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In the Name of God "Amen"  
 I Francis L. Lewis of the County of Bladen and  
 State of North Carolina being of sound mind  
 and memory. Blessed be God, do make publish  
 and declare this to be my last Will and Testament  
 set on the sixth day of August one thousand  
 eight hundred and fifty in manner and form  
 following. viz:

- Item 1<sup>o</sup> To pay my just debts and funeral expenses.  
 Item 2<sup>o</sup> I give and bequeath unto my Nephew Francis  
 James Lewis Son of Thos. S. Lewis Two hundred  
 acres of land including the plantation whereon  
 I now live also thirty six acres joining the for  
 said plantation by myself also one Doorel Mare  
 three Cows and Calves. Also one bed and furniture  
 one Leather Covered Trunk, one large Chest one  
 large Bed -  
 I give and bequeath to my niece Lucy Ann  
 Lewis daughter of Thomas. S. Lewis. Four tracts of  
 land two of tracts acres each one of Fifty acres  
 and one of Twenty five acres the three first men  
 tioned tracts patented by Thos. S. Lewis and one  
 reserved to him to me also one Bed and furniture  
 three Cows and Calves and one large Chest.  
 I give and bequeath to my niece Mary Eliza  
 Lewis daughter of Thomas. Lewis. Three tracts of land  
 one of Sixty two acres one of twenty five acres and  
 one of Fifty acres. The two first mentioned tracts was  
 patented by myself and the last I bought of  
 Phillip Reeder. Also one Bed and furniture three  
 Cows and Calves and one large Chest.  
 I give and bequeath to my niece which is an  
 infant daughter not named of Thos. S. Lewis.  
 One hundred and twenty acres of land lying on  
 the Black Lake and three Cows and Calves.

The residue of my Estate, both Real and  
 Personal not above bequeathed. I leave to be  
 divided among the minors arising from the sale  
 evenly divided between all the lawful  
 issue of my son Thomas S. Lewis.

I do nominate constitute and appoint my worthy friend  
 John. Shaw. Executor to this my last Will and Testament  
 signed sealed published and declared in presence of

David Lankaw *Z*  
 Duran. Lewis *J*

A. C. Lewis *Acab*

State of North Carolina *Z* May 20<sup>th</sup> 1850 -  
 Bladen County. *Z*.

In the Name of God "Amen"  
 I John. Brewster of the State and County aforesaid  
 being of perfect mind and memory. Blessed be  
 God for it, do make this my last Will and Testament  
 in manner and form following.

I give and bequeath to my loving wife during her  
 life time the use of all my land with all the appurte  
 nances belonging thereto. And all the farming tools and  
 utensils. and all household and kitchen furniture. and all  
 the Cattle and Sheep and Hogs. and four head of Horses  
 and two Miles. and the Poultry and one set of Black  
 smith tools.

And I give and bequeath also the farming man  
 negroes. John Joe. Isaac. Miller. Comfort. Shucky. Sarah  
 Joilian. Hardy. Lucy. Lydia. Stevens

The above named negroes are to be equally divided  
 among my children after the death of my wife  
 except what shall be hereafter named.

I give and bequeath to my son W. J. Lee  
 after the death of my wife. all my  
 real improvements. houses.

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arising therefrom after my death, should be furnished one half the labor, that is required to make profit after my death.

I give him also after my death three negroes Fortune, Patric, and Carolina. Four Cows, one Mare named Cato, from sheep after my wife's death. & give him one Negro, named John.

After the death of my wife I give to my daughter Elizabeth Kirby. One Negro boy named Tom, and two she had given her at her marriage Lewis and Mass. and Cows and Bed and Bed Clothes.

After my death I give my daughter Jane Murphy a negro girl named Eliza, and two she had in possession named Rose and Daniel, and some Cows and Bed and Bed Clothes.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary R. Hamel, after my decease three negroes named Sam, Edick and Alexander, and four Head of cattle, four Head of sheep, a Bed and Bed Clothes with their increase.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Anna Probstow, two negroes named Virgil and Eliza, and four Head of cattle and four Head of sheep and Bed and Bed Clothes all of which she had in possession.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Hattie C. Sloan. after my decease four negroes named Melly and her two first born children, and one Bed and Bed Clothes, and six Head of cattle and four Head of sheep all of which she has in possession.

I give to my daughter Anna M. Brumfield, three negroes named Isaac, Eliza, Isabel, and one Bed and Bed Clothes, and four Head of cattle and four Head of sheep with their increase.

In the name of God "Amen."

I Richard Cheshire of the County of Colleton and State of South Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind, blessed be god, for the same do make, publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament. this the 21<sup>st</sup> day of October in the year of our Lord, One thousand Eight hundred and forty two, in trust and form following namely:

First after paying my just debts and funeral expenses I give and bequeath unto my wife Gardiner Cheshire the whole of my Estate both Real and Personal during her natural life and then after her death to be disposed of by my Executors hereafter to be mentioned, in manner and form following. That is the whole of my estate Real and Personal to be sold and the proceeds to be divided as follows.

First I give to my daughter Alice Singletary, and her heirs the sum of Two-hundred dollars, and then the balance of my Estate to be divided equally between my sons Richard Cheshire and Bryan Cheshire, Nicholas Cheshire and Catherine Cheshire, and Malsey Allin, and their heirs and assigns forever.

And I do make publish and ordain my worthy friends Richard Bryan and Samuel Lewis, Executors to this my last Will and Testament as witness whereof I the said Richard Cheshire have executed, signed, sealed, published and declared this to be my last Will and Testament revoking all former Wills by me made, signed and sealed in presence of us, who were present at the signing and sealing thereof.

David Willis 3  
Eleanor Lyon 3

<sup>his</sup>  
Richard Cheshire <sup>and</sup>  
<sup>mark</sup>