicholas Brower. Asks for her contribution. Encloses copy of will of William Brower.

See DOC B-2 for another letter to Mrs. Augusta Longbottom--Sarah Augusta was her full name.

See DOC B-38 for original will of William Brower.

To: Mrs. Sarah Longbottom

Madam: Sometime since your grandfather Mr. William Brower put into my hands a power of an attorney with his will, a copy of which you will find enclosed. You will see by that you are entitled to its benefits by paying in your proportionable part to prosecute for the same. We, the rest of the heirs of Mr. Nicholas Brower, have concluded to do so. We have commenced and obtained some part of the legacy left to this 6 daughters namely the Wantappen Falls (sic). We are now about prosecuting for property your grandfather had a right in. Therefore we want to know your determination about the same. We ask the heirs to put in \$50 for each respective family and that would fetch your part to pay in \$16.67, there being 3 of your mother's children. Mistress Cannon, your half sister, has already paid in her part as well as Daniel Brower and Jeremiah have put in part of their quota and intend to pay in the rest as soon as possible. I could mention a great many that have joined us but I presume you would not know them if I did.

Mrs. Manning's children have all joined and William Powers and his sister have joined and paid in their money to the amount of \$84. Some of them we ask the heirs to pay in but if they are fearful of obtaining which there is no cause for by their releasing their claim to me, I will double the amount and be at all the expense myself of prosecuting and procuring all necessary papers of transferring the same.

You will please to recollect your grandfather left no other property but what was willed to him by his father Mr. Nicholas Brower but he might of obtained that which was very great if he had tried but he never did; that we are well aware of. I would have wrote (sic) you before but could not find where to direct to. Please answer this as soon as possible after the receipt and communicate your intentions. If you conclude to do as the rest and join remit to me by mail the amount specified \$16.67 and I will send the receipt of the same as directed. At any rate, write for if you do not choose to join but had rather sell to me I want to know at as early a day

as possible so that I may wait on you with the transfer before commencing the suit and obtain your signature.

Yours Respectfully, Robert Pitcairn

PS: You can learn more the particulars by calling on Mrs. Cannon, 238 Delancy St. NY 1.

COPY OF THE WILL OF MR. WILLIAM BROWER

In the name of God, Amen. I, William Brower, of the city, county and state of New York, yeoman, being weak of body but by God's grace sound of mind and memory, blessed be Almighty God for the same, do make this my last will and testament in manner and form following:

First, I give or resign my immortal soul to my creator and my body to Christian burial.

I then order all my debts and funeral expenses to be fully discharged, paid and settled.

I then give and bequeath my eldest son, by name Caleb Pell Brower, the 1/8 part of my estate being wheresoever it may be found.

Then I give and bequeath my second son Jeremiah Brower the same or one equal eighth part of my estate.

Then my son Daniel Brower I also give and bequeath another eighth part of my estate.

Then my son Jacob Brower I also give and bequeath another eighth part of my estate.

My son John Brower I also give another eighth part of my estate.

Then my son William Brower I also give and bequeath another equal 8th part of my estate.

They each paying their proportionate part of the money to prosecute for the same.

The other 8th part I desire to be equally divided between my 3 daughters namely Caroline, Amy and Sarah or the respective heirs of their bodies forever.

And, lastly, I do hereby nominate my two sons Daniel and John Brower as my executors to this my last will and testament as witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 26th day of June 1849.

Signed: William Brower

Witnesses: Caroline Manning, Cornelia Manning, Robert Pitcairn.

NICHOLAS BROWER

WILLIAM BROWER

WILL DATED 6/26/1849

