

RECORD OF WILLS.

In the name of God "Amen"

I Margaret Smith of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina - being of sound and perfect mind and memory do make this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following.

I give and bequeath to my daughter Harriet V. Bidwell during her natural life, my tract of land purchased from my son Samuel C. Gause known as the Mineral Spring Plantation except my half acre lot and Summer House and improvements thereon. And the half acre including the Church reserved for the use of the Methodist Society.

I give and bequeath to my son Samuel C. Gause and his lawful children forever the residue of my said Mineral Spring Plantation after the death of my daughter Harriet V. Bidwell. And in the event of his death without lawful children to my Grandson William Tonn, and my Grand daughters Princess Ann, Tonn and Mary Jane Gause.

And in the event of the death of either of my said Grand Children, without lawful issue to the survivor or survivors of them.

And I also give and bequeath to my son Samuel C. Gause, my half acre lot and Summer House and other improvements thereon.

I give and bequeath to Harriet V. Bidwell during her natural life my negro Woman Jenny and her increase.

I give and bequeath to my son Samuel C. Gause and his lawful children forever my negro Woman Mariah and her increase. Also my negro Woman Jenny and her increase. After the death of my daughter Harriet V. Bidwell.

In the event of the death of my son Samuel C. Gause without lawful children. I give said negroes Jenny and Mariah, and their increase to my Grand Children, William Tonn, Princess Ann, Tonn and Mary Jane Gause and in the event of the death of my said Grand Children without lawful issue to the survivor or survivors of them.

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I give and bequeath to my daughter Harriet V. Bidwell during her natural life, my riding Horse and Double Buggy and Harness. All my stock of Cattle sheep and Hogs. my Household and Kitchen Furniture farming utensils and Plantation tools. and my

I give and bequeath to my son Samuel C. Gause my Bay Mare and Sully also my riding Horse Double Buggy and Harness all my stock of Cattle sheep and Hogs. my Horse Road and Kitchen Furniture farming utensils and plantation tools. after the death of my daughter Harriet V. Bidwell.

It is my Will that the Property bequeathed to my daughter shall be kept together and managed and employed in the best way for her use and benefit. And that my son Samuel C. Gause will live with her. Care and provide for her.

I do hereby Constitute and appoint John C. Smith my Executor to this my last Will and Testament. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand this the 17th day of October Eighteen hundred and thirty nine -

Margaret C. Smith

John L. McKay
Ch. E. McKay

In the name of God "Amen"

I Edmund Davis of the County of Bladen and State of North Carolina, being now in a sound state of mind but well knowing the Frivolity and uncertainty of human life do hereby make and Constitute this my last Will and Testament.

In the first place I give and bequeath to my wife Eliza Davis, two hundred acres of land which I now live during her natural life. After her death equally divided between our children.