

551 sign said instrument and he believed them to be of sound mind, and the same was established as and for the last will and testament of Jesse Moorman and Rebecca Moorman Deed, and as such was ordered to be recd. whereupon the same and this certificate have been duly recorded.

Attest Jno E. Monarch Ck. P. C. C.

examined I Hiram Bruce of the County of Breckenridge and State of Kentucky being in ordinary health and of sound mind, wishing to make a disposition of my property different from that made by law, in case of intestacy do make this my last will and testament. First: As my estate if divided out would not be sufficient for the comfortable support of each member of the family, and would better contribute to that end, if kept together in the hands and under the control and management of one person, and as I confide fully in the discretion and affection of my beloved wife Mary V. Bruce, I hereby bequeath and devise to her during her natural life or widowhood the whole of my estate of every kind and character, whether real personal or mixed, whether in possession or in action, and I also authorize and empower her if she judge it necessary or expedient during her said widowhood to sell barter or dispose of any species of property of which I may die seized and possessed and to execute the proper writings & conveyances to pass the title to the purchaser. It is my desire in such case to vest her with full power to pass the title to the said property without any restriction, the purchaser not being required to look into the necessity or expediency of the sale. Her act of sale being sufficient evidence of either or both. The proceeds of said sale or barter to be held as the property sold or bartered during her life, or widowhood. She is also authorized with the proceeds to purchase other property which is to be held by her for the time and on the condition stated above. It is expected and desired by me, that the family remain together with and under the care & charge of my wife until they marry or attain the age of 21 years, at which time my wife may make such advancement

to them as she can conveniently, or may think proper to do. Her discretion whether to give any thing, if any thing, how much is to be wholly unrestricted. I save that she is not authorized to give to any child more than its equal portion of my estate. It is my desire that my wife having the care and charge of my children as afe shall have power during her widowhood to sell ~~use~~ or dispose of any of my property for her & their proper support, maintenance, support and education if it shall turn out to be necessary. In case my wife make any advancements to my children she is to keep an account of said advancements and their value at the time they were made. In case of the marriage of my said wife or at her death if she do not ~~renew~~ again the property devised above or such as may remain after the proper support & maintenance of her self and children as above provided for, together with such property as may have been required by her by virtue of the power given to her in a previous part of this will shall go and pass as follows viz: One third of the personal property and the proceeds of the personal property then remaining to hold absolutely forever and $\frac{2}{3}$ of the lands and real property or proceeds of slaves and real property then remaining to hold for & during her natural life - and the other $\frac{2}{3}$ to vest & pass to my children living at the time of her said marriage and to the descendants of any of my children who may be dead to be equally divided between them the descendants taking the share only of them through whom they claim. If she do not marry she at her death the whole of the property remaining be equally divided between my children afe & their descendants in the manner stated above. In making the divisions the advancements made or to be made by me to any of my children, together with any advancements made by my wife in pursuance of this will, shall be taken into the estimates at the value named in the accounts of advancements kept by myself and which my wife is also requested to keep. The parts which may fall to my daughters in the division of my estate is intended to be vested in them for their sole and separate use, free from the control or debts of any husband they may have or may afterwards have. I hereby appoint my wife Mary V. Bruce executrix of this my last will & testament - And as I do not

expect to leave many debts behind me, I wish the Court to permit her to qualify with giving bond as executrix. In testimony whereof I hereto set my hand this 20th February 1856

Witness.

Jesse H. Kincheloe.
Peter Skillman.
Richard S. Morris.

Hiram Bruce.

I make this codicil to the above will, since it was written I became guardian for my grand daughter Ella or Elnorah Morris who afterwards inter married with Wm Hensley - and as guardian I loaned to Hiram B. Bruce my son the sum of One hundred dollars of her funds - and upon settlement as guardian I gave to her the said note in payment which she still holds said note is still unpaid & is not now collectable I therefore revoke my will so far as it gives him an equal part of my estate to this extent, that the said Ella Hensley is to receive of his part, that is the share coming to the said Hiram B. Bruce under my will to the amt due on said note principal & interest (the note will show the date) before he takes any thing under my will, after the note is satisfied he takes the residue, but to the amt of the note & interest she is substituted to his rights under my will. Witness my hand this 7th day of June 1881.

Witness.

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I make this additional Codicil to my Will: as guardian for said Ella or Elnorah Morris as stated in my first codicil, I loaned of her funds to my son David H. Bruce the sum of Seventy four & $\frac{25}{100}$ dollars (\$74 $\frac{25}{100}$) bearing interest from the 19th day of May 1863 and which I accounted for in settlement as guardian. Since then my said son has failed and refuses to pay said note with interest except the sum of Eight & $\frac{28}{100}$ dollars (\$8 $\frac{28}{100}$) paid August 17-1871, I therefore revoke my will so far as it gives him any part of my estate to the extent of this note with interest (\$74 $\frac{25}{100}$) with interest from May 19-1863 until my death subject to the credit aforesaid of \$8 $\frac{28}{100}$ August 17-1871, and this note with interest is to be fully paid out of the share of my estate coming to said David H. Bruce before he takes any thing under my will

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 Witness my hand this December 1st 1890.
 signed by Hiram Bruce
 and acknowledged in our
 presence and by us in his
 presence as witnesses.

December 1st 1890

R A. Humphrey.
 M. D. Humphrey Jr.

Kentucky Preckinridge County Court.
 Regular Term Sept 8th 1892.

The foregoing instrument of writing was this day
 produced to Court and the body of the same was
 duly proven by the oath of Richard S. Morris one
 of the attesting witnesses thereto, and the first
 Codicil was proven by the oath of John P. Haswell
 one of the attesting witnesses thereto, and the second
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 phrey Jr one of the attesting witnesses thereto, and
 the same (both the body of the instrument and the two
 codicils) were established as and for the last will
 and testament of Hiram Bruce deceased and as
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 this certificate have been duly recorded.

Attest John E. Manarch Clerk. P. C. C.

Examined I Joseph Best of Stephensport County of Preck-
 inridge State of Kentucky, do make this my
 last will and testament, thereby revoking any
 and all former wills I may have made.
 I give and devise to my beloved wife Eliza Best
 in lieu of her dower, the one third of all my real
 estate consisting of three houses and lots now
 being and situated in the City of Louisville Ky
 and one half interest in one Mill and Lot in
 the town of Stephensport Ky. known as the
 Shingle and Lath mill - during her natural life
 and all the household goods & furniture provisions
 and other personal property which I may have
 at my decease during natural lifetime as
 aforesaid, my just debts however being paid
 first. I further make the following exceptions
 to the devise to my wife. that my son Joseph