

Franklin County Court

Monday November 1st 1875

A writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Amalyllis C. Pitt died was produced in Court and proven by the oaths of John R. Hendrick and James H. Brownham the subscribing witnesses thereto. Whereupon it was ordered that said will be recorded. Which is done

Jas. G. Crockett, Clk. C. C.
By Howard, J. C. H. C.

Pleasant Valley Franklin County

August 6th 1869

In the year of Our Lord One thousand eight hundred and sixty nine August the 6th I William Hodges being of sound mind and disposing memory do hereby ordain and approve this as my last will and testament. I will and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth the disposition of the estate of which I possess after payment of all of my just debts. I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth to her use during her natural life my certain tract of Homestead Land with the appurtenances thereunto belonging about Six hundred and forty acres together with sufficient quantity of Horse Cattle and Hogs also in need farming utensils to farm with also all of my household and kitchen furniture.

It is my own desire that after the demise of my wife Elizabeth the above said Homestead Land with the appurtenances thereunto belonging shall be sold at Public Auction so far as the same through the efforts and acts of my Executors and I wish that the same shall be reserved the Grover Ward with a half acre of land and a sufficient piece here to go to it and back. It is my will that all the partnership lands same be sold as soon as practicable after my demise also the remainder of the Stock and Farming utensils and pay off all or any debts that are justly due from the proceeds of said sale. The residue of the proceeds to be disposed of as follows.

I give and bequeath from the avails of the aforesaid Land Sales to each of my Grand-children viz. Elizabeth Roberts, An Elizabeth Lear, Ruth Jackson, William Jackson and Jane Jackson. One fifth of the half of the proceeds of said sales. Exception 1st - Except Two Hundred Dollars which I give and bequeath to Miss Elizabeth Claughery in consideration

of the attentions in my family during various illnesses of several of its members and my gratitude for the same. Exception 2nd I give and bequeath to my Nephew James W. Gill One Hundred Dollars in consideration of my love and affection for him.

Exception 3rd I give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth Two Hundred Dollars and the remainder of said proceeds of said sales which will be the half of the half of the proceeds of the sales. I give and bequeath to my Grand-daughters viz. Helen Hodges and Mary Hodges each.

The said monies to be paid to each of the aforesaid mentioned as soon as it is collected from the proceeds of the said sales.

Except the said children that are not of age and as soon as each become of age the said Administrator and Administratrix shall pay them and the said monies to put out on interest until they arrive of age or become married then it must be paid over to said children.

Exception 4th I give and bequeath to my Grand son William Jackson One horse worth one hundred Dollars and my bridle and saddle and my watch. Last I do hereby make and appoint my wife Elizabeth my Executrix and James W. Gill my Executor to fulfil and execute this my will and Testament and not be required to give security.

In Witness whereof I do hereunto set my hand and seal this 6th day of August 1869.

Attest Amalyllis Pitt
William Hodges
John W. Sargent

Franklin County Court

Monday October 4th 1875

A Writing purporting to be the last will and testament of William Hodges died late of this County was produced in Court and proven by the oaths of John W. Sargent a subscribing witness thereto who also proved the attestation of Amalyllis Pitt the other subscribing witness. Whereupon it was ordered that said Will be recorded

Which is done

Jas. G. Crockett, Clk. C. C.
By Howard, J. C. H. C.

Hodges
William