

Sovereign and if there is any thing left of my estate I give it
 him to dispose of as he sees proper.
 Given under my hand this the 31 day of August 1872
 Samuel Pierce
 William Pitt

Franklin County Court
 Monday September 16. 1872
 A writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Mrs. Octavia
 Pierce ditto was produced in Court and proven by the oaths of Samuel Pierce
 & William Pitt, the subscribing witnesses thereto; Whereupon It was
 ordered that said will be received - Which is done
 Attest: Jas. C. Crockett, cfer.

Saml Pierce - I Samuel Pierce of the State of Kentucky, County of Franklin and
 being of sound mind do hereby make my last will and testament
 in manner and form following, that is to say:
 First - I desire that all the perishable part of my estate be
 immediately sold after my decease & out of the money arising
 therefrom all my just debts & funeral expenses be paid - Should the
 perishable part of my property prove insufficient for the above purposes
 then I desire that my Executor hereafter named may sell such land
 as he may set apart using his own judgment & after the payment
 of my debts & funeral expenses I give to my Grand Son, John S. Pierce and
 his wife Mollie fifty acres of land on the Rocky Branch the home place
 where he now lives including Spring & Spring, Et. c. to be enjoyed by them
 forever. 3. I give to my son Stephen Pierce a tract of land adjoining
 the land he now owns in Sulphur like Twenty five acres, more or
 less, - the place where his son James Pierce lives, to have and enjoy
 forever. - 4. I give the same farm to my wife Susanna, to
 during her life & desire my Executor to attend to the farm & raising
 for her, if she should marry again, I desire my Executor not to let
 any thing be wasted or timber be destroyed on the Meadows house
 After the death of my wife I desire said house & farm divided among
 Stephen Pierce's four children, namely, James A. Pierce, Martha
 J. Burchfield, Albaine Pierce, Stephen Pierce Jr. & William Pierce
 to have and to hold forever. 5. I desire to give my two daughters
 Martha Robts & Jane Parsh, three hundred dollars apiece - to
 have them out of my perishable property - one hundred dollars has
 already been paid Martha Robts so my Executor can pay her two
 hundred dollars & lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my Grand Son
 John S. Pierce my Executor of this my last will and testament to act
 without bond, having full confidence in him, hereby revoking
 any former wills or testaments by me heretofore made,
 In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and aff

my Seal this eleventh day of June in the year 1872.
 Signed Sealed & delivered as
 for the last will and testament
 of the above named S. Pierce in
 the presence of us.
 W. M. Breston
 William Pryor
 Henry Burchfield

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Franklin County Court, Monday September 16. 1872.
 A writing purporting to be the last will and testament
 of Samuel Pierce ditto, was produced in Court and proven by
 the oaths of W. M. Breston & William Pryor, two of the subscr-
 ibing witnesses thereto; Whereupon It was ordered that said
 will be received - Which is done.
 Attest: Jas. C. Crockett, cfer.

Widow - I Dr. Rodgers of Franklin County having now lived beyond
 the allotted period of human life, and being advanced too
 in the ordinary course of human nature I must die, and wishing
 to set my house in order in every respect so far as I can,
 I do hereby ordain, establish and publish this following to be
 my last will and testament hereby revoking all former
 wills, devises, testaments or Codicils.

First - I give and bequeath unto my will beloved wife Frances, for
 and during the term of her natural life, all of my property of
 any kind or way description whether real personal, or mixed, of which
 I may be possessed at the time of my death, after my debts and
 funeral expenses shall have been paid.

After the death of myself and my wife, the said Frances, or the
 survivor of us, I direct that my property of every description
 shall be divided in kind among my heirs, so far as may be
 practicable, by Appraisers or Commissioners to be chosen by my
 Executors or Administrators or appointed by the proper Court and any
 property not susceptible of being thus divided, or equalized by such
 property, may be taken by any one or more of my heirs at valuation
 by consent of the other heirs or majority of interests in my estate.

I hereby appoint as Doctor hereof my Son Abner Rodgers and
 William Rodgers.
 Witness my name and Seal in Franklin County
 Kentucky, on this 21st day of October A.D. 1872

Franklin County Kentucky, Set
 Me the undersigned President of