

Will

Last will and Testament

~~Antoinette~~ Antoinette G. Brich,
of Salem County, New Jersey

In the name of God, Amen

I, Antoinette G. Brich, of Salem in the County of Gloucester, and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following: that is to say:

1. That my executor hereinafter named, pay my burial expenses together with my just debts, howsoever and to whomsoever owing, out of the Monies that may first come to his hands as a part or parcel of my Estate.
2. It is my will and desire, that my sister G. W. Wray after my decease, take my daughter Sarah G. Brich, who is under her care and charge, and it is further my Will, that my said sister G. W. Wray receive out of my Estate the sum of \$200. each and every year, until my said child Sarah G. Brich shall have attained the age of ten years;—and after the expiration of the said ten years, the sum of \$1000 for the extra use and benefit of my said daughter Sarah G. Brich.
3. I give and bequeath unto my sister G. W. Wray all my house hold-furniture, which belongs to me, in the house I now occupy, as long as she may make use of it, and afterwards to my daughter Sarah G. Brich and her heirs forever.
4. It is my will, that none of my property, whatsoever, shall be sold at public sale.
5. I give and bequeath to my sister Rebecca M. in her married state Henry S. Shultz, my old bureau and the sum of one hundred dollars to her and heirs forever. And the sum of one hundred dollars to the Female Mission Society of Salem, and two hundred dollars to the Home Mission Socy of Salem.
6. I give and bequeath to Charles Brich, of Salem my best set of harness and the sum of one hundred dollars; to Levin Brich,

my carriage and the sum of one hundred dollars; to Lucretia Kirby, the sum of one hundred dollars; to Lucretia Small the sum of twenty five dollars; to my mother Ann M. Buzge of Bethlem Penn the sum of one hundred dollars; to Abigail Hunt the sum of ten dollars; to Ann Kelly the sum of fifty dollars; and to Rebecca Plumber the sum of twenty dollars; to them and their heirs forever.

I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah C. Kirby all my books, papers, &c. and all my clothes, &c. to her and her heirs forever; but my sister G. F. Buzge, to take all under her care, until my said daughter Sarah C. Kirby either may make use of it, or when she becomes of age. Should however my said daughter Sarah C. Kirby depart this life before she arrives at the age of twenty one year, then the property mentioned in this paragraph, together with all the property, monies, notes, land or whatsoever it may be, that may have come from me to my said daughter Sarah C. Kirby is to go to the children of my said sister Rebecca M. who married with Henry A. Shultz, share and share alike.

And whereas, I hold some land near Germantown, near the Court House for the County of Stokes, which may not be sold at my decease, it is my will, that my Executors sell all my lands, I possess at my decease, either at public or private sale to the best advantage, and the proceeds of such sale to be paid to my said daughter Sarah C. Kirby, and make conveyances to the purchaser or purchasers, and also my promise which I have made, to make conveyances for land sold (after payment made) - to fulfil, and execute title to the same.

It is my will, that my sister, G. F. Buzge give after my decease to each of my friends or acquaintances whom she will think proper a token of remembrance of my goods & chattels, not otherwise bequeathed.

10 My Will and desire is, that all the residue of my estate, after taking out the debts & legacies above mentioned be paid over to my ~~wid~~ and daughter Sarah C. Kirby and her heirs forever.

11 I do hereby constitute and appoint my much beloved friend, Christopher C. Tucker, Guardian of my daughter Sarah C. Kirby.

12 And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my much beloved friend, Christopher C. Tucker, my lawful Executor of this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and declaring all being void, all other wills & bequest, by me heretofore made, in witness whereof, I the said Lucretia M. Kirby, do hereunto set my hand & seal this 7th day of January A. D. 1849.

Signed, sealed, published and declared to be such, Lucretia M. Kirby to be her last will & testament in the presence of us, who at her request & in her presence do subscribe our names as Witnesses thereto.

John W. Stickner Just.

Charles Cooper Just.

(Lucretia M. Kirby)

John George's last Will and Testament

In the name of God! Amen.

I John George of the County of Stokes and State of North Carolina being old and on the decline of life and knowing it is once appointed for men to die and after death Judgement being of sound mind, and disposing in memory do publish this my last will and testament with that worldly affairs it hath pleased god to bless with just I bequeath my soul to god who gave it hoping to share with him at the last day in his glory there, at his right hand forever.

Secondly I bequeath my body to the dust, whither it is taken I bequeath my worldly estate in the following words viz -

and my daughter Charlotte intermarried with John Cornetius and her heirs, and my daughter Susannah Hunter.

I will that my son Jeremiah Hunter shall have my house stock my carriage and my rifle gun and shot gun.

I give my daughter Charlotte intermarried with John Cornetius one hundred, besides the one she already has. I also gave her a saddle and now give in this will four dollars in money.

I give to my daughter Susannah Hunter two feather whips, one banner, also eight dollars and fifty cents in money in view of a dowry I also give her one flag-stick worth four dollars.

I also will that my daughter Susannah have a right to live on my Land and get her support from the Land until she arrives to the age of twenty years.

I will that all the Land I now own shall be equally divided in value, but this division is not to divide the timber, as there is but little timber on part of the land.

I will that all the timber remain undivided and kept for the use and benefit of the plantation of both the parties. This division is to take place between my son Jeremiah Hunter and my daughter Charlotte intermarried with John Cornetius and unto Charlotte's heirs, which valuation is to be assessed by two disinterested men chosen for that purpose by Jeremiah Hunter and John Cornetius and of the two disagree in the valuation for the arbitrators to choose the third man at the same time I give unto my son Jeremiah Hunter, choice of the so divided tract and if he should not choose the building for him to be paid to.

all the above named Lands are to belong unto Jeremiah Hunter and Charlotte Cornetius and her heirs, with this proviso that my daughter Susannah Hunter holds on to the Land.

Jeremiah Hunter and Charlotte Cornetius and her heirs until Jeremiah Hunter and Charlotte Cornetius and her heirs pay unto her three hundred dollars, that is to say Jeremiah Hunter pay one hundred and fifty dollars as his part, and Charlotte Cornetius and her heirs one hundred and fifty dollars as their part, the above Jeremiah Hunter and Charlotte Cornetius and her heirs to pay interest on the above named sums

after the 30th day of October 1851 and after she receives one hundred and fifty dollars from each of them, then her claim on the Land will then cease forever, and I herewith nominate and appoint my beloved friend, Rhoda Hunter my executor to this my last will & testament in testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the year and date above written, signed, sealed and delivered, in the presence of us.

John Hunter

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up all of the stock, farming tools, household and kitchen furniture, after paying off all my just debts, during her natural life and at her death, for all of the property to be sold, and the amount thereof to be equally divided among all of my children. — I hereby constitute my beloved wife sole executrix of this my last will & testament receiving all other former wills by me made, in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal, this 26th day of July, in the year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & Eighty nine.

Signed, sealed, published & declared,
in the presence of us who are called
in by his request to witness this my
last will & testament.

John Haskins
James Martin

David Watkins

No 5

W 5 Last Will & Testament of Elias Lashmit

+ In the name of God amen
I Elias Lashmit son of the County of Stokes, and
State of North Carolina being of sound and per-
fect mind and memory. Upon the 20th day of this
fifteenth day of September in the year of our Lord
one thousand eight hundred & forty two do make
and publish this my last will and testament
in manner following that is to say First I give
and bequeath to my son Thomas Lashmit, all the
land I possess together with the house and im-
provements also all of my personal property of
every description upon this condition that my
son Thomas shall lawfully maintain and sup-
port myself and wife during both of our
lives also that my son Thomas is to pay
to my daughter Sally Howell sixteen dollars
also sixteen dollars to my daughter Mary Green
as regards the rest of my children I have here-
tofore care to each one the share I intended
for them and I hereby make and ordain

my son Thomas Lashmit my executor of this my
last will & testament. — In witness whereof
I Elias Lashmit to this my last will have set
my hand and seal in the presence of on the
day and year above written.

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Jas. Stafford
James Thomas

Elias Lashmit

Last Will & Testament of Joseph Banner

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+ In the name of God! Amen.
I Joseph Banner of the County of Stokes
and State of North Carolina, being at present
weak in Body, but of sound mind and memory
do hereby give and bequeath to this twentieth
day of September one thousand eight hundred and
forty six make and publish this my last will and
testament, first of all I recommend my soul into
the hands of Almightly God that gave it and my
body to the dust from whence it came to be buried
in a Christian like manner; and as regards such
worldly Estate wherewith it hath pleased God to bless
me with in this life it is my will that all my just
debts may be paid, and that my executor do so
much of my real or personal property as he in his
judgment may think most fit & proper for that
purpose, after at publication, it is my will that
the remaining portion of my property may remain
and my executor is so requested to hold it in
with my brother Philip Banner during his natural
life together with the property bequeathed to me by
my sister Mary Martin and then it is my will that
whatever property may remain after satisfying my
debts as before stated either real or personal that it
come to my brother Benjamin Banner, or his
heirs in witness whereof I nominate ~~Benjamin~~
and appoint my brother Benjamin Banner my
executor of this my last will & testament whereof I
have hereunto set my hand & seal, the day & year
above written signed sealed & acknowledged in the
presence of
John Clayton Jr.
Philip Banner

Joseph Banner

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 + Last Will and Testament of W^m Hunter.

State of North Carolina }
 Swain County }

In the name of God Amen
 I William Hunter knowing that I am in the
 decline of life and know that the approach
 of my departure must not be very far off
 being yet of God & around me thank be
 to God for the same to this 31st day of July
 1829. Make this my Last Will & Testament, to
 dispose of my earthly property wherein the God
 hath blessed me with and do herewith make
 the following disposition thereof to wit:-

1st after recommending my soul to God who
 gave it & my Body to be buried after a
 Christianian order: I will in the first place that
 my Executor pay all my just debts soon after
 my decease the money to be made out of such
 of my property as my wife Anna Hunter can
 spare the best which my Executor is to sell at
 private sale.

2nd I have given to my daughter Rachard
 intermarried with Jacob Long one Cow & half one
 bed & furniture Two pewter plates and one Chair.

3rd I also gave Salomy my daughter, intermarried
 with W^m Larrison one Cow and half one bed and
 furniture two pewter plates & Chair.

~~4th I give unto my daughter Lissa Hunter one Cow
 and half one bed and furniture Two pewter plates
 and one Chair.~~

5th I also gave to my daughter Polly intermarried
 with Joseph Taylor one Cow and half one bed and
 furniture Two pewter plates and one Chair.

6th I also gave to my daughter Sally intermarried with
 Joseph Taylor one Cow and half one bed and fur-
 niture Two pewter plates and Chair.

7th I give unto my daughter Lissa Hunter one
 Cow and half one bed and furniture Two pewter plates
 and one Chair.

8th I give unto my daughter Peter Hunter one Cow and
 half one bed and furniture Two Pewter plates and one

9th I give unto my daughter Anna M. C. Hunter
 one Cow, one half one bed and furniture
 Two pewter plates one Chair.

10th I will that my beloved wife Anna Hunter
 live on the Plantation and when I have
 lived and in the house I now live in during
 her natural life & shall possess the same during
 her life for the support of her support. It is
 to have full possession of it to property
 that I may be possessed of it at the time of my
 death which property to be personal & real
 she is to hold & make use of for her support
 during her life with this proviso that she pay
 off enough of the property to be bequeathed to
 pay the debt with reference to the first
 clause of the Will.

11th I will that after the death of my wife Anna
 M. Hunter that all the personal that may re-
 main my Executor shall make a full
 thereof, after paying all necessary expenses
 shall make an equal division of the money
 arising from the sale between all my children
 to wit my daughter Rachard intermarried with
 Jacob Long my daughter Salomy intermarried
 with W^m Larrison my daughter Polly intermarried
 with Joseph Taylor my daughter Lissa intermarried
 with Joseph Taylor my daughter Sally intermarried
 with Joseph Taylor my daughter Anna M. C. Hunter
 to between them all equally divided & I will that
 after the death of my wife my son Winston
 Hunter shall have all my debts provided
 he will pay unto my son Thomas Hunter
 one hundred Dollars & he agrees to make
 of my son daughter named in this will
 and of my son Winston agrees to take
 the land on their hands. It is to be
 sold and the money arising from the sale
 to be divided among all my above named
 children so as to make them all share
 equal & also in my whole estate.

I further more nominate and appoint my
 beloved friend Thomas Sprinkle and my

I have two Houses joining each other
if my wife wish it so she can take the
one & my son Thomas the other one said Thomas
must keep all the buildings in good repair at
his own expense and said Thomas must furnish
my wife yearly in such articles as is hereafter
named viz Ten Bushels of wheat, fifteen
Bushels of Corn two hundred pounds of pork
the fifth part of all the hay made on my
plantations, three pounds beef, three pounds
of Wax, ten pounds tallow one Bushel of Salt
eighteen pounds of Coffee, Ten pounds of Sugar
two pair of Shoes such as she wants & plenty
firewood but if it be so that my son Thomas
should depart from this world before my
wife the yearly pay is null and void that
I made on my plantations till her Death.

I also will that two sixpenced persons
lay of a year's provision from my estate as
soon as convenient after my Death.

Item I will to my son Thomas Leonard
all my lands except the life estate of my
wife killed in a former item which he
is account to my estate for four hundred lbs
and I also will to him his saddle & a Shovel

May he now calls his own and one Cow
I will to my daughter Rebecca Leonard Twenty
Dollars in money one Bed & furniture and
Ten Whet worth of them she now claims
One cow and one calf for choice one sheep
her choice this is to make her daughter Re-
becca equal with my daughter Lydia that
I advanced her at her marriage. Item I
will that my son Thomas and my son in
Law Josiah Seibach take my negro George
in turn till the death of my wife at the
rate of thirty five Dollars a year, & they must
feed him with warm clothing, & the hire
of said Negro shall be divided amongst my
three children share and share alike and
after the Death of my wife I will my
negro George to my son Thomas and if said
Thomas went take him I will said Negro

George to my son-in-law Josiah Seibach
and the one that takes said Negro is to
account to my estate three hundred and fifty
Dollars. Item I will that the balance of my
property belonging to my estate shall be
sold at public Sale by my executor on such
credit as they may see proper, and that
they have powers sold and hereby empowered to make
good Deeds to my son Thomas for all the
land according as it is willed. Item I will
that there shall be a final Settlement of my
estate except of my two Negroes and at the
Settlement of my estate I will that my wife
and my three children get equal proportion
share and share alike ^{for as much as they are worth} ~~that they shall be~~
final Settlement of my two Negroes at the Death
of my wife if one or both of these Negroes should
die before my wife those that they are willed to
they shall not account any thing to my estate
for said Negroes and at the settlement of said
Negroes I will that my three children get equal
proportion share and share alike. I do hereby
constitute and appoint my son Thomas Le-
onard and my son in Law Josiah Seibach
my lawful executors to all intents and
purposes to execute this my last will and
testament according to the true intent and
meaning of the same and every part and
clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring
utterly void all other wills and testaments by
me heretofore made in witness whereof I have
signed and hereunto set my hand and seal
this is the 8 day of January A.D. 1732.
signed sealed published
and delivered by the said
Peter Leonard to be his last
will and testament in pres-
ence of us who at his request
in his presence and in the
presence of each other do sub-
scribe our names as witnesses thereto.

William Offutt
Jes. Hanson

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Peter Leonard
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Test Will & Testament of Thomas

Shelly of Salem State's Court North Carolina
Thomas Shelly of Salem State's Court, deceased.

I, the undersigned, being of legal age and sound mind, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the last will and testament of the said Thomas Shelly, deceased.

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Don 31st 1841, under bond 100,000, payable to the order of the said Thomas Shelly, deceased, for the use of the said Thomas Shelly, deceased.

Test Will & Testament of John Black

I, the undersigned, being of legal age and sound mind, do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the last will and testament of the said John Black, deceased.

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Last Will & Testament of George Thut.

In the name of God Amen.

I George Thut of the County of Davis the & State of the Carolina being of good health & sound mind and memory - but calling to mind the mortality of my body, & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make & ordain this my last will & testament. That is to say - principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God, that gave it, and my body I commend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial, at the discretion of my Executors. - I do hereby such worldly things wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give devise & dispose of the same in the following manner & form.

1. I will & bequeath unto my daughter Lucretia White, Ten Dollars.
2. I will & bequeath unto my son Solomon, the house he now lives in, with all the land East of the house leading along the road from his house North, to Solomon Spanglers line, with all the improvements to appertaining thereto.
3. I will & bequeath unto my daughter Mary May to have, my home stead land, all that of said land, with all the improvements to appertaining to her & her heirs.
4. I will and bequeath to my son Henry dec. children my Negroes Antoinette, Mary one dollar each.
5. I will and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth dec. (as was the gift of George Spanglers at her decease) a silver Watchman, Simon, Martin & Charles fifty dollars each.
6. I will and bequeath to my grand daughter Caroline one dollar.
7. I will that after my death that all my personal property here with & to be taken for value to be sold public sale except my horse and appurtenances, that I will and bequeath to my daughter Mary - and after all my personal effects are paid, with all my debts & what I have received by abovementioned, should there be any surplus I will that my daughter Mary Magdalena have it; for her kind support in taking care of me in my latter days. Lastly I declare

in the and ordain, Witness My Hand, sole Executor of this my last Will and Testament, this 10th day of July 1851, and no other, to be my last will & testament to be witnessed by 2 witnesses, I set my hand and seal this 10th day of July 1851.

Signed, sealed in the presence of
J. C. Thomas. George Thut
Wm. Thorton. marks

William S. Marshall's Last Will & Testament.

I the name of William S. Marshall of the County of Davis the & State of the Carolina being of good health & sound mind and memory - but calling to mind the mortality of my body, & knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die, do make & ordain this my last will & testament. That is to say - principally and first of all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of Almighty God, that gave it, and my body I commend to the earth to be buried in decent Christian burial, at the discretion of my Executors. - I do hereby such worldly things wherewith it has pleased God to bless me with in this life, I give devise & dispose of the same in the following manner & form.

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5. I will and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth dec. (as was the gift of George Spanglers at her decease) a silver Watchman, Simon, Martin & Charles fifty dollars each.

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Signed, sealed in the presence of
J. C. Thomas. William S. Marshall
Wm. Thorton. marks

Last Will and Testament of
John Conrad dec.

I, John Conrad of the County of Forsyth & State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, to make and declare this my Last Will & Testament in manner and form to wit:

First: That my Executors hereinafter named, shall provide all those things necessary for my burial, and pay all my funeral expenses, together with all my just debts, however & to whom due owing, out of the money that may first come to their hands, as a part or parcel of my estate.

Secondly: I bequeath unto God, my soul who gave it.

Third: I give and bequeath unto my wife Margaret Conrad, a certain piece of land, called the Spiders Tract, which is situated between my house, and so by acres of the same length of a certain branch on the same tract, called the Wacker Tract, also about thirty acres of land lying North of the Shallen Tract, and, being part of the Wacker Tract, which lands I give to her during her natural life, ~~and after her death~~ to my son John J. Conrad and Isaac Conrad's heirs, also a negro boy, ~~which I give to my son John J. Conrad and Isaac Conrad's heirs~~ also I give her nine hundred dollars in cash, for her own use, to do with as she may think proper; also a lot of a mare which is now with foal for her own use; also she is to have one year's support to be laid out of my stock and provisions on hand she is likewise to have all her clothing and property which belonged to her before our intermarriage, as the same is given in a certain marriage contract entered into before our intermarriage; also she may make up clothing, or bed furniture herself to be to the true intent and meaning of the said marriage contract.

Fourth: I have given unto my son John J. Conrad the lands and negroes where he now lives at a former valuation of ten thousand & six hundred dollars.

Fifth: I have given to my son Isaac Conrad his lands and negroes at a former valuation of ten thousand & six hundred dollars, making my two sons equal in valuation of what I have heretofore given.

Sixth: I give to my son John J. Conrad my plantation on which I now live, together with all my lands and mills

also the lands I purchased of Williams, together with the lands I have given to my wife during her natural life, at a valuation of nine thousand five hundred dollars. All of which lands are to be given, at his own discretion, to one of my Grand sons, Augustine E. Conrad, William J. Conrad, or John J. Conrad at the above named valuation.

Seventh: I give to my son Isaac Conrad's heirs nine thousand five hundred dollars to be equal with my son John J. Conrad's lands.

Eighth: I give to my heirs the lands bought of Smith & Miller to be equally divided after making sale of the same, half to John J. Conrad & the other half to Isaac Conrad's heirs.

Ninth: I give the value of my negroes which shall be put to sale to be divided equally between my heirs, half to John J. Conrad & half to Isaac Conrad's heirs.

Tenth: I give to Augustine E. Conrad, one thousand dollars, to William J. Conrad one thousand dollars, to Elizabeth Ann Conrad one thousand dollars, and to John J. Conrad one thousand dollars.

Eleventh: I give to my son Isaac Conrad's heirs five thousand dollars to be equal with my son John J. Conrad's five thousand.

Twelfth: I give all my household and other furniture to be divided after making sale equally among my heirs, together with all my debts, accounts, and estate whatsoever, and whatever kind to be equal with my son John J. Conrad, and my son Isaac Conrad's heirs, half to John J. Conrad & half to Isaac Conrad's heirs.

And lastly: I do hereby conclude and appoint my son John J. Conrad my lawful executor to all which and purposes to be sent this my Last Will and Testament, according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part & clause thereof, hereby revoking and declaring all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made.

In Witness whereof, I the said John Conrad do hereunto set my hand and seal, this the 30th day of Feb. 1830.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said John Conrad to be his last Will & Testament in

the presence of us who at his request & in his presence
do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

Attest
John Conrad Esq^r
Saml & Dinkley Sndy Moock
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the Moock Thomas moock

South Western & North Western

(Now) the birth of my will reads that it is to
be equally with my son John J Conrad & my son Isaac's
heirs; it should be one half to my son John J Conrad &
the other half to my son Isaac Conrad's heirs, to the intent
and true meaning of every part & clause thereof in
witness whereof I set my hand and affix my seal this the
15th day of August 1861.

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Sndy Moock

John Conrad

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I Jacob Stet of the County of Stokes and State of North
Carolina being of sound mind and memory but consider-
ing the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make &
declare this my last will and Testament in manner
and form following that is to say: first that my exec-
utors (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a de-
cent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and
friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my
just debts (however and to whomsoever owing), out of the
monies that may first come into their hands as a part
or parcel of my estate, Then I give and devise to my beloved
wife Eliza Stet, all my household and kitchen furniture
of every description, together with my stage waggon during
her natural life, or wherever a likewise all the money that
may be on hand at my decease, and that are not here-
afterwards otherwise disposed of, Then I give and devise
to my eldest son Joseph Stet, all that tract of land
whereon he now lives, containing one hundred and
fifty acres, to have and to hold him and his heirs in
fee simple forever, Then I give and devise to my second son
David Stet, all that tract of land whereon he now
lives containing one hundred and fifty two acres, to

to have and to hold him and his heirs in fee simple for-
ever, Then I give and devise to my third and youngest son
David Stet, all the homestead tract of land, on which
we now live, containing one hundred and twenty acres,
to have and to hold him and his heirs in fee simple for-
ever, and further, I give and devise to my son David Stet
my metal clock, and my wheathorn; Then I give and
devise to my second daughter Elizabeth Smith, wife of
David Smith, five dollars, to be paid to my executor,
within two years from the time of my death out of any
monies belonging to my estate not otherwise disposed of
which sum together with the advancement she has
from me at the time of her marriage and sundry
small advancements since that time will make her
a fair and equitable portion according to the value
of my personal estate, to be hers and at her disposal
absolutely forever. Then my will and devise is, that all
the residue of my estate (if any) after taking out the
debts and legacies above mentioned shall be equally
divided share and share to my children hereinafter
named namely Smith, Joseph Stet, John Charles
Polly, Mary, David Stet, Polly Maryingers, and to
wit Stet to them and each and every of them their
executors administrators and assigns absolutely and for-
ever, and further, it is my will and devise, that upon
the decease of my beloved wife Eliza, all devised to her,
shall be equally divided share and share, among the
abovesaid seven children. And lastly I do hereby
constitute and appoint my trusty friends Joseph Stet
and Jacob Stet (my sons) my lawful executors, to all in-
sight and purposes to execute this my last will and
Testament according to the true meaning of the same
and every part and clause thereof, hecks, writing,
and declaring utterly void all other wills and testa-
ments by me heretofore made in witness whereof, I the
said Jacob Stet do hereunto set my hand, and seal
this the 15th day of February A.D. one thousand, eight
hundred and thirty six.

Signed, sealed published and declared,
by the said Jacob Stet to be his last

David Stet Esq^r
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will and Testament in presence of us who
at his request in his presence & in the pre-
sence of each other do subscribe our names
as witnesses to the said will and Testament

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File No. 1 1st Will & Testament of Jacob Tiger

In the name of God! Amen.
I, Jacob Tiger of the County of Stokes and State of North Carolina, being of sound and perfect memory and mind, blessed be God, but weak in body, do this twenty seventh day of April the Thousand Eight Hundred & Forty Eight make & publish this my last will and testament, in manner and form following, to wit: after paying all my just debts & funeral expenses I give, bequeath, & devise to my beloved wife Sarah, all my lands with their improvements thereon, & all my personal property of every description except such part as may be necessary to make sale of, for to pay the debts which I am owing, & for other expenses which may accrue & for her to have full possession during her natural life, and at her decease it is my & devise that my nephew Henry Tiger, son of my brother Henry Shurt, have the said lands & possessions, together with all the personal property that may be left at her decease, provided that he the said Henry Tiger take good care of my wife Sarah during her life, for in the said Henry Tiger I do not trust but he is a kind and friendly manner, that she is at liberty to dispose of all the property, to who she pleases by Will at her death.

And I hereby make and ordain Anthony Bell my executor of this my last Will & Testament.

Witness my hand, & the said Jacob Tiger have to this my last will and testament set my hand, & seal the day and year first written.
Signed, stated & published by the said Jacob Tiger to the witnesses in the presence of us who are present at the signing, & solemn the same.

Witness
William Thompson
Henry Battle

X In the name of God! Amen.

W 19
George Langenauer, of the County of Carroll & State of North Carolina, being weak in body, but of sound mind & memory, do make this my last Will & Testament this 15th day of July 1851, in the manner following.
I give unto the Almighty God my soul from

from whence it came, and my body to be buried in a decent manner.

Ist My Executor herein named is to make sale to the highest bidder of all my property not in here bequeathed, & to pay all my just debts & funeral expenses.

I^{2d} I give and bequeath unto my daughter Catharine and her heirs all my land belonging to me at present, for her and her heirs to have and to hold forever, provided that my personal property could not be sufficient to pay my debts & funeral expenses then my Executor shall have as much of my land off of the north end as to pay all off, or if any not paid and my daughter Catharine with her heirs to pay until all debts are paid, my land shall be sold.

I^{3d} I give and bequeath unto my daughter Elizabeth Shuman one dollar, to my daughter Sabina wife of John Shuman one dollar, and to my daughter Mary Shuman one dollar for them to have and to hold forever and no more.

I^{4th} I have stated for my Executor to sell all my property, but have come to another conclusion only to sell sufficient to pay my just debts, if any surplus of property or money from sale, I give and bequeath unto my daughter Catharine & her heirs for them to have & to hold it forever.

I^{5th} I hereby appoint my cousin Philip Langenauer as sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament, wherein to I have affixed my hand & seal this day 15 years above and now.

Witness, signed & on the presence of

Geo. Benson

And Willard

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1st Will and Testament of George Kethrick
In the name of God! Amen.

I, George Kethrick of Carroll County, North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last will and testament.

Ist I desire that after my death, my body may be decently buried, my funeral expenses to be defrayed out of my estate.

I^{2d} I give and bequeath to my son Stephen the Northern section on which there is a tract of land to be returned to

of my hands, and that my beloved wife should be
left the sole support of the infant. Therefore to her sole use
and the stock of the said my business and personal estate of
all kind, and for use to her.

He has paid, by law, that after the decease of my wife
his estate shall be an equal part all my children, to be
divided as it amounts of the same among all my children
I have by my wife C. besides the inheritance with my
children, Henry C. Robert D. and Frederick Hinman,
and also as widows of them Shaw and Shawville.

What is further, my wish, that, after the decease of my Mother, Emma Eliza W., all the furniture, belonging to me in the house, house and kitchen utensils, and all the rest, of my property & residence - not brothers concerned - be sold by my Executors at public sale and the proceeds of such sale be divided among all my children, or the survivors of them share and share alike.

11) It is my will that my Executors sell all my lands &
tenements, houses & what I have & possess not my pen-
nies and my goods &c.

and chiefly to provide suitable and efficient instruction in swimming. To my much interest, friends, to assist me in my efforts have entered 4 pupils, having together in first, fifth and vestiment, consisting of the lives of the and movements of the arms and legs, and various strokes, body working, and sending the body into the hills and bottom of the water.

On the 1st of January, 1861, the said Victoria C. Whining, a female of our band, did send this 9th day of January, 1861, to the said J. B. Newman, Esq.,

[illegible]

I hereby certify that said Frederick W. Hinman, a Commissioner of the General Land Office, has been duly appointed as such, and that he has taken the oath of office and qualification, and is now acting as such.

In the name of God Amen. I John Henry Smith of Salem County, New Jersey, being of sound mind & memory, but of much bodily infirmity, do this 11th day of October make and execute this to my last will & testament in manner & form following:

I will that my executor shall see that all debts due me & all owing by me shall be settled.

2. I care that all my personal and not estate shall be left
to my beloved wife Sabina. I shall, so long as she
lives and further I will that the interest accruing on the
estate of my share of stocks in the Bank of Cape Breton
be not falling to her so long as she lives.

And will that gentle wife I have & to by reports this
day the whole of my estate will be present & I shall be able
my name on hand of her & I shall be able to express my
love & I shall show me share with her.

17th It is my desire and wish henceforth that in case my dear
dear wife, Salina Thoby should at any time be disposed
to surrender my house and lot in the town of Salem to
any children, & in case my children should wish to dis-
pose of the house and lot they may cause my exe-
cutor or some other friend to dispose of the same & in
the event of one of my children should take the lot & the
house herein mentioned the price agreed for the premises shall
when a final division is made after the decease of my wife
be paid out of his share of the legacy.

So I do heartily recommend and offer to my son William
as the only one of my executors of this my last Will and Testament
trusting all other Wills to be by no means valid and
this to be my only last Will & Testament.

The undersigned hereby have presented at my board
& approved and seal the date of the 11th October 1939
Signed, sealed & acknowledged John Henry Threlkeld

good, useful & not unenjoyed
 in the present of us.
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 Standing together

Charles Krumm's Will.

In the name of God Amen.

I Charles Krumm of Salem Forsyth County, State of North Carolina, being of sound mind disposing mind and memory make and publish this my last will and Testament, in manner following vizt) It is my will that after my decease, all my just debts, and funeral expenses be paid out of my estate.

2) It is my Will that my beloved Wife, Eliza Wilkerson keep possession of my dwellings & out houses, with all the kitchen furniture household & kitchen furniture whatever as long as she remains my Widow.

3) It is my will that my Executor shall sell at public sale or private sale, and property left at my decease which my said wife is willing to part with, & that the proceeds of said sale be paid over to my said wife Eliza Wilkerson, as an assistance for the education of my children.

4) It is further my will, that if my said wife should after my decease marry, enter into the state of matrimony again, that my Executor or guardian of my children, appoint & good witnesses unconnected with the family take all the aforesaid property left in the hands of my said wife, & that my dwelling house with all the outhouses on the lot I now possess, be sold either at private or public sale, agreeable to the laws of North Carolina & the proceeds of such sale, as well as the property sold as above be divided, & shares one share to my wife Eliza, & the other 3 shares among my surviving children share & share alike.

5) It is the desire of my estate not to be named I give to my said wife Eliza during her widowhood.

6) And it is my will, constitute and appoint my executor friend Edward Beto, my Executor & Guardian of my said children of this my last Will and Testament, have to execute all my former Wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the 24th day of February in the year of our Lord 1859 signed sealed published

I declared to the Testators as his last Will and Testament in presence of us.

Wm. W. W. W.

W. W. W.

Charles Krumm (Testator)

George W. W. W.

I George W. W. W. of the County of ... State of ... being of sound mind disposing mind and memory make and publish this my last will and Testament, in manner following vizt) It is my will that after my decease, all my just debts, and funeral expenses be paid out of my estate.

2) It is my Will that my beloved Wife, Eliza Wilkerson keep possession of my dwellings & out houses, with all the kitchen furniture household & kitchen furniture whatever as long as she remains my Widow.

3) It is my will that my Executor shall sell at public sale or private sale, and property left at my decease which my said wife is willing to part with, & that the proceeds of said sale be paid over to my said wife Eliza Wilkerson, as an assistance for the education of my children.

4) It is further my will, that if my said wife should after my decease marry, enter into the state of matrimony again, that my Executor or guardian of my children, appoint & good witnesses unconnected with the family take all the aforesaid property left in the hands of my said wife, & that my dwelling house with all the outhouses on the lot I now possess, be sold either at private or public sale, agreeable to the laws of North Carolina & the proceeds of such sale, as well as the property sold as above be divided, & shares one share to my wife Eliza, & the other 3 shares among my surviving children share & share alike.

5) It is the desire of my estate not to be named I give to my said wife Eliza during her widowhood.

Jack Sherry Will

I Jack Sherry of the County of ... I do hereby give and bequeath unto my beloved wife ... the ... and do here this my last will and testament in manner and to the following, that is to say

That my executors (bearing other names) shall provide for my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends, and pay all personal expenses together with all my debts, household and all other debts owing out of the money that may first come into their hands a part or parcel of my estate

I give and devise to my beloved son William Sherry the half of all my lands containing two hundred and seven acres and which I value at one thousand dollars, which will make his part to contain one hundred & thirty and a half acres valued at five hundred dollars, meaning the tract on which he now lives, containing one hundred and twenty two acres or thereabouts and enough of the west end adjoining the lands of John Sherry (or about it) twenty nine acres conveyed to me by Thomas Sherry to make his complement to one hundred and thirty and a half acres. It is my wish & desire that he take his part of all acres of the said twenty nine acres at the west end of said tract adjoining his tract which he purchased of Thomas Sherry to have and to hold to him and his heirs forever.

I give and devise to my beloved wife Francis Sherry the one half of all my lands namely the tract on which I now reside and am now living, and situated one South fourth creek containing four or five acres, with all the improvements there on to have and to hold to her the said Francis Sherry, for and during the term of her natural life and after her death to my beloved daughter Melina Sherry to have and to hold to her and her heirs forever - and in case the said Melina Sherry should die without any heirs, then to William Sherry and his heirs - It is further my will and desire that my beloved wife keep the household of Frankling Jones until he becomes of age in the occupation of, not being my executor was to bring him out of it to clear my estate I will and bequeath unto my son William Sherry my Pen and Book Case and my Bible - I will and bequeath to my daughter Melina Sherry my dressing and all that belongs to it, also my walnut Chest, also one Bed room and two Bed room Trunks and one spinning wheel and one cotton wheel and Reel, and after the death of her mother the said Melina is to have my house clock, I will to my daughter Melina Sherry one cow and calf - I will to my son

William Sherry my log chairs and my Bed room Trunk and all that belongs to it, also to belong to his mother during her life time and in consideration of the above time which I will to my daughter Melina Sherry, I will and devise all the balance of my personal property to be of all kinds and kinds and provisions that may be and want at the time of my death to my beloved wife Francis Sherry, and such property as she may wish it to be my will that she sell at public sale, it is my will and my desire that she sell to the best advantage, my will and desire is that when a debt is owing to me be collected and all my debts and expenses paid, the same shall be paid out of interest and my wife Francis Sherry is to draw her interest out of the same during her life time but in exception of twenty five dollars which she is to have immediately after my death.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved son William Sherry and my friend William Sherry my lawful executor to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and my just and lawful things hereby writing and signing after said will and testament by me hereunto made in witness whereof I the said Jack Sherry, do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 2nd day of ... 1856

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said Jack Sherry to be his last will and testament in the presence of ... at the request and in his presence

Witnesses
John Sherry
John Sherry
John Sherry

David Rogers Last Will & Testament

I David Rogers of the County of ... I do hereby give and bequeath unto my beloved wife ... the ... and do here this my last will and testament in manner and to the following, that is to say

That I give and bequeath to my beloved wife ... the ... and do here this my last will and testament in manner and to the following, that is to say

I have no more to be made by these Freeholders
 concerned to the family and appointed by the Court of Chancery
 & quarter sitting in the County of Surry the second day of my
 said Philip H. Raper the last of said which he made his own
 with five hundred dollars and three saddle and bridle
 worth five dollars and one cow & calf and furniture and
 sheep one horse as his advancement until all his Brothers
 receive as much as he has. then I give to my other three sons
 William B. Joseph J. and Milton J. Raper six hundred
 & twenty five dollars each to be paid by Executors as they
 come to Edge in Home or other Property and things and also to my
 No. 1000 - I give and bequeath to my four Daughters
 Christence C. Keziah L. Margaret C. Sarah J. Raper. Three
 hundred dollars each one hundred is to be paid to each of them
 when the one of age if there is more or Property in the hands of my
 Executors sufficient the Balance to be paid out of the Land and
 Slaves I will to my wife when it comes into the hands of my
 Executors I will that the Executors sell the two tracts of Land one
 known as the Wood tract the other as the Bodensham tract
 at private or public sale as they may think best and the
 Balance of my Estate not named in this will to be sold
 at public sale and pay off the Debts as above named
 except such of the Farming tools as the Executors may think
 best to leave for the use of the family and if any thing
 left after paying Legacies & Expenses to be Equally Divided
 amongst all of my heirs. I will that the Executors and
 appoint my sons Philip H. Raper & Andrew Raper my lawful
 Executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last
 Will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the
 same and every part & clause thereof hereby writing and declar-
 ing after void all other wills & Testaments by me heretofore
 made in witness whereof I the said David Raper do hereunto
 set my hand and seal this the Third day of February
 A.D. One thousand eight hundred and fifth two signed
 sealed published and declared by the said David
 Raper to be his last
 Will and Testament
 In the presence of us
 Mr. Raper
 William C. Conrad

David Raper Seal

The foregoing instrument of writing
 was duly proved to the satisfaction
 of the Court of Chancery
 and the same is hereby
 declared to be
 the last Will and Testament
 of the said David Raper

A. J. Stafford Clerk

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 + George Raper's last Will & Testament

In the name of God amen I George Raper of
 the County of Surry and State of North Carolina
 being of sound mind and memory do this seventh day
 of February One thousand eight hundred and fifth here
 make this my last will and testament in the following
 manner - Item the first

I will and bequeath unto my son William
 - W. Raper my negro woman Fanniah to him and his heirs
 forever - I will and bequeath unto my
 son Michael Raper the sum of Ten Dollars in cash

Item the third I will and bequeath unto my
 son George W. Raper my negro man Ellen to him
 and his heirs forever

Item the fourth I will and bequeath unto my
 Daughter Peggy Johnson wife of a Justice of the Peace
 my negro Woman Rose and the future increase
 of said negro Woman Rose I will to the heirs of said
 Peggy's body and also I will the said negro Rose
 after the death of my said Daughter Peggy to the heirs
 of said Peggy's body - Item the fifth

I will and bequeath unto my Daughter
 Polly Raper wife of Emanuel Raper my negro woman
 Violet and the future increase of said Violet I will to the
 lawful heirs of my said Daughter Polly's body as also I
 will the said Violet after the death of my said Daughter
 Polly to the lawful heirs of said Polly's body

Item the sixth

I will and bequeath unto my daughter
 Cynthia Lewis wife of George L. Lewis my negro man
 Samuel to serve her during her the said Cynthia's life
 time and after her death to be Equally Divided among
 and between the lawful heirs of her the said Cynthia
 body

Item the seventh

I will and bequeath unto my
 Daughter Emily wife of Thomas Campbell all my negro
 boy Jackson to her and the lawful heirs of her body
 forever and also I will to the said Emily Campbell all the
 sum of Fifty Dollars in cash - Item the eighth
 I will and bequeath unto my daughter Eliza
 Ann wife of John Jones my negro

Calix Jones
Mr. Walker

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24 My word be to give to Christina Kelly in exchange
with Emanuel Smith

XIII My Chest of drawers I give unto Joseph & all, saying
Thine is it, my good Child.

XIV My Bureau, and my small sewing table, with two Chairs
I give unto my good Child Elizabeth West.

11. Given 7 hours with unto Charlotte Sparrington, intermediate
with L. Taylor, my small rocking chair & large looking
glass.

XL. I nominate and appoint my friend James Wall in Salem to be my Executor, and I give and bequeath unto him for his troubles at the Executorship all & singular of my remaining property in money, money securities, land, house, and kitchen, furniture & utensils and Chattels not mentioned herein, & not separately described.

In witness whereof I have set hanto my hand and seal
this 29th September A.D. 140.

in the presence of

March 23

A. M. G. G. G.

Gary Stachler (2nd)

During the Caroline Insurrection, County Agent Jacob Turner was the executor of the fugitive last detained as to which was duly proven for the first and only time in the course of his public life. It was deemed to be expedient to have that all the executors therefore named, came on to court qualified according to law.

William C. C. C.

30 Martha A. Miller

of the County of Dorset, and State of South Carolina
being of sound mind and memory, but considering
the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and
publish this my last will and testament, in manner here
after following, that is to say,

1. First, that my executor hereafter named, shall provide for my body a decent buriall suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends, and pay all funeral expenss together with my last debts hereover and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into her hands as a part or part of my estate.

I second. I give and desire to be loved sister Elizabeth nothing
my bed and clothing and all and every thing that I have
in hand or that may be left when I am done with the
things of this world. My will and desire is that all the value
of my estate (if any) after taking out the services above
mentioned, and if there should be any surplus over and
above paying my debts it shall be paid over to my sister
Elizabeth, Thelen.

• D Third and lastly I do truly certify and affirm my Sister Elizabeth Nelson my lawful executor to all rights and purposes to execute this my last will and testament, according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and every part and Clause thereof, freely, willingly and declaring, utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof, at the said County of St. Milton do hereunto set my hand and seal this 10 day of March one thousand eight hundred and fifty three.

Virginia, India published and declared by the said Martha
S. Miller to be her last will and testament in the presence
of us who at her request and in her presence do subscribe our
names as witnesses thereto

Hilary

Martha A. Mott Reed

Thomas H. Chapman
Lionsen & Nelson.

Linderson Buchanan.

State of Massachusetts Superior Court of Justice
 Francis W. Parker, Plaintiff,
 vs.
 Nathan B. Miller, Defendant.
 The following is a true and correct copy of the
 report of the jury in the above entitled case,
 as returned to the Court on the 10th day of
 June, 1885.

J. W. Parker, Clerk.

Alfred G. G.

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In the name of god I swear I the Suffering being made
in body but of pure mind and memory do make this my
last will and testament in witness following
I give my land to god given whereas I came and wishing my body
to be buried in a decent manner but not flower
I give and bequeath unto my daughter Martha. Children in whom
I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sally my Silver watch my
large Walnut Chest and one bed.
I give and bequeath unto my 3 daughters. Elizabeth. Sally Hannah
all the rest of my property to have for use and to divide among
themselves any way they can agree.
My executor hereafter named with my 3 daughters due to pay
my just debts and burial expenses out of my property.

I suppose my son David Rippen to be well acquainted with
my last will and testament this the 10th day of March 1856
that

Lewis Rights

Barnes Spangh Inc.

W. Ripon Seal

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the foregoing paper being and
duly proven in due Court and ordered to be
returned of probate
J. J. Stafford Clerk.

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Elizabeth Thaxter

State of North Carolina

County of Wake

Whereas of the uncertainty of life & full aware of the dangerous situation in which I now am on the eve of a critical operation to be performed, I do now make public the following my last will & Testament, whilist still in the full enjoyment of my mental faculties.

First I Commit my immortal Spirit to the hands of my Creator & saviour in whose all merciful grace I trust for a happy eternity.

Secondly I desire my body after death, to be interred & according to the rites of the Methodist Church.

Thirdly I desire my Executor to pay what debts I may have contracted at my death, provide such debts can be properly paid. & to do this he is to exhaust the cash I leave on hand at my death, & then use the money I have at interest with my sister Mary L. Smith in Philadelphia and should this not suffice he may sell such of my property as to him my Executor shall fit to defray all the expenses of my burial, expenses of settling my estate & pay all just claims against me.

Fourthly I do give and bequeath unto my worthy friend G. P. Richter of Salem N. H. all the residue of my property of whatever nature it be to hold in trust, & to dispose of as follows: My said trustee shall take into his possession all my property, & hold the same for the benefit of the children of my daughter Caroline Matilda Tachemour but shall have full power if he thinks fit to let my said daughter have the use of the several articles, provide the same be well taken care of. And should any of the property thus committed to the care of my daughter be wasted or abused, the said trustee is forthwith to take the same into his possession & remove it to a place of security. As to the time when any of said property is to be given in care of my daughter, or to her taken away from her, my said trustee is to use his own discretion & not be accountable to any one. And further it is my express desire to my trustee is here by empowered to act accordingly. That should unfortunately my said daughter have to want & in the opinion of my trustee, be actually needing assistance which the possession of above property would enable him to give then he shall be

justifiable to under such assistance, either by giving her the specified articles, or by selling part or all of said property & using her by advances in cash.

In this the said trustee shall use his own judgement only, but not give too liberally. As to my wearing clothes, said trustee may if he thinks fit, give part or all, even to my said daughter to be by her used as she may think proper, by not further to be accountable for.

Should the above trust, said not be deemed of service, as herein last mentioned, then the trust is to close as soon as the eldest child of said daughter shall arrive at the age of twenty one, in the following manner. The estate then on hand is to be equally divided among all the children of my said daughter who may then be living, or should this be impracticable to be publicly sold on a Court of law's account, & the money therefrom arising to be equally divided as above said, but either case my trustee shall have reasonable compensation for his labor & trouble, & ease of death in said trustee G. P. Richter, it my wish & desire that his executor or administrators fill his place.

Lastly, I appoint my worthy friend G. P. Richter above named, my executor. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this 10th April 1851

Salem North Carol

Elizabeth Thaxter

Attest: I the
Notary & witnesses
to copy shown by
G. P. Richter
John Cogles

State of North Carolina
County of Wake

The above paper, reading purporting to be the last will and testament of Elizabeth Thaxter, she was produced in open court and in the presence of J. P. Hafford & J. P. Hafford, who were admitted to probate & allowed to be recorded.

J. P. Hafford to G. H.

Joseph Philips

In the name of God Amen.

I Joseph Philips of the County of Stokes in the State of N. Carolina, being of sound mind & memory, do this day make and publish my last will and testament in manner and form following.

I will that my body should be decently buried after my death.
I will that all my just debts be paid, and that due notice be collected in a reasonable time.

I will that my plantation on which I reside, shall be sold by, or by whom hereinafter named, either at public or private sale as may seem to him most advantageous to my heirs.

I will that out of the proceeds of the sale of my land, my beloved wife, Rebecca shall have a sufficiency to procure a comfortable house, with garden and out lot to be left to her choice when it shall be best suit her to have the dwelling.

I will that my beloved wife, Rebecca shall select somewhat of my household and kitchen furniture as she may need for her comfort, if she thinks fit. Select one cow out of my stock to have and to hold the above mentioned house and garden and out lot together with such furniture as she may select, during her life, and after her decease to be and belong to my children which may be alive at her death.

I will that the residue of my property shall be sold at public sale, consist it of whatever it may be past giving unto my wife an allowance of one year's provision out of the proceeds of my land, and the proceeds of such sale to be divided equal between my wife Rebecca and all my children to wit my sons William Walter and Champas Tatum and such other children as may yet be born to me by my wife Rebecca with this proviso to wit that some negroes which I mention hereafter in this will shall be first paid before my division be made.

I will that the first allotment to my wife of the proceeds of the sale shall after her decease to be belong to my children which may be alive at her decease, that is so much thereof as she may have on hand at her decease of her part.

I give and bequeath unto my son William Walter a gun which my departed father, deceased should belong to him, and give unto my nephew Joseph Philips

son of my brother Andrew Philips the sum of ten dollars which my executor shall pay over to him in a reasonable time after my decease. And where I speak in article 4th of the sale of the residue of my property not herein bequeathed, I mean all my farming utensils, my stock consisting of horses, cattle, hogs, &c. I mention this merely in explanation of my residue of property.

And I do hereby nominate and appoint my friend Jacob Smith to be executor of this my last will and testament in which I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 18 day of January 1846.

I do herewith add that in case my beloved wife should again marry that she have no further interest in the property of my present estate & the furniture or selection as my widow, shall then be sold and the proceeds thereof equal among all my children. The above article was inserted before signed.

Signed, sealed and delivered in the presence of,

Michael Miller
John G. Linder
"X"

Joseph Philips Seal

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas and Quarter
Stokes County } Sessions December Term 1846

The execution of the foregoing last will and testament of Joseph Philips deceased was duly proven in open Court by the oath of John G. Linder one of the subscribing witnesses thereto and to be approved.

J. W. Laffera
J. W. L.

Sarah Spangh Will.

State of South Carolina, March 23rd 1848.
At the County of Richland.

Sarah Spangh being of sound mind had weak in body do this day make my Will as follows: I will give and bequeath unto my son Joseph one dollar also to my daughter Susan Spangh one dollar & also to my grand daughter Susan Spangh one dollar and do well and happily with my daughter Christina Spangh & her husband John Spangh all my goods & effects & real estate and accounts what ever they may be at my death to have and to hold the same to their own use and benefit and having full conscience in the above matters John Spangh do acknowledge this my intention to be alive in witness whereof I have made my hand & seal in the presence of us the day and date above written.

Witness my hand & seal this 23rd day of March 1848.

John Spangh
Witness

State of South Carolina

County of Richland. Whereas the execution of the foregoing will and testament of Sarah Spangh was shown in open Court to the subscribing witnesses then in and about to publish and ordered to be registered.

Attest: J. M. M.

John Spangh Will.

In the name of God Amen. I John Spangh of the County of Richland in the State of South Carolina being of sound mind and full understanding do make this my last will & testament at the same time & place as before all said with me & my declarant. This is my last will & testament.

In the first and main part following my Will I will that my wife should have one third part and enjoy the property I now have during her natural life & will that my wife be maintained out of the proceeds of my land and other goods & effects for the term of years as usual.

Secondly I will that my son Joseph Spangh should have the following way each of them is to have ten acres around the dwelling they have made John Spangh is to have five acres to the back with path way to and from the back street & John Spangh is to have five acres to and from the Spring also to the dwelling.

And I will that my son John Spangh have the place six acres around the old dwelling where now live I will that my daughter Susan have an equal share of land with the rest of my children & will that my personal property be sold at public sale in such manner as my executor shall deem most advantageous and he shall distribute among my children & my wife & my daughter after my death and all my other debts are paid and I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Joseph & John Spangh as my executors my hand and seal this day and year above mentioned & will that these individuals be subject to the same in each other's stead.

Witness my hand & seal this 23rd day of March 1848.

John Spangh

State of South Carolina. The execution of the foregoing will and testament of John Spangh was shown in open Court to the subscribing witnesses then in and about to publish and ordered to be registered.

Attest: J. M. M.

File no. W 36 Elizabeth Rumphouse Pitt

In the name of God Amen.

I beg to inform you that of the kind of violence in Georgia
towards the colored people, having been in the country
and a proper mind and manner, without the
necessity of more to make it public. This may be
said. I believe it is more as follows: first, unwilling
between them in as far as my relatives have never paid
any regard to me nor cared for me during my lifetime
I do not wish any part of my property to be taken

1 volume after the death of my father (specimen 8066)
being paid by my executor

of four and a half cents to the American Bible Society
for the year eighteen hundred
and sixteen the sum of three hundred dollars
to be a tribute to the charitable use & purposes of said Society

3. To give and beguile to the same messrs Societ^y of
Native Americans Five hundred dollars to be paid
to the Treasurer of said Society & to be applied to the
purchase of said Society.

of Police fire and hospital for the use & in behalf of
The prisoners of the United Mexican Statesmen the sum
of three hundred dollars to be paid to the agents of
said Mexican residing at station,

30.1 Father Rose and his wife to my dear Mother
to my dear Mother and Sister Mary
They visited at my dear Mother's house
in the month of June and returned home
the same of the 10th day.

And give a message to Benjamin Mayhew & tell him
I am no Clerk to America buting my blood shed
and to America shall my hand be put.

7. I will that the remainder of my clothing & holding
belonging to the poor in such manner as my
executors shall see proper be also moving him after
direction as to what they shall be given to

order that all the rest & residue of my property
not mentioned above consisting chiefly of household
furniture hardware &c. &c. &c. &c. &c. &c. &c. &c. &c.
be sold to the highest bidder & the proceeds may balance
or my estate that may remain on hand after
the burial debts until the above begeth
have been paid be paid over to the Executors

As the Single sheet, however, at date by him to be
affixed to the papers of said Auditor.
I do hereby certify and affirm that the whole signature
of this instrument of debt is a true and correct
copy, my trust debt & to settle my estate according to the
General provisions contained in this will,

In witness whereof the said plaintiffs have hereunto set their true seals & signatures this my last full & lawful day of March in the year one thousand eight hundred & thirty seven.

Accepted for deposit and
returned in the presence
of W. S. Hoar &
J. S. Smith.

2. Tale of a South American. The success of the former paper induces me to publish this as the best I can and testimony of Cienfuegos surroundings was produced in open court and in the testimony of the Subversive. Subversive is now admitted to isolate and endeavor to be successful.

W 37

Martha Hamner Will.

[illegible]

In the presence of my wife and I, there
 should be a sufficient number to be divided between
 Anthony H. Kanner, Joshua H. Kanner, John H. Kanner,
 Joseph H. Kanner, Lewis H. Kanner, Martin H. Kanner,
 David H. Kanner, & Mary H. Kanner, & nominate and
 appoint my son, William H. Kanner, executor of this my
 last will and testament.

In witness whereof I the said, Martha Kanner have to this
 my last will and testament set my hand and
 seal the day and date above written.

Witness above signed in the presence of,
 Geo. H. Kanner, William H. Kanner,
 & Attorney, J. H. Kanner, Martha Kanner

State of North Carolina, September Term 1854

Joseph H. Kanner, of the County of Wake, was duly produced
 in open Court and on the testimony of the Subscribing
 Witness there to was admitted to probate and sworn
 to be the executor.

Wm. H. Kanner, Clerk.

W 38 Elizabeth Hight's will

In the name of God Amen
 I Elizabeth Hight of the County of Wake and
 State of North Carolina, knowing the uncertainty of
 life and the certainty of death do make this my last
 will and testament in the following words to wit:

In the first place it is my will and desire that
 my executor hereinafter named shall provide for my
 body a decent burial.

2^d That my executor hereinafter named shall pay
 all my just debts to whomsoever owing.

3^d I give and devise to my daughter, Nancy Karmcastle
 for and during her life the tract of land known
 as the Karmcastle tract and also all my personal property
 and more to be ascertained by the laws of the State of
 North Carolina, more or less as may come to her.

4th After the death of my said daughter, Nancy Karmcastle
 it is my will and desire that my said daughter
 shall sell the said land above devised for life in
 said, Nancy Karmcastle and devise the proceeds

half equally between the children of my said daughter,
 Nancy Karmcastle and their personal representatives,
 and if there are none living to be divided

5th I give and devise to my said daughter, the said
 Karmcastle all my household clothing and other
 effects.

6th It is my will and desire that my executor shall
 sell all the real and personal property of my estate
 and divide it between the said Nancy Karmcastle
 and all my other children who may have or hereafter
 be born, which may hereafter come to me or my estate
 equally between myself, John Hight and my daughter,
 Nancy Karmcastle.

7th I give and devise to my son, John Hight, the house
 and other improvements which he made on his land
 at base it is my will and desire that he my
 writing to my executor for the money which is expended
 on his land.

And lastly I do hereby revoke and annul
 my former will, I do hereby my executor to execute
 this my last will and testament according to the true
 intent and meaning thereof, hereby revoking and annulling
 all other wills heretofore made by me.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand
 and seal this 2^d day of June 1854.

Signed sealed in the presence of us who became
 witnesses to this will at the house of said Elizabeth
 Hight who declare this to be her last will and

Testament
 Thos. Wilson } Elizabeth Hight
 Philip Langston } Clerk

House of Wake and personal expenses
 March Term 1854. At a Court held in open
 Court a paper reading as the last will & testament
 of Elizabeth Hight dead. The same was admitted
 to probate upon the evidence of Thos. Wilson &
 Philip Langston, both of whom were sworn to be the
 true will & testament of said Elizabeth Hight and
 the same ordered to be recorded.

Thos. Wilson & Langston the executor therein named & as
 duly qualified as such and ordered to take bond
 that this testamentary will be true,
 A. B. Hight, Clerk

James Alexander Hillen
State of South Carolina
County of Beaufort

I John Alexander of said County State knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do hereby make and declare the following to be my last will and testament:

In the first place my Executor herein after named is desired to pay off funeral charges the same to include a suitable limb stone and all just debts owing by me.

Secondly It is my will and desire that my said Executor sell within at public or private sale my house & lot in Beaufort whenever in his opinion he can obtain a reasonable price therefor and until such sale he shall permit my beloved wife & family to hold use and occupy the same free of charge except the family board in the same according to the form of Gray Warrant with their heirs which my said Executor may rent and until a sale is effected in writing which he may sell one or both of said lots together and whenever my said house and lot shall be sold it shall be the duty of my said Executor to purchase a plantation or a house and lot in some town which shall not exceed in value the sum of Two thousand dollars said plantation or said house and lot to be selected by my said widow who is to hold the possession & have the use thereof during her life & no longer & after her death the same to be sold by my Executor & the proceeds thereof equally divided between my children share & share at the time in case any of my said children die in the lifetime of my wife leaving issue then the share or shares of such child or children to dying to be divided between her or their respective issue Thirdly I give and bequeath to my beloved wife during her life or widowhood and my household and kitchen furniture my library all my family tools also my Red horse & black horse wassers and gear also my two old negroes Sarah and her wife Sally together with the plantation on Star Creek which I bought of David Steele

And for which John Steele executed to me a deed (which see) and at the death of my wife or her marriage every thing given to her in this third clause of my will shall be sold to my executor or to my said Sarah this wife Sally they must be sold by the & privately to such third party they may choose who shall pay for them a reasonable price under the circumstances the property in this clause contained is intended to aid and assist my wife to support our children and whenever she changes them with her she must make a reasonable allowance therefor to them which shall be determined by arbitrators my said wife choosing one & the guardian of my said children the other & in case of their disagreement then said two arbitrators to choose one umpire whose decision shall be final

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my wife all the proceeds of every kind and all the stock of cattle I keep on hand

Fifthly It is my will and desire that my executor Sarah should have the Star Creek tract and that he should continue with Sarah this for the two years according to the contract between said tract herself Sixthly I hereby direct my said Executor to hire out privately all the rest of my negroes & to divide the same & many other child which other child as they may hear under one of my children are at the age of twenty one years or more in either of which words all said negroes included are This clause and all their issue which they may have at the time of the division shall be great to divide between my wife and children share and share alike and in case either of my children should die before said division leaving issue then his share share of said negroes shall go to his said issue & one said woman shall be made in the same manner that partition of negroes or other personal property is now made under the act of assembly between them in common of similar property

Seventhly I hereby direct that my Executor shall pay off my subscription of stock in the Georgetown & Western North road Company and then sell the same at public or private sale or at his discretion divide

of the best as may be necessary to keep the times in repair

Fourth I give and bequeath to my parents one thousand
dollars my select book & once all my books pen & ink
and paper of every description (excepting of course such paper
as are evidence of debt or certificates of stock) - my Cherry
walrus microscope, paint boxes & brushes, my two water
colours and two brush pens - all my silver ware, covered by
Cassell's clock & chair linoleum and two dozen of the silver pins
of my glass case - my gentleman's pocket knife & back ring &
bed stand - with bed mattress pillows & blanket - a half dozen
sheet & half dozen pillow cases of the best - three bed quilts of the
best - three best counterpane, one dozen best towels - three best
table cloths & my good spectacles - all these articles I give and
bequeath to him provided he attains to the age of 21 years -

And should he die before attaining to that age, I then desire that these articles
be sold and the proceeds to my two sisters Anna Wheeler and Mary Chapman
equally to be divided between them on their marriage.

Fifth I give and bequeath to my two sisters Anna Wheeler &
Mary Chapman all my old & new things, cushions & bed cover - not
valued above one dollar - as hereinafter described to be equally divided
between them at the same time.

Sixth I give to my sister Anna Wheeler & sister Mary Chapman
my contents in bed & bed linen, my popular wardrobe & some
old articles.

Seventh I give to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
my best double bed pillow and blanket with sheet bed - all my
children's clothing & all my old & new dolls & rag dolls & dolls
my washstand & bed furniture - my largest looking glass, small looking
glass & all my old

Eighth To each of my sisters Anna Wheeler & sister Mary Chapman
I give and bequeath the two hundred dollar paper

Ninth To my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler I give and
bequeath the two hundred dollar paper

Tenth I give to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper -
and I desire that my two sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
should receive all of their money & their one hundred
dollar and it is my will and desire that if any of these children
shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

Eleventh To my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
I give and bequeath the two hundred dollar the
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Anna Wheeler
Mary Chapman

of the best as may be necessary to keep the times in repair
Twelfth I give and bequeath to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper - and I desire that
if any of these children shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

Thirteenth I give and bequeath to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper - and I desire that
if any of these children shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

Fourteenth I give and bequeath to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper - and I desire that
if any of these children shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

Fifteenth I give and bequeath to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper - and I desire that
if any of these children shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

Sixteenth I give and bequeath to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper - and I desire that
if any of these children shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

Seventeenth I give and bequeath to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper - and I desire that
if any of these children shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

Eighteenth I give and bequeath to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper - and I desire that
if any of these children shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

Nineteenth I give and bequeath to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper - and I desire that
if any of these children shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

Twentieth I give and bequeath to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper - and I desire that
if any of these children shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

Twentyfirst I give and bequeath to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper - and I desire that
if any of these children shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

Twentysecond I give and bequeath to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper - and I desire that
if any of these children shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

Twentythird I give and bequeath to my sister Mary Chapman & sister Anna Wheeler
the one hundred dollar and one hundred dollar paper - and I desire that
if any of these children shall die or have died before he or she reaches the age of 21 years shall
have their parents money.

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Maria to be reasonably remunerated for the services to me in
 my delirium in keeping house for me. Since my wife's death
 the amount to be determined by my three children, Maria & Cha-
 rles & Elizabeth, in case of their failing to agree Maria & my
 children shall each choose an arbitrator which two shall choose
 a third and the three together decide the matter, or if all three
 be of age at the time he may choose the third arbitrator.

Auth. preserved by Lind.

Lesson

61 become the property of my three daughters Sophia Amelia,
Louisa Caroline, Sarah Ann Walcott, or their heirs, in such
manner Sophia & my other named daughters or their
heirs receive one third part of the above described property
this devise & vested income.

And for the closing of this my last will & testament
I appoint my beloved wife aforesaid and Executive to
the same, that my intentions, both as regards her & our above
named children may be duly & faithfully performed.

done & signed by me at Salem in the County
of Norfolk State of Virginia this 27th day of May
in the year of our Lord 1852

John F. Herman Senz

Has offered for debate in the execution thereof said motion by Morris Charles. (Paper dated 14 minute Book) and ordered to be recorded whereupon Anna Julia Wilson the Executive thereon appointed, was duly qualified as Executive of said Hall by taking the oath prescribed by law.

Chapman 1866

File No. **43**

Anna Maria Gambold's Will.

State of North Carolina - Court of Probate & Quarter
Forsyth County - Term Dec. Term 1867

paper writing purporting to be the last will & testament
of a man & his wife & child ^{decd} on the words & figures following (twice)
"Mindful of the uncertainty of this life I make this my last
will & testament, as to the disposition of my worldly goods this 29th
Nov 1884

\$1000.00 interest due shall be collected (not however expating interest due on a 1000 given by my brother John on 25 April 1839 for ninety eight ~~for~~ Dollars and out of proceeds all my debts shall be paid

§ 2. The daughter Gertrude shall have four hundred dollars for her part of the sale of certain negroes, of which my sister Mary Pennington has already received her portion.

83. Get back all have my desk & book case, & Dresser
my wardrobe.

#14 only silver watch, silver spoon, mother silver comb
and

and first, to make shall keep in her office, until in our judgment, the children of Southern shall have a mind at a proper age to receive and take care of them, when she shall think them among our children to be received most proper.

So if General continues in the same of your company, so please
others to leave him, so if he does not consent to leave out in particular
belongings, so many, then she shall retain the same, & the clothing, & the
other household & kitchen furniture, which she may desire, shall be
done so long as she continues self-sufficient, so as she can take to
charge the expenses of living, & the property she retains under this
arrangement, shall be divided equally between my two daughters on
their respective marriages.

It is my other personal property, not subject to them, which is not case, except for my share. Thus, as to the at any kind shall or equitably divided between my two daughters on their representation.

27. The cash column for an individual must not otherwise be used at every point to be visited by the center either in study, or on business. At this point, most cases are purchased, and should be most certainly kept in a single column. If in the study and should be finally visiting of the household with some income, the case should then be placed out of interest, and no case should be placed for the whole. He will in good faith, and out of his knowledge to visit. The only income was received, and a column should be kept in the study and each of my days to this case is separate, as is the individual receipt and no proper case here to see example on either part.

§ 8. In the death of either or more of us, it is to be
yearly income shall pay to the survivor or survivors of us
Until the death of the survivor, the fund shall be equally divided
and half to the child or children then living or out of my will
daughters, but should at the death of such survivor there be
no living issue from one of my daughters, then shall the said
fund be equally divided between my granddaughters and
the other daughters living at the death of such survivor.

§ 4. Should there be any disagreement between the children in the division of my property, & my executor cannot reconcile their views, then shall all the divisions be made by an arbitrator or three arbitrators impartial persons, to be appointed and named in such cases. But should either party refuse to appoint one or two arbitrators then shall my executor appoint for each refusing party

In witness whereof I the said Henry
Thompson, Clerk, do subscribe and my hand
and seal this 10th day of March in the year
of our Lord 1855

Henry Thompson Clerk

Witness, sealed, published &
declared before me Henry
Thompson, Clerk, last
said & Testament in the presence of
John A. Crockett
Henry Crockett

FILE NO.

W45

Dr. J. M. Thompson

State of North Carolina, County of Forsyth
I, Clerk of said County, do hereby certify

and Testament of Dr. J. M. Thompson, last was exhibited
for Probate in open Court, by Henry Hart the Admin-
istrator therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof
by the said Dr. J. M. Thompson was duly proven by the
oath of Josiah Maysoner, one of the subscribing witnesses.
It is therefore considered by the Court that
the said paper writing and every part thereof is
the last Will & Testament of the said Dr. J. M. Thompson
and the same is ordered to be recorded & filed.
And therefore Henry Hart Administrator as afore-
said, was duly qualified as such by taking the
oath required by Law.

The said Will & Testament, being in the words
& figures following (to wit,)

In the name of God Amen!
I, J. M. Thompson, of the County of Forsyth and State

of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory,
and calling to mind, that it is appointed unto man
once to die, and after Death to come to judgment, do
make and ordain this my last Will & Testament.

First I commend my soul unto God who gave
it, and my body to the dust whence it came, to be
decently buried by my friends. And as to my worldly
goods, with which I have been blessed my Will is to dis-
pose of them in the following manner.

First, I give unto my beloved wife Mary A.
Thompson, during her natural life a well-located vineyard, in
Augusta D. Thompson's minority, the following property (to wit)
the tract of land on which I now live, all of the Negroes
until there is more force than can be worked on the
plantation to advantage, which will be judged of by my
Administrator, the house to be lived in. I further
give her four head of horses, four pigs, twelve sheep,
Bullocks. I give her four head of milk cows her choice
four head of dry cattle, her choice of a horse, sheep, of hogs
or as many as she may need, also following farming tools,
two turnstone ploughs, two one-horse turning ploughs, three
shovel ploughs, three bull-tongs, a few fair sets of gear.
I also give her one year provision of corn and wheat, also
one year provision of wheat and oats, and a sufficient sum
also one year provision of hogs, all my kitchen furniture,
one cupboard, one clock, two Bureau's, one sofa, one
large rocking-glyph, two beds in the room I am now lying
in, and two beds in the room above me, one chest, one
rocking chair, one dozen other chairs, all my table furni-
ture, one buggy and harness, all my stock of sheep.
He is to have all the and assist in educating as far as he
is able my son Augustus D. Thompson until he is twenty one
years old, when my son Augustus D. Thompson arrives at
the age of twenty one years. I wish my estate equally
divided between him and his mother, and let them
live agreeably together; also half of the profits of
my service in the foregoing bequest, so it understood
that there is nothing intended to convey any title
either in negroes or land, but the title is to be
in Augustus D. Thompson, and furthermore my
wife cannot sell nor in any wise convey for
her life, her interest in the negroes, but she is
only to have the use of them. The manner

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derived from the hire of the negroes to be applied to educate my son Augustus D. Hinman - as much as is necessary - also one large leather trunk & all surplus money after paying my just debts is to be applied to my son Augustus D. Hinman's benefit

I also request my friends and neighbors Henry Hart to be my administrators, and also Executor for my son Augustus D. Hinman

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 26th of May. 1855

J. N. Hinman

Teste

E. C. Starr
Isiah Haggner

John Neal's Will

In the name of God, Amen!
I John Neal of Smyth County and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, do this 2^d day of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty three, make and ordain this to be my last will and Testament, in manner and form following, To Wit:

First: I will that my just debts & funeral charges be paid by my Executors, out of my cash in hand, moveable estate, &c.

Secondly: I will that my wife Elizabeth Neal, shall have one of my dwelling houses, and the lot of land enclosed around in one piece, wherein said house stands, to hold during her natural life time or widow hood, and all the property that she brought with her when she came to live with me, which is yet on hand to dispose of as she may think proper

Only: I will and bequeath that my tract of land whereon I now live, after my death be equally divided between my three sons, John W. Neal, Stephen Neal, & Constant W. Neal, so as to allot the share of Constant W. Neal on the side and next to where the mill is to be built now lives.

Thirdly: I will and bequeath that the small of land that I bought of Robert Hatcher, be equally divided between my daughter Charity and the heirs of Elizabeth L. Hatcher.

But: I will that Constant W. Neal have my right gun and that Charity Neal have my rifle board.

Fourthly: I will that after my death, my Executors except public sale, all my book, man, cattle, hogs, sheep, house hold & kitchen furniture not above me, and all my grain and provisions more than is necessary for one year in the family, all my farming tools &c. and the proceeds of the sale of the above named property, and if any money on hand or due me, to be equally divided between my three sons and two daughters above named.

Fifth: I will to the heir of my daughter Sally Neal one dollar out of my estate by my Executors if better for her.

While I do hereby nominate and appoint, and ordain Constant W. Neal Executor of this my last will and Testament, to carry the same into effect, and I do hereby revoke & make void all former wills by me at any time here before made, ratifying, establishing & confirming this to be my last will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and date above written.

Signed, sealed, published by the said John Neal the Testator as his last will and Testament, in the presence of us who were present at the time of signing & sealing thereof
Elizabeth Neal
Constant W. Neal

State of North Carolina: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Smyth County June Term A.D. 1855
The above paper writing was duly proven in open Court by Elizabeth Neal one of the subscribers witnesses thereto & adjudged by the Court to be the last will & Testament of John Neal A.D. - whereupon it was ordered to be recorded and filed - Constant W. Neal was duly sworn as Executor of said will

Isiah Haggner

Polley D. King's Will

State of North Carolina & Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
County of Currituck June Term 1850

In obedience to an order of the Superior Court of Law for the County of Currituck made at Spring Term A.D. 1850. of said Superior Court the last will & Testament of Polley D. King did prove in the said Superior Court, which accompanies the writ of Proceadendo from said Superior Court is availed by this Court to be recorded whereupon Francis Fries the Executor in the said will appointed, appeared in open Court and was duly qualified as Executor of said last will & Testament - which is in the words & figures following to wit,

Being in good health and in possession of all the faculties of my mind but fully impressed with the truth that our sojourn on this earth is of but short duration and may be closed at an hour when we least expect it, I hereby make and publish this my last will & Testament, to wit,

3. 1. All my personal property not otherwise disposed of I wish to be sold, and out of the fund arising out of the sale of such property and out of the collection of all sums due me, I wish all my just debts to be paid after the special cash expenses stated below have been paid - should there be a balance remaining of the fund after these objects shall have been accomplished I will and bequeath the same to the Wardens of the Town of Salton that is to wit John & his successors in office to be applied as he thinks best for the benefit of said Town or Congregation, should however the fund created by the sale and collection above directed not be sufficient to pay all just claims against my estate and to accomplish my wishes expressed below in & of this my will I then wish the same to be valued before to be valued by three impartial freeholders & those persons taking under this will shall pay up the deficiency each paying in proportion to the appraised value of the property they receive under this Testament

3. 2. To my cousin Jolly Hampton I will my side board with all my glass & delf ware & silver ware -
 3. 3. To Elizabeth Hampton daughter of John B. Hampton I will first choice of my Bureau
 3. 4. To Mary Ogler daughter of Timothy Ogler I will the second choice of my Bureau
 3. 5. It is my express will and desire that my Executor pay to my boy Charles fifteen Dollars with interest the 1st of January 1856 - money collected from my mother for his benefit - further to pay to my boy Robin the sum of twenty Dollars & further to furnish my negroes Samuela Ann, John & Lucinda each with a bedstead, bed & furniture, as also Samuela Ann with a bureau -
 3. 6. I give and bequeath unto Francis Fries and his heirs my boy John -
 3. 7. I give & bequeath unto Edward Rich and his heirs my boy Lewis
 3. 8. I give and bequeath unto Caroline Louisa Fries my negro girl Lucinda forever
 3. 9. I give and bequeath unto Theophilus Wierling my negro woman Samuela Ann and her increase not otherwise disposed of in Trust however to remain until the youngest child he may have living at the time of my death shall have arrived at the age of twenty one years when said Samuela Ann and her increase as aforesaid shall be divided equally among all of the children of the said Wierling by his present wife - late Williams -
 3. 10. I give and bequeath all my real estate in the County of Stokes to the children of John B. Hampton by his wife Jolly late Guyman on the condition that said John B. Hampton have the use of it as long as he lives
 3. 11. Should I have any other property at the time of my death (be the same real, personal or mixed) which has not been disposed of by this my last will & Testament, I give and bequeath the same to the Wardens of the Town of Salton to be appropriated as stated in & of this instrument
- Lastly I do appoint my friend Francis Fries Executor of this my last will and Testament made and published the twenty second day of November, in the year of our

Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven.

In Testimony of all of which
I do hereunto set my hand and affix
my seal
witness

J. H. King Seal

In presence of the Devisor

J. C. Meinung

A. D. Meinung

March 13th 1853

I hereby alter the above will to this effect
3) I give and bequeath unto Polly Thompson
my negro woman Fannelia Ann and her
youngest child; and 4) I give & bequeath
unto Charlotte Oglesby my negro boy Robin
son of Fannelia Ann. I. B. & the 15th No in forgiv-
ing is to cover all the lands in Stokes & For-
syth Counties.

Witness my hand & seal

J. H. King Seal
Mark

Test

In the presence of the Testatrix
and at her request

H. B. Barrow

N. A. Leimbach

(See Transcript of Record
of Superior Court filed with the will —)

At the Court of North Carolina in the County of Stokes
County of Stokes

The foregoing paper purporting to be
the last will & testament of J. H. King
having been produced before me, is adjudged
by the Court to be the last will & testament
of the said J. H. King & it is ordered
to be recorded & filed.

Attest

J. H. King Seal

Last Will & Testament

In the Name of God, Amen!

I, Jacob Davis of Stokes County, State of North Carolina
being weak in body but of sound mind and memory
do hereby make and publish to the world my last
will and testament in manner following to wit: I do
bequeath unto my wife Polly Thompson all my
estate consisting of two acres and all my household &
kitchen furniture & personal effects except a negro boy
who I do bequeath unto my daughter Charlotte Oglesby
to have & to keep until she marries and then I do
bequeath to her my said daughter my three negro
children Fannelia Ann, Robin son of Fannelia Ann &
Charlotte Oglesby & I do hereby give & bequeath
to my wife Polly Thompson all my estate consisting
of this my last will & testament.

I, Jacob Davis, the said
Jacob Davis, do hereby certify that
the said will was made by me
and sealed the 13th day of August 1853

Witness my hand & seal

Signed, sealed, published
and attested by the said
Jacob Davis the Testator
at his last will & testament
in the presence of us who have
witnessed the said will & testament
and have written
these words.

J. H. King Seal

State of North Carolina, County of Stokes & City of
Stokes County

The foregoing of the above will is duly proved & it is
considered by the Court that it is the last will & tes-
tament of Jacob Davis and it is ordered that it be
recorded & filed.

Attest

J. H. King Seal

File No. 50
 Charles Smith Will
 I will abate Smith's view of the Country of the State
 of the State, and of the mind and energy, but
 retaining the certainty of my rather extreme doctrine
 and doctrine, my left hand is not in my right, &
 from following that is to say,

First that my executor (having gotten married) shall divide my body & about twelve suits to the wives of my relations & friends and I have several expressions written with my just debts & debts due to whomsoever, being out of the way so that money will come into his hands as part or price of my estate. Then I give and give to my beloved wife Elizabeth all my personal estate of all kinds whatsoever during her natural life or widowhood except such as may be hereafter hereafter.

[illegible]

Now - I give and devise to my son John Smith
Twenty Dollars worth of property, out of my ~~personal~~ ^{estate}
Now - I give to Benjamin the only daughter, Thomas and Smith
Twenty Dollars worth of property out of my personal estate
Now I give and devise to my daughter Elizabeth Smith
Twenty Dollars worth of property out of my personal estate
Now my will devise is that my hope shall have
my land for a home, and maintain a living life
in widowhood then to be equally divided among my
six children above named -

From the world I have to show all the necessity of my
 title (if any) of the living age. The house & grain
 done sometimes will be ^{absolutely} ~~absolutely~~ better than any other
 ever made. I will & I will make to them & each
 one of them his expectations. I will make a new office
 absolutely free and partly I do contribute to
 afford my truly personal labor. I have my capital
 & order to all interests & purposes to open to the
 my last will & testament according to the true
 intent & meaning of the same & every part &
 clause thereof.

hardly working and doing what none all other birds
and I have seen by means of Larkspur.

An interesting note of Mr. David Thompson
Smith to Beardslee and my father and me
this 24th day of December, 1844. —

Louisa Smith Feb

Signed, Sealed and attested in presence of the undersigned
 witnesses and me, the Clerk of said Court, this 10th day of
 March 1855.
 John Smith, Clerk.
 William B. H.

File No. **W 51**

I have seen the original of the County of Washington State of
 North America, which of course is in the memory,
 but considering the uncertainty of my recollection, I
 do not wish to declare this my first will & testament in
 manner of my will, but in that it is to say
 first, that my (brother, herein after named) shall provide
 for my body & decent burial, & shall to the extent
 of my relations & friends, and pay all funeral expenses
 together with my just debts, & to whomsoever
 owing out of his estate that may first come into his hands
 or just to pay of my debts.

x I have given and devised to my brother James C. Brown
my home tract of Land with all the improvements
on the same, and also that tract lying between
that and his saw mill, and also one third of
the saw mill, and mill lot, and all the property there
belonging, and one other tract lying between said
tract & Brown's and to W. B. Tomlinson his heirs
in fee simple forever.

Item I give and bequeath to my sister James C. near
all my personal property and all notes to me owing
and all moneys which I have at my death and
that he pay to Joseph Brown, John S. Thomas
John W. Brown, S. C. Ingraham thirty each the sum
of ten dollars, and further will that he pay
all my just debts out of my estate.

[illegible]

Daughters should be without having a child on a ~~little~~ ^{little} byie
for half a year or such part thereof, both as interest and principle
to any surviving children as should have been allowed—
It is a contradiction to say that they should retain their
portion on all hands paid out by them to either or any
said daughters or to any other person or persons who may
be entitled to receive ~~their~~ ^{their} share of their share or any more
part of said share.

Article written by me and others and passed at
 Article written by me and others and passed at
 and appointing me for some Religious Education and for
 the purpose of my presence to this my last will and
 testament. — and by authorizing them to retain a com-
 mission of five percent on all services collected and
 paid out by them.

That I have a great many of these letters to
 Mr John Smith, the late Stockholder of the Western Bank, &
 in which (concerning the same) I've made and collected my
 last will and Testament bearing date the twenty six
 day of December one thousand eight hundred and
 fifty-two, & the said John the Stockholder, by this pre-
 sent will do verify and confirm my said last will
 and Testament, but I do hereby give and
 devise to my said son, John B. Stockton of his heirs

John Shields Will.

In the name of God Amen
I John Shields Son of the County of Essex
and State of North Carolina knowing the certainty
of death and the uncertainty of life but being
of sound mind and memory and my intellectual
faculties unimpaired do for the better settling of my
outward estate make and ordain this my last
will and testament in manner following
First my will is that at my decease that all
my just debts be lawfully paid by my Executor
Second my will is that all my children namely
Betty Harvie Abel Arner John Hester Martha
Elizabeth Plaze Sally and my Grandson William
Morgan shall have one dollar each piece to them
by my Executor

Third my will is that my youngest son
William Shields shall have the plantation that
I now live on further my will is that my
son William shall have all my personal property
after paying all the debts and satisfying the
above bequest

I do hereby ordain constitute and
appoint my youngest son William Shields
my Executor of this my last will and
Testament with full power to carry the same
into effect

Witness with my hand and sealed
with my seal this twenty third day of February
in the year of our Lord one thousand eight
hundred and fifty Six

John Shields Seal

Witnessed by the above mentioned John Shields son
to be his last will and Testament in presence of
J. B. Leque and J. H. Smith

State of North Carolina Essex County: Court of
Plas and Quarter Session held Jan. 1856 The foregoing
paper containing a copy of the above will of John Shields
Subscribed by the said John Shields and duly admitted to probate
and ordered to be duly entered of record
Witness my hand and seal of the Court

J. H. Stafford Clerk

Leah Rogers Will.

I Leah Rogers of the County of Essex
and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory
but considering the uncertainty of life and the necessity of settling
my estate do make and declare this my last will and testament in the
manner and form following

First that my beloved husband John Rogers do and shall
for my body and soul bequeath to my dear and beloved
son John Rogers all my real and personal estate
to be paid to him and his heirs forever and to be paid to him
and his heirs forever and to be paid to him and his heirs forever
and of the money all that same shall be paid to him
as a part of his inheritance

Second I give to my beloved daughter Sarah Rogers all my
estate both real and personal to be paid to her and her heirs
forever and to be paid to her and her heirs forever and to be paid to her
and her heirs forever and to be paid to her and her heirs forever
and of the money all that same shall be paid to her
as a part of her inheritance

Third I give to my beloved daughter Mary Rogers all my
estate both real and personal to be paid to her and her heirs
forever and to be paid to her and her heirs forever and to be paid to her
and her heirs forever and to be paid to her and her heirs forever
and of the money all that same shall be paid to her
as a part of her inheritance

Fourth I give to my beloved daughter Elizabeth Rogers all my
estate both real and personal to be paid to her and her heirs
forever and to be paid to her and her heirs forever and to be paid to her
and her heirs forever and to be paid to her and her heirs forever
and of the money all that same shall be paid to her
as a part of her inheritance

Fifth I give to my beloved daughter Sarah Rogers all my
estate both real and personal to be paid to her and her heirs
forever and to be paid to her and her heirs forever and to be paid to her
and her heirs forever and to be paid to her and her heirs forever
and of the money all that same shall be paid to her
as a part of her inheritance

Sixth I give to my beloved daughter Mary Rogers all my
estate both real and personal to be paid to her and her heirs
forever and to be paid to her and her heirs forever and to be paid to her
and her heirs forever and to be paid to her and her heirs forever
and of the money all that same shall be paid to her
as a part of her inheritance

Seventh I give to my beloved daughter Elizabeth Rogers all my
estate both real and personal to be paid to her and her heirs
forever and to be paid to her and her heirs forever and to be paid to her
and her heirs forever and to be paid to her and her heirs forever
and of the money all that same shall be paid to her
as a part of her inheritance

John Shields. Nic

In the names of God, Amicus
Shallas lover of the Country of Forsyth
etc of Forsythland, knowing the certainty
of death and the uncertainty of life but being
of mind and memory and my intellectual
unimpaired as for the better settling of my
estate make and ordain this my last
will and testament in manner following
my will is that at my decease that all
my debts be punctually paid by my executor
my will is that all my children namely
Elizabeth Amicus John Charles Martha
Elizabeth Sally and my Grandson William
shall have one dollar each paid to them
by my executor.

My will is that my youngest son
 and his wife shall have the plantation that
 we live on further my will is that my
 William shall have all my personal property
 paying all the debts and satisfying the
 bequest.

I do hereby ordain constitute and
appoint my youngest Son William Childs
Executor of this my last will and
amend with full power to carry the same
effect.

Witnessed with my hand and sealed
to my seal this Twenty Third day of February
the Year of our Lord One thousand Eight
hundred and fifty Six

John Shields (Seal)

1st North Carolina Synodical Council, Comm. of
the quarter September-December 1856. The foregoing
writing was duly presented & then read by the
writing brethren present and duly admitted to be
added to the duly entered record of the same.
In witness whereof, I have hereunto set my hand
at Raleigh, N. C. this 11th day of September 1856.

A. J. Haffner

File No. **W 53**

File No. W 53 *Leab. vulgaris Willd.*

I have found a great deal of
of State of North Carolina. It is a very large
but considering the uncertainty of the matter, I
make and recede this in the same manner
manner & form follows. There is a great deal of

These three are included therein, and I have made
for my body, a decent burial suitable to the station
of my relations & friends, and we have been buried
together with my good sister, & my mother, & my
sister, and of the money she left me, I have
as a part & thanks, my father.

4. Should I give to my poor and suffering friends
 some book and some money? I will give them
 more. I shall be glad to do so. I will give
 for his family which is not very large. I will
 be so much able to do so. I will be so much

my estate as of the 1st of January 1881. I have also been advised to pay the
rent of the house for the year 1881, and to pay the rent of the house for the year 1882.
As the raising of a liability of my estate, and
to remove it, I have been advised to pay the rent of the house for the year 1881,
and to pay the rent of the house for the year 1882.

my wish is that my wife be settled in the
 form of my state in which water is not so
 though I had made no provision for my wife
 some other as well as my wife's affairs
 these are bound to be intimate & much

I'll tell you that, in my whole & whole the time I was
 in such cases I gave her one hundred and one hundred
 & no satisfaction toward her and her
 I'll tell you, my dear friend, that I was
 very much interested in that and in the whole of it.

any further evidence of public sentiment. These persons arriving therefrom by other roads are subject to the same divided feeling still more, but more to be avoided. The sickle and spear usually taken out of account in such the advantages that it gives strictly in the hands of the

The authorities have been informed that the
authorities that the record has left me a document
appear on a schedule that I left in the hands of
the the governing power & my instructions to be
that I have been to my destination and will appear
to me the same as the other two.

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Date June 12 1969 Session Date 12/1

Frank Gattan
Microfilm Camera Operator

Louis Bernier
 Philip Bernier
 George Thompson Jones
 The foregoing will was due, proven in
 open Court by the oath of Louis Bernier
 & ordered to be recorded. J. C. [illegible]

William & Mary, still and 13
 that is to say, of all your my land is to
 the hands of the right and the good and
 body to the earth to be made in divine justice
 be made at the discretion of my executor and
 to keep such trusty & true, and all a bar
 so in the place and land, this last and
 agree with in the following manner
 First I give, sell and demise to my dear wife
 Mary that lands of land that I have of land
 that are lying in the town of Boston, and
 hundred of land more or less, to be held by her
 long as she remains in widowhood, and after her death
 I have my own children, and after the death of
 any of the said children, then the same of
 and if she dies, then my children, and if no
 the above named child, and one half the same
 for them to settle on, and at her death the said
 children to have the whole of the land and
 my personal estate at her death to go to my son
 William, above named, and if he dies before
 he marries, then to the above named
 children, to be divided equally and of equal
 parts, but if he dies before the said
 my last will and testament, and if he dies
 all former wills by me in anywise made, ratified
 and confirmed, this and in other to be my last
 will and testament in full, which I have
 hereunto set my hand and seal the day and
 year above written.
 In presence of John Thompson, William, Mary, and
 pronounced by the said
 William, Mary, to be her
 last will and testament in presence of
 John Thompson, William, Mary, and
 George Thompson, and
 The foregoing will was duly proved in
 open court by the oath of John Thompson
 & ordered to be recorded.

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In the name of God, Amen!

I, Catherine Wines of Salem Township County of State of North Carolina, being of sound mind & memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence to make & publish this my last will & Testament in manner & for the following that is to say First that my Executor herein after named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my Testament friends and pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts, burials and to whomsoever owing out of the monies that may first come into his hands as part or parcel of my estate I give & bequeath unto my nephew John Wines of Bladen County one large wooden box and all the inside of my money should there be any.

I give & bequeath unto William & Jane wife of John Wines of Bladen County North Carolina my bed curtain and cloth, my largest hand box, my shawl counterpane two flat irons, one tin kettle, one umbrella, one cushion two pair of scissors, & all my caps.

I give & bequeath to my son John Edward Wines son of John Wines & Catherine Wines of Bladen County North Carolina, & my Bureau & book case.

I give & bequeath to my daughter John & Catherine Wines of Bladen County my sewing box & my smallest hand box, & also my periodicals.

I give & bequeath unto my son John Wines son of John Wines & Catherine Wines of Bladen County one best glass cabinet one Indian basket, one small apperpet and quilt with light blue border - my shallow Indian basket.

I give & bequeath unto John Wines son of John Wines & Catherine Wines of Bladen County my square paper box, my spoon stand, my oval willow box basket, my travelling bag one brown shawl, & my high Indian basket.

I give & bequeath unto John Wines son of John Wines & Catherine Wines of Bladen County my gay silk handkerchief, & my silver table.

State of Tennessee
Madison County

(99)

Decree of the several Commissioners to the
said Henry to deliver the land and the
apportioned and for dwelling house of Madison County, in
said County of Madison & State of Tennessee on the
16th day of January 1857, proceeded to take the following
examination & deposition of Penelope Boner and
John Hunter, who solemnly sworn upon their
Sole Oath to testify to the truth of her words, truth
and nothing but the truth touching what they
may know of the execution of her last will and
testament of Penelope Boner and late of Madison
County, North Carolina, &c. &c. &c. as follows to wit:
Penelope Boner having been sworn, exposed
and put examined by the

Question put by the Commissioner
State whether or not you saw Penelope Boner
execute, or heard her acknowledge the execution of
this paper writing marked A. as her last will &
testament?

Answer
I saw the will marked A. and saw her sign the
same.

Question put by the same
State whether or not you attended the writing
under attached marked A. in her presence, and
at her request also the County and State where
the same was done?

Answer
I saw her sign the paper marked A.
& witnessed the same at her request in the house of
Mrs. A. Boner, County of Madison & State of Tennessee.

Question put by the same
State whether or not at the time of the execution
of the said writing hereto attached marked A. or at
the time of its execution was acknowledged the testator
Penelope Boner was in your opinion of sound and
disposing memory.

Answer
I the witness my opinion of sound
and disposing memory.

100 March Term 1857

Proceedings on the will of
Penelope Boner continued
Overs to & submitted before me at the time & place
mentioned in the Caption.

A. B. Wilcox (Judge)
Commissioner

John Hunter being next called, came as
apprised and examined by the

Question by the Commissioner
State whether or not you saw Penelope Boner
execute, or heard her acknowledge the execution
of the paper writing hereto attached marked A. as her
last will & testament?

Answer to question first
I heard her acknowledge the instrument
to be her last will & testament.

Question put by the same
State whether or not you attended the writing of hereto
attached marked A. in her presence, and at her request
and also in what County & State the same was done?

Answer to question 2d
I attended the will in her presence
and at her request in the house of Mrs. J. H. Hunter.

Question put by the same
State whether or not at the time of the execution of
the writing hereto attached, or at the time of its execution
was acknowledged the testator Penelope Boner
was in your opinion was of sound and
disposing memory.

Answer to question 3d
I think that she was perfectly in her right mind
when to & submitted before me at the time & place
mentioned in the Caption.

John Hunter being next called, came as
apprised and examined by the

Question by the Commissioner
State whether or not you saw Penelope Boner
execute, or heard her acknowledge the execution
of the paper writing hereto attached marked A. as her
last will & testament?

100 March Term 1857

Proceedings on the will of
Benigna Borer continued
Sworn to & submitted before me at the time & place
mentioned in the Caption

A. B. Wilson Judge
Commissioner

John Hunter being next of kin, came as
affidavit and examined together

Questions by the Commissioner
State whether or not you saw Benigna Borer
write or heard her acknowledge the execution
of the paper writing hereto attached marked A as her
last will & testament

Answer to question first
I heard her acknowledge the instrument
to be her last will & testament

Questions 2nd by the same
State whether or not you attended her writing hereto
attached marked A as her will, and at the time & place
and also in what County & State the same was done?

Answer to question 2nd
I attended the will in her presence
and at her request in the house of Mrs. J. B. Hunter

Questions 3rd by the same
State whether or not at the time of the execution of
the writing hereto attached, or at the time its execution
was acknowledged the testatrix Benigna Borer
was in your opinion was of sound mind
and disposing memory

Answer to question 3rd
I think that she was perfectly in her right mind
Sworn to & submitted before me at the time & place
mentioned in the Caption

State of North Carolina & March Term 1857
Forsyth County

Upon the evidence given
before me it is considered by the Court that
the foregoing paper writing is the last will & testament
of Benigna Borer to be read and

Matthew Borer will
Matthew Borer of the County of Forsyth in
the State of North Carolina being of sound mind
& memory but considering the uncertainty of death
do make declare this my last will & testament
in manner & form following, that is to say

First that my Executors (hereafter named)
shall provide for my body as shall be provided
suitable to the wishes of my relations & friends and
pay all funeral expenses together with any just
debts, however & to whomsoever owing, out of the money
that may first come into their hands as part or parcel
of my estate

Then let John & I give to my beloved wife Catherine
all my property both real & personal (after paying
enough of my property to satisfy my just debts)
during her natural life, or widowhood, & after
the death of my beloved wife or widowhood the
remainder of my property to be equally divided between
my sons James M. Borer, Wm. M. Charles Edward, Martha
John & Joseph Borer

Further I leave the choice of the property
to be sold to my beloved wife or her heirs to
sell such as may be best suited & convenient
the most money

Then I give & bequeath to my eldest son James
my side board cover & 2 blue boards and
equal divisions when ever my beloved wife shall
decease to share it

And lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my three sons
James M. Borer, Matthew Borer & Joseph Borer
my lawful executors to all intents & purposes to be
the my last will & testament according to the law in that
behalf of the same & every part & clause thereof
and hereby declaring utterly void all former wills by me
made. In testimony whereof I said Matthew Borer
do subscribe at my hand & seal the day of May 1856

Test A. H. Thompson
Martha Jones
State of North Carolina
Forsyth County
Matthew Borer will was duly proved & read to the
Court

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Proceedings on the will of

Benigna Borer continued
to & submitted before me at the time & place
named in the Caption

A. B. Tolson (Judge)
Commissioner

for Hunter being next called, came as
called and examined by the

Commissioner

to whether or not you saw Benigna Borer
to or heard her acknowledge the execution
of the writing hereto attached marked A. as her
last will & testament.

In answer to question first

I heard her acknowledge the execution of
her last will & testament

Question 2nd by the same

to whether or not you attended the writing hereto
marked A. as her presence and at the time
also in what County & State the same was done.

In answer to question 2nd

I attended the will in her presence

her request in the House of Mrs. J. B. Borer

Question 3rd by the same

whether or not at the time of the execution of
the writing hereto attached, or at the time of its
acknowledgment the testatrix Benigna Borer
in your opinion was of sound mind

and disposing memory

In answer to question 3rd

I think that she was perfectly in her right mind

to & submitted before me at the time & place

mentioned in the Caption

North Carolina & March Term 1857

York County

Upon the evidence of the

and it is considered by the Court that

going paper writing is the last will & testament

of Benigna Borer & it is ordered to be recorded

Matthew Cross will
Matthew Cross of the County of York in
the State of North Carolina being of sound mind
& memory but considering the uncertainty of death
& desiring to make & declare his last will & testament
in manner & form following, that is to say

First that my Executors (hereafter named)
shall provide for my body a decent burial
suitable to the wishes of my relations & friends and
pay all funeral expenses together with my just
debts, however & to whomsoever owing, out of the moneys
that may first come into their hands out of or from
my estate

Second I do give & devise to my beloved wife Eliza
all my property both Real & personal (after setting
enough of my property to pay my just debts)
during her natural life, or widowhood, & after
the death of my beloved wife or widowhood the
remainder of my property to be equally divided between
my sons James W. Cross, Wm. M. Cross, Charles Edward, Martha
& John Joseph & Mary

Third I leave the choice of the property
to be sold to my beloved wife, since she is to
sell such as may be best suited & convenient
the most money

Fourth I give & bequeath to my eldest son James
my side board cover & 2000 pounds and
equal division when ever my beloved wife shall
depart to share it

Fifth I do hereby constitute & appoint my three sons
James M. Cross, Matthew Cross & Joseph E. Cross
my lawful executors to all intents & purposes to see
the my last will & testament according to the herein
expressed of the same & every part & clause thereof
and by reading & declaring publicly void all former wills by me
made. In testimony whereof he said Matthew Cross
subscribed at my hand & seal this day of May 1856

Test A. J. Thomson

Matthew Cross

State of North Carolina

York County

Matthew Cross will was duly admitted at the time of

Matthew Cross

March Term 1857

the executor

Matthew Crews will

I Matthew Crews of the County of Forsyth in State of North Carolina being of sound mind memory but considering the uncertainty of death do make declare this my last will & testament in manner & form following, that is to say
First that my Executors hereinafter named shall provide for my body as shall be buried suitable to the wishes of my relations & friends - and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts, however & to whomsoever owing, out of the money that may first come into their hands as part or parcel of my estate

Item I do give & devise to my beloved wife Anne all my property both Real & personal (after setting enough of my property to pay my just debts) during her natural life, or widowhood. After the death of my beloved wife or widowhood the remainder of my property to be equally divided between my sons James W. John W. Charles Edward & Martha Anne Joseph & Mary

Item I leave the choice of the property to be sold to my beloved wife Anne & she to sell such as may be best suited & convenient the most money

Item I give & bequeath to my eldest son James my side board cover & above board and equal divisions when ever my beloved wife shall depart to share it

And last I do hereby constitute & appoint my three sons James W. Crews, Matthew & Edward & Joseph & Anne my lawful executors to all intent & purposes to execute the my last will & testament according to the hereinbefore containing of the same & every part & clause thereof & hereby void all former wills by me made. In testimony whereof the said Matthew Crews has hereunto set my hand & seal the day of May 1856

Test A. H. Thompson

Martha Jones

Matthew Crews

March Term 1856

State of North Carolina
Forsyth County
The foregoing will was duly proved & acknowledged before me the undersigned

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Will of John Butner Esq

State of North Carolina
Forsyth County

I John Butner of said County & State knowing the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death and being of sound mind & memory do hereby make and declare the following to be my last will & testament

Item 1st I do hereby authorize my executor hereinafter named in the first place to pay off all my just debts and necessary funeral expenses (the latter to include a suitable tomb stone)

Item 2nd I will & bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth one bureau & book case, 1 small table 1 walnut chest, 1 poplar chest, 1 bed & furniture her choice such China & ware as she may choose & 1 cupboard with glass lights to have & retain all said articles forever.

Item 3rd I do hereby authorize & direct my Executor hereinafter named immediately after my death to choose & direct trusted men who shall value the house & lot in which I now live, in Old Town including the Beer Shop, tools & kiln, barn - garden &c. said lot to commence on Lewis Hill's corner on main street & running Southwardly along the same 300 feet - thence Westwardly 200 feet, thence Northwardly 200 feet to said Hill's line - thence Eastwardly along said Hill's line to the beginning making in all 900 feet square and also I direct that said Bureau chosen as aforesaid should also value my 10 acres of meadow or low land in the big meadow where I usually get clay - and after they have valued my said house & lot, ship, ship, kiln, tools, barn &c. meadow or low land - I direct that said 3 men return their valuations to writing, sign their names thereto & hand the same to my Executor who shall in the first place give the same

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Will of John Butner Esq

State of North Carolina

Forsyth County

I John Butner of said County & State (knowing the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death and being of sound mind & memory do hereby make and declare the following to be my last will & Testament)

Item 1st I do hereby authorize my executor hereinafter named in the first place to pay off all my just debts and necessary funeral expenses (the latter to include a suitable tomb stone)

Item 2nd I will & bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth one bureau & book case, 1 small table, 1 walnut chest, 1 poplar chest, 1 bed & furniture her choice such China & crockery ware as she may choose & 1 cupboards with glass lights to have & retain all said articles forever.

Item 3rd I do hereby authorize & direct my Executor hereinafter named immediately after my death to choose & direct to two men who shall value the house & lot on which I now live, in Old Town including the Pott Shop, tools & kiln, barn - garden &c. said lot to commence on Lewis Hens corner on main street & running Southwardly, along the lane 200 feet - thence Westwardly 200 feet, thence Northwardly 200 feet to said Hens lane - thence Eastwardly along said Hens lane to the beginning making an all 400 feet square and also I desire that said 3 men chosen as aforesaid should also value my 10 acres of meadow or low land on the big meadow where I usually get hay - and after they have valued my said house & lot, shop, kiln, tools, barn & meadow or low land - I desire that said 3 men reduce their valuations to writing, sign their names thereto & send the same to my Executor who shall send the same to the Clerk of the Court.

No my son Joseph at said valuations - and in case he takes the same at said valuations and gives bond & good security therefor he shall be considered the purchaser & whenever the purchase money shall be paid, then I desire my said Executor to execute to him a good deed in fee simple therefor. In case my said son Joseph shall decline said house & lot & meadow then my Executor may sell the same to any other person at said valuations taking bond & security therefor & retaining until all purchase money shall be paid giving 12 months credit.

Item 4th I will & desire that all the real & personal of any estate both real & personal (including my said house & lot & improvements, Potters tools & meadow in case my Executor fail to sell the same as directed in the preceding clauses of this my will) be sold at Public Sale upon a credit of 6 months and that after paying all my just debts, costs & charges of administration, funeral expenses & the charge for carrying & delivering up Elizabeth to the Clerk of the Court paying over to her forty Dollars in cash for her years support that my said Executor put out the sum of eight hundred Dollars on interest (if so much be on hand) & that he pay over to my beloved wife Elizabeth the interest annually accruing thereon so long as she may live.

It is my will & meaning in this the 4th clause of my will that the sum of \$800 should be set apart for my wife use during her life, though it takes the whole estate & every part thereof to make up the above sum after paying debts, charges & funeral expenses and in case there should not be so much of my estate as \$800 then that my said Executor set apart for my wife during her life the whole of my estate in his hands for the use of her during her life.

March Term 1857

Will of John Butner Esq

of North Carolina

Forsyth County

Butner of said County & State Knowing

that his mind is weak and

following to be my last Will & Testament

I do hereby authorize my executor hereinafter

named in the first place to pay off all my just

& certain necessary funeral expenses (the latter

dear & venerable John Stone)

I will & bequeath to my beloved wife

Elizabeth one Bureau & Book Case, 1 Small Table

one Chest, 1 Sofa, 1 Bed, & furniture

which such China & crockery ware as she

chose & 1 Cupboard with glass lights

& to retain all said articles forever.

I do hereby authorize to direct my Executor

named immediately after my death

to sell & dispose of all my real & personal

estate & to sell in whole or in part

the same as he may think proper

to pay the debts of my estate & to

divide the residue of the same among

my children & to make such other

provision as he may think proper

for the support of my wife & children

to my son Joseph at said valuation - and

in case he takes the same at said valuation and gives

bond & good security I hope he shall be considered the

purchaser & whenever the purchase money shall be

paid, I desire my said Executor to ex-ent

to him a good Deed in the same manner

In case my said son Joseph shall decline said house

& lot & meadow then my Executor may sell the same

to any other person at said valuation taking bond

& security therefor & retaining until the purchase money

shall be paid by giving 12 months credit

Item 2nd I will & desire that all the real & personal

of my estate both real & personal (including

my said house & lot & improvements & fixtures

& meadow in case my Executor fail to sell

the same as directed in the preceding clause

of this my will) be sold at Wholesale sale

upon a credit of 12 months and that after paying

all my just debts & charges of administration

funeral expenses & the charge for removal

believed my Elizabeth to be the

paying over to her forty Dollars in

her years support that my said Executor

pay out the sum of Eight hundred Dollars

on interest (if so much be on hand) & that

he pay over to my beloved wife Elizabeth the

interest annually accruing thereon so

long as she may live

It is my will & meaning in this the 4th

clause of my will that the sum of \$200

should be set apart for my wife use during

her life, though it takes the whole Estate &

every part thereof to make up the above sum

after paying debts, charges & funeral expenses

and in case there should not be so much

of my estate as \$200 then that my said

Executor set apart for my wife use

the whole of my estate in his hands for the

use of her during her life

No my son Joseph at said valuation - and
in case he takes the same, at said valuation and giving
bond & good security, though he shall be considered the
purchaser & whenever the purchase money shall be
paid, then I desire my said Executors to execute
to him a good Deed in Fee Simple Therefore.
In case my said son Joseph shall decline said house
& land then my Executors may sell the same
to any other person at said valuation taking bond
& security therefore & retaining till the purchase money
shall be paid & giving 12 months credit: &

Item 4th I will & desire that all the real & personal
of any estate both real & personal (including
my said house & lot & improvements, Sowers land
& meadow in case my Executors fail to sell
the same as directed in the preceding clause
of this my will) be sold at public sale
upon a credit of 12 months and that after paying
all my just debts costs & charges of administration
funeral expenses & the charge for carrying
my beloved wife Elizabeth to the last
paying over to her forty Dollars in
her years support that my said Executors
put out the sum of Eight hundred Dollars
on interest (if so much be on hand) & that
they pay over to my beloved wife Elizabeth the
interest annually accruing thereon so
long as she may live

It is my will & meaning in this the 4th
clause of my will that the sum of \$800.
should be set apart for my wife use during
her life though it takes the whole Estate &
every part thereof to make up the above sum
after paying debts charges & funeral expenses
and in case there shall not be so much
of my estate as \$800. then that my said
Executors set apart for my wife during her
life the whole of my estate in her hands for the
use of her during her life

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Will of John Butner contd

Item 5th It is my will & desire in case a legatee
should be left in my Executors hands
after paying debts funeral charges, expense
of administration & the \$800. or for the use of my
beloved wife during her life, that the same
should be equally divided between my
son Samuel & Mary Eliza Duggins share
& share alike

Item 6th After the death of my beloved wife I will
& bequeath to my son Samuel Butner and my
daughter Mary Eliza Duggins the sum of
Eight hundred Dollars bequeathed above to
my beloved wife during her life or whatever
sum of money left her \$800. She may be entitled
to for life under this my will - the same
to be equally divided between the said Samuel
& Mary Eliza Duggins share & share alike.

It is my will & desire that whatever my said
daughter Mary Eliza Duggins may receive under
this will that she have had & use the same
for her separate use & that she shall
not be liable in any way to the debts, costs
or debts of her husband Bonaparte Duggins - and
I do hereby appoint Wm Hyatt Jr Executor
for my said daughter Mary Eliza - her Receipt to
be a good Voucher for her said share or any part
thereof to the said Wm Hyatt Jr Executor

Item 7th My son Joseph Butner owes me a
debt of \$100.00 which I hereby give to him
and hereby appoint my son Samuel Butner & my
daughter Mary Eliza to be the Executors of this my
last will & Testament - hereby revoking all other wills &
as made heretofore & declaring the same to be null & void
I witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal
this July 5th 1856

Witness my hand & seal this
5th day of July 1856
John Butner
Testament in presence of
Wm Hyatt Jr
Samuel

John Butner

March 1857

Will of John Butner

It is my will & desire in case a higher should be left in my Executor's hands after paying debts funeral charges, expenses of administration & the \$800.00 for the use of my beloved wife during her life, that the same should be equally divided between my son Samuel & Mary Eliza Duggins share alike.

After the death of my beloved wife I will bequeath to my son Samuel Butner and my daughter Mary Eliza Duggins the sum of Eight Hundred Dollars bequeathed above to the beloved wife during life - or whatever sum of money less than \$800.00 she may be entitled to life under this my will - the same to be equally divided between the said Samuel & Mary Eliza Duggins share & share alike.

It is my will & desire that whatever my said daughter Mary Eliza Duggins may receive under this will that she have full use & the same for her separate use & that the same shall be liable in any way to the power, control & of her Husband Bonaparte Duggins - and hereby appoint Tom Hyatt Jr. Executor of my said daughter Mary Eliza - her Receipt to be good Voucher for her full share or any part of the said Tom Hyatt Jr. Executor.

My son Joseph Butner owes me a debt of \$100.00 which I hereby give to him & hereby appoint my son Samuel Butner & my son Tom Hyatt Jr. to be the Executors of this my will & Testament - hereby revoking all other wills & testaments & declaring the same to be null & void which whereof I have been at my last will and testament.

July 5th 1856
Published & declared by
me to be his last will
in presence of us
lawful

John Butner

State of North Carolina
Highly County

March Term 1857

The execution of the foregoing paper writing was duly proven in open Court to be the last Will & Testament of John Butner do & orders to be recorded & filed

A. C. H. 1857

Adam Haman's Will

I Adam Haman of the town of Lenoir County Co. North Carolina do make & publish this my last will & Testament hereby revoking & making void all former wills by me at any time heretofore made as to such worldly estate as I have placed I do to entrust me with & dispose of the same as follows First I direct that the whole of my household furniture - excepting such articles as my beloved wife find fit to dispose of for her property remain her own & to be used for her use - but after her death her furniture & kitchen utensils &c. to be given & appraised by 3 judicious neighbors - and after being signed with her name & a copy of the same to be given by them to my Executor Mr. Jacob Rice, or in case of his death or other cause, to the whosoever hands she may desire to be placed to appoint

Also I direct that all the property she may own or possess of clothing, cloth, silver, brass, books &c. - be sold at public auction by him & to be distributed to my intentions I do wish in my Executor full power & authority to dispose of the same on credit of 6 months & the debt proceeds to be divided absolutely among my 3 children William Lamine, James Benjamin & William K. Thippelino or the heirs of any of them who shall have died between the time of my decease & the time of such division or distribution to be entitled to such share or shares as they respectively as executors would have been entitled to receive if then living, unless and shall come into the hands of my Executor

March 1857

Adam Haman's Will c^oB

Also I direct that as my daughter Maria Louisa now married to David B. Brist, has received on attaining to the age of 18 years a portion of her, the other 2 children James B. Haman & W. H. Theophilus be provided with the same when attaining to that or even an earlier age, if required to test a human, a bed old & show bed & show pillow - a feather bed & 2 pillows - 4 sheets & 4 pillow cases - sufficient blankets & quilts to keep them warm - in case the first named articles be not wanted to receive the value thereof in money.

Also I direct that my books be divided as equally as possible among my 3 children and all my papers & personals be left for their inspection & use leaving them to their opinion what to do with them.

Also I direct that on caring my dearest (as possible & my dear wife surviving one) she continue to draw the yearly interest of each of my bonds now in the hands of my attorney Mr. Jacob Rice at Hillsboro N. C. or into whatever hands they be placed in case she should die otherwise until her decease.

And I direct that after the decease of my dearest the whole amount of the bond in my attorney's hands be equally divided among my 3 children by my Executor as soon as the youngest attains to the age of 21 years, the bond being meanwhile on double interest & nothing be taken therefrom except in case of sickness of any of the children not married at the time. Also I direct that the bond belonging to my dear wife in the hands of my attorney Mr. Jacob Rice being part of the legacy received of her dear parents Jacob & Barbara Schmitt become after her decease the property of her 3 children James Benjamin & Wm Henry Theophilus Haman & the interest thereof be taken every 2 years & placed to the credit or to form another capital each one receiving his share of this bond & interest on attaining to the age of 21 years - My eldest daughter Maria Louisa Haman (now Brist) by my first wife (J. Mary Howell) having already received

her mother's legacy - after her present partner's decease.

And I do hereby make & ordain my dear wife & after her death my cherished friend Mr. Jacob Rice residing at Hillsboro N. C. Executor & Executor of my last will & testament.

I witness whereof I Adam Haman the testator have to this my will written on one sheet of paper set my hand & seal this 19th day of May in the year of our Lord 1856

Adam Haman
Test

Signed sealed published & declared by the said Adam Haman to be his last will & testament in the presence of us who at his request & in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

C. S. Snyder

C. S. Bled

State of North Carolina

Joseph County

March 27th 1857

The execution of the foregoing will of Adam Haman was duly proven in open Court & order do be recorded & filed

A. J. Hafford Clerk

East Will and Testament of

John Rofs of the County of Forsyth and State of North Carolina, of sound mind and good memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly abode, do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in the manner and form as follows viz.

Item I It is my Will that my Executors, hereinafter named, shall pay all my funeral expenses, together with all my just debts, out of the first moneys that may come into their hands as a part of my Estate.

Item II I leave to my wife Jane Rofs all the land that I possess at my decease to have and to hold so long as she liveth & also what household & kitchen furniture she may like together with one year's provision, one cow and twenty Dollars in money.

Third It is my will and desire that my daughter Jane S. Rofs in consideration of her long kind and affectionate care of her mother and myself, shall have one hundred and fifty acres of my land (after the Death of her mother) embracing the East end of the same, with the house where I now live together with all the buildings, waters, ways, means and appurtenances appertaining thereto, to have and to hold so long as the said Jane S. Rofs liveth - and after her Death the same above mentioned land to go to her heirs if she has any - and if she the said Jane S. Rofs has no heirs, the above mentioned land is to go to my heirs & also the said Jane S. Rofs is to have her Bureau - two beds - tables & furniture - one cow & calf - and whatever she has any right to claim as her own.

Fourth: my will and desire is that all the residue of my Estate after taking out the dues and legacies above mentioned, shall be sold, and the debts owing all be collected, and the surplus over and above the payments of debts, expenses & legacies, shall be equally divided and paid over to my living children, share and share alike, with the exception of my daughter Jane S. Rofs which is provided for already in this my last Will and Testament as above stated: and also after the Death of my wife Jane Rofs - household and kitchen furniture to her bequeathed shall be sold and equal distribution made of the proceeds to all my living children, Jane S. Rofs excepted - viz. Elizabeth S. Young, Nancy R. Polger - Annan Rofs, & Robert Young Caroline M. Meritt.

Fifth and lastly, I hereby appoint and constitute Josiah S. Young and George H. Young my lawful Executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last Will and Testament, according to the true intent and meaning of the same.

In witness whereof I the said John Rofs hereunto set my hand and seal this 25th February 1856.
 Signed
 J. Rofs
 J. F. Kemner

North Carolina Court of pleas & quarter sessions
 Forsyth County June Term 1857

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of John Rofs deceased is exhibited in open Court by Josiah S. Young and George H. Young the Executors therein named - and the execution thereof by the said John Rofs is proved by the oaths of & examination of Josiah S. Young & John F. Kemner the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last Will and Testament of the said John Rofs, & the same is ordered to be recorded & filed. And though the said Josiah S. Young & George H. Young Executors as aforesaid duly qualified as such - by taking the oaths required by law.

J. H. Stafford Clerk

Henry Briggs Will.

In the name of God Amen!

Henry Briggs of Forsyth County and State of North Carolina, being of sound and perfect mind and memory - do hereby declare that on the fifth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty six, make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to my

First I wish my Executor to pay all just debts.

secondly, I give and bequeath to my youngest daughter Anna, the land I now live on which is about two hundred acres, also all the stock of every kind -

and lastly I hereby appoint and constitute Josiah H. Young
George H. Young my lawful Executors to all intents and
uses to execute this my last Will and Testament, according
true intent and meaning of the same.

In witness whereof I the said John Rofs
unto set my hand and seal This 25th February 1858.

John Rofs

Erner
Kerner

North Carolina Court of pleas & quarter sessions
Forsyth County June Term 1857

A paper writing purporting to be the last will
Testament of John Rofs is exhibited in open-
court by Josiah H. Young and George H. Young the Ex-
ecutors named and the execution thereof by the said John
is proved by the oaths of & examination of Josiah Kerner &
J. Kerner the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore
ordered by the Court that the said paper writing and every
thereof is the last will and Testament of the said John
& the same is ordered to be recorded & filed. And therefore
said Josiah H. Young & George H. Young Executors as afo-
resaid duly qualified as such - by taking the oath required
law.

A. G. Stafford Clerk

Thames Briggs Will.

In the name of God Amen!

I Thames Briggs of Forsyth County
State of North Carolina being of sound and perfect
mind and memory - Plead to God: but weak in body
his fiftieth day of March in the year of our Lord one thou-
sand eight hundred and fifty one, make and publish this
last Will and Testament in manner following that is
I wish my Executor to pay all just debts.

And I give and bequeath to my youngest daughter
Martha the land I now live on which is about two
hundred acres, also all the stock of every kind -

108 Last Will and Testament of John Robt

John Robt of the County of Jones and State of North Carolina, of sound mind and perfect memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in the manner and form as follows: viz.

Item I do by my Will that my Executors, hereinafter named, shall pay all my funeral expenses, together with all my just debts, out of the first moneys that may come into their hands a full and parcel of my Estate.

Item I do leave to my wife Jane Robt all the land that I possess at my decease and to hold so long as she liveth - also what household & kitchen furniture she may wish together with one year's provision, one hundred and twenty Dollars in money.

Third It is my will and desire that my daughter Jane S. Robt in consideration of her long kind and affectionate care of her mother and myself, shall have one hundred and sixty acres of my land (after the death of her mother) embracing the East end of the same with the house where I now live together with all the buildings water ways means and appurtenances appertaining thereto to have and to hold so long as she shall live - and after her death the same above mentioned land to go to her heirs if she has any - and if she the said Jane S. Robt has no heirs, the above mentioned land is to go to my heirs - also the said Jane S. Robt is to have her Bureau - two beds - stoves & furniture - one cow & calf - and whatever she has any right to claim as her own.

Fourth: my will and desire is that all the residue of my Estate after taking out the dues and legacies above mentioned, shall be sold and the debts owing all be collected, and the surplus over and above the payments of debts, expenses & legacies, shall be equally divided and paid over to my living children, share and share alike, with the exception of my daughter Jane S. Robt which is provided for already in this my last Will and Testament as above stated: and also after the death of my wife Jane Robt - household and kitchen furniture to her - and the residue shall be sold and equal distribution made of the proceeds to all my living children - Jane S. Robt excepted - viz. Elizabeth S. Young, Nancy B. Folger - Emma Robt, & Arch. Young Caroline W. Morehead.

High and lastly I hereby appoint and constitute Josiah S. Young and George H. Young my lawful Executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last Will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same.

In witness whereof I the said John Robt have unto set my hand with seal this 20th February 1857.

John Robt
J. S. Robt

North Carolina Court of pleas & quarter sessions
For the County of Jones Term 1857

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of John Robt deceased is exhibited in open Court by Josiah S. Young and George H. Young the Executors therein named - and the execution thereof by the said John Robt is proved by the oath of & examination of Josiah S. Young & John S. Robt the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last Will and Testament of the said John Robt & the same is ordered to be recorded & filed. And therefore the said Josiah S. Young & George H. Young Executors as aforesaid duly qualified as such - by taking the oaths required by law.

Henry Briggs Will.

In the name of God Amen!

I Henry Briggs of Tarboro County and State of North Carolina, being of sound and perfect mind and memory - Praise be to God! But with in body do this fifth day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty one, make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner following that is to my

First I wish my Executors to pay all just debts.

Secondly I give and bequeath to my youngest daughter Anna, the land I now live on which is about two hundred acres, also all the stock of every kind -

Henry Briggs' will continued
Also all the household & kitchen furniture of every description
& all the movable property out of doors

And after my decease it is my Will that my daughter Betty
have out of the above property fifty Dollars

Fourthly: My land property lying on Parker's Creek, it is my
Will for it to be equally divided between my three oldest
heirs, (to wit) Lucy Chad her heirs, Polly Gordon & her
heirs, Betty Hill and her heirs.

And I hereby make and ordain my worthy friend
Anthony Pettig Executor of this my last Will and
Testament

I do witness whereof the said Henry Briggs
have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand
and seal the day and year first above written

Signed, sealed, published
Declared by the said
Henry Briggs the testator
as his last will & Testament
in the presence of us who were
present at the signing & sealing thereof
H. J. Anderson
M. R. Anderson

Henry Briggs (L.S.)

North Carolina

Fayette County Court of pleas & quarter sessions January 1857
A paper writing in the words and figures foregoing
was produced in open Court as the last Will and Testament
of Henry Briggs decd and it having been duly sworn to
by the oath & examination of the subscribing witnesses that
it is considered by the Court to be and contain the last
Will & Testament of the said Henry Briggs - and is
ordered to be recorded and filed - whereupon
Anthony Pettig the Executor therein mentioned was
duly qualified as such

J. H. Hufferd cllk

+ Will of Reuben Brown decd.

I Reuben Brown em. of the County of Stokes and
State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory
but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence
do make & publish this my last Will and Testament in man-
ner and form following that is to say

Item 1st That my Executor (herein after mentioned) shall pro-
vide for my body & decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations
and friends, and pay all funeral expenses, together with my just
debts, however and to whomsoever owing, out of the moneys that
may first come into his hands as a part & parcel of my Estate

Item 2nd I will and bequeath to my two granddaughters, Maria Jane
& Walter Burton Laws (daughters of Lewis Briggs decd) one dollar each the
paid to them by my Executor as soon as convenient after my
decease.

Item 3rd I will and bequeath to my two grand daughters Mary
Pugh and Mary Pugh (daughters of Lewis Pugh) my buy money
the one which said Lewis Pugh brought with him from the State of
Indiana, to belong to them equally to dispose of when as they may
think best

Item 4th I will that my Executor, as soon as convenient after
my decease, advertise according to law and sell all my real &
city, town, land and personal, have one Gentle bed and furni-
ture, such as is necessary, which I further bed and its necessary
furniture, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary
during her natural lifetime.

* Item 5th I do by this my Will and bequeath that after my decease all the
the money due from the purchase of said land and per-
sonal property, and that after the above bequests are con-
firmed with, my Executor pay over all the rest and
residue of said money to my said wife, when or at
any time she may request him to do so. And I desire
that my said wife have said money to her own use
and maintenance during her natural lifetime, and
that she shall not be bound to give security for
the safe keeping of either money or property bequeathed to
her by this my last Will and Testament.

Henry Briggs' will continued
Also all the household & kitchen furniture of every description
& also all the moveable property out of doors

And after my decease it is my Will that my daughter Polly
have out of the above property fifty Dollars

Fourthly: My land property lying on Parker's Creek, it is my
Will for it to be equally divided between my three eldest
heirs (to wit) Susan Geo. her heirs, Polly Jordan & her
heirs, Betty Hill and her heirs.

And I here by make and ordain my worthy friend
Anthony Pettig Executive of this my last Will and
Testament

In Witness whereof I the said Henry Briggs
have to this my last Will and Testament set my hand
and seal the day and year first above written

Signed sealed published
declared by the said
Henry Briggs the testator
as his last will & Testament
in the presence of us who were
present at the signing & sealing thereof
H. J. Anderson
A. R. Anderson

Henry Briggs *(seal)*

North Carolina

Swain County: Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions June Term 1857
A paper writing in the words and figures foregoing
was produced in open Court at the last Will and Testament
of Henry Briggs done and it having been duly sworn by
the parties & examination of the subscribing witnesses made
it is considered by the Court to be and contain the last
Will & Testament of the said Henry Briggs - and is
ordered to be recorded and filed - whereupon
Anthony Pettig the Executor therein mentioned was
duly qualified as such

J. H. Hufferd clerk

+ Will of Ruben Brown decd.

I Ruben Brown son of the County of Stokes and
State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory
but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence
do make & publish this my last Will and Testament in man-
ner and form following that is to say

Item 1st That my Executor (herein after mentioned) shall pro-
vide for my body & decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations
and friends, and pay all funeral expenses together with my just
debts however and to whomsoever owing, out of the moneys that
may first come into his hands as a part & parcel of my Estate

Item 2nd I will and bequeath to my two granddaughters Sarah
& Fannie Brown (daughters of Lewis Brown decd) one dollar each & to
be paid to them by my Executor as soon as convenient after my
decease.

Item 3rd I will and bequeath to my two grand daughters Mary
Gulp and Terry Gulp (daughters of Lewis Gulp) my boy mace
the one which said Lewis Gulp brought with him from the State of
Indiana, to belong to them - equally to dispose of as they may
think best

Item 4th I will that my Executor, as soon as convenient after
my decease, advertise according to law - and sell all my real &
personal property, such as is necessary, which I further bequeath
furniture, I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary
during her natural lifetime.

* Item 5th I do hereby declare that after my decease when
the money due from the purchase of said land and per-
sonal property, and that after the above bequests are con-
firmed with, my Executor pay over all the real and
residues of said money to my said wife, when or at
any time she may request him to do so. And I desire
that my said wife have said money to her own use
and maintenance during her natural lifetime, and
that she shall not be bound to give security for
the safe keeping of either money or property bequeathed to
her by this my last Will and Testament.

Amherst 1857

Now Sir My Will and desire is that immediately after my said wife's decease, that whatever of either property or money may be remaining, be equally divided between my son Herman Crews, my daughter Martha Duff wife of Archibald Duff, and my daughter Billy Duff's children, and the children of my daughter Mary Dowers, that is to say to said Herman & Martha for equal parts, and to said grand children for shares.

And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my son Herman Crews my lawful Executor, to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and Testament, according to the true intent and meaning thereof, and every part and clause of the same, hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and Testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the said Ruben Crews do hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of February, 1857

Ruben Crews

Signed, sealed, published, and declared by the said Ruben Crews, to be his last will & Testament, in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence, do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

Smith Linnitt { will proven
Milton H. Linnitt { do not

Sept. Term 1857

Augustus Alcock's Will.
of the County of North Carolina State of N. C.
being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say, that after providing for my body a decent burial, the property belonging to me shall be sent to my sister & children, wife of Augustus Alcock before then dead in heretofore by Augustus Alcock in heretofore to my Europe.

July 19, 1857.

State of North Carolina Court of Chancery & Superior Court
County of North Carolina September Term, A. D. 1857.

A paper purporting to be the last will & Testament of Augustus Alcock was produced in open Court, and it appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that the said paper written after his death was genuine, among the original papers and effects of the said A. Alcock, from the testimony of Theodore H. Hobbs and Augustus Dutcher, and it further appearing to the satisfaction of the Court that said paper written and signed as well in the hand as writing, the said Theodore H. Hobbs and Augustus Dutcher, the same was admitted to be true and ordered to be recorded. And it further appearing to the Court that no person was appointed Executor to said last will & Testament, it is ordered that Theodore H. Hobbs be appointed Administrator with the will annexed, who entered into Bond & security to said Adam Dutcher and G. D. Hobbs as sureties in the sum of \$5000, which Bond was accepted by the Court, whereupon the said Administrator was duly qualified.

G. D. Hobbs

14 Sept. 1857

No. 69

Marion Woods Will

I Marion Wood of the County of Wright and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament, in manner and form following, that is to say:

First, That my Executor (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body - a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts hereover and to whomsoever owing, and other matters that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Then, I do give and devise to my two beloved children, William and Sarah E. Wood, equally all the money in hand and bonds due to me, at the time of my decease.

Item, I do give and devise to my two beloved children, William and Sarah E. Wood, all my personal property, equally between them, viz. Horses, Cattle, Hogs, and my household and kitchen furniture, together with all wearing coats, rags and buggies.

And third, I do give and devise to the same two children, fully all the grain, fodder, hay &c. on hand or growing to the time of my decease.

And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my husband, John William Wood, my lawful executor, to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last will and testament, according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and carry out & claim thereof, how by revoking and declaring orally and in other wills & testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof, I, said Marion Wood, do hereunto set my hand and seal, this the 14th day of Sept. 1857.

Marion Wood

Witness said published and declared by the said Marion Wood to be her last will & testament in the presence of us who at her request and in her presence subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

Wm. G. Gumble

W. M. Payne

Sept. 1857

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Elizabeth Wainwright of the County of Wright and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, do make and declare this my last will and testament, in manner and form following, that is to say:

I do hereby constitute and appoint my husband, John Wainwright, my lawful executor, to all intents and purposes, to execute this my last will and testament, according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and carry out & claim thereof, how by revoking and declaring orally and in other wills & testaments by me heretofore made.

No. 70

Elizabeth Wainwright Will

I Elizabeth Wainwright of the County of Wright & State of North Carolina, being of sound mind & memory - but considering the uncertainty of death, do hereby make and declare this my last will & testament, in manner and form following, that is to say, my body, I commend to the care of him who shall be my nearest and my lawful spirit to rest who gave it. In regard to my real estate, it is my wish to devise that it be divided as follows to wit:

I do hereby give & bequeath to my son, James Wainwright, all that negro - a child of John & Elizabeth, who named in my husband's will to wit, John & his two children, Maria & Elizabeth. Charlotte & her two children, Andrew & Stephen. Henry - Maria & William & their children, to dispose of as she may think just & proper, and as may give of benefit to her and fourth of my negro & their children, or instead thereof, their valuation in money to be divided as paid for, as may fully appear in Item VII. - Also in her furniture.

II I do hereby give & bequeath to my son, John Wainwright, all that negro & his children, or instead thereof, their valuation in money, to be divided as paid for, as may fully appear in Item VII.

III I do hereby give & bequeath to my son, John Wainwright, all that negro & his children, or instead thereof, their valuation in money, to be divided as paid for, as may fully appear in Item VII.

112 11th Nov 1857.

I hereby bequeath to my children & their children to be held by said trustee until the youngest of them or their wives to have full years of age if in his judgment it would be to the interest of said children or theirs and after that time to be equally divided among them & furthermore I give & bequeath to said children one fourth of my negroes & their children & in that third of their valuation in money to be divided as paid for as well as more fully here seen in item VII.

VII I give & bequeath to my grand son Samuel R. Waugh in addition to bequest in item III, a negro girl & as to years of age to be purchased by my Executor (after decision of laws as directed in item VII) and paid for from money coming into his hands from my estate.

VIII I give & bequeath to my grand daughter Hannah E. Waugh in addition to bequest above item III, my Gold watch & as to years of age to be purchased by my Executor (after decision of laws as directed in item VII) and paid for from money coming into his hands from my estate.

IX I give & bequeath to my son Jesse R. Waugh one fourth of my negroes & their children - also whatever money I may have on hand at the time of my death - all my gold & silver plate - four beds & furniture - Hanschell & Kitchin furniture - not otherwise disposed of - furthermore I release & acquit him of the payment of all claims & debts that I have or may have against him either in law or equity - It is my will & desire that he receive from my estate one hundred Dollars per annum, in addition to amounts above & from January 1855 till the time of my death, for services in superintending my business.

X I give & bequeath to my wife I desire that my negroes shall not be divided till the expiration of fifteen years after my death and thereby invest my Executor with full power & authority for or to manage them in such manner as he may judge will enhance their value - either by hiring out such ones as will command fair prices, or putting some to commercial trades - or working them on a plantation - And such of them as the old and young unable to support themselves by labor out is at my desire should be sold for by my Executor and all expenses which he may incur thereby, shall at the end of each year, be paid out of the wages of those able to work.

113 I give & bequeath to my wife I desire that my negroes shall not be divided till the expiration of fifteen years after my death and thereby invest my Executor with full power & authority for or to manage them in such manner as he may judge will enhance their value - either by hiring out such ones as will command fair prices, or putting some to commercial trades - or working them on a plantation - And such of them as the old and young unable to support themselves by labor out is at my desire should be sold for by my Executor and all expenses which he may incur thereby, shall at the end of each year, be paid out of the wages of those able to work.

XI I give & bequeath to my wife I desire that my negroes shall not be divided till the expiration of fifteen years after my death and thereby invest my Executor with full power & authority for or to manage them in such manner as he may judge will enhance their value - either by hiring out such ones as will command fair prices, or putting some to commercial trades - or working them on a plantation - And such of them as the old and young unable to support themselves by labor out is at my desire should be sold for by my Executor and all expenses which he may incur thereby, shall at the end of each year, be paid out of the wages of those able to work.

Signed, sealed, published & declared by the said Elizabeth Waugh to be her last will & testament in the presence of us, who at her request & in her presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

J. M. R.

[illegible]

File No. W 72

No. 10
1 Benjamin Church's Will
O be the name of God Amen!
I Benjamin Church of the County of Dorset
and State of North Carolina being of sound
mind & memory, but considering the uncertainty
of my earthly existence, do hereby publish this my
last will & testament, in manner & form as following
witness them first with this that my Executors
having the power, shall provide for my body & about
burial and a tomb stone suitable to the wishes of
my family & my condition.
Item I do by will in that my Executors shall pay
of all my debts first & foremost, to whosoever owing
out of the money or monies that may come into their
hands as part of my estate.
Item I do give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary
Church and her heirs & her execs, when her & her heirs
shall she bring to her & also one years support to be
paid off & set apart to her by my Executors, and also
a child's part of my whole estate & and it is also
my will & desire that my said wife Mary Church
shall have one room in my new house absolutely
hers during her natural life.

My dear Friends & Sisters, (2)
 I give & request unto my loved & my dear
 friends, my home, plantation containing some five
 acres more or less, as I wish said plantation to remain
 in the family upon condition that he will take there-
 of the same proportion which said sum of \$3000.00 will
 plant at, which said sum of \$3000.00 to be deducted
 from the said Henry Joseph Thomas's distributive share of
 my estate, but of the said distributive share of the said
 Henry Joseph Thomas I will then three thousand & three
 hundred dollars out of the said Henry Joseph Thomas's
 share to my & to my wife & to the said Grace as over &
 above his said distributive share of my estate & in
 case the distributive share of the said Henry Joseph Thomas
 is not amount to the sum of \$3000.00 I will then only
 pay to my & to my wife the sum of \$3000.00 and the
 said \$3000.00 shall be taken out of his distributive share of my estate.
 And in case the said Henry Joseph Thomas will not take
 said plantation at that sum I will upon those conditions then
 either of any other children will take said plantation
 at the said sum & upon the above conditions, and in
 case neither of my said children will take said
 plantation at that sum & on those conditions then
 my will is that said plantation be sold
 upon the same conditions as my said plantation
 by my Executors.
 And to the said will I desire is that if a majority of me
 & in this country of which number my wife is one
 wish to sell all my said slaves except my child named
 they shall be sold by my & to my wife & that if a majority of me
 to divide them then the said slaves shall be equally
 divided between me & my wife except my son Henry
 Joseph, who, if he takes the plantation as above stated
 unless his distributive share to \$3000.00 be the value of my
 distributive share of the said negroes, is not to have a share
 of said negroes by division, as his distributive share of my
 estate is to be included in the said amount which
 it is to be the sum of \$3000.00 as above said.
 And to the said will I desire is that my said wife
 & my children shall be free up to the latest child, no one
 to be except my heirs to feed clothes & trust for well,
 be one taking her to give bond & security for the faithful performance
 of the foregoing conditions during her natural life my Executors
 & my heirs & my children.

October Term, 1857.

File No. 10 *James August Will.*

I have been told a large quantity of North Carolina tobacco is now in the hands of the Government, but considering the quantity of my country's tobacco, so much of it is being sold, I will be reluctant to increase the quantity of it. (1811)

I think that out of the various persons after named, I shall
 provide for my mother a decent burial, and pay & to
 provide expenses together with my just debts, however
 small to themselves, are owing, out of the monies that my
 just coming into his hands are a part or parcel of my
 estate. I shall give & bequeath to my beloved wife, Deborah
 before the last of August next which we now live, within
 my ten thousand acres more or less, a negro girl
 named after the late increase, to have & to hold, when
 the said Elizabeth Coffey, part during the term of her
 natural life, as a wife's goods, in satisfaction of her
 dower, and thirds of her my personal & real estate,
 but I further will that at the death of my wife Elizabeth
 Coffey, the above said property shall be equally divided
 between John Coffey, the grand son of William Coffey,
 Josiah Griffiths, Henry Griffiths, Elizabeth Cook & Lucretia
 Smith. I will and direct that each Coffey the fifty one
 part of said one estate be void time to have & to hold
 to him. I his heirs in fee simple forever.

I wish to bequeath to Father John Colver being eldest daughter
of Nathaniel Colver, a certain negro girl named Roseline
after the death of the said Betty Colver, said girl Roseline
it be the property of said Nelly Colver during her natural life
And I desire that all the residue of my Estate both
Real & personal, shall be equally divided between my
sons Lytle Colver, Benjamin Colver & William Colver
my daughters Betty Grubbs, Nancy Grubbs, & Elizabeth
Woods & Lucinda Colver. And it is my will and desire
that the portions of my Estate that every fall to each
of my children that they have, hold, possess, & enjoy the
same during the term of their natural lives, or then it
is my desire that the property should go to their children
and heirs any of them die leaving no children then
the property to be equally divided between their surviving
brothers & sisters. It is my will and desire that
all moneys due me from my sons or sons in law either

By Judgment, Note and legal consent, whether in state
or out of state, shall be taken and considered as part of
their Share of my Estate.

And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint
my son Jesse, Color and Vicar, John C. Clayton
my lawful & lawful heirs & assigns, to
execute this now last will & testament according
to the true intent & meaning of the same & according
to the laws of the State of New York, and his heirs & assigns
lawfully, valid, & effectually, with all the rights by law
thereunto in law & equity, the said Jesse, my son &
heirs & assigns, do hereby do, and seal, this 15th
day of November, A.D. 1854

intrigues,

Wm B. Clayton

Apr 4. 1892

State of North Carolina I, Clerk of said County, do hereby certify
County of Johnston December Term, A.D. 1867

As the writing purporting to be the last will & testament of John S. Cooper, is exhibited in open Court by the executor therein named, and the due execution thereof being duly proven by the oath & examination of Wm. Wright, attesting thereto, it is considered and adjudged by the Court, that the said paper containeth and sheweth that the said will & testament of said James Cooper, it is therefore ordered by the Court that the same be recorded & filed, whereupon said will & testament be kept in the Court House & the same be duly qualified by taking the oath provided by law.

26 Dec. 1837.

Catherine Mckedown's Will

In the name of God, Amen!
 I, Catherine Mckedown of Salem North Carolina, being at present weak in body, but of sound & perfect memory, and considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make & declare this my last will & Testament, in manner & form following, that is to say,

My Son-in-law Gilbert I retire into the hands of my Creator and Redeemer - and desire that my Executor herein after named to provide for my body a decent burial, according to the rites of the Church of the United Brethren, and to pay all funeral expenses, together with my just & legal debts, out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as part & parcel of my Estate. The remainder of my property I dispose of in the following manner, as it shall be held & expended after my decease, by my Ex-
 unquestionably (to wit)

1st I give & bequeath to Jacob S. McKerson of Salem North Carolina the sum of two hundred Dollars, & to his wife Sarah Ann on about & a carpet.
 2nd I give & bequeath to Gilbert Bishop at present a Missionary of the Brethrens Church among the Cherokees the sum of two hundred Dollars.

3rd I give & bequeath to Charles Davis, son of the above named Gilbert Bishop, the sum of one hundred Dollars, to be put on interest until he is of age & then my Executor.

4th I give & bequeath to the four remaining children of my deceased sister Elizabeth Chitty, namely Charles Chitty, Catherine wife of James Manning, & Maria wife of Andrew Spack, Elizabeth wife of Jacob Spack, in each the sum of fifty Dollars.

5th I give & bequeath to Salem Bible Society the sum of twenty Dollars.

6th I give & bequeath to Salem Female Missionary also to the sum of twenty Dollars.

7th I give & bequeath to the Salem Home Missionary Society the sum of ten Dollars.

8th I give & bequeath to Salem Sister Lancer Sick Nurse the sum of twenty Dollars.

9th I give & bequeath to Christina Christman the sum of five Dollars.

10th I give & bequeath to the two sons of Thosett & Thosett, Scinbuck named Augustine & Henry each the sum of twenty Dollars.

11th I give & bequeath to the children of my dear sister Sylvia above daughter of my dear sister Elizabeth Chitty, namely Henry Washington, Margaret Maria, James Caroline, Jacob, Augustus, Charles, Edward, Thomas, Frederick, each the sum of ten Dollars - to be Henry Washington an additional one above the above.

12th I give & bequeath to Augustus Rhoads of Salem the sum of my clock.

13th I give & bequeath to each of my last children, Frederick Scinbuck, and H. H. Garrison, William, Catherine, Prister, Elizabeth Fisher, Christy, John & Ed. each one daughter of Jacob Carter the sum of ten Dollars each to be expended during my lifetime.

14th I give & bequeath to a number of persons present on a separate list, some smaller sums of money.

15th I give & bequeath all the rest & residues of my money in equal shares to my sister, Rosanna Scinbuck and her three daughters Lucy Ann wife of Simon Lee, and the sister wife of William Reppert, all living at the present time, in North Carolina North Carolina, and to the two last named each a silver table spoon, & to my above named sister all my clothing and otherwise disposed of in a separate list.

16th I hereby appoint my friend, Jacob S. McKerson of Salem North Carolina N.C. Executor of this my last will & Testament. He has no objection to have been so called my hand & seal this the 26th day of Dec. A.D. 1837.

Signed sealed & delivered in presence of
 John A. Spack
 W. Chitty
 Catherine S. McKedown
 Mark,
 State of North Carolina
 North Carolina

Protest of the will & Testament of Catherine Mckedown do was produced in open Court of the execution thereof duly proven by John A. Spack & Thosett Chitty, it is ordered by the Court that the same be recorded & filed whereupon Jacob S. McKerson the Executor therein named duly qualified by taking the oath of office.

J. J. Radford 1837

March Term 1858

John Hines Will

In the name of God Amen!

I John Hines of the County of Surgoth and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make & publish this my last will & testament in manner & form as following.

Item first I desire my Executors hereinafter named, to provide for my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my family & relations.

Item second, I desire my Executors to pay all my just debts, of all kinds and to whomsoever due or owing, out of the money or moneys that may first come into their hands, belonging to my estate.

Item third, I give & bequeath unto my wife Catherine Hines, then his last partner, which she may choose out of all I may have on hand, with two or three barrels of corn, one or more cupboards, one table, one chest, one bureau, six chairs, she to take choice and as much of my wear, pots, kettles, ware, knives, forks, dishes, plates, cups, saucers, and cooking utensils of every kind, and a kind of ware on hand as she may want, and chose at one penny for her own comfort & convenience, and such barrel boxes & straw baskets as she may choose to take; twenty bushels of wheat, 200 pounds of pork or 100 pounds of bacon. And also a home for life on my home place in my present dwelling house, or in a good & comfortable house, to be put up on my home place, for that purpose; and also the sum of one thousand dollars of which sum she is annually to receive the interest, and in case the interest thereof is not sufficient for her comfortable maintenance and support, then she may use, annually enough of the principal in addition in addition to the interest for that purpose; which said interest and in case any of the principal be needed, shall be paid to her as when my need the same, by my Executors, at any and all times; and also the sum of fifty dollars to be paid to her at such times as she may need the same, by my Executors; and also 50 pounds of land to have & to hold during the term of her natural life; and at her death, the home or house on these above mentioned, shall be taken and considered as part & parcel of my home place; and all the property herein before specified, and the one thousand dollars, or such part thereof as may remain with the interest of any here should be and the fifty dollars & the interest thereon if any should remain, the property first being sold by my Executors, the proceeds thereof with the monies aforesaid, shall and desire shall be equally divided and not share alike, between all my heirs.

Item fourth, I give & bequeath unto my son Benjamin B. Hines fifty acres of land, to be run off my tract of land adjoining

the Blank Road; to start at the post oak on top of the hill where the old gate hung, in the lane between my land and Newtons land. The said 50 acres to be taken off that part of the land, adjoining or next the Blank Road, with all the buildings and improvements of every kind thereon, upon condition that the said Benjamin B. Hines, will pay to my Executors the sum of five hundred dollars, at which sum I have, and to hereby value said 50 acres of land, the said Benjamin to have twelve months to pay said sum; and in case the said Benjamin refuses to take said land at the said sum of five hundred dollars, then if any or either of my other children will take said land upon the conditions above stated, they may do so, but in case neither of my children will take the said 50 acres acres of land at the said sum of five hundred dollars, then my will is that my Executors sell said land to the highest bidder on a credit of twelve months.

Item fifth, I give & bequeath unto my sons Benjamin B. Hines and John B. Hines my horses, plantations, to him and to hold to them & their heirs forever, upon condition that they will pay to my Executors the sum of twelve hundred dollars, at which sum I have, and to hereby value said land; they to have twelve months to pay said sum. And in case they now either of them will take the said land, the same place, at that price, then if either of my other children will take said land upon the conditions above stated, they may do so; but if none of them will take it on these conditions, then my Executors shall sell said land to the highest bidder on a credit of twelve months and it is also my will that all the hay that may be on the horse stables and all the manure that may be on hand, change with the same place.

Item sixth, I give & bequeath unto my son Edward B. Hines my John B. Hines tract of land which contain about 47 acres, and also a piece of land called the Iron Dogle meadow, adjoining John Stares & John Summers, lying on muddy creek containing about six or more or less - to have & to hold to him and his heirs forever, upon condition that he will pay to my Executors the sum of two hundred & fifty dollars, at which sum I have, and to hereby value said land. The said Edward B. to have twelve months to pay said sum, in; but if the said Edward B. will not take the said lands at that price, and if either of my other children will take the said lands on these conditions they may do so; but if neither of my children will take the said lands as above stated, my will is that then in that case, my Executors shall sell the said lands to the highest bidder on a credit of twelve months.

Item seventh, I will & bequeath unto my son Joseph B. Hines 20 acres of land, adjoining Christian Hanes and his own tract running just to the road I have made to him & to hold to him & his heirs forever; upon condition that he will pay to my Executors the sum of one hundred dollars, at which sum I have, and to hereby value said land. The said Joseph B.

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to pay it in and in case he will not take it upon these conditions
and if either of my other children will do so. They may do so - but
if neither of them will take it on these conditions, then my will is, that my
Executors sell said land to the highest bidder, on a credit of twelve
months.

My last wish will and desire is that all the balance of my land
not herein specified be equally divided, into two parts, one of which
my son Charles William Thine shall have, and the other part my son
Edward C. Thine shall have upon their paying five Dollars per acre for
their respective parts to my Executors; they are to have twelve months
to pay the said payment and in case they or either of them will take
a part or all of said lands, then if either of my other children will
take said lands upon the above conditions they may do so, and if not
then and in that case, my Executors shall sell said lands to the high-
est bidder on a credit of twelve months.

Item ninth. I give & bequeath unto my daughter Emeline S. Thine
the following property as her freehold, to wit, one bed and furniture
and bedstead, one bureau, one cow & calf, one little dining table
and one wheel and reel and one side saddle.

Item tenth. My will and desire is that all the money or moneys
arising from the sale of my lands, herein before specified &
set forth with all the balance and residues of my property & estate of every
kind not herein disposed of, the property first being sold by my Executors
on a credit of twelve months shall be equally divided between all of
my children or their descendants share and share alike, the down-
fall or descendants of any child who may not survive me to only
be entitled to such share as said child would be having at the time of death.
I hereby constitute & appoint my sons E. Thine & Charles C. Thine Executors of this my last Will & Testament; and
in all things conjoin them jointly and truly to execute the same, accord-
ing to the true intent & meaning of all & every part thereof.

In witness whereof I have so set my hand and seal, this the
25th day of May A. D. 1857

Witnessed before being signed

John C. Thine

Signed, sealed, published and declared, by the said
John Thine to be his last Will & Testament, in presence of us on
the day and year above stated

Witness William H. Lawrence
Witness J. B. Putney
Witness J. H. Johnston

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Gaston County 2 March Term 1858

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The foregoing paper writing was produced in open Court, was duly
proven by the oath and examination of Joseph Thine & J. H. Lawrence
subscribing witnesses thereto, to be the last Will and Test-
ment of John Thine dec'd. It is therefore ordered by the Court, that the
same be recorded & filed. Whereupon I have this and taken
& since the Executors therein named were duly qualified as such.

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Gertrude Maltz Will

I Gertrude Maltz of the County of Gaston and State of North Carolina being
of sound mind & memory, but considering the infirmities of my earthly exist-
ence, do make & declare this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have
following & I do affirm that I have been a married woman, have borne
issue and have no issue now living, I give and bequeath to the said John Thine
sums of money and set in North Carolina and at the Court of which
I am present to have and to hold to him and his heirs in fee simple
forever & further give and bequeath to the said John Thine all my
money, notes, household furniture, and all the balance of my
estate. I hereby revoke and declare utterly void, all other Wills
and Testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the said Gertrude Maltz do here-
unto set my hand and seal, this twenty seventh day of July
A. D. 1857.

Gertrude Maltz

Signed, sealed, published & declared by the said Gertrude Maltz, to be her
last Will & Testament in presence of us, who at her request, and in her
presence, and in the presence of one or more to subscribe our names as wit-
nesses thereto.

Witness Holder

Witness

State of North Carolina & Court of Wills & Testaments
Gaston County 2 March Term 1858

The foregoing paper writing was duly proven in open Court, by the
oath & examination of the subscribing witnesses thereto, to be
the last Will & Testament of Gertrude Maltz dec'd and it is
ordered by the Court that it be recorded & filed.

J. H. Johnston

(13) Wm. V. Jones 1858
Elizabeth Jones' Will

I Elizabeth Jones of the County of Forsyth and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make & declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say:

First: That my Executors herein after named, shall provide for my body a decent burial suited to the wishes of my relations and friends, and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item: I give to my beloved wife Martha all my real whereon I now live, to have and to hold during her natural life in satisfaction for and in lieu of her dower and thirds of and in all my real estate during her life time or until death.

Item: I give and devise to my son John I give and devise one dollar to have and to hold to him and his heirs in fee simple forever.

Item: I give and devise to my daughter Nancy Stafford wife of John Stafford, one dollar to have and to hold to her and her heirs in fee simple forever.

Item: I give & devise to my daughter Hannah Hendrix wife of David Hendrix one dollar to have and to hold in fee simple to her heirs forever.

Item: I give & bequeath to my daughter Mary White one dollar to have and to hold for her and her heirs in fee simple forever.

Item: I give & bequeath to my beloved wife all my household furniture, consisting of one case of drawers, three beds and all my property in anywise to have & to hold during her life time or until death, for and in lieu of her dower & thirds.

Item: I give & bequeath at the death of my beloved wife Martha all my land lying and being on the waters of Abbotts Creek, whereon I now live to my two daughters, to be equally divided between them they being both single. Also the Jones and Jones Jones to have and to hold to them and their heirs forever. And at the death of my wife Martha if there be any residue that may be it is to be

divided equally two single daughters, Martha and Jane, in equal proportion between them - their heirs & assigns absolutely forever. This 11th of December 1855

Elizabeth Jones

Signed Sealed, published and declared by the said Elizabeth Jones to be his last will & Testament in the presence of us, who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses hereunto.

C. H. Robbins

John J. Robbins

State of North Carolina & County of Forsyth & quarter of Jones
 Forsyth County S. March Term 1858

The foregoing paper writing is exhibited in open Court and duly proven by the oaths & examination of the subscribing witnesses thereto, whereupon it is considered by the Court to be & contain the last will and Testament of Elizabeth Jones dec'd. It is therefore ordered, that the same be recorded & filed.

Wm. J. Jones

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Thomas Reich's Will.

I Thomas Reich, of the County of Forsyth and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind & memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will & Testament in manner & form following, that is to say:

First: That my Executors herein after named, shall provide for my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my relations & friends, & pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts howsoever & to whomsoever owing, out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item: I give and devise to my beloved wife the whole of my household of land where I now live, so as to include a 1/2 mile deep, for and in lieu of her dower & thirds of and in all my real estate. To have & to hold to her the said Mary Elizabeth Reich, for & during the term of her natural life or widowhood, and also one cow one sheep, one breeding sow, two bee stoves, one choice, one team of 12 horses, one stacking hay, three hundred pounds of bacon, twelve bushels of wheat now, and twenty four bushels of wheat after harvest, out of what is now growing, 5 ten bushels of corn;

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Wesena Remingers Will.
X In the name of God, Amen.!!

I, Wesena Remingers, of Forsyth County, State of North Carolina, being weak in body, but of sound mind and memory, and calling to mind the uncertainty of this life, do make this my last Will & Testament, in the following manner, that is to say:

1st I give and bequeath unto my daughter Phoebe my home place, where I now live, and also the tract of land where Thomas lives on.

2nd I give & bequeath unto my son Eli & my daughter one bed & after one cow.

3rd I give & bequeath unto my daughter Eliza, who has married Reuben Whoppe, Nine Dollars.

4th It is also my will and desire that my grand daughter Sarah Pugh have my big wheel walnut chest and my little wooden chest.

5th It is also my will & desire, that my two daughters Sarah Mullins and Rebecca Vinson, shall have an equal share with the rest of my children, or as much as the rest of my property will bring.

6th It is also my will and desire that my grand son Augustus Hunt, shall have an equal share, with the rest of my children, or as much as the rest of my property will bring.

7th It is also my will & desire, that my son Thomas children, shall have a child's part.

Further I appoint Emmanuel Fisher, as Executor of this my last will & Testament.

Witness by me made, written in writing or by word of mouth conforming this to be my last will & Testament.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal, this the 6th day of March, 1858.

Signed & sealed & declared by the Testator, to be this last will & Testament, in the presence of each of us.

Wesena Remingers
Emmanuel Fisher

Witness
Jordan Reminger
Winford Ernest

County Court of Forsyth - June Term 1858

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A paper entitled purporting to be the last will & Testament of Wesena Remingers deceased, is exhibited for probate in open Court by Emmanuel Fisher, the executor therein named, and due examination thereof by the said Wesena Remingers, by the oath & examination of Jordan Reminger, & Winford Ernest, the subscribing witnesses thereto, - It is therefore considered by the Court that the said paper writing & every part thereof is the last will & Testament of the said Wesena Remingers and the same is ordered to be recorded & filed. And thereupon the said Emmanuel Fisher Executor as aforesaid, duly qualified as such, by taking the oath required by law.

File No. W 83 Subm. Maria Howard's Will

I, Maria Howard of the County of Forsyth and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, but feeble in body, do make this my last will and Testament in manner and to the following effect, that is to say:

1st That my executor hereunto named, shall receive in my body & bequeath to the order of my executor and pay all annual expenses together with my late debts, householders and to pay over and out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

2nd I give and devise to East Nathan School of City of London having my wife's fifty dollars in cash.

3rd I give and devise to sister Christina Thomas of the City of London having fifty dollars in cash.

4th I give and devise to the niece and daughter Anna School of City of London having fifty dollars in cash.

5th I give and devise to a depository Treasurer of the same Susan Mary, Son of Valerius having fifty dollars in cash.

6th I give and devise to Miss Elizabeth Mary, Treasurer of the same having fifty dollars in cash.

June 10th M. A. G. 1858

Rosena Remington's will.

In the name of God Amen.

I, Rosena Remington, of Herkuty County, State of North Carolina being weak in body, but of sound mind and memory, and calling to mind the uncertainty of this life, do make this my last will & testament, in the following manner, that is to say.

1st I give and bequeath unto my daughter Phoebe my home place, where I now live, and also the tract of land where Thomas lives on.

2nd I give & bequeath unto my son Eli the my desk and one bed & after one year.

3rd I give & bequeath unto my daughter Eliza, who has married Reubens Whelpus, Mine, Dollars.

4th It is also my will and desire that my grand daughter Sarah Pettit have my big wheel walnut chest and my little walnut chest.

5th It is also my will & desire that my two daughters Sarah Mullins and Rebecca Wainwright, to have an equal share with the rest of my children, or as much as the rest of my property will bring.

6th It is also my will and desire that my grand son Benjamin have, to have an equal share, with the rest of my children, or as much as the rest of my property will bring.

7th It is also my will & desire that my son Thomas shall have a child's part.

Further I appoint Emmanuel Fisher, as Executor of this my last will & testament.

Legued by me made, written in writing in my words of mouth conforming thereto be my last will & testament.

And without whose I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal, this 10th of March, 1858.

Signed & sealed & declared by the Testator, to be this last will & testament, in the presence of each of us.

Rosena Remington
mark

Witness
Jordan Remington
Samuel Earnest

County Court of Herkuty - June 10th 1858

A paper entitled purporting to be the last will & testament of Rosena Remington, revealed, is as he held for probate in this Court by Emmanuel Fisher, the executor therein named, and due examination thereof by the said Rosena Remington, by the oath & examination of Jordan Remington, & Samuel Earnest, the subscribing witnesses thereto, - It is therefore concluded by the Court that the said paper written & every part thereof is the last will & testament of the said Rosena Remington and the same is ordered to be recorded & filed. And thereupon the said Emmanuel Fisher Executor as aforesaid, duly qualified as such, by taking the oath required by law.

W 83 "Elizabina Howard's will

I, Elizabeth Howard of the County of Wayne and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory but feeble in body, do make this my last will and testament in manner and to the following effect, that is to say.

First, that my executor hereinafter named, do provide for my body a decent burial to the order of my friends and may all funeral expenses together with my grave debt hereinafter and to pay out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Then I give and devise to least Nathan Schmale of City of London during my life thirty dollars in cash.

Then I give and devise to sister Christina Howard of the City of London during life, dollars in cash when I give and devise to her niece and daughter Anna Schmale of City of London during life, dollars in cash.

Then I give and devise to a depository Treasurer of the same Summary Court of Valour during life, in cash.

Then I give and devise to Mrs. Elizabeth Schmale Treasurer of the same Summary Court of Valour during life, in cash.

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Wine & I give and devise to the American tract society of New York twenty dollars in cash & also give and devise to her & L. Wakarusa all my silver plate and household furniture Bed clothes and bedding with the exception of my down bed.

Wine & I give and devise to my second wife Hannah wife of John my doct. bed Wine & I give and devise my young Miss Hannah Pillsbury all my wearing apparel and crochets some of every description and lastly I do hereby appoint and constitute my trust friend the Right of John my my late wife executor to all rights and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the value and every part and clause thereof which revokes and declares null and void all former wills and testaments by me heretofore made in witness whereof I the said Nathaniel Hanson do hereunto set my hand and seal this the 15th day of July 1858

Nathaniel Hanson
Signed sealed published and declared by the said Nathaniel Hanson to be her last will and testament in presence of us who at her request and in her presence at her death signed our names as witnesses thereto.

Teste
Stephen Southwick
Wm. Conrad
The foregoing paper writing was produced in open Court by the recitor the Right and the execution was duly proved by Stephen Southwick & Wm. Conrad the subscribing witnesses and the recitor was satisfied and the same ordered to be recorded.

A. W. West Clerk

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I, W. H. V. of the County of Seneca State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory do hereby make and devise that when I shall decease my executor (hereinafter mentioned) shall furnish me with a suitable & decent funeral, suitable to the wishes of my family & friends, and shall pay for the same all less the first money that may come into his hands together with adding just & lawful debts to whom or to whomsoever owing & the balance of said money paid shall be equally divided between my two children William & Lucille the said to be sold at the most suitable time to obtain the best price or prices.

I do hereby will & devise that my trust relation friend Nathaniel Hanson shall be authorized executor to sell & dispose of all I possess to the best advantage and collect monies due me & pay all monies on my behalf debts according to law & the residue of such as afore mentioned and a 1/2 per cent bill & declare that the foregoing shall be my last & testament to all intents & purposes hereby making and declaring void all other wills made by me to which of the said & I do to hereunto set my hand and seal this the 15th day of Sept. 1858 in the presence of W. H. V. to wit: present and at the request of said W. H. V. signed our names as witnesses to the foregoing will & testament.

John Hanson
Benjamin Hanson
The foregoing will was produced in open Court by John Hanson and was duly proved by the two subscribing witnesses John Hanson Benjamin Hanson and the recitor was satisfied according to law.

File No. W 82
141 September Term 1859.
This bill was heard at Chambersburg, Pa.
Elizabeth Hensdale Pallen

The Elizabeth Hospital of Salem County
 & Ladies of Salem Warrenton being of sound mind
 & memory, but considering the uncertainty of
 a faithful assistance do maturely manner will
 before following that us to say

first Mr. Green (commonly named), shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the rank of my family & relations & pay all funeral expenses & better with my just debts however and to whomsoever owing one of any money the my said son will his heirs and assigns pay

Wm. I give unto my daughter Ann
all my household furniture being
mying afforde to be equally divided between
them

When I give and decide to my daughter-
possible during her natural life & after her
death to her children there being no assurance
of probate, should she wear her estate, which house
and lots shall be charged against her as
a part of her share of my estate at such price
as shall be asked by two competent men to
be selected by my executor

Item, I will once divide my Records to sell
all the remainder of my estate both real
& personal of whatsoever kind & that he collect
all out Standing debts due me & then divide
my estate into three parts including therein the
above value of my household &c.

I shall advise and deprecate my executor to
deduct the value of the house and lot from
the one third which is given to you, designate the mode
of the remainder of her estate to leave to her
& the estate thereon to pay over to her during
her natural life (annually) and after her death
to divide it equally among her children then
living

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When I write to desire my executor to pay a certain
one share given to my daughter Cicely at twelve
I to pay over to her the interest annually during her
natural life & after her death the share
equally among her children thus living.

the third time as interest & confidence the names of the friends of the children of my daughter's family and to defend the same against him at all times during when they are at the age of infancy.

And finally, I do have a substitute, and so I will
be able to do so. I have a few papers in my hands. As all
the substitutes, purchased, he would like to see his
will & testament, according to the law of the
meaning of the same, and only past and future
through, here, I hope, and believe, after the
all other will & testament, of the last and more.

In Melrose Square, at the old Blackwell
House apartment where we lived till the
day of September - Oct. 11, 83.

Lydell's Tracts published and
 obtained by the Fair, payable
 toward to the new tract will testament
 in the presence of our who at her request
 a her husband do subscribe our names
 of justice's hands Elizabeth Gould for
 the Spurnare
 for rights

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 State of South Carolina }
 Berkeley County }

the mention of the
 foregoing paper writing was duly provided for
 and the path of the two subscribers between
 Kentucky and Virginia to be ascertained. When the
 question of Cash Lane forward and was
 fully explained according to Law.

Philip Hafford Clerk of said Court
 Monday of September 1888

In the name of God Amen.
I, Thomas Spangh of Salem County of Jersey &
State of New Jersey being weak in body but
of sound mind memory & mature and publish
the following will & testament in manner following
I give & bequeath herein after named shall provide
for my body a decent burial & pay all
funeral expences together with all my just
debts & all of the monies that may first
come into my hands as a part or parcel of my
estate.

I give and bequeath unto the Rev. Abel Warden
of the Society of Friends at Salem or his successor
in office for the use and benefit of
said society the sum of fifty dollars more or less
in interest with & without also one table of
Chaucer's poems two silk bottles and large preserves
a new watch stand & my hair & all.

I give & bequeath unto the Rev. Leonard Warden
of the Society of Friends of the United Brethren
in the United States in office at the residence
of my mother for the use and benefit of Friends
of the United Brethren.

I give & bequeath unto Elizabeth Ackerman
one woman's bodice with one silver tea spoon into
Emma Ackerman now married to James Payne
one bodice with one silver tea spoon into
John Ackerman two pillows with calico cover and quilt
and one silver tea spoon & unto Edward Ackerman
one German hymn book.

I give and bequeath unto Solomon Nathan one
one silver snuff box unto Salome Nathan wife
of Solomon Nathan my old clock and one silk fur
cloak with lappet unto Julius Nathan one German
bible.

I give and bequeath unto Mary Dickle
widow of John Dickle my old quilt into
Elizabeth Spangh two chest drawers

daughter of Jacob Spangh one square table board box
& two shuttles into Emma Ackerman two shuttles into David
Hickock wife of David Hickock a German hymn book
and a Bible into the Rev. Leonard Warden my large German
glask & silverware both included therein as well as my watch
into Johanna Spangh one jar bottles.

I give & bequeath unto the individuals who shall be bene-
ficiaries of the Salem Sister House at the time of my
decease one silk pocket handkerchief & a patch
calico spread and unto all those persons who shall come
upon me in my last sickness at my death the
best of my clothes to be divided among them according
to their services.

I give my wife and desire it will my executor
to divide my crochets more or less as he may see fit
in equal shares between Mary Spangh daughter of Jacob
Spangh Elizabeth Nathan wife of John Nathan &
Elizabeth Nathan wife of Leonard Nathan.

I give & bequeath unto Salome Ackerman
for the use and benefit of the same one blanket
two pillows with cover one woman's bodice
one quilt four good linen sheets two cottons
one silver tea spoon all remaining silver ware
my new linen now totaling four napkins two shirts
one new piece blue quilt and large haird ring
one round large white hot decanter & three German
books entitled "New into thy" "Albertus Propolis" &
"Gottfried Schabbschen".

I give my wife and desire it will my executor
to divide the residue of my books among my bene-
ficiaries who are able to read.

I give and bequeath Christina Swann wife of
John Swann the rest and residue of my clothes
and all other goods & articles not heretofore bequeathed
lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my
trusty friend William Nathan my lawful executor
to all intents and purposes to execute this my
last will & testament according to the true
intent & meaning of the same & every part &
clause thereof hereby revoking & declaring

1744 hereby void all other Wills & Testaments by me hitherto
made.

In witness whereof I the said Johannes Schuch have hereunto set my hand & seal this twenty fourth day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & eighty four

Signed, Sealed, Published &
Attested in the presence of

W. J. B. 1870

L. B. Paul

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Subscribers to the will & testament of Miss Emma Smith
Widow & Mother are requested to contribute the
certificates to be transmitted to the persons named here,
Mrs Mary Beecher having deceased the things called
for are to be transmitted to Mrs Emma Smith (widow)
Mother is called to Mr Thomas Picket one Cornwell
George Chesley John Cook on &c, &c, &c.

[illegible]

The Western Gull - one blackish bill with white border.
The H. L. Gull - one white mouth with black border.
The H. L. Gull - one great turnstone.

11 Sophia, Vikerman one thin brown thin shell

11 *Leptanura* Shanks pure white inner shell with purple border

11. St. Petersen and Brown both shall my dear Beloved

to stop to home to Chestnut and the other old
sisters and a cotton neck tie being by one military
crusader or group member. Miss Sarah Philip, a fine
domestic linen sufficient for a few shirts

The last or two last sick nurses the best of the many
appeared. The sick room was preserved clean with little
No 29 several old folks & the children.

Mr & Mrs Michy are requesters affix the rice as they
think best & give to Louis himself as have shown
kind attention to Miss Chuck

I desire will decline the above Hope Supplement to be
a contract to my wife's sustenance until after my death in the
Spring in the year One Thousand to be hundred,
fully five years for my heirs and the security of the
day of January One Thousand to be hundred and fifty until
my wife's death and in the presence of
to A. F. Ficht
A. F. Ficht

July of North Carolina
Petersburg County.

2. *Hydrocotyle* *sp.* *sp.*

The execution of the program and conduct was produced in the home by Solomon Mackay and approved by the two Subscribing Trustees, Rev. Edward W. Hoke and is made to be registered when the President there named was duly satisfied.

J. H. Tafford

146. I, James Matthews of Henry County in the State of Virginia being of sound and disposing mind and memory do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form following- Viz

1st I desire that my body be decently interred and that a plain tomb stone be erected over my grave with suitable inscriptions V. S. I wish my funeral expences and all my other just debts to be paid by Executors as soon after my death as practicable.

2^d I have heretofore given my son Robert I. Matthews one negro man named Ben and one negro girl named Maria, and other property, all of the value of fourteen hundred and seventy six Dollars.

3^d I have given my son Edward M. Matthews a negro man named Thom, a negro girl named Margaret a lot of tobacco and other property, all of the value of fourteen hundred and seventy six Dollars, and to my daughter Mary Ann Cotton, I have given a negro girl named Mary a girl named Caroline and some other property all being of the value of fourteen hundred and seventy six Dollars. These amounts are all I intend to give or bequeath to my three children above named. I have also given to my daughter Maria M. well a negro boy Charles a negro girl Parson, and other property, all of the aggregate value of twelve hundred and seventy six Dollars I give to the said Maria and her heirs for ever two hundred Dollars in addition, so as to make the total amount given her equal with my three children herein before named. I have likewise given to my son William M. Matthews a negro boy John and cash to the amount of thirteen hundred and seventy six Dollars. I now give and bequeath to him the sum of one hundred Dollars in addition to that heretofore received, so as to make him equal with my other children herein mentioned. These amounts are all I intend to give to ~~my~~ my two last named children. 4th I give to my son David Matthews property to the amount of fourteen hundred and seventy six Dollars to him and his heirs forever.

5th I give to my son John M. Matthews & his heirs forever property of the value of fourteen hundred & seventy six Dollars.

6th I give to my daughter Eliza Matthews one her heirs forever property to the value of fourteen hundred & seventy six Dollars.

The three last named legacies to be made out of slaves money and other property. 8th In addition to the amount herein before given to my two youngest children Eliza & John I desire that they shall have and amount so may be necessary to support them in a manner commensurate with that of my other children.

9th I give to my beloved wife Eliza Matthews all the residue of my estate real & personal of my household and relations for and during the term of her natural life, and at her death to dispose of it there is otherwise no surviving child before me. 10th I hereby revoke and annul all other wills heretofore made by me. 11th Lastly I constitute and appoint my beloved wife Eliza Matthews Executrix of this my last Will and testament.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 10th day of February in the year Eight hundred & fifth A.D. 1805. J. Matthews
Eliza Matthews

State of Virginia, County of Henry
Be it remembered that at a Court session of the said County in the State of Virginia on the 12th day of November in the year 1805 the foregoing paper exhibiting hereto as being the last will and testament of James Matthews deceased was produced in court by Eliza Matthews the Executrix named therein before of the estate of James Matthews & Charles M. Thomas the two subscribers being sworn to have executed according to the Statute of Virginia and ordered to be proved as & for the true last will & testament of said James Matthews and John Matthews on the petition of Eliza Matthews who presented with her the foregoing and admitted to be a bona fide wife of said James Matthews and her heirs forever according to the certificate is presented hereto to obtain letters testamentary on the estate of said James Matthews deceased.

Rich. C. Gripps Ck.

State of Virginia
County of Henry
I, Jeremiah Gripps Clerk of the County Court of Henry in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that the foregoing is a true and correct copy of the names of said Court. In testimony whereof I have set my hand and affixed the Seal of the said Court this 11th day of February in the year 1805.
J. Gripps Ck.

State of Virginia
County of Henry
I, George W. Proctor Justice of the Peace of the County Court of Henry in the State of Virginia do hereby certify that Jeremiah Gripps whose name is affixed to the foregoing certificate is & was at the time of signing the same Clerk thereof and that his said attestation is in due form. Given under my hand this 11th day of April 1805.
George W. Proctor

Charles Vicks' Will.

I Charles Vicks of the County of Berks & State of North Carolina - being of sound mind & memory but considering the weakness of my earthly existence, do make & declare this my last will & testament in accordance with following - that is to say -

- first That my executor (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body & decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations & friends.
- Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Caroline who is lawfully married with William H. Miller & her children the house & improvements which I now own on the River of Roanoke, together with the land to which she has her heirs forever she paying all my funeral expenses & such as it is necessary at the time of my death and otherwise provided for.
- Item I give & bequeath to my son Benjamin Vicks my stock in the several other the land & improvements in which I now sleep & share with James & John Vicks -
- Item I give & bequeath to my Grandchildren William Vicks & John Vicks - James Vicks & Caroline Vicks all the money I may receive hereafter my death to be equally divided among them. I also give & bequeath to Caroline Vicks & John Vicks & James Vicks & Caroline Vicks & John Vicks each.
- Item I give & bequeath to my Daughter Adeline Vicks of Henry Vicks one thousand Dollars also my sofa & the best furniture in the parlor & bedroom & James Vicks.
- Item I give & bequeath to my Grandchildren George Henry & Mary & Adeline Vicks the debt which their mother Adeline Vicks owes now to be equally divided among them she paying it over to them.
- Item I give & bequeath to my son James Vicks William Vicks & John Vicks & Caroline Vicks & James Vicks & Caroline Vicks one hundred Dollars to be equally divided among them. I also give & bequeath to Henry Vicks my stock which stands in the肥皂.
- I also give & bequeath to Adeline Vicks my new table.
- I also give & bequeath to Edward Vicks my coat which is on the left side my coffee mill & one gun now which is in my room.
- Item It is my will & desire that all my debts & any other debts of property not subject of shall be paid among my three children Caroline Miller - James Vicks & Adeline Vicks.
- And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my son James Vicks & son in law William H. Miller my lawful executor to all intents & purposes to execute this my last will & testament according to the true intent & meaning of the same & any part & clause thereof hereby revoking & declaring utterly void all other wills & testaments by me heretofore made.

John & Sarah's Will (continued)

In the presence of the said Blackwell Parish as known to the said John & Sarah this 21st day of January A.D. 1859.

Signed, sealed, published & declared by said Blackwell Parish to be her last will & testament in the presence of us who at her request & in her presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

H. W. Shaw
S. at Glenora

Blackwell Parish
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Wherefore, the foregoing will and Testament was forthwith produced in open court by James Rank & John the Executors and the said Parish duly proved & it is there & at Glenora and ordered to be recorded & filed & the executor duly qualified according to law
Attest J. H. Stafford Clerk

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John & Sarah's Will

In the name of God Amen I John Rank of the County of Guilford in the State of North Carolina do make and declare this instrument to be my last will & testament in the following manner First I wish my body to be buried in a Christian manner.

Secondly I wish & desire for all my just debts to be speedily paid out of the debt due to me and each of my property as my executor hereinafter named shall deem proper in their judgment to sell for that purpose.

Thirdly I wish & desire that my wife Mary Rank to have a comfortable support out of my estate during life.

Fourthly I give and bequeath to my daughter Deborah Rank five cents. Fifthly I wish & desire that at the death of my wife that all my part of my property as a whole not herein otherwise devised to be equally divided between my daughter Rank & my son John Rank.

Lastly I constitute and appoint my trust friends James Rank & John Rank executors to this my last will & testament in witness whereof and to every them I have set my hand & seal this 7th day of May in the year our Lord 1859.

Witness

John Rank

S. at Glenora

Wherefore, the foregoing will and Testament was forthwith produced in open court by James Rank & John the Executors and the said Parish duly proved & it is there & at Glenora and ordered to be recorded & filed & the executor duly qualified according to law
Attest J. H. Stafford Clerk

John & Sarah's Will

In the name of God Amen

I John Rank of the County of Guilford and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory do this day being the second day of May A.D. 1859 make my last will & testament in the following manner First I wish my body to be buried in a Christian manner. Secondly I wish & desire for all my just debts to be speedily paid out of the debt due to me and each of my property as my executor hereinafter named shall deem proper in their judgment to sell for that purpose. Thirdly I wish & desire that my wife Mary Rank to have a comfortable support out of my estate during life. Fourthly I give and bequeath to my daughter Deborah Rank five cents. Fifthly I wish & desire that at the death of my wife that all my part of my property as a whole not herein otherwise devised to be equally divided between my daughter Rank & my son John Rank. Lastly I constitute and appoint my trust friends James Rank & John Rank executors to this my last will & testament in witness whereof and to every them I have set my hand & seal this 7th day of May in the year our Lord 1859.

Witness

John Rank

Wherefore, the foregoing will and Testament was forthwith produced in open court by the Executors James Rank & John Rank and the said Parish duly proved & it is there & at Glenora and ordered to be recorded & filed & the executor duly qualified according to law
Attest J. H. Stafford Clerk

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7th If others of our children should prove to be rebellious to their
father, I do not desire that they so disobey, as to be hating him.

4th I wish the attorney that my friend Comstock may choose to be my spokesman in obtaining claims against any estate especially from the Wm. H. Wright as his house is situated in a desirable location.

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W. L. Garrison.

L. A. Johnston

Robertson, Mrs. C. A. 1895

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to my dear constituents between the State, City, and University of Michigan
Library Building made of wood and stone * the old stone building is a relic
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of similar manner
March 4th I have developed a plan to give the Temperance Society the same notice letters
in a spirit of peace. The committee will wish to know what you are thinking,
which as to us is connected for at our meeting.

Henry's "Landscape with the Sea" (Williamstown, Mass.) and "High Bridge over the
Lago Regia" are a reflection of the landscape of the Lake of Geneva. See p. 10.

June 19. The above are reports I have prepared, my acceptance of the same & the
the Board of trustees of the Association of Anti-Slavery Societies to be presented
first next month.

Henry, that has been sent to Kansas, and by Henry, Kansas has engaged Perkins
to deliver a series of lectures on matters to be agreed on for at my desire
concerning Kansas and several other important questions.

There is a strong reason to say, therefore, against the view that the effects of the "New Deal" have been the same as those of the "Old Deal" and that the "New Deal" has been the same as the "Old Deal".

At a H^l of privs the 3^d June 1791 sent John Turner and daughter of Susan
Turner One hundred Shillings & no more.

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Tracy, Susan (2)

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1873 - I have now written that the above of my father's is to be very soon published.

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I am then I will all the residue of my estate of every kind to be equally divided among
all of my said children

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There is no person bearing such name that lives in the State of Virginia. There
is a settlement named Leebert, a person ought to come with such name as distinct
from the Leebert at the house of my father. There is also a person in the same State
but we never knew him that the settlement was made. There are the same names
among the people living at the settlement as among the people for one single settlement
as a village. I shall convey these names to you in a very happy condition.

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No. W 110 *Jack C. Holt 1900*

I have just received a letter from Mr. [illegible]
 of New York, who writes me, saying, that considering the uncertainty of your
 further existence, he will not deliver this year but that you have not
 in answer to his former letter, that he is not just that any Society
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 be made of your relations & friends who for all financial purposes to allow
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 you had been made into his hands and that he had not any other.

Am. in well arranged that we have only 60 calls should not and
three hundred dollars out of my pocket.

Am. Aug 20th 1860. Received of Mr. J. J. Jones, of the same place, the sum of \$10.00 for the same.

The Bay will now remain the last of the residents, some of whom
 will be equally devoted to maintaining the Bay's life and way.

Sagittaria rigida - New det. comp. of *rufescens* seems to be same as *Sagittaria rigida* - *Sagittaria rigida*

We have and now are engaged in a campaign for the purpose of all nations that
 have power, to exert to the very last their power to prevent according to the
 true intent and meaning of the second and every last one of our laws

lovely position, and containing within our old sanctified walls a number
of our dear loved ones. In the month of Feb. 1880, each table was
decorated with some kind of flowers of some color.

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Elizabeth, being full of age and decreed by the said Arch Bishop to be the
last will and testament in the presence of us and at her request &
in her presence deposited her own writings as follows thereto.

Read & subscribed

Henry M. Smith

~~my Will~~

I George W. Taylor of the County of King the & State of
N. Carolina being of sound mind & memory but considering
the uncertainty of my calling & fortune to live & to die
this my last will & testament in witness whereof I have declared
that I do give & direct that my Executors should the same
shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the rank
of my relations & friends and pay all funeral expenses together
with my just debts hereunto & to be hereunto owing out of the
money that may first come to his hands as a part of the estate
of my wife.

I Give & devise to my beloved wife Elizabeth Taylor the sum
of one dollar including three separate monies as in reference
to the debts will more fully appear which said monies my
executors have all out houses & other my necessaries to her
& to her to live the said Elizabeth Taylor for & in lieu of her
natural life in satisfaction for & in lieu of her dowry &
house of & in all my debt & estate.

I Give & devise to my eldest son William Taylor the sum
of one dollar to be paid by my executors within two years from
the time of my death out of my monies belonging to my
estate not otherwise disposed of which said monies together with the
advancements to and from me at the time of his marriage
& money since received advancements since that time will
make him a paid & payable within according to the nature
of my personal estate to be to & at his legal heirs.

I Give & bequeath to my eldest daughter Mary wife of
Samuel Taylor the sum of one dollar to be paid at the
time her death or.

I Give & bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth wife of
John Taylor the sum of one dollar to be paid at the time
her death or.

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one dollar to be paid at the time her death or.

I Give & bequeath to my daughter Mary Taylor the sum of
one dollar to be paid at the time her death or. I have here mentioned thing
of the same nature as has said the life estate of my wife
also my house and lot & furniture among other things

State of North Carolina
Joseph County

In the name of God Amen?

Elizabeth Spack (consort of John Spack deceased) being in weak health but in her proper sound mind. Knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do make this my last will and Testament in the words & figures as following: 1st My wish is that all my just debts be paid after providing for my wife & decent burial.

2^d I will & let bequeath to my beloved Sister Louisa A Spack all my property (if any) after paying my debts which I had before my marriage with John Spack & which he bequeathed to me in the 2^d Section of his last will agreeable to our contract before marriage in writing, my barren black cow my table and chest and all my clothing & bedstead & furniture.

3^d I furthermore appoint and constitute my beloved brother-in-law John I Spack my lawful executor to this my last will. I further declare this my last will & Testament containing all other null & void.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 9th day of August 1866.

J. S. Foster
John P. Rank

Elizabeth Spack Seal
Mark

Witness of John & Charles Seaton
Sept Term 1866

The above last will and Testament of Elizabeth Spack being offered for probate was duly proven by the Subscribing Deputies J. S. Foster & John P. Rank in open Court and ordered to be recorded.

John I Spack the Executor therein named, appeared in Court & was duly qualified according to Law.

under
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File No W 114

In the name of God Amen

I Jonathan Stewart of the County of Forsythe and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory blessed be God do this 29th day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and fifty eight In considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say first that my executor hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever due to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

I give and devise to my beloved wife Eliza Stewart all my land where I now live and all the lands that I have deeded for together with houses and out houses and other improvements to have and to hold unto her the said Eliza Stewart it being my will that my beloved wife shall have all my stock of horse & horses and cows hogs sheep and poultry and all the grain hay and every thing in my possession to have and to hold to her the said Eliza Stewart for and during the term of her life for her satisfaction wholly & do hereby constitute and appoint my son John Stewart my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause hereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and Testaments by me heretofore made, In witness whereof I the said Jonathan Stewart do hereunto set my hand and seal this 29th day of July A.D. 1858 Signed sealed Published and declared by the said Jonathan Stewart to be his last will and Testament in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

Jonathan Stewart
David Jones

Jonathan Stewart
Mark

I William Hartman of the County of Forsyth State of North Carolina being of sound mind but regarding human life as uncertain do make and publish this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows that is to say First I desire that my executor hereinafter named shall provide for my body a decent burial and a tombstone suitable to the wishes of my family Second that my said Executors shall pay my burial and funeral expenses and all of my just debts to whomsoever owing out of the first monies that may come into hands as a part of my estate

Third I will and bequeath all my estate both real and personal to my beloved wife Catherine to have and to hold and receive the profits thereof during the term of her natural life &

Fourth I will and bequeath unto my daughters Mary Susan and Martha to each one of them one bed bedstead and all necessary covering, bureau to each one of them and one cow a piece and also I devise to my said daughters Mary Susan and Martha that portion of my land lying between the gentleman and old town road said land is bounded by said roads the lands of J. H. Master and J. J. Squire including the water field in front of my house to have and to hold them and their heirs forever

Fifth After the death of my said wife Catherine I will and desire that all of my personal estate be sold by my executors upon a credit of six months and that of my children namely John J. Hartman Wm Hartman Elizabeth wife of John W. White Mary Susan Martha Mary and Eliza wife of Philip Hopkins shall live it and can agree among themselves that all my lands remaining after taking out the dowers of to my said daughters namely in the fourth clause of this my will shall be equally divided among all my children share and share alike and should any of my said children be dead leaving children then surviving then such child or children to take the part or share his or parent would have taken. And in case my said children cannot agree upon a division then my will is that my executor sell all my lands & real estate

not specified in the fourth clause to the highest bidder at public sale upon a reasonable credit taking bond with approved security for the purchase money and estate a deed for the same upon the payment thereof and the proceeds of said land and of my personal estate of every kind to be equally divided among all of my said children share and share alike and should any of my said children die before my said wife leaving issue then surviving such child or children shall take the share their parent would have been entitled to if living

Sixth I will and desire that the share of my estate falling to my son John and my son William and to my daughter Elizabeth wife of John W. White remain in the hands of my executors whose duty it shall be to loan the same out upon bond & good security and annually pay over the interest arising and accumulating thereon to each of them during the term of their natural lives and upon the death of each one of them to pay over the whole amount of his or her share to the children or the issue of such that be then surviving such deceased child

Seventh I will all the residue of my estate of every kind to be equally divided among all of my said children right & lawfully constitute and appoint my son Henry Hartman and my son in law Philip Hopkins J. J. Hartman & John W. White Executors of this my last will & testament

In testimony whereof I hereunto set my hand and seal this the 9th day of March 1844.

Attest

Alexander Sading
Isaac Rice

William Hartman
John W. White
Philip Hopkins
J. J. Hartman
John W. White

I Joseph Benigar being in good health and of sound mind (possessing memory and considering life uncertain) do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and following to wit

1st first I will and devise to my son Henry Benigar and my daughter Mary Groce forty six dollars each which sums make them equal in advancement with my son William Benigar.

It is then my will and desire that the balance of my estate be equally divided between my three children William and Henry Benigar and my daughter Mary Groce & further will and desire that my son Henry Benigar shall receive and retain the amount that may be coming to my daughter Mary Groce and that he pay out to her as he may think proper so that she receive the benefit of the same to her own proper use and to no one else; in case she should die before she receives the same it is then my will that my son Henry Benigar pay the amount that may be due to my daughter Mary Groce to her children equally, when they become of age I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Henry Benigar my executor to this my last will and testament hereby revoking all others signed sealed and delivered in the presence of this 3rd day of February 1859

J. S. Martin

Joseph^{his} Benigar
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I Joseph Benigar being in good health and of sound mind (possessing memory and considering life uncertain) do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and following to wit

1st first I will and devise to my son Henry Benigar and my daughter Mary Groce forty six dollars each which sums make them equal in advancement with my son William Benigar.

It is then my will and desire that the balance of my estate be equally divided between my three children William and Henry Benigar and my daughter Mary Groce & further will and desire that my son Henry Benigar shall receive and retain the amount that may be coming to my daughter Mary Groce and that he pay out to her as he may think proper so that she receive the benefit of the same to her own proper use and to no one else; in case she should die before she receives the same it is then my will that my son Henry Benigar pay the amount that may be due to my daughter Mary Groce to her children equally, when they become of age I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Henry Benigar my executor to this my last will and testament hereby revoking all others signed sealed and delivered in the presence of this 3rd day of February 1859

J. S. Martin

Joseph^{his} Benigar
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I Joseph Benigar being in good health and of sound mind disposing memory and considering life uncertain do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and following to wit

1st I will and devise to my son Henry Benigar and my daughter Mary Grace forty six dollars each which sums make them equal in advancement with my son William Benigar.

It is then my will and desire that the balance of my estate be equally divided between my three children William and Henry Benigar and my daughter Mary Grace I further will and desire that my son Henry Benigar shall receive and retain the amount that may be coming to my daughter Mary Grace and that he pay out to her as he may think proper so that she receive the benefit of the same to her own proper use and to no one else; in case she should die before she receives the same it is then my will that my son Henry Benigar pay the amount that may be due to my daughter Mary Grace to her children equally, when they become of age I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Henry Benigar my executor to this my last will and testament hereby revoking all others signed sealed and delivered in the presence of this 3rd day of February 1859

J. B. Shannon
J. S. Martin

Joseph^{his} Benigar
mark

I, John C. Benigar, being in good health and of sound mind disposing memory and considering life uncertain do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and following to wit

1st I will and devise to my son Henry Benigar and my daughter Mary Grace forty six dollars each which sums make them equal in advancement with my son William Benigar.

It is then my will and desire that the balance of my estate be equally divided between my three children William and Henry Benigar and my daughter Mary Grace I further will and desire that my son Henry Benigar shall receive and retain the amount that may be coming to my daughter Mary Grace and that he pay out to her as he may think proper so that she receive the benefit of the same to her own proper use and to no one else; in case she should die before she receives the same it is then my will that my son Henry Benigar pay the amount that may be due to my daughter Mary Grace to her children equally, when they become of age I do hereby nominate and appoint my son Henry Benigar my executor to this my last will and testament hereby revoking all others signed sealed and delivered in the presence of this 3rd day of February 1859

J. B. Shannon
J. S. Martin

John C. Benigar
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George Camp December Term 1860

The occasion of the foregoing list was
the removal of some letters to the State Prison in New Haven, Ct. &
which I have thought it desirable to have a correct list of
them in the office, according to law. A. L. Johnson Esq.

120 10th of the month of April I received
from the Honorable Secretary of the Treasury
the following receipt:

There is no doubt that the most important thing in the world is to be true to one's self.

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3. Finally I found that very dark and fat in weight birds, such as the *co-*
squamatus, very large *plum* in *Thryothorus* a variable number of
downy birds & other variations and mutations, as a source for my
breed, during the winter when it is abundant. At the close of my

and the same day, I was told by a man named John that the
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"I give to my daughter, the sum of £1000, & the interest of the
same, to be paid to her, or to her assigns, for her maintenance,
the support of her family, & the education of her children,
until she shall be married, or until she shall be dead."

[illegible]

My wife & the old Mr. Coleman are very anxious to know
whether before my wife and I go to the West & my
brother's friends & wife.

8. "I have met & conversed with the celebrated & good
vicar & deacon in the church of the Holy Trinity
& returned in friendly wishes, & have parted very
kind & soon the 1st of June 1866.

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The foregoing last indentment of John Wright next above specified

I am for probate the said grant, as you want to retain the same
one of the witnesses therein & to prove the best evidence of testimony which
it was then given instead by said Edward and he should be seated & paid
Edward, Light & Colonel Pickens the full sum named for his
services according to law

Ed: Pickens & Co

1. In the name of the court

I, John W. Wainwright, of the County of Douglas & State of South Carolina, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the original of the same as the same is now on file in my office.

1st. That the said original is a copy of the original of the same as the same is now on file in my office.

2nd. That the said original is a copy of the original of the same as the same is now on file in my office.

3rd. That the said original is a copy of the original of the same as the same is now on file in my office.

4th. That the said original is a copy of the original of the same as the same is now on file in my office.

1. In the name of the court

I, John W. Wainwright, of the County of Douglas & State of South Carolina, do hereby certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the original of the same as the same is now on file in my office.

1st. That the said original is a copy of the original of the same as the same is now on file in my office.

2nd. That the said original is a copy of the original of the same as the same is now on file in my office.

3rd. That the said original is a copy of the original of the same as the same is now on file in my office.

4th. That the said original is a copy of the original of the same as the same is now on file in my office.

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Wesley Henry Hunt March Term 1803

The foregoing last Will & Testament of Anna Munka was duly sworn to and proved by the oath of Thos Sprinkle & John Munka & entered into record (See Minutes) H. J. Paine ecc.

H. I. Paine & Co

W 134 *In the name of God, Amen!*

I, Anna Sage, a sole owner of the property of the said of North Carolina, being of legal mind & memory, for consideration the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will & testament in manner to form following: that is to say:

"First, that Power for Universal renewal, shall provide for my body, a second burial. Or even if to the dust from a burial it comes, there is remission in it the last breath of God shall take it thence to the Father, and also that the very elements shall say all Universal substance, whether put in any dust state, out of the way, that may first come into my hands as a part or burial of my estate.

no. 16 I gave to my loved son William my income of \$100 in the form of
 bonds, to my loving daughter Martha, \$100, the sum of \$200,
 and to my dear son, to my loving daughter Maria, \$100, the sum
 of \$200, and to my dear son, a half cent.

I am Sir, with the greatest respect, your obedient servant,
John W. White, my honorable executor, do all intent & meaning of
witness this, my last will & testament, according to the true
intent & meaning of the same, & every part & clause thereof,
for witness whereof, I the said John W. White, do hereunto set my
hand & seal, this 18th day of Oct. 1852.

Anna X. ...

Regia *pala*, Bull. 1801
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open descent by the path of *Microg. White & Black*. Nothing & actual to be seen.
(See Minutes) C. L. Warren, etc.

H. R. Hannan, ecc

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Be the same as you, always!

X I, Samuel B. Shaw, of the County of Horry in the State of South Carolina, considering the uncertainty of this mortal life, & being well in body, but of sound mind & memory, do make & publish this my last will & testament, in manner & form as follows: that is to say:—
Item 1st I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife, Elizabeth, all the parcel of land & houses therein, which was allowed me by the Commissioners, & given by the heirs of my Father, David Shaw, Dec'd, the same where he now lives, which is wholly well do. I will that as soon the death of my wife, my executors shall have the parcel of land above named & the remainder of my last estate, Item, provided my executors shall, I do now so small estate, I will that my wife have One dollar, only, by the recovery of my personal & real estate so as to my wife. X

Dec 2nd I gave J. Squash to my eldest brother, Phil, one dollar, I also gave J. Squash to my next eldest brother, John, one dollar, I also gave to my, John, one dollar, I also gave to the wife of my dear sister Penelope, one dollar, I will that all my good debts & my burial expenses be paid out of my personal estate & the remainder of my personal estate, be shared as above named.

Now I have concluded to quit my office, and to
 of this my last will & testament, I hereby leave all former
 debts by me made, I witness & sign, I subscribe to my name
 & seal this the twenty fourth day of a Dec. 1860. Edward J. Fox
 Hundred & Thirty Two.

Dec 8, Sunday. Home.
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The foregoing last Will & Testament of said C. There was duly
proven in open Court to the satisfaction of Drury & Hendon & John & I then &
inclosed to be read. (See Minutes) C. L. Barron &c

A. L. Baum, Secy.

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the name of the person.

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James held by his father's furniture.
Item 3rd will my clothes & dearest to my daughter Charlotte & that she
be small, & receive share & share alike.
Item 4th & 5th to be divided equally & jointly. John & Peter & Susan of my
last will & testament. Susan & her by an power. No pay all my
divided debts & settle my accounts. In witness whereof I the said
Catherine Phillips have to this, my last will & testament put
my hand & seal this 9th day of March A.D. 1849.

Catherine Phillips
witness

James D. Phillips
Susan D. Phillips
John D. Phillips
Peter D. Phillips
Susan D. Phillips
John D. Phillips
Peter D. Phillips
Susan D. Phillips

Prody & Co. Agents March Term 1849

The foregoing last will & testament of John Phillips was
not present in open Court by the oath of W. D. Stockton & W. D. Linnell
found to be genuine (See Murray) & D. W. Linnell

File No. 137

John D. Phillips being of sound mind & memory, but
infirm, the undersigned of this will & testament of John D. Phillips, the
my duty to make some provision for my family, & to do so as follows—
Item 1st I desire my property of my last will & testament for me such a sum as
shall be my share of the estate.
Item 2nd I desire my wife that she receive a sum out of the money or share that
may be found me all that shall be my share.
Item 3rd I desire that she receive a sum out of the money or share that
may be found me all that shall be my share.
Item 4th I desire that she receive a sum out of the money or share that
may be found me all that shall be my share.
Item 5th I desire that she receive a sum out of the money or share that
may be found me all that shall be my share.
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Item 8th I desire that she receive a sum out of the money or share that
may be found me all that shall be my share.
Item 9th I desire that she receive a sum out of the money or share that
may be found me all that shall be my share.
Item 10th I desire that she receive a sum out of the money or share that
may be found me all that shall be my share.

any, he of little use & the family may be cut without it.
Item 1st I desire that my wife & family, shall be the whole of my
share to my wife, then & in that case, I desire that all my, my last
will & testament shall be sold or divided equally between my
surviving children to share & share alike. It is my wish that my children
shall be for small to be that at some business, to get with my wife
until they are old enough to be that at business of some kind & not
be troubled to govern to be that at business.
Item 2nd I desire, if my estate should be sold, sufficient at the age of twenty
one, my wife, & her children, shall be the whole of my share, if they are dead, then
I desire that my children, shall be the whole of my share, but if they are not
dead, then I desire that my children, shall be the whole of my share.
Item 3rd I desire, if my wife & her children, shall be the whole of my share, if they are
dead, then I desire that my children, shall be the whole of my share, but if they are not
dead, then I desire that my children, shall be the whole of my share.
Item 4th I desire, if my wife & her children, shall be the whole of my share, if they are
dead, then I desire that my children, shall be the whole of my share, but if they are not
dead, then I desire that my children, shall be the whole of my share.
Item 5th I desire, if my wife & her children, shall be the whole of my share, if they are
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Item 9th I desire, if my wife & her children, shall be the whole of my share, if they are
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Item 10th I desire, if my wife & her children, shall be the whole of my share, if they are
dead, then I desire that my children, shall be the whole of my share, but if they are not
dead, then I desire that my children, shall be the whole of my share.

Prody & Co. Agents March Term 1849

The foregoing last will & testament of John Phillips was
not present in open Court by the oath of W. D. Stockton & W. D. Linnell
& W. D. Linnell & W. D. Linnell found to be genuine (See Murray) & D. W. Linnell

for the use & benefit of my children
which lastly I do hereby, enjoin & oblige my dear friend Martin M.
Shuman to pay the said debt, to all intents & purposes, to execute this my
last will & testament, according to the true intent & meaning of the same
& every part & clause thereof - hereby, reserving & retaining nothing in all other
wills & testaments, by me hereafter made.

In witness whereof, I the said Elizabeth Perleburger, do hereunto set my
hand & seal, this tenth day of March, in the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and forty seven.

Elizabeth Perleburger (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published
and delivered by the said
Elizabeth Perleburger, to be
her last will & testament,
in the presence of us
who at her request and
in her presence have
subscribed our names as
Witnesses thereto.

John Rogers
John Phelps

Strong County Court Term June 1864

The execution of the foregoing last will & testament of
Elizabeth Perleburger your duty person is open & clear by the subscribing
witnesses John Rogers & John Phelps & J. P. Shuman verifying the execution of
said Elizabeth Perleburger was approved & attested with the like command (See Minutes)
C. L. Warren C.C.

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January the 6, 1861. This is my will. I want my wife Mary
Jane to hold all my land and all the rest of my property if she
can pay my debts. I want her to hold it as long as she living
the widow & if she dies Mary I want the land all the rest of
my property sold and the money divided equal between my
children and if she cant pay my debts just sell property
enough to pay them dont break this will. Thomas Harris

June Term 1861 The will of Thomas Harris of action the foregoing
is a true copy now duly proven by John West to be true & legal and
C. J. Adams & admitted to probate (See Minutes on 1st Tuesday)
C. L. Warren C.C.

State of North Carolina

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In the name of God: Amen

I John Clayton do make this my last & testament in the
manner following to wit: I desire that my personal & personal
expenses be paid together with all just debts which I may be
owing at the time of my death. I further desire that my
executors proceed to collect all debts that may be due me.
Having given my eldest daughter Mary & Peter a negro
girl named Betty which since died which I bought for her
help with various articles of property together with the sum of
three hundred and fifty dollars in money making her share
worth eight hundred dollars. further this much as I have
made J. R. Moore a host of land to a certain Negro man name
Lee which I sold to him I therefore consider him the possessor
of said estate he has no account to me for the same.
Having given my son John C. Clayton a like conveyance in
amount to wit eight hundred dollars. Having also given my daughter
Elizabeth & Mary a Negro girl named Cynthia together with
her two children Leoline & V. C. making her share equal with
those above named eight hundred dollars. Having paid my son
John C. Clayton for the land that my son Reuben C. Clayton now
holds a deed for and other property and in addition I have given a
certain piece of land lying on the North end of my home tract
containing 33 acres more or less. I gave him two hundred dollars
to be paid by executor making her share equal to those above
named eight hundred dollars. Having decided to my son William
& Clayton the land that he now holds to & also other property to wit
to those above named eight hundred dollars. Having decided to my
son Nathaniel Clayton a host of land to the property I now also
will that my executor pay him the sum of two hundred & fifty dollars
in the division of my estate. Having decided to my son Gabriel Clayton
a host of land to the property I will that my executor pay him the
sum of two hundred & fifty dollars in the division of my estate.
And not having given my son Sidney C. Clayton any property I
now will that after my death that he have my home tract of
land containing about 265 acres of land together with the improve-
ments thereon, believing it to be of it greater value than the share
above named I therefore will that he be referred to my estate the
sum of five hundred dollars. Not having given to my
daughter Charity C. Clayton any property I hereby give & bequeath to
her a Negro girl named Anne also one barrel one head & furniture
together with one sum of money to wit to wit to the other property
not herein devised both real & personal which shall be referred
to probate date by my executor on a reasonable view of the giving

kindly notice at such time as he may see proper for the benefit of all parties concerned, I further will and charge that my executors and assigns should be equally divided among & between my two above named share & share alike.

I hereby appoint my son John C. Clayton my executor & the my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 11th day of January one thousand & 18 hundred & 1862.

Signed sealed & delivered in the presence of

John Clayton

Shelby Barron

James S. Barron

John C. Clayton 1862. I do certify to this my last will & testament in consequence of the death of my daughter Charity C. Clayton the property & effects devised to her in said charity & Clayton be divided equally among & between the above named legatee. Signed & attested in the presence of

John Clayton

Shelby Barron
James S. Barron

June Term 1862

The above last will & testament was duly proved to Shelby Barron & James S. Barron & admitted to probate & Court was satisfied of the same. C. J. Barron

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* State of North Carolina Forsyth County. March 30th 1862.

I George Wally being of sound mind & in perfect health and in the fear of God do make and ordain this my last will & testament.

1st I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Anna Wally all the property that she had when I married her & three dollars in money.

2nd I will that my property personal & real estate that is money be sold at

3rd I will that my beloved wife Anna Wally have a good & sufficient year allowance. 4th I will that after my personal expenses & all my just debts is paid that my two children James M. Wally & Sally C. Wally share & share alike to the amount of two hundred dollars each & then my beloved wife Anna Wally to have one hundred dollars more if any thing then is money of all my estate personal or real it to be divided equally between my first above named children James M. Wally & Sally C. Wally. 5th I make void & annul all my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 11th day of January one thousand & 18 hundred & 1862.

George Wally

John Wally
James C. Wally

June Term 1862. Admitted to probate & Court was satisfied of the same. C. J. Barron

* I George W. Baker of Forsyth County & State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory and knowing the nature of life & the certainty of death do make & publish & declare the following to be my last will & testament to wit

In the first place it is my will and charge that my executors and assigns should be equally divided among & between my two above named share & share alike.

2nd I give devise & bequeath unto my beloved wife Catharine all my property & estate of every nature & kind to have & to hold to her the same as long as she shall be my widow.

3rd After the termination of the estate of my wife in the property & estate given to her in the above & when of this my will I give devise & bequeath the whole thing to my child Archella S. Baker.

4th In case my wife should marry then & in that case I give to her during her life the third part of my lands & also give to her absolutely & forever one third part of my personal property & estate.

5th In case my said child Archella S. Baker should die before she arrives at the age of 21 years or arrives then all the property & estate given to her in this will I give devise and bequeath unto W. T. Reed & Ina Reed & their children & my deceased sister who was the wife of Henry Reed.

6th And lastly I hereby appoint my beloved wife Catharine Baker to be sole executrix of this my last will and testament & her heirs & assigns all other last wills & testaments made by me the 11th day of March 1862.

Signed sealed published & declared by said Geo. W. Baker to be his last will & testament in our presence.

Geo. W. Baker

John Wally
J. R. Wally
John M. Wally

Anna Wally 1862. The execution of the will of Geo. W. Baker was proven to John Wally & admitted to probate & Court was satisfied of the same. C. J. Barron

State of North Carolina Forsyth.

I Martin Holter of the County & State above written do make this my last Will & Testa ment to wit as follow
I give & bequeath unto my wife Elizabeth Holter all my estate both real and personal to wit the tract of land on which I now live containing forty five & a half acres more or less horses cattle hogs household & kitchen furniture farming tools and all and every kind of article of property of which I may die possessed to my said wife during her natural life and after her death I desire all that may remain of my estate to be equally divided among my lawful heirs. I desire all my just debts to be paid & if it should be found necessary for the payment of my debts that any portion of my property should be sold I desire and authorize my executor herein after named to sell such articles as my said wife may designate & think that she can best spare for that purpose I constitute and appoint Richard Executors to this my last Will & Testa ment.

In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand & seal the 1st day of March 1863.

In presence of
R. F. Tracy
R. C. Puryear

Martin Holter

June Term 1863 The execution of the above last Will & Testa ment of Martin Holter was duly proven by R. F. Tracy & admitted to probate (See Minutes) J. S. Warren C.

In the name of God. I Isaac L. Lash of the County of Forsyth and State of North Carolina being sick & weak of body but of sound and disposing mind & memory & understanding, considering the certainty of death and the uncertainty of the time thereof to the end that I may in the better prepared to leave this world when it shall please my God to call me home; have now determined to direct what disposition shall be made of my property after my decease; and after maturely considering the circumstances & condition of all those among whom as my heirs at law or the objects of my gratitude or affection, in my justly merit my estate should be distributed, I do make public & declare this to be my last Will and Testa ment, hereby revoking & making void all former last Wills & Testa ments by me herebefore made;

that my Will is just. That after my decease my executors shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations & friends & pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts, howsoever & to whomsoever owing out of the money that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate. I give and devise to my beloved wife all my estate both personal & real during her natural life and to be used for her support. I have my Will and desire is that after the death of my beloved wife, should my son John Augustus still be living & he desirous of the same he shall become sole owner & proprietor of the tract of land lying the wab of Middle fork about two miles South West of John & I want to me at the time of my death in case he is willing to receive the same as part of his inheritance at the same price originally paid for the tract of land by me. I have my Will and desire is that after the death of my beloved wife all the property remaining with the exception of the provision made in the foregoing section, he father and my estate equally divided share & share as the between my three children Henry L. Lash John Augustus Lash & Malvina Louisa Lash.

And lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my son Augustus Lash & my son in law Thomas Lash my lawful executors to see in what and for whom to execute the my last Will & Testa ment according to the true intent and meaning of the same & were partly through being working & declaring telling said estate fully by me herebefore made.

In witness whereof I the said Isaac L. Lash do hereunto set my hand & seal the 1st day of February. 1863
Signed sealed & declared by the said Isaac L. Lash to be his last Will & Testa ment in the presence of us who at his request & in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto
Isaac L. Lash
Thos J. Kitchin

June Term 1863 The execution of the foregoing will of Isaac L. Lash was duly proven by the subscribing witnesses & ordered to be recorded (See Minutes) J. S. Warren C.

of my earthly existence do make & declare this my last will & Testament in manner & form following, that is to say:

- 1st That my executor hereafter named shall provide for my body & decent burial in accordance with the custom of the United Brethren Church, pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts, out of the money that may first come into his hands as part & parcel of my estate.
- 2nd I will that my beloved wife shall retain such of my household & kitchen furniture as she may think necessary for her comfort & also a bedstead & bed furniture, subject to the inspection & consent near the life of my executor - for then I will that my executor shall select two disinterested persons who shall lay off one year provisions for my beloved wife including every thing necessary for her support for that I will that my executor shall provide a suitable residence for my wife, consulting her wishes in the matter whether it be in the house I now occupy or a set of rooms in some other house - As soon as my house becomes vacant my executor & children shall sell it either at public or private sale & on such time & terms as they may think best.
- 3rd I will all my estate both real and personal not herein bequeathed or devised to be equally divided between my wife & my children Asaiah Nathaniel, Josephus Hepburn, & Edmund Samuel share & share alike.
- 4th My desire is that all my notes executed to me by my children, shall in the settlement of my estate be accepted & taken without any interest that is such notes shall be taken as part of the estate according to the amount of the principal money or expressed in the face of said notes further it is my desire that my wife & any or all my children shall have the privilege to select & retain from my Library such books as they or either of them choose - my wife to have first choice - the value of such books to be appraised by my executor & to be accounted for in the distribution of my estate.
- 5th I give and bequeath to my grand son Van A. Zengy son of Edmund Samuel, my expectation of the old & new Testament by S. Malt Henry my said grand son having been named after me.
- 6th I give and bequeath to all my children such articles as they may have not from me & now have in their possession & such articles as are known in the family as belonging to them.
- 7th I will that in case the provision made hereinbefore mentioned for the comfortable support of my beloved wife so long as she lives my executor shall so provide for her out of my estate, that she shall always have a comfortable support & that at her death my property she may have be equally divided among my children or their heirs.
- 8th All the residue of my property not herein disposed of to be sold in

order to effect an equal division & such sale may be either public or private according to the choice of my children or if they choose they even divide such property among themselves.

- 9th Whereas my niece Mary Ann Smith has been living long in my family, I will that she shall have the bed & furniture which has as well as a bureau & table her dearest friend & property to want to my children. I further that my executor provide a home & support for the said Mary Ann Smith during her life.

- 10th I do hereby constitute and appoint my son Josephus Hepburn & my beloved wife my executor & executrix of this my last will & Testament & require upon them to faithfully execute the same according to its true & intent & meaning.

In testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand & seal this the 20th day of January 1863.

Signed sealed published & declared by the said Van A. Zengy to be his last will & Testament in the presence of us who at his request & his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses hereunto

J. C. Vollen

J. Steiner

Jan. Term 1863

The execution of the above last will and Testament of Van A. Zengy was duly proven in open court by J. C. Vollen & J. Steiner & ordered to be recorded. (See Minutes)

C. L. B. as near as

- 1st In the Name of God Amen I William Zengy of the County of Ingham North Carolina being weak in body but perfect mind do this day make and ordain this my last will & Testament in manner following
- 1st I will that my real and personal estate be sold by my executor according to the direction hereafter specified.
- 2nd I will that my Servant Lewis shall choose three or four persons as his heirs. The highest bidder to be his master making the sale of personal with my executor or other private or public.
- 3rd My lands to be sold at public sale to the highest bidder made a credit of twelve months on one half of the purchase money & a credit of twelve months on the other half with interest from the date to the last pay ment. A credit of twelve months shall be given on the personal estate.
- 4th I will that of the all my monies & debts are collected by my executor, that first of all my just debts be paid, & the necessary expenses of the estate settled. All notes of hand signed by my hand to be paid though same may have passed ten years

I will the residue of my estate to be divided as follows
 1st John Doughty and two children now living receive one share each
 2^d That Anne Doughty children now living receive one share each
 3^d That Sarah Doughty children now living receive one share each
 4th That Elizabeth Doughty and one child now living receive one share
 5th That the well kept Doughty still living receive her share also one share
 6th That Michael Doughty now living receive mine share to his own use
 7th That Mary Doughty now living receive two shares to her own use
 8th That John Doughty now living receive three shares to his own use
 9th and lastly I appoint my beloved brother Michael Doughty and my friend Thomas my executor of this my last Will and Testament according to the law in England touching the same I have signed at my hand and seal the 11th day of February 1863

In the presence of
 Wm. Spence
 Henry H. Jackson
 William Doughty (Jr)
 John Doughty

Sept Term 1863

The above last Will & Testament of Wm Doughty was duly proved in open Court by Wm Spence and Henry H. Jackson the subscribing witnesses & entered in the records (See Minutes) of the Court

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I being of sound mind and memory but knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do hereby make and declare my last Will & Testament in manner & form following to wit in the first place it is my will and desire that my Executor hereafter named (and at the first meeting which may come into his hands of my estate pay off my funeral & the same to include a suitable tomb & stone) and all debts owing by me.

Item 2^d I give and bequeath to my Nephew Robert Dawson son of Wm Dawson my brother the sum of twenty five dollars

Item 3^d I give and bequeath unto my sister Jane C. Harmon wife of David Harmon the sum of fifty dollars to her sole and separate use & not subject to the power or control of her said husband the receipt of my said sister shall be a sufficient receipt for payment made to her. Item 4th I give devise & bequeath unto my father & brother C. Dawson all the rest and residue of my property & estate of every nature kind and description to him and to his heirs forever.

Item 5th In case I should survive my said father & brother my Will and desire that all my property should be sold & the proceeds of my estate given to him in the gift & control of my Will

I devise & give & bequeath unto my said sister Jane C. Harmon & her sole & separate use & not subject to the power or control of her said husband the receipt thereof to my representatives to be given and accepted to her and the remaining three fifths thereof I give & bequeath to my two brothers Wm Dawson & Robert Dawson & Jane Doughty Ditch I hereby nominate & appoint my father the Newton C. Harmon to be sole executor of this my last Will and Testament. Hereby making my last Will made by me herebefore. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 11th day of February 1863 signed sealed & published by the said Wm Doughty to be his last Will & Testament. George S. Dawson Secy in his presence
 Wm Doughty
 Wm Dawson

September Term 1863

The execution of the foregoing last Will & Testament of Wm Doughty was duly proved by Wm Doughty & Wm Dawson & entered in the records (See Minutes) of the Court

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I appoint Henry to John & James I give the executor of this my last Will and Testament to my son John Doughty at the age of twenty one years he shall be accountable with them as co-executors.

Item 2^d This trust is a personal one & should my daughter James I give Mary she is to attend to the execution of the trust and not to have as a feme sole and all my property shall go to her sole & separate use subject only to the personal liability.

Item 3^d In case of the death of either of the above named executors the survivors may select some person not interested with any of my children to act with them who as agent & attorney to a same proper compensation

Item 4th As soon as my death is practicable my executor will cause an inventory of my property to be made. It is to include all species of property whether real personal or mixed setting forth each tract parcel & town lot with all improvements & the contents thereof each negro by name with the approximate age & condition of health & a thorough bond that the inventories may be given as per the above schedule. A copy of this inventory shall be entered into a book which is to be used in making entries connected with the settlement of my estate. Another copy shall be returned to the County Court in the same manner that other administrators & executors are required

to return a list of abolition names into their hands.

- V. In my executor shall after my death but all the right, title interest & estate in all my property real, personal or mixed as fully as it can be in the whole being. My executor shall have full power to hold & retain any or all the property I may leave, or any may sell such portions as they think proper privately or publicly for cash or on a credit or exchange for other more desirable, all as in their judgment they consider for the interest & benefit of the estate & subject to such qualifications as may hereinafter appear.
- VI. It is not expected my executor to be responsible to any bond or to how they manage the estate, they shall keep a record of all transactions in a book similar to that I have used & this book shall be open to the inspection of those interested but shall not be taken out of the hands of the executor.
- VII. If my executor shall decide to carry on the business of the firm of Pitt & Fildes or if has heretofore been carried on, they shall have the right to dispose of any property & to invest in any locality or to remove property from one to the other at their sole.
- VIII. In regard of the uncertainty of the time it will be impossible to say how much my estate may be worth therefore the directions for the distribution are only to give in general terms.
- IX. I desire that all my children shall be educated out of the funds of the estate & the younger ones shall enjoy the same advantages as the elder ones have had, & if the estate permit shall have the privilege of having tuition to that enjoyed by the elder ones that being part of their education. I wish my wife Susanna to be appointed with my executor in the moral training of my children. Should any of my children show symptoms of disposition to contract extravagant or otherwise improper habits & apply for funds under any pretext, it shall be in any of their mother & of my executor to determine whether they are needed for proper purposes & if found to be not so needed shall withhold them. Should any of the boys be at school & get into habits of dissipation from which they will not abstain upon formal admonitions, my executor shall take them from school & place them in some useful business. If it should be desired to best by my executor to close up the estate & distribute the funds the same order shall be observed in paying out of funds by the executor & executor.
- X. If the business of my executor should be carried on as heretofore my wife shall wish to retain the house we now live in & see to the housekeeping & clothing as she has done. She is to receive the board with the kitchen, negro house & smoke house as long as she chooses to attend to the above business. Should she however at any time desire to change her residence the estate shall pay such her as good comfortable dwelling at such place as she may wish.

either by purchase or otherwise. Should she again desire to stay, the executor shall gratify her wish & procure for her a suitable dwelling. And as she may select provided it be within the estate ground. The estate shall be beyond & over household & domestic furniture as the my estate shall be set aside for my undivided property. If by will or otherwise any property come into the possession of my blood connections all such property shall at once be transferred over to the aspect of her individual estate upon which mine has no further claim. If she brings one thousand dollars which her father gave to her to enable her to marry, he had made a further addition & added amount shall be paid over to her or soon after my death or the my executor.

- In addition to the above she shall have my name a sum which beyond all contingencies shall be over sufficient to secure to herself not only the necessities but all the luxuries & pleasures of life. This sum shall be paid her yearly in my yearly stipends in such funds as will enable her without trouble to gratify her wishes. Should my widow except this being the trustees waive all her right of dower or distribution upon. This is but fair as my estate may be so much impoverished by the present partition. I wish that the amount she may fix might for record what the law would give her.
- XI. In coming to the distribution of the estate the great object is again present itself as I cannot even guess what amount may be left for distribution after the national debts shall be settled. I must therefore speak in general terms only. With regard to the part that is to go my daughter the leading idea is that I desire a portion to go to them absolutely whilst a portion is to go into the hands of trustees the proceeds whereof shall be semi-annually paid over to the respective daughters for their sole & separate use subject to no one condition but then even at the time of their death the principal shall be paid to the child or children of some daughter if she have any & if she have none, shall be paid to her living & her or their representative lives share & share alike. The proportion that goes to the trust fund must vary according to the amount of the amount of the distributive share. If such distributive share equal settlement shall exceed thirty thousand dollars then the third of the amount shall be paid over to the daughter without any limitation & the other two thirds shall form the trust fund above explained. But should the distributive share be less than ten thousand dollars then the whole of it shall go without reservation to the daughter & no trust fund be formed. The trustees shall keep an exact account of any debt that may

into their hands & paper out whence the funds came & whether they go. These accounts shall be open to the inspection of parties interested & the Trustees be strictly accountable to the parties for whose benefit they hold. As compensation the trustee shall retain five per cent on his yearly payments to the daughter & if he keeps from the principal any sustenance during the time the fund was in his hands he shall further have five per cent upon the capital or final payment.

XII At the time of payment all discretion is given to the executor, but in no case shall they make advances to a larger amount than one half of the probable amount of the portion coming to the daughter absolutely until final settlement of the estate.

SXII In paying any portion of the distributive share to the boys the mother & the executor (or in case there be guardians appointed by the court) under their direction shall be governed by the conduct of the boys. Such of my sons as shall have shewn bad conduct & unruly habits shall be deprived of money, & of the portion & including any inheritance which shall come to any part of this distributive share, than if their habits had been different, that is, if sound & virtuous they shall have arrived at the age of twenty one years. Should such worthy sons desire to enter into business desiring capital & should the mother & the executor & his attorney have been approved by the mother & the executor, one half or in case they can live thirty of the distributive share might be advanced to them.

But should unfortunately either of my sons disregard the advice, admonition, remonstrance, & prayers of the mother & executor & purposely associate with bad company contract idle & dissolute habits & not apply himself to regular & constant occupation, then should my executors or the guardians of such unfortunate son, with hold all funds. And if the executor or guardian of such son have reason to suspect that such depraved & contracting what are called "debts of honor" pledged to be paid when his estate comes into his hands, they shall make most diligent enquiry to ascertain the truth & if he be found guilty not another cent of the estate shall go into his hands but the part intended for him shall be merged in the general fund & increase the part of the other children. Any difficulty intended to evade this provision however artfully contrived shall be considered as such "debts of honor" intended so to be secured. Speaking of entering into business I would

earnestly advise my sons to leave the part and stop only they have been cautioned of them & for the more part to be too easily led to trust their funds in seasons of public speculations in schemes of speculation intended for the great expense of the country. I would not say stand back entirely but be cautious, prudent, and in judgment & not to impulse. Be not in too great haste to enter in the language in business, but when you enter view the legend your depth. Give your business your whole undivided attention, & think it the duty of your soul to be master of more than one trade in any circumstances permit your mind to be divided from your own affairs by pleasures or some imaginary quest, or that you are about to do for your fellow men.

SXIV To prevent quarrels & dissensions about real estate, & whether the same I would now state that any real estate owned by the elder children such as farms, & parsonages, & other property &c are not to be sold or advanced, but should the condition of the estate justify it the executor with the advice of the mother will judge the younger children or they advance to the proper age with similar properties with charging them as advances. But when the language of property demands to be larger sums, such as a house, a tract of land, a considerable sum of money or the like, then shall such transfer be in final settlement considered as an advance but no interest shall be charged on it. In case of the transfer of a house or other property of considerable value the price or the sum of settlement shall not be considered at what such property was sold or was given, or what it might have been bought at in seasons of panic, but at a fair price, such as it would command in comparatively healthy times. By course when money is paid over that shall be counted at the amount for which it is counted over. Should any of the girls marry, the executor with the advice of the mother shall give her a reasonable outfit in every way having an eye to the financial situation of the estate. When could be reasonable such as the present stock of our party render this impossible, the getting up of such outfit must be delayed until more favorable times.

SXV The duration of the executorship must needs be uncertain. It cannot be said as soon as my dear mother becomes an invalid amount when it be retained in the hands of the executor to that day. I suppose, should the widow die, before the younger

Child that have arrived at the age of twenty one years & should
all the departments of my business have so become as that the
estate is ready to settlement there is no reason why a settlement
should be further delayed. But should any person still
be in a condition to enter in opposing the winding up, or should
from any other cause the Executors consider it to the advantage
of the estate or of the parties deriving benefit therefrom, they
alone shall be the judges how long the settlement shall
be delayed. This delay however must not exceed the day
when the youngest child arriving at the age of 21 years provides
the estate shall have been settled before. In coming to a settlement
the Executors shall provide for the payment of the debts kept
for the transaction of the business of the estate, which shall
have been yearly closed & registered, give ample explanation
to the parties interested & the grounds upon which a sheet of
settlement has been drawn off. Each distributive share
of each child shall be equal to each share of each other child.
Subject however to such directions as are hereafter laid down
in this instrument. If should any of my children or their representatives
unlawfully resist disposition with the action of the
Executors, the Executors shall settle as they desire right &
from their determination there shall be no appeal. And
if the refractory member of the family refuse to receive his
or her part as awarded right by the Executors, I declare again
say that the Executors represent me & sharing the power the
law assigns it & bind any Executor is to act, that such
spared or refused payment in full shall at once be made
in the estate & be divided amongst my other children or
their representatives, who are named in the settlement. The
refractory individual shall have no claim against my will
or the Executors either in law or equity.

XXVI For compensation my Executors shall receive three per
cent on all original receipts of capital five per cent on all
profits & interest received & five per cent on all expenditures
that shall be paid in advance or in full payment of the
debts before they shall not be subject to compensation.

XXVII Lastly I most warmly commend the care & welfare of my
rather happy family to the kind attention & active support of
my dear beloved children. My paternal attention & assistance
to my wife & the good & administrative care shown to the rest of
my family, with the uniform solicitude for their comfort &
well being both moral & physical, have during my long sickness
relieved me much trouble & anxiety, & the same I can

leave my family in such hands has greatly increased me to an
early exit from this world. I do now declare & publish this
to be my last will and testament according to the laws of the
State. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed
my seal this 28th day of June 1860
Signed sealed & published in the presence of the above named
of the attending witnesses who at the request
of the testator hereunto signed their names
J. H. French, Attorney at Law
J. S. French
J. S. French

State of North Carolina
Forsyth County

Subscribed by me, J. S. French, Esquire, Clerk of the Court of the
County of Forsyth, North Carolina, in and to the said County of
Forsyth, this 28th day of June 1860, in presence of the above named
(See Affidavit)

W149

Last Will and Testament of Lewis Wells

In the name of God I Lewis Wells of Salem County
County North Carolina having been afflicted with a painful disease
now in & knowing the uncertainty of my earthly existence
having full possession of my mental faculties & of sound mind and
memory I do hereby make and declare this to be my last will
and testament in manner & form as follows
First I will that my hereinafter named Executors shall provide for
my body a decent burial suited to the wishes of my family in
the grave yard & according to the usage & customs of our Church.
Second I will that all my personal property together with all my just
debts however owing & to whomsoever owing shall be paid by my
Executors out of the monies that may first come into their hands
as a part of my estate.

Third I will that all the property that I leave behind after payment
of my debts shall be for the use & benefit of my family & more
the comfort & maintenance of my beloved wife Henrietta to say
as she remains my widow I leave behind me four children
all of whom she need a mother's care - She has been to me a
faithful wife & knowing she will be to them a faithful mother
I will that she shall use & control every thing for her & their benefit
& have the right to sell & dispose of what she pleases, excepting

my real estate. In case of her marrying again the house and
the remaining estate to be sold & the proceeds to be equally divided among
her & my four children, namely, Charles, George, Mary & Anna. In case of the
death of my wife before the children become of age the remaining
Estate to be sold and divided the estate among the surviving children.

I will that such paralytic proofs & what ever else my wife & daughter may think had to be reported of, shall be said to my Consoling in what an innumerable time as place they may think best, for the interest of my estate.

Sept 4th 1868. I will that my beloved wife Annella together with my parents
Edw. & Susan (with whom I four ago made a friendly covenant to possess
last said office for one another who own several farms) be my Executors
to carry out to all intent & purposes & execute this my last will &
testament according to the true intent & meaning of the same & every
part ^{thereof}, hereby appointing & declaring void all other wills & testaments
by me hitherto made. In witness whereof I the said Lewis
Wells do hereunto set my hand & affix my seal this 4th day of
December 1868.

I could hardly believe & disbelieve by
 seeing him to be his last will & testament
 in presence of us who at his request & in his
 presence he presents his names as an oblation
 to God. Happen
 James H. Baker

Long, B. Co. 2nd Reg.

State of North Carolina
Forsyth County

Read of 2nd & 3rd of the Epistle to the Romans June 1818
The new edition of the last Will and Testament of Lewis
Coles of which the foregoing is a true copy was duly proved in
open Court by the subscribing Witnesses, and was ordered
to be recorded & filed. W. J. Thompson 1818

C. L. Brown, CCC.

File No. W 150

The last Will and Testament of Martin Spry, who is a letter from him to John Solomon Spry, & which was admitted by a jury to the Superior Court of Law of Sonoma County at San Francisco 1868 which said letter or Will is in the following words, -
May 20th 1868

Dear Brother I now take my pen in hand to inform you
that I am well at present and hope that when this letter comes
to hand you are quite as well, I tell it with a great deal of
pleasure because I have got the measles & have got a powerful cough but
I am better than I was when I left home I ent you to come down
here just as quick as you can for I don't think we will stay here
longer than two weeks at home, never come just as quick as
you can for we have got some things that we want to send home
with you being John Mowse along if you please I think you must
if answered me better before this time I want to hear from you all
I have not got the first letter from you or Frank yet, nor Golly
nor the old man I have not time to write to you all I want you to
come down here I want to see you about some things I want you
to tell just what I told you with me money if I need more return
I want you to give her a hundred dollars as the balance and
nothing & I hope she has too you shall be paid for your
trouble but please come down here just as quick as you can
John Martin Sprague to San Solomon Sprague.

And at the said Superior Court the following Order was made after the reading of the foregoing writ:

It is therefore concluded by the Court here that the said paper touching the 4th is lawfully admitted to probate, as the last will & testament of Arthur Spinks & it is ordered the said paper touching & this record be leave written to the County to be there admitted to probate & be recorded.

Isle of North Karama
George Rogers

The foregoing proceedings presented by the Clerk of the Supreme Court at Albany the term of the Court 8. 1848 under the signature of said Court have been admitted to probate & added to the records of the said proceedings in the Sup^r Court together with the letter or writ ordered to be filed in this office.

March 1st 1868 The last Will and Testament of James & Spang of North Carolina Forsyth County. James & Spang consid-
ering the uncertainty of this mortal life & being of sound mind & memory
do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in manner &
form following to wit:
First I will and devise that all my lands be sold at public sale by
my Executor & all my just debts be paid out of the proceeds
Second I will all the remainder of my land money to my wife Mary
Elizabeth.
And I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Elizabeth all my
household & household furniture of every description
To wit: One old black horse past one year & 2 years two cows & two calves
all the hay two places being one stone place & one junk place one
sawmill one hoe one spading hoe one axe.
And all my trunks on hand all my land all my wheat all my corn all
I now all my oats all my hay all my fowls.
And I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Mary Elizabeth one
watch or kind piece.
And I desire as aforesaid that all my just debts be paid and all the
balance of my property not mentioned above with the land shall
be sold at public sale by my Executor & the proceeds of said sale
together with the debts due me all of which shall be collected
by my Executor & after payment of all my just debts the remainder
of said proceeds to my wife Elizabeth.
And for the purpose of having this my last Will carried into effect I
do hereby nominate and appoint my father-in-law Charles Barber
my sole Executor of this my last Will & Testament.
Signed sealed in the presence of James & Spang Geo
John Barber
Mary & Bonard

State of North Carolina
Forsyth County

December term 1868. Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions

The due execution of the foregoing Will of James & Spang
was duly proven in open Court by the subscribing witnesses
therein and ordered to be recorded & filed

W. L. Barber & Co. CCC

State of North Carolina
Forsyth County

I Henry Miller of said County and State
knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death &
being of sound mind and memory do hereby make and declare
the following to be my last Will & Testament to wit:
1st I hereby authorize my Executor hereinafter named to dispose
place to pay all my just debts & necessary funeral expenses.
2nd I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Anna Miller all of the
remainder of my property & estate both real & personal after the
sale of such as my Executor may choose to sell by public sale
to public sale & I authorize to pay of my debts or make them good.
3rd I hereby appoint my said wife Anna Miller & my friend Wm.
Thorne to be the Executors of this my last Will & Testament both
revoking all others heretofore made in writing whomever I have
heretofore set my hand & seal the 11th day of September 1868
Signed sealed published & acknowledged
by Henry Miller to be his last Will &
Testament in the presence of us
Wm. Thorne
Wm. Thorne

State of North Carolina
Forsyth County

Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions December term 1868
The execution of the foregoing Will of Henry Miller was duly
proven in open Court by the subscribing witnesses therein
to be recorded & filed
C. L. Barber & Co.

I David C. Vawter of the County of Forsyth & State of North
Carolina being of sound mind & memory but considering the uncertainty
of my earthly existence do make & declare this my last Will and
Testament in manner & form following that is to say:
First that my Executor hereinafter named shall provide for my body
a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations & friends &
pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever
due to whomsoever owing out of the money that may first come into
his hands as a part or parcel of my estate
Then I give & devise to my beloved daughter Susan Vawter a life
estate in all my lands in Forsyth County known as the place whereon
she now lives to have & to hold during the term of her natural life
& then the right to come. I then I give and devise to my beloved wife

habited all that tract of land whereas my mother now lies
except the life estate of my said mother devised in a form of
of this my will to have and to hold to her heirs in fee simple
I do give and devise is that my personal estate shall all in all
and the debt owing to one collected, & if there should be any
surplus over and above the payment of debt expenses against
that such surplus shall be equally divided & paid over to my
mother & all my heirs in equal proportions there & there after
to them & each and every of them their Executors Administrators and
assigns absolutely forever.

And lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my truly friend
George W. Kim to my lawful Executor to all intent and
purpose to execute this my last will & testament according
to the true intent and meaning of the same in every part
and clause thereof, hereby declaring & declaring what I
will & the will & testament by me hereupon made.

In witness whereof I the said David C. Vawter do hereunto
set my hand & seal this 22^d day of October A.D. 1862.

Signed sealed published & attested
by the said David C. Vawter to be his last
will & testament in the presence of us above
his regular & his presence as witnesses and
names as witnesses here to

J. C. Mann
Recorder to Burke

State of North Carolina
County of Wayne

Court of Pleas & Quarter Session December term 1863

The execution of the foregoing will of David C. Vawter was
duly proven in open Court by J. C. Mann one of the Justices
of the peace and returned to be recorded & filed.

C. L. Swanwick CCC

Considering the uncertainty of this mortal life and being
of sound mind & memory I William L. Manning of Salem
County North Carolina do make this my last will
and testament as follows

I give and bequeath to my brother Edwin L. Manning and
to his heirs forever the sum of seven hundred dollars which he
has at present in his hands

I give & bequeath to my sister Emily C. Manning the large chest
which had belonged to my Mother & a silver table spoon set
(Salem Manning)

I give & bequeath to my nephew James Hollingsworth a silver table
spoon marked with the initials of his grand Father's name which
happens to be also those of his own Father

I do give my classical Greek & some Italian books by the said William
& give a mass of his languages besides English translations of various clas-
sical works & a large & valuable classical atlas, it is my wish that
all these be carefully packed up in my death chest & in a large en-
velop which I brought from Virginia that my Executor or my other trust-
worthy person to whom he may come shall keep & preserve the
in trust for the space of ten years after my death & that if it should
happen that within this time just specified a theological seminary
college or high school be established at Salem or any
where else in the South in connection with the Church Council
of the Southern branch of the Methodist Church the books mentioned
above be presented to such institution. But if no such institution
be established within ten years after my death my May then be given
to the nearest Southern College or high school of any description that
shall be willing to accept them.

I give & bequeath all my other books consisting of English & a few Latin
books & all the rest of my property of every description and otherwise bequeathed
in this will to my brother Edwin L. Manning

I appoint my brother Edwin L. Manning my sole executor of this my last
will and testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
seal this eleventh day of July in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred
& sixty three

William L. Manning Test

Signed sealed published & attested by the said Wm. L.
Manning to be his last will & testament in the presence of us
above his regular & his presence as witnesses and
names as witnesses here to

Allen & Sparks

Joseph Lewis Clerk of Pleas & Quarter

Proven at December term 1863. The foregoing will of Wm. L. Manning was duly
proven in open Court by the said Joseph Lewis & he was to be recorded
& filed

C. L. Swanwick CCC

File No. W 155
State of Virginia
County of Berkeley

In consideration of the imminent danger I am
an Officer of the Commonwealth being am of losing my life and with a
view to the proper execution of my property after my death I do make this my
last Will & Testament hereby revoking all others made by me
First I give and bequeath to my two brothers Nathaniel & Clayton &
Isaacson & Clayton of the State of North Carolina all my real and
personal estate to be divided equally between the two.
Second I appoint as my executors of this my Will my afore said
brothers Nathaniel & Clayton & Isaacson & Clayton. Whom I have
known to be my blood and true the only the descendants one thousand
eight hundred & sixty three
Nathaniel
Isaacson & Clayton
Isaacson & Clayton
Isaacson & Clayton
Isaacson & Clayton

State of North Carolina
County of Forsyth

Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions of said County December 1864
The due execution of the foregoing last Will & Testament of S. H. Clayton
according to the substance of the same being proved to the said Court by the
deposition of Philip Barron & he proved the hand writing of his son S. H. Clayton
one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & upon the oath & examination
of Adamson & Taylor who proved the hand writing of same, & that
S. H. Clayton the other two subscribing witnesses. The Court adjudge that
the said paper writing purporting to be the last Will & Testament of
S. H. Clayton & every part thereof is the last Will & Testament
of said dead & ordered it to be recorded & filed.
C. H. Barron & Co

File No. W 156

I William J. Linbach of the County of Forsyth & State of
North Carolina being of sound mind & memory but considering the
uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this
my last Will & Testament in manner & form following that is to say
First, That my Executor (himself or named) shall provide for my body
a decent burial and pay all funeral expenses together with all
my just debts out of the money that may first come and my hand
or seal or parcel of my estate
Second I give & devise to my beloved wife Rebecca my tract of land
whereon I now live together with all my personal property &
afford to have & to hold to her the said Rebecca for & during
her natural life or her widowhood
Third my Will & desire is that my wife may sell during my property

that she may wish for the purpose of paying any debts that may
be owing after my death.
And lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my truly friend George
Leinbach my lawful executor to act in and to my power & accord
the my last Will & Testament excepting I do here intend & meaning
of the same & every part & clause thereof, hereby making & declaring
nothing void all other Wills & Testaments by me heretofore made.
In witness whereof I the said Benjamin J. Linbach do hereunto
set my hand & seal this 27th day of February 1865.
Signed sealed & attested & attested
by the said Benjamin J. Linbach to be his last
Will & Testament in the presence of us
two of his regard and in his presence
do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto
James A. Spang
J. H. Spang

State of North Carolina
County of Forsyth
Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions
Term AD 1865

The execution of the foregoing last Will & Testament of Benjamin J.
Linbach was duly proved in open Court by James A. Spang and
J. H. Spang the subscribing witnesses thereto & was ordered to be recorded
& filed.
C. H. Barron & Co

File No. W 157
In the Name of God Amen I Thomas J. J. of the County of
Forsyth & State of North Carolina, considering the uncertainty of
this mortal life & being of sound mind & memory (being the last of
the same) to make & publish this my last Will & Testament in
manner & form following that is to say
First It is my Will that my executor herein of the named shall pay
all my debts & funeral expenses out of my estate
Secondly I give & devise the farm on which I at present reside (as being
about fifty acres more or less to my beloved wife Louisa Elizabeth
during her widowhood
Thirdly It is my Will that after the death of my beloved wife the farm shall
be her share her share during her widowhood in Section 2 become the property
of my son Enock Evander & I hereby give & devise said farm to my
said son Enock Evander his heirs & assigns forever
Fourthly I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Louisa Elizabeth all my houses
& hold & kitchen furniture bed & bedding & clothes during her widowhood
And it is further my Will that after the death of my said beloved
wife all the whole and undivided in this fourth paragraph be sold by

in man new & form following, that is to say
First That my Executor (hereafter named) shall pay all my personal expenses
together with my just debts house & to whomsoever owing, and of the
monies that may first come into his hands as a part & parcel of my estate
I give & bequeath to my beloved wife all my real & personal estate all
my land houses & other improvements all household & kitchen furniture &
stock of every kind and all & every species of property which I may be
possessed of my decision, to have & to hold to her the said Elizabeth
I speak for & during the term of her natural life or so long as
she remains my widow. But if she shall at any time marry
again, to have & to hold only that part or portion of my estate which
the law allows & the remaining part to be equally divided between
my lawful heirs. But if she shall remain my widow and
died, it is my will & desire that all my real & personal estate
& property of every kind (at the death of my beloved wife) be equally
divided between the lawful heirs of my said wife & my own lawful
heirs in equal proportions there & there abate to them & to each and
every of them their execution & administration & of course absolutely forever. +
And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife
Elizabeth I speak my lawful Executor to all intents & purposes to
execute this my last will & testament according to the true intent
& meaning of the same & every part & clause thereof, hereby making
& declaring utterly void all other wills & testaments by me heretofore
made. In witness whereof I the said Jonathan I speak do
hereunto set my hand and seal this day of 1781

Jonathan Spaulding

Signed Sealed published & Attested by the
said J. Spack to be his last Will & Testament
in the presence of us who at his request & in
his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses
there to. M. H. Watrous

M. Martine
R. F. L. L. L.

Stock of Carolina

Frederick County Court of Pleas & Quarter Session Sept^r Term 1866

The execution of the foregoing purporting to be the last will & Testament of Jonathan Spack died and dug from in open ground by H. Marston & Robt. A. Linnville the Subscribing witnesses, & is therefore solemnly recorded & filed

C. S. Wagoner, ccc

1st I give & bequeath unto my daughter Christiana Kitchyord my
part of land containing 664 acrs also one half of my house
hold & kitchen furniture also one cow also one half of my
stock of hogs

2^d I give & bequeath to my grand along the Phatha & Weave
one half of my household & kitchen furniture also one cow
also one half of all my stock of hogs by Tinsam not being
= cord & Phatha & Weave paying all my just debts.

I give & bequeath unto my daughter Sarah one dollar in money
I give & bequeath my son. I D. Perley one dollar in money.

I give & bequeath unto my daughter Nancy Sumner one dollar in money

I give & bequeath unto my son J^d Peckham all the cotton in coming

Agnes & August with my son John. Peter, and our clothes in boxes

I give & bequeath unto my son George. R. B. Gordon was called in among

I give & bequeath unto my grand son W^m. & Heirs one dollar in money

I give to my dear R. and my grand daughter Barbara Strach one dollar in money

Spencer requests not my good daughter Emily Wendell and letters in money

I sleep with my son John. Beloved to be my executor of this my last

At 11 o'clock. Signal started the tenth day of December in

At you of our Lord & Saviour the thousand eyes turned

4/10/19 L.A.

Signed in the presence of *Benjamin Pollock*

Wm. Gibbons

Miriam S. Berlin Kanner

Stick of North Carolina
Chas. H. Young.

Hand of Plover & Quack. Repre-
sents of the Camp exposed at Sep^r time 1864

[illegible]

P. & S. Young & Co

2112
File No. **W161**

Mrs. Mary Evans, of the County of Tazewell & State of North Carolina
 being of sound mind & memory but considering the uncertainty
 of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will
 & testament in manner and form following (that is to say)

First. That my Executor (being after named) shall provide for my body
 a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations & friends
 and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts
 & to whomsoever owing out of the monies that
 may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate
 I give and devise to my beloved wife *Barbara* two acres &
 building one dining table and one toilet table on her sofa
 all my cooking utensils and table furniture & by will and
 desire it also that my Executor provide a comfortable main-
 tenance for my beloved wife *Barbara* out of my estate
 during her natural life

Item I give and bequeath to *James C. Evans* and *Anna* his wife
 all the residue of my real & personal estate & their heirs
 and in ~~the~~ *the* said *Anna* being and *Eizabeth* her
 son daughter should both decease, then & in that case my
 will and desire is that *James C. Evans* be my sole heir
 and healy & do hereby constitute and appoint my son in law
James C. Evans my lawful Executor to all intent and
 purposes to execute this my last will and testament
 according to the intent and meaning of the same and every
 part and clause thereof, hereby revoking & declaring void
 all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made
 in writing whereof I the said *Mrs. Mary Evans* do herewith
 set my hand and seal this sixth day of January A.D. 1857

Mrs. Mary Evans
 signed sealed published & declared by the
 said *Mrs. Mary Evans* to be her last will & testament
 in the presence of us who at his request &
 in his presence do subscribe our names as
 witnesses thereto

John M. Holt *J. Thoms*
W. A. Ogle *J. C. Ogle*

State of North Carolina County of Tazewell
Joseph Henry Justice of the Peace
 the execution of the foregoing of the last will and testament of
Mrs. Mary Evans do hereby prove in open Court by
 & is therefore ordered to be recorded & filed
C. L. Danvers ccc

File No. **W162**

J. Augustine H. Sheppard of Tazewell County, N.C. do hereby
 appoint *C. L. Danvers* my nephew & friend Executor of this my will
 & testament in manner and form following (that is to say) I give & bequeath
 to my daughter *Samela* *Martha Sheppard* one thousand dollars I give
 to each of my grand children one hundred dollars to my daughter
Mary & *Samela* & *Samela* *Martha* I give my silver plate & such of the
 furniture of the side board dining room & living room as they
 may select to be equally divided between them & I will and that
 that my Executor make sale of all and conveyance for the balance
 of my property real and personal & after making payment of my
 debts, I give & bequeath the balance of the proceeds, more or less my
 children share & share alike In making sale of my land &
 slaves it is my purpose to give to my Executor entire discretion
 as to the time & manner of sale, believing that he will look not
 only to the interest & convenience of my children but to also pur-
 suing influence by the demands of necessity in the disposition of my
 slaves. In testimony to the foregoing of my last will & testament
 I have signed & declared to be such I have thereunto set
 my hand at Good Spring this 10th day of March A.D. 1856

J. A. Sheppard

State of North Carolina
Joseph Henry Justice of the Peace
 the execution of the foregoing of the last will & testament of *J. A. Sheppard*
 do hereby prove in open Court by *C. L. Danvers* that *Martha*
 & *J. A. Sheppard* the just of whom proved that the said will was
 amongst the valuable papers of the said *J. A. Sheppard* & all proving
 that the whole of said will is in the hand writing of the said
J. A. Sheppard died which was ordered to be read to be recorded
 & filed as the last will & testament of *J. A. Sheppard* do *C. L. Danvers*
 the Executor therein named was qualified according to law (so
 all in acts of the law so proved) *C. L. Danvers* ccc

W163

William H. H. Matthews of the County of Tazewell & State of North Carolina
 considering the uncertainty of the mortal life & being of sound mind & memory do hereby
 make and declare this my last will & testament
 in manner & form following (that is to say) I give & bequeath to my wife *Elizabeth*
 all my estate real & personal to have and to hold & to dispose of as she may
 see cause after all of my just debts is paid & I hereby do hereby set the
 day of August 1852

W. H. H. Matthews
C. L. Danvers
J. M. Holt

May 5th 1860

It is my will that Susan shall have my gold ring & all my clothing, except I should like to have any increase before I die I will it to be divided between my 2 grand children Mary & Elizabeth & George & James Wright in real estate & money on land I wish to be divided in 3 parts 1 to Susan 1 to Zacharias & 1 to my 2 grand children before named the one not a day old & age I bequeath Zacharias my house & all that is in it except what is named before & what he is willing to divide with his Sister & Brother I am not in practice of writing my eyes & pen are bad & it is late in the year

Elizabeth Wright

Wm
 Christian Wright
 George Wright

The above property which I have bequeathed my son John Susan I bequeath her for her own use & subject to her sole disposal for ever

Elizabeth Wright

Wm
 Christian Wright
 George Wright

George Wright County of Edge & Quarter Expires Dec 1860

The execution of the foregoing will of Edw Wright and the Codicil thereto was duly proved in open Court of Christian Wright & George Wright the subscribing witnesses & recorded & filed (See Minutes of the Court)

Wm Wright

State of North Carolina In consideration of the eminent services I as County of Forsyth & a Soldier of the Confederate Army now of losing my life and with a view to the proper direction of my property after my death I do make this my last will & testament hereby revoking all others made by me First I give & bequeath to my two brothers William C Clayton & Robert C Clayton of the State of North Carolina all my real and personal estate to be divided equally between the two

Second I appoint as Executor of this my will my former brother William C Clayton & George C Clayton a hard I have known & set my hand and seal the September the twenty eighth one thousand eight hundred & sixty three

W. C. Clayton

Wm
 W. C. Clayton
 George Clayton

Dec 1860 The execution of the foregoing will of W. C. Clayton was duly proved in open Court by Philip Warrum and the subscribing witnesses & recorded & filed (See Minutes of the Court)

W. C. Clayton

State of North Carolina County of Edge & Quarter Expires Dec 1860
 George Wright

The execution of the foregoing will of Wm Wright was duly proved in open Court by C. H. Adams & John P. Haddell the subscribing witnesses & recorded & filed in the Court to be recorded & filed on the last will & testament of said Wm Wright (See Minutes of the Court)

Wm Wright

In the name of God Amen

I Christian Wright of Forsyth County State of North Carolina being advanced in age but being of sound & perfect mind & memory do this 29th day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & fifty four make & publish this my last will & testament in manner and form following that is to say

1st I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Isabella Wright my home plantation containing fifty acres together with all improvements thereon during her life time

2nd After the death of my beloved wife, I will I will that one half of the home plantation & all improvements be to property of my beloved daughter Mary Wright, & the other half of my home plantation & all improvements be to the property of Alfred Wright, his wife Isabella Wright & their children

I give & bequeath unto my daughter Lydia Wright fifty cents to be paid to her by my Executor herein after named out of such funds as may be in his hands

I give & bequeath to Jackson Wright the sum of fifty cents

I give & bequeath unto John Wright the sum of fifty cents

I give unto Isabella Wright fifty cents

I give unto John Wright the sum of fifty cents

3rd It is my desire that all my just debts & funeral expenses shall be paid out of the proceeds of my personal estate by my executor herein named

I hereby make & declare my worthy friend John Wright last my Executor of this my last will & testament hereby revoking all others made by me all my former wills & testaments, in her by word of mouth or in writing & ratifying & confirming this & no other to be my last will & testament

In witness whereof I the said Christian Wright have to this my last will & testament set my hand & seal the day & year above written

Christian Wright

Signed sealed & delivered by the said Christian Wright to Isabella Wright his last will & testament in the presence of James Thomas & Isabella Wright

Court of Edge & Quarter Expires Dec 1860 The execution of the foregoing will of Edw Wright was duly proved in open Court by the subscribing witnesses & recorded & filed (See Minutes of the Court)

Wm Wright

Being on the point of starting to the seat of labor I make this my last will & testament

1st My Executor shall collect all debts & claims due to me & from the persons with all demands that may be established & just against my estate. 2nd I do my personal estate other than Cash, notes, bonds or other demands I may have against individuals or corporations I wish well & bequeath to my Sister Mary Cathwell.

3rd My property not disposed of in the second paragraph in this will shall be divided into two equal parts, one part to be given to the children of my deceased Sister Betty Strongworth that may be living at the time of my death, and the other part shall be given to my Sister Mary Cathwell.

4th In case my Sister Mary shall die before me, it is my will that her children receive the property willed to her in the preceding two paragraphs.

5th I appoint Mary to Exec of this my last will. Witness my hand & seal this 16th day of June 1861

J. C. Brown

Court of Plac & Sancho Superior Dec. Term 1861

The execution of the foregoing will of J. C. Brown was duly proven in open Court by J. D. Spelt & C. C. Spelt who swore that the whole of the foregoing will is in the hand writing of the said J. C. Brown which was ordered to be recorded & filed (See Minutes) (C. C. Spelt) ccc

This the 26th day of August in the year of our Lord 1861

I J. C. Brown being of sound mind & memory do make this my last will & testament. I do hereby appoint my brother Alexander Brown & my wife Mary Elizabeth my Executors & give him full power to appoint my brother Alexander Brown Receiver for my estate.

Under all the surrounding circumstances & the condition of the County I deem it best that my efforts or at least that I shall be spared to take at the present time, but that my Executors & Receiver shall have charge of and control them until they shall deem it best to make sale. I desire that my plantation interest go on and continue to be managed as it is now until my Executors & Receiver shall deem it best to make other arrangements. If in the settlement of my estate it shall be considered more convenient & best for all parties concerned not to sell certain property held by the firm of Brown & Wooty the same may be retained by paying to my heirs a just & full equivalent in money for any & all such property. In the final disposition of my estate I desire that my daughter Clara & my son Albert

shall draw one fifth more than my wife Mary. I mean to comprehend in the direction of this will my entire estate personal & real of every kind

Signed in the presence of
J. W. Hays
Evan Thomson
J. H. Gibson

J. C. Brown

Court of Plac & Sancho Superior Dec. Term 1861

The execution of the foregoing will of J. C. Brown was duly proven in open Court by J. W. Hays & J. H. Gibson two of the subscribing witnesses, which was ordered to be recorded & filed (See Minutes) (C. C. Spelt) ccc

State of North Carolina Plac & Sancho County

Know all men that J. W. Hays of said County of sound mind & memory do hereby make my last will & testament in manner and form following: I give to my wife Mary Elizabeth all the land Negroes Stock crops and all other property of which I am possessed to have & to hold during her life for the benefit of herself and the support and education of my children which at her death to be given divided among my children that may be living at that time. But if my wife Mary Elizabeth should survive then my will is that all my property as above named shall be divided (according to laws amongst her & my children that may be living at that time) & further declare that if at any time for the benefit of said estate or for the benefit of my children she may have the power to dispose of any of the personal estate and apply the proceeds of such sale to the benefit of my children or herself, finally and truly it is my will that my Executors & Receiver shall collect that which is due me or my estate & sell such property as may not be necessary on the plantation for all my just debts

Witness my hand
J. W. Hays
Wm. Watson

William H. Hays

Joseph Henry Court of Plac & Sancho Superior Dec. Term 1861

The execution of the foregoing will of Wm. Hays was duly proven in open Court by Henry Jones & Wm. Watson two of the subscribing witnesses, which was ordered to be recorded & filed (See Minutes) (C. C. Spelt) ccc

* I Frederick Hall of the County of Forsyth & State of North Carolina, considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, being of sound mind & memory but feeble in body, do make & ordain this my last will & testament in manner & form following to wit:

Item 1st I will & bequeath unto my three daughters Elizabeth M. Hall Mary R. Hall & Louise M. Hall my home tract of land whereon I now reside containing fifty two & a half acres, as a compensation to them for taking care of me during my life time, provided they all remain together with me during my life time, otherwise the above named tract of land to go only to them that remain with me until my death to hold to them & their heirs.

Item 2nd I bequeath to my three daughters above named as a compensation for what they have done for their mother & my self previous to this time the sum of four hundred & eighty dollars which is deposited in the Savings Institution in Salem to be divided as follows to wit: Elizabeth to have one hundred & thirty dollars & 33^{cs} to Mary one hundred & forty nine dollars & 33^{cs} each & to Louise one hundred & forty nine dollars & 33^{cs} each.

Item 3rd I bequeath to my daughter Louise one Bureau known as her Mother's & I give therewith that my three daughters above named shall have my desk & book case & my loom & all belonging thereto.

Item 4th I will that my tract of land known as the M. Knight's tract containing fifty two & a half acres and all the balance of my personal property be sold and divided equally between all my children share & share alike. And lastly I do appoint & constitute my truly friend Thomas Spangh as my executor for all duties & purposes, fully revoking all former wills by me made.

Signed & sealed in
the presence of us
W. L. Garrison
John Watson

Frederick M. Hall
Wife

Seal

Forsyth County Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions, North Carolina
The execution of the foregoing will of F. M. Hall that was duly proven in open court by W. L. Garrison & John Watson & returned to be recorded & filed (See Minutes) C. L. Warren, cllk

* I Augustus Long of the County of Forsyth & State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make & declare this my last will & testament in manner & form following to wit:

1st That all my just debts shall be paid 2nd That my beloved wife Margaret Ann Long shall retain in her care & trust all the property belonging to my estate.

3rd That my beloved wife take care of all my children & keep them at her home till they all become of lawful age a division shall be made of all the property belonging to my estate.

4th If my wife & children cannot agree to the equal division of my property when my youngest child becomes of age then my property shall be sold at public sale & the money shall be equally divided between my wife & children the names of which are as follows Margaret Ann Long my wife & Henry Thomas Long, James Samuel Long, Mary Sarah Long, John Edwin Long, Augustine Gabriel Long, my sons. The property of my estate consist of one still one more one way for farming tools house hold & kitchen furniture.

5th My will & desire is that my wife shall pay all debts & expenses which may be against my estate up to my death out of the money which may remain in her hands without having to sell any of the property of my estate.

6th I do further will that she pay all funeral & funeral expenses which may occur & all the money which is in my hands or what is due to me shall be paid over to her after my death which money she will be entitled to for the use of herself & my children while

living I believe the above to be my last will & testament in writing whereof I the said Augustus & Long do ourselves set my hand & seal this 7th day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty three.

I appoint Solomon Long my executor signed sealed published & declared by the said A. & Long to be his last will & testament in the presence of

to who subscribe our names as witnesses thus: Solomon Long

Augustus Long

Forsyth County Court of Pleas & Quarter Sessions, North Carolina
The execution of the foregoing will of A. & Long that was duly proven in open court by the subscribers witnesses & returned to be recorded & filed

C. L. Warren, cllk

I Carolina Forryth Henry.

In the name of God Amen! I John H Randallman willing to mind the certainty of death & the uncertainty of life, & thing of sound mind & calm deliberation do make & bequeath this my last will & testament. And my will is that my lands & tenements & all other of my estate, be disposed of in the following manner herein after described. I make the first. That after my death I do devoutly bequeath - I make the second. That all my just debts be paid.

I make the third. That all the household and kitchen furniture be equally divided between my beloved children viz Hannah Maria Ann, Rebecca Franklin, John James, Mary Jane, Elizabeth Frances Juliana Augustine & Thomas Weston. I make the fourth. That all my real estate farming implements & all other property should be longed together with my two sons & those that are bound to me to be kept together by my friend Richard Thorne whom I constitute & appoint as my Executor to this my last will & testament till the youngest child become of age. That all the aforesaid lands & tenements & other property be managed in the best advantage by the said Thorne for the support & education of the said children. And after the youngest child shall have come of age. And then my will is that all my property be equally divided among all my children except Hannah Maria Ann or any one of the children who might be lame or infirm & in this case my will is that my friend Richard Thorne give to Hannah Maria or any other of the aforesaid children that might be infirm whatever advantage in the property he may think them entitled to receive.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 20th day of December one thousand eight hundred & sixty four

John H Randallman

Witness in the presence of

J. H. Webb

E. Hancock

Forryth County Court of North Carolina Session March Term 1865

The execution of the foregoing will of John H Randallman this was duly proven in open Court by E Hancock & Richard to be recorded & filed

W. L. Warren cec

In the name of God Amen!

Know all men by these presents that I Isaac Thore of the County of Forryth & State of North Carolina considering the uncertainty of this mortal life & being of sound mind & memory do make & publish this my last will & testament in manner & form following (that is to say)

First I give & bequeath unto my beloved wife Cornelia all my lands & buildings thereon and slaves including all my property as long as she remains my widow - but should she marry again my wish is for all my personal property to be disposed of according to law & the value thereof equally divided amongst her and my six sons. Should she die my widow I will that all my property be then also equally divided amongst my six sons and also all the proceeds thereof. Should there be any debt I will that all be paid. Should my wife Cornelia become diseased with any of my personal property I will that she sell as she thinks best either publicly or privately & use the proceeds thereof as she thinks best I hereby appoint my beloved sons Cornelia & Samuel B Thore as sole executors of this my last will & testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal the twelfth day of September in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred & sixty four

Isaac Thore

The above instrument of writing was here before Subscribed by Isaac Thore the testator in the presence of each of us & was at the same time declared by him to be his last will & testament & we at his request sign our names hereby attesting the same

John H Thore

Isaac Thore

Forryth County Court of North Carolina Session March Term 1865. The execution of the foregoing will of Isaac Thore was duly proven by Isaac Thore & by Martha Thore who produced the hand writing of John H Thore & was ordered to be recorded & filed. See Minutes

W. L. Warren cec

I declare that of my own knowledge & that of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory but knowing the uncertainty of life & the certainty of death do hereby make & declare this to be my last Will & Testament in manner & form following to

Item 1st I will and bequeath to the children of Hannah to share

doe the hundred and fifty dollars equally to be divided between them share & share alike

2nd I will and bequeath to Julia Down now widow of J. S. Down doe the hundred & fifty dollars

3rd I will & bequeath to Sophia Down wife of John Down the hundred & fifty dollars

4th I will and bequeath to Lucy Wilson of living at my death ten dollars

5th I will & bequeath to John A. Wilson with whom I live all the rest & residue of my property of every kind & nature what ever after he is paid for administering me & the funeral expenses & doctors bill are paid

And lastly I hereby appoint my step son John A. Wilson to be sole executor of this my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking all other Will heretofore made by me in writing, Witness I have hereunto set my hand & seal the 15th day of July 1855

John A. Wilson
declared by the said Defendant

to be his last Will & Testament in our presence

John S. Down &
C. W. Smith

John S. Down

John A. Wilson being of Age & Quaker the 15th day of July 1855 the execution of the foregoing last Will & Testament of John A. Wilson was witnessed according to law by John S. Down & C. W. Smith and I being the said John A. Wilson

John A. Wilson

+ The last Will and Testament of John Smith deceased of the County of Orange and State of North Carolina

I John Smith deceased hereby make and declare this to be my last Will and Testament in manner and form following to wit I leave and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah Smith the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars to be paid and preserved by her during the term of her natural life I will and bequeath to my son John Smith the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars of the principal and also the interest on the said sum of one hundred and fifty dollars

And I will and bequeath to my son John Smith the sum of one hundred and fifty dollars to be paid and preserved by him during the term of his natural life

I have lastly & hereby appointed William H. Smith to be the sole executor of this my last Will and Testament and I hereby give and grant unto him full power in writing whereof I have signed my name and seal the 15th day of July 1855 in the presence of John S. Down and C. W. Smith

John A. Wilson
The above instrument was read and declared by John A. Wilson to be his last Will and Testament and was at the time signed by him and witnessed by John S. Down and C. W. Smith

John S. Down
C. W. Smith

Witness my hand and seal the 15th day of July 1855 the execution of the last Will and Testament of John Smith deceased was witnessed according to law by John S. Down and C. W. Smith

John A. Wilson

signed, sealed, published, declared by said Peter Hoff to be his last will & testament in the presence
of us who at his request & in his presence, do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.
A. C. Hanson Peter Hoff, Deceased
Hes Hanson

A. E. Johnson

My Grandmother

Account of Messrs & quarterly sessions kept during 1818 the execution of the foregoing last will & testament of Peter Hoff was duly proven according to law by J. A. Hanson & Ole Hanson & ordered to be recorded & filed

H. V. Davis '0.0.0

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to bring to my school with me, negro woman, children & her daughter, Sarah. I know
all the intimate relations & habits of them but were her station as said negroes are to
live for a long while, & by her consent at a certain time, by teacher's shall send them out any
where, pointing to good master, to find to a teacher, & the proceeds of said negroes
shall be divided, between all my children, share & share alike.

I wish that my negro man, Elipha, should be sold privately, my executors to the best advantage. I do not wish him sold to a trader, if said executors cannot sell this negro to advantage my executors to hire him out & privately under the same conditions the proceeds of his hire shall be divided between me my children, same as I have done & after said negro is sold & the money collected there & there will be same as the hire

I wish that any time, place or tract of land belonging to the State, be rented out by the State in any manner, may be the subject to two rules of the Court, proper the time to be put up to the highest bidder, and a time, not less than 30 days, in some public place in the neighborhood of said time, and at least, be open to each time of making the same time, time to be made in any year, the same time a time to be sold at public sale to my execution on a writ of habeas corpus.

I write that the periods of my life that are to be sacred shall be devoted one part each to my dear daughter Mary, Catherine, & Henrietta, equal share & share alike. This is to make my daughter equal in an advancement & after the first trials the rest & a sort of sacrifice is to be divided between my wife & children share & share alike.

It shall not be put in the market, the land belonging thereto shall be sold, & my
 exequatorial burial place, & also my grave in the solemn cottons, fasting, are to be sold
 to my creditors & public sale & the proceeds of both of my said property shall
 be divided between my children, share & share alike.

That we had my friend child, Emma Buff, now have one bed & furniture
 one, Emma, now, now one, now one, & one, by which one, now a room & a pair of
 shoes & her children, each, I will that the above, by which the said Emma Buff
 by one, now, out of what I have, Emma, will be her.

12. I will that the occurrence of any probate belonging to my estate shall be void at public sale by my executors and, except of course, most strict charge, such ready written signature and possession for all the lands herein before written to my sons Benjamin, Phineas & Peter Collins, which are to be divided to said sons by my executors at the settlement of my estate.

13. I will that my executors have power & are hereby empowered to make good and true pay-
ments that are above written. It be said by witness that at the final settlement of my
estate I will that not my children share & have still in said division.

Nothing but confusion in my son Solomon & my son Nathaniel. I have appointed them
as my executors. Every weekings decreasing a little, will see other most lamentable by me
here to be made.

I witness this copy of the said Peter Bluff as a hereunto set my hand & seal this 21st day of April 1877

other chattels, and heretofore disposed of a bequest to be equally divided between my two sisters Sabina Shultz & Jonathan Christman, & my niece Harina E. Hoyer.

It is my will further that the residue of my money should then be any left after all my affairs be settled, be given & bequeathed to Sarah Butner (daughter of John Butner dec) but in case nothing is left or money, I desire that various articles not especially mentioned should be given her in lieu thereof.

And lastly I do appoint and constitute my nephew & trusty friend W. S. Shultz, my lawful Executor to all intents & purposes, to execute the my last will & testament, according to the true intent & meaning of the same, & every part & clause thereof, hereby making and declaring utterly void, all other wills & testaments by me heretofore made. In witness whereof, I Christian Elizabeth Christman, do hereunto set my hand & seal, this the 31st day of March in the year of our Lord, One thousand eight hundred and fifty six.

Christian E. Christman

Signed, sealed, published & declared by the said Christian E. Christman, to be her last will & testament in the presence of us, who at her request, & at her presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

W. H. H. H.

Allen T. Spack.

As various matters have changed since making, signing & publishing the within, I now revoke & alter the within provisions, so far as they will interfere with the following bequests. In addition to what is written to Harina Hoyer, wife of G. Hoyer, I add my separate table & bed. In money if there is that much left when all is settled, I will to Sophie Hoyer, female Hoyer, daughter of Mr. Hoyer, the sum of fifty dollars should any be left after that, I will that to Sarah Butner daughter of John Butner.

To Helena Burkhard wife of Frederick Burkhardt, fifteen dollars.

To my sister Jonathan Christman, my bedstead, 2 pillows & 2 bed sheets.

To Charity wife of Albin Christman, my feather bed.

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Translation of the Last Will and Testament of William Eise.

Given after my
Sister's death, eight

This is my last Will and Testament.
I have got 10 Negroes. - Adam, Eugene,
John, Philip, Louis, Alexander, George,
Willy, Washington, Henry, Maria,
Barline, Ida, Anna, Nancy. - Of these
Negroes, my daughter shall choose one, then
Francis one, and then Henry one, - then
Henry, Francis, & Barline, - then Barline,
Francis & Henry. - then continuing until
they have all been disposed of, if they
cannot not reach all round, then as far as they
will go - Barline 1000.00 Dollars East. Bond,
1000.00 Dollar Savings Bank, and the residue
in Salem. - Francis 25 shares Capital Stock
& Bank Stock, 500.00 Dollars with Cash.
Barline the Navigation Stock. Henry all
the land I possess and every thing else that
is left, provided that is, Henry shall pay
all my debts.

July 2nd 1856.

This is my last Will.

William Eise.

Don't write 1856.

Let it remain as it is.

W. Eise.

The above copy of the original foregoing last will and testament of William Eise was proven in open court by J. S. Spack, G. H. Hoyer, & others, and was ordered by the court to be recorded & filed.
March Term 1856.
J. S. Spack, Clerk.

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1856.

last will & testa-
ment proven in
& Spack, the
advised by the

1. Cook C. C.

William Eise.

2. J. S. Spack.

and

my, Henry, Louis

and my, Maria, Francis

and my, John, Philip

and my, George, Alexander

and my, Adam, Eugene

and my, Willy, Washington

and my, Henry, Maria

and my, Barline, Ida

and my, Anna, Nancy

other matters,
he equally dis-
tinctly & clearly
expressed

X It is my will
should there be
be given & long
time before
I know that I
should be glad
And lastly I
a trusty friend
intends & pray
statement, acc
sume, & every
one declares
by me himself
Elizabeth be
I fear, this I
Sad, but then

Signed, Station
Luna Co. Christ
presence of us
subscribe one
of them. Pp.
Station A Sp

As various
ing & publishing
within previous
returning code
Florida Horse
table & bed
when all is so
Hudson, Augt

Should any be left after that, I will that to Sarah But-
terbaugh of Upper Butner.

To Helena Parkhurst wife of Frederick Parkhurst.
Silken Spinn.

To my sister Gertrude Christman, my best friend, 2 pictures

No Charity wife of Albin Christman, my leather bed

and had sheet.

of the wife of Allen Christman & youth 1 Blaudet
& how short.

In witness of the above changes, I have affixed my hand & seal, this the ninth day of September, eight hundred & fifty eight.

Chas. St. G. Christman Esq.

signed sealed & authenticated
in the presence of us, who at his request, affix
our names as witnesses thereto.

2. Hier. Johl.

. A. A. Jacob.

State of North Carolina, Hatteras County
Seventh County 1866.

The excitement of the extra-forgiving love with a testimony of Christian E. Christman, a duly sworn member of the band by J. H. Spelt, J. A. Spelt, the subscribing, within ten months, it was ordered by the band to be recorded in the public records.

Net. Cork C.C.C.

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La'ra mein lieber Peter

Wm. Linn.

The excursion of the railroad from New York to Washington

was given in open court to
Ambrose Sherbo, and was ordered by the Court to be recorded & filed
in the Prob. Rec.

March 1866.

7. *Boa constrictor*

C. J. Munroe & Co.

Ephraim Cornell of the County and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, but knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do make and declare my last will and testament as follows (to wit)

In the first place it is my Will and desire that my debt and funeral expenses be paid, to include a suitable tombstone to be paid out of the said monies which may come into the hands of my Executor hereinafter named.

I do give and bequeath to my youngest sons to wit, to John Cornell, Robert Cornell, Ralph Cornell and Alvin Cornell, the sum of one hundred Dollars and also one bed and furniture to each of them.

I do give and bequeath to John Cornell one hundred negroes, furniture, money and property and to my son Alvin (deceased) to John Cornell one Share, to John Cornell one Share, to John Cornell one Share, to Robert Cornell one Share, to Ralph Cornell one Share, to Alvin Cornell one Share and to Elizabeth Cornell wife of J. R. H. one Share to have, hold and use the same to her sole and separate use, not subject to the power control or disposition of her said husband and if my said daughter Elizabeth should die without leaving issue then and in that case said Share of my Estate, to my sons hereinafter named share and share alike.

I do hereby nominate and appoint my two sons John Cornell and John Cornell Executors of this my last Will and Testament bearing witness all other wills heretofore made by me, in testimony whereof hereunto as my hand and seal this 18th day of March 1863.

Witness my hand and publish to by Ephraim Cornell
said Ephraim Cornell to be his last will and Testament. W. H. Cook
J. P. Wilson

Court of Meason Quarter Session March 21st 1863 the execution of the foregoing will of Ephraim Cornell was proven in open Court by the subscribing witnesses and ordered to be recorded and filed.

W. H. Cook, C. C. C.
J. P. Wilson, C. C. C.

State of North Carolina, Forsyth County

J. R. Williams of the State and County aforesaid being of sound mind, do make this my last Will and Testament first that my last will be to wit when I leave this world, then all my debts be paid then after that my Brothers & Sisters Edward & Rebecca to have five cents each and Regina & Sarah Love to have all the balance money notes land and other property which this Joseph Williams act as my Executor to this my last Will and Testament this 21st day of March 1863.

Witness my hand and seal this 21st day of March 1863.
J. R. Williams
J. P. Wilson

Court of Meason Quarter Session March 21st 1863 the execution of the foregoing will of J. R. Williams was duly proven in open Court by the subscribing witnesses J. P. Wilson and others and ordered to be recorded and filed.

W. H. Cook, C. C. C.
J. P. Wilson, C. C. C.

File No. W 187 State of North Carolina, Forsyth County

J. R. Williams of the State and County aforesaid being of sound mind, do make this my last will & testament.

First, that my last will be to wit when I leave this world, then all my debts to be paid, then after that my Brothers & Sisters, Edward & Rebecca & Charlotte & Harriet & Rebecca to have five cents each & Regina & Sarah Love to have the balance money notes land & other property.

I wish that Joseph A. Masten act as my Executor to this my last will & testament. This the 21st day of March 1863
J. R. Williams
Witness
J. P. Wilson
J. P. Wilson

State of North Carolina, Forsyth County, Court of Meason Quarter Session March 21st 1863

The execution of the foregoing last will & testament of J. R. Williams was duly proven in open Court by the subscribing witnesses J. P. Wilson and others and ordered to be recorded and filed.

W. H. Cook, C. C. C.
J. P. Wilson, C. C. C.

The Last Will & Testament of John Poyer Leonard
 in the name of God Amen
 I John Poyer of the County of St. James, and State of North Carolina
 being of sound mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty
 of this mortal and transitory life, do therefore make, declare, publish
 and declare this to be my last Will and Testament. That is to say,
 that after all my lawful debts are paid and discharged, the
 residue of my estate real and personal I give bequeath and
 dispose of as follows, to wit:

1st By my beloved wife, the land and appurtenances situate
 known, known and described as the Robert L. Whicker farm
 lying on the waters of Middle Fork of Noddy Creek in the County
 of St. James and State of North Carolina
 also another tract of forty acres lying on the above tract
 known as the William Whicker tract, lying on the waters of
 Middle Fork of Noddy Creek County and State of St. James
 I give bequeath and devise all hereditaments and remainments
 of my real and personal estate to my beloved wife now living
 for her to have and to hold so long as she remains my widow.
 Then in case she survives me, I give and my said children
 to be divided equal share and share alike.
 I desire I make and constitute and appoint, my wife Sarah
 to be executrix of my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking
 all former wills by me made
 In Witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and
 affixed my seal the sixth day of August, in the year of our Lord
 one thousand eight hundred and fifty two

John Poyer Leonard

The above written instrument was subscribed by the said John
 Poyer in our presence, and acknowledged by him to each of us
 and he at the same time published and declared the above instrument
 to be his last Will and Testament, and we at
 the instant request and in his presence have signed our
 names as witnesses hereunto, and written official our names our
 respective places of residence.

I Thomas Poyer do hereby
 John Poyer Leonard

The execution of the foregoing Will of John Poyer Leonard was duly proven
 in open Court at Land Term 1866 by the oath of Thomas Poyer Leonard
 the witness being sworn to and returned to be recorded and
 filed

W. H. H. 666

(Last Will and Testament of Charles Cooper
 I Charles Cooper of St. James County, a State of North Carolina, being
 of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly
 existence, do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in
 manner herein following, that is to say:
 1st That my Executor hereinafter named, pay all my last debts and funeral
 expenses.
 2d It is my will that all my lands or monies left at my decease be held
 in trust by my Executor hereinafter named, even before his parents
 in good and safe hands, and that my beloved wife, Rebecca shall have
 the interest thereon to her sole use during her life.
 3d It is further my will that all the rest of my property of whatever description
 I have to my beloved wife Rebecca during her life.
 4th It is further my will and desire that after the decease of my said wife Rebecca,
 my children or the survivors of them divide the whole of my estate between
 them, share and share alike, and if they should not agree, each to
 choose one impartial witness, person I have no reason to believe said property
 among my said children, share and share alike, and if these persons do not
 be could not agree between themselves to choose an umpire, to which
 decision my said children shall submit.
 5th But in case all my children shall have departed their lives before the death
 of my said wife Rebecca, then and in that case it is my will that my
 said wife Rebecca take all and every part of the property mentioned
 heretofore in this my last Will and Testament, to her sole use for ever.
 And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint, my beloved wife, Rebecca
 my lawful Executor, to all intents and purposes, to execute this my
 last Will and Testament, according to the true intent and meaning of
 the same and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking and
 declaring utterly void all other wills and Testaments by me heretofore made.
 In Witness whereof I the said Charles Cooper do hereunto set my hand &
 seal this 31st day of August, A.D. 1847.

Signed and sealed published and declared
 by the said Charles Cooper to be his last
 Will and Testament in the presence
 of us, who at his request, and in
 his presence do subscribe our names,
 as witnesses, thus to

Charles Cooper (Seal)

James B. Co
 Solomon M. H. H.

The execution of the foregoing last Will and Testament of Charles Cooper deceased is duly proven
 in open Court by the oath and deposition of Solomon M. H. H. and the Subscribing
 witnesses, James B. Co, and Solomon M. H. H. do hereby certify that the same is
 duly proved and returned to be recorded and filed in the records of the Court
 at Land Term 1866

Last will and Testament of John H. Blum

I John Henry Blum of Forsyth County & State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory; but considering the uncertainty of my earthly residence, do make and publish this my last will and Testament in manner and form following

First That my executors shall provide proper burial suitable to the wishes of my relations & friends, & pay all funeral expenses; together with my just debts, but of my monies that may first come in to her hands, as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item I give & bequeath to my beloved wife, Ann, Margaret, the house in which I now reside together with all appurtenances thereto belonging, all the line stocks, houses & kitchen furniture & utensils, waggons & farming tools and every other species of property on the premises.

Item I give & bequeath to my said wife, Ann, Margaret, all money & notes in my possession or owing to me.

and lastly I do constitute & appoint my beloved wife, Ann, Margaret my executor giving the privilege of selecting an agent to assist her in the settlement of my affairs and the intelligent management thereof to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will & Testament according to the true intent and meaning thereof and every part & clause thereof, hereby revoking & declaring utterly void, all other wills & Testaments by me heretofore made.

In Testimony whereof I the said John Henry Blum do hereunto set my hand & seal, this the twentieth day of November 1860

John Henry Blum

Signed and delivered by the said Blum to be his last will & Testament in the presence of us who at his request in presence of subscribers named & signed

W. L. Wright
J. D. Hunt

State of North Carolina } Court of pleas and quarter sessions
Forsyth County } September Term 1860

The due execution of foregoing last will and Testament of John Henry Blum deceased is duly proved in open Court upon the oaths and examinations of W. L. Wright & J. D. Hunt the subscribing witnesses thereto and attested to be true and valid by the testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand

W. L. Hunt

Last will and Testament of J. L. Howell

I J. L. Howell of the Town of Winston & State of North Carolina being weak in body, but of sound mind & memory, knowing the uncertainty of life, and the certainty of death, do make and declare the following to be my last will and Testament

First That I do hereby declare it is my will and desire that my barkeeper should be included a suitable sum of money, and all my just debts be paid out of the first money of my estate which may come into the hands of my executor hereafter named

Item I give and devise unto my beloved wife Caroline for and during her life, my house and lot in Winston where I now reside except the store house

Item I give & bequeath unto my said wife, Caroline, all my house hold & kitchen furniture of every kind to be her absolute property, & also give her a comfortable years support for her self & family.

Item I do give & bequeath unto my sons Robert and Frank my house & lot in Winston, subject to the life estate given above to my said wife, also all my interest in the real estate in Guilford County of which my father the late Robert Howell died seized and possessed to be divided equally between them share & share alike, he ever however my executor may deem it best to sell the real estate given in this clause to my said sons, then he may sell the same and divide the proceeds between them equally

Item I give and bequeath all the real and personal property and estate of every nature kind and description unto my beloved wife Caroline and my said sons, the said Caroline to have one fourth part thereof and my said sons to have the three fourths thereof to be equally divided between them

and lastly I nominate and appoint my friend Thos. H. Green sole executor of this my last will and Testament

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & seal this the 4th day of June 1866

J. L. Howell

J. D. Hunt
J. L. Howell

I hereby declare the following to be part & parcel of my will that is to say in regard to my three goods I authorized my said executor to sell said goods by retail or at whole sale privately & he is at liberty whilst retaining the same to purchase such articles as he may deem proper to add and assist the sale of the three goods on hand

In Testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this June 4th 1866

J. L. Howell

State of North Carolina, Court of pleas and quarter sessions
 Joseph county 3 September Term 1866

The due execution of the foregoing last
 Will and Testament of J. S. Connell deceased is fully proved, in
 open Court upon the oath and examination of J. S. Lott and
 R. D. Connell two of the subscribing witnesses thereto and is ordered
 by the Court that the same will be recorded and J. Lott
 In testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand & seal
 do. Clerk

The Last Will and Testament of J. S. Connell
 In the name of God, Amen.

I Henry S. Lott of Salem North Carolina,
 being of sound mind and disposing memory but considering the uncertainty
 of my earthly existence, and to the end that I may to the better prepared to leave
 this world when it shall please God to call me hence, have now determined to
 direct what disposition shall be made of my property after my decease; and after
 maturely considering the circumstances and condition of all those among whom
 as my heirs at law in the disposal of my estate or affection are estate should be
 distributed; do make publish and declare this to be my last Will and Testament in
 manner, and form following, that is to say

Item 1st That my Executors hereinafter named shall provide for my body a
 decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends, & pay all funeral
 expenses together with my just debts to whomsoever owing out of the moneys
 that may first come to his hands out of my estate and in third mean that he
 shall liberally pay the moneys and worth attends on me in my last sickness &
 also for all other services connected with my funeral.

Item 2^d I give and bequeath the use of all my money, Bond Stock Notes or other
 choses in action to my Sister Rebecca Connell during her natural life & on her
 death the whole of the aforesaid property to be divided into four equal parts and shares
 to be distributed as follows, one share to my brother John Jacob Connell, one
 share to the children of my Sister Mary S. Smith deceased one share to the
 children of my Sister Virginia Wiggins deceased and one share to the children of
 said Sister Rebecca. I further direct that in the decease of my said Sister
 Rebecca if the children of my deceased sister Francis Wiggins cannot be
 found that my Executor may pay out their share at interest until they are
 found, and that in the death of my Sister Rebecca that the share
 distributed the share intended for them as follows, to wit, one third to John Jacob
 Connell, one third to the children of said Sister Rebecca Wiggins and another
 to the children of said Sister Rebecca Wiggins.

Item 3^d I give & bequeath unto Rebecca Connell wife of J. S. Connell deceased my
 dollars to be paid her in preference to any the other legacies also all the moneys
 of my property that are not herein before disposed of or which may be left to pay
 any of the foregoing provisions of this will to said Rebecca Connell my
 nurse.

And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend
Charles Houser of Salem my lawful executor to all intents & purposes
to execute this my last Will & Testament according to the true intent
and meaning of the same.

In witness whereof I the said Houselle &
Johnell do hereunto set my hand & seal, this 2^d day
of July A.D. 1868

Witness
J. H. Houselle
W. F. Houser

H. S. Houselle Clerk

State of North Carolina
Forsyth County }

Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions.

See Term 1866.

I, H. S. Houselle Clerk of the Court aforesaid do hereby
certify that the execution of the within Will of H. S. Houselle was duly
proven to the oath of J. H. Houselle & William Houser the subscribing
witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my
hand this 1st day of December A.D. 1866

H. S. Houselle

per H. S. Houselle C.

Last will and testament of Christina Houselle.
I, Christina Houselle, being now in full and perfect health both in mind and body, do
make this my last will and Testament.

1st After my death my executor shall pay all my expenses incurred in
my sickness and burial, and settle all accounts due by me out of the
cash on hand, or if none on hand, to be raised of my real estate, and
of debts due me.

2^d All my property other than such stocks, notes, and the balance
of debt, I hereby will and bequeath to my daughter, Christina Houselle,
with the exception of what furniture I might have at the time of my death.
This word I will go to her and remain in it.

3^d My executor shall convert my stocks, notes, and the balance of
debt into cash and distribute the same with what cash I may have on
hand at the time of my death, in the following order and proportions
to those first in citation, in case there should not be enough to pay
all the legacies.

- 1st To Sarah Smith Fifty dollars
- 2^d To Maria Smith One hundred dollars
- 3^d To Julia Houselle One hundred and fifty dollars.
- 4th To Maria Houselle One hundred dollars
- 5th To Christina Houselle Fifty dollars.
- 6th To the person that shall have waited on me the last year of my life
and above her regular wage Twenty dollars.
- 7th To the beaver and beaver each One dollar
- 8th To the home mission society Forty dollars.
- 9th To Henrietta Smith Fifty dollars
- 10th To John Boggs Fifty dollars
- 11th To Maria Hall Fifty dollars
- 12th To Maria Jane Houselle Fifty dollars

4th Should any more remain over, after paying the above legacies,
I bequeath such remainder to Julia Houselle.

Should any of the legacies above be a widow or child, the amount of such
for such persons shall be paid to her or him respectively.

I appoint John S. Houselle my executor to this my last will and Testament
under and provision this 28th August A.D. 1868

Witness in presence of
and at express request of
Christina Houselle
Christina Houselle

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dequida to give me

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas and Quarter
Joseph County 3 Session March Term 1867

The due execution of the foregoing last will and Testament of Christina Bessing is fully proven in open court by the oaths of ~~Magistrate~~ Joseph and Reynolds & James the subscribing witnesses thereto and said will is ordered to be recorded and filed in testimony whereof I do subscribe at my hand.

J. B. Clark Clerk
J. H. Houser D.C.

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Yacharias & Riddle of the County of Forsyth and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and Testament; in manner and form following.

That is to say.

First That my executors shall provide for my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends, and pay all my funeral expenses, together with my just debts, household and whatsoever claims, out of the moneys that may first come into my hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Second I give and devise to my dear sister Susan C. Nelson, during her life time, and after her death, to the children of my brother Constantine Riddle, my plantation lying on the waters of Little Lake, about one mile west of Salem and bounded as follows on the east side by the same belonging to P. B. Williams, west by Middle Creek, west by the land belonging to S. P. Smith and north by the Paper mill and mill race of said.

Third I give and devise to my sister Susan C. Nelson, and to her heirs, subject to her contract & disposal, during her life time and after her death and to my brother Constantine Riddle, my house lot in the town of Salem and all my personal estate, to be equally divided among them, and retained or sold as they may see proper, and lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend, John C. Nelson my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will & Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same & every part & clause thereof, hereby declaring all other wills & Testaments by me heretofore made.

And finally, I do declare my brother Constantine Riddle and his heirs, as my heirs, in behalf of my sister Susan C. Nelson, to take in part and carry out the bequest made to her, the said Susan C. Nelson.

In witness whereof the said Yacharias & Riddle do hereunto set my hand and seal, this the twenty first day of January 1867.

James Y. Riddle

Signed, sealed, published and sworn to by the said Yacharias & Riddle to his last will & Testament, in the presence of us, who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

Given in Public
Emanuel Fisher

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas and Quarter
Joseph County 3 March Term 1867

The due execution of the foregoing last will and Testament of Christina Bessing is fully proven in open court by the oaths of James H. Nelson and Emanuel Fisher the subscribing witnesses thereto and said will and Testament is ordered to be recorded and filed.

In testimony whereof I do subscribe at my hand.

A. B. S. Clerk
J. H. Houser D.C.

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In the name of God Amen

- 1 I William D Winkler of the town of Salem Forsyth County State of North Carolina being weak in body but of sound mind do make and declare this my last will and testament, in the manner and form following, that is to say,
- 2 I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah Ann one desk, one Bureau, a washstand, a double bed, a single bed, two double feather beds, four pillows and all the bed clothing and bed trunks with said beds and one night cover, all the foregoing property being the same which I received by my said wife in her marriage, and also such cupboard and kitchen furniture as she may see,
- 3 My son Charles and my daughter Sarah having each already received from me a bed and furniture will not now expect any more of this estate.
- 4 I give and bequeath unto each of my other children, viz. to John Christian Caroline, Mary Alice, Peter Ephraim, Margaret Ann, Henry William and James Lewis a good box of furniture & a bureau, my said sons to have singular beds & my said daughters double beds.
- 5 I give and bequeath to my said daughter Sarah one silver tea spoon and silver sugar spoon and I give and bequeath all the balance of my silver tea spoons and cutlery to be equally divided between my said daughters viz. Mary Alice and Margaret Ann.
- 6 I give and bequeath to my son Charles Augustus one little gun, to my son John Christian one double barrel shot gun, to my son Peter Ephraim one single barrel shot gun, to my son W^m Henry one silver watch and to my son James Lewis one a silver watch.
- 7 I will that out of the money on hand at the time of my death no my unpaid debt be first paid and the remainder be equally divided between my beloved wife Sarah & my children Sarah & Charles alive.
- 8 I will that all my property, including my interest in my mother's share of the Salem mill race and my own situated in the form of the Shallowford and paper mill tract my share in a house and land excepted to be sold by a notary public in their opinion it can be done to the advantage of my dear to and good money be obtained for the same. In the mean time it is to remain together for the use of my wife and children.
- 9 It is my will that my Executors procure a house of suitable size and according for my wife and family to reside in and then my house in Salem and the improvements on the lot in Salem be sold by my Executors at such times and on such conditions as they may think may be most advantageous to my Estate, and good money be obtained for the same.

- 10 I will and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah Ann a testament of land containing about twelve acres adjoining Little Hills and a body of land as long as she remains my widow, should she marry again in the same shall revert to my estate and become the property of my children.
- 11 I will that my plantation lying south of Salem adjoining the lands of E. S. Taylor & others be sold by my Executors to the best advantage if he want of a sound commodity or otherwise that cannot be sold and estate then they are to rent it out until such time when it can be advantageously disposed of.
- 12 All moneys arising from the sale of my property and estate as from any other source after the payment of my just debts are to be divided three and share alike between my wife and each of my said children.
- 13 I do hereby constitute and appoint to my friend John James Burgess, Charles Winkler Executors of this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same, hereby revoking all former wills by me written or made.
- I witness whereof I the said William D Winkler have hereunto set my hand and seal this the 20 day of May 1846

Witnessed by us at the request
of the testator and in his presence
W D Winkler
J. J. Burgess

William D Winkler

State of North Carolina } Court of Chancery
Forsyth County } March Term 1847

The due execution of the foregoing last will and testament of William D Winkler is duly proved in open Court by the oaths of the J. J. Burgess and Charles Winkler, his witnesses thereof and said will & testament is ordered to be recorded and filed in the Court of Chancery whereof said my hand

J. J. Burgess
J. C. Winkler

X In the name of God amen
 I John B. Eaton of the county of Horry and State of North
 Carolina being of sound mind and memory and considering
 the uncertainty of this frail transitory life do therefore make
 certain publish and declare this my last Will and Testament
 that to say first after all my lawful debts are paid and
 discharged the residue of my estate real and personal
 I give bequeath dispose as follows to wit:
 I will to my wife Sarah Elizabeth Eaton all of my tract of land where
 I now live but the house and land where my father now lives and lands
 that my father is to have as long as he lives on it and no longer
 and I will as well ~~grant~~ ^{convey} every thing else that I own but one tract
 of land to my wife as long as she remains my widow when
 she marries it then goes to my children Mary B. Eaton and
 Lemuel B. Eaton.
 I will one half of my tract of land where I now live to my eldest
 daughter Mary B. Eaton to have for her body I will after her death of my
 wife debt or marriage and not so a equal share of one the balance
 of the balance of my estate which is to be one and equal divided
 between my two children Mary B. Eaton and Lemuel B. Eaton and
 I will the other half of my tract of land where I now
 live to my youngest daughter Lemuel B. Eaton to have and con-
 trolly after my wife debt or marriage if my wife and many
 after my death she is to have two beds and one chamber on table linen
 sheet and big wheel one child one cradle and one spinning wheel
 and I bequeath I am in constant and of point William Wellscock
 to be Executor of this my last Will and Testament hereby revoking
 all former Wills by me made as witness whereof I have hereunto
 subscribed my

last by

John B. Eaton

John B. Head
 Daniel H. Hauer

State of North Carolina }
 Horry County } Court of Pleas and quarter
 Sessions March Term 1867

The due execution of the foregoing Will & Testament of John
 B. Eaton is duly proven by in open Court by the oaths John B.
 Head & Daniel H. Hauer the subscribing witnesses thereto
 and said Will & Testament is ordered to be recorded and filed
 In testimony whereof I have unto all my hand

W. W. Cook Clerk
 per C. H. Hauer Secy

Last Will and Testament of John P. Rich deceased
in the name of God Amen

I John P. Rich of the Town of Salem, Strongsville
County, North Carolina, having become infirm in body both yet
clear and sound mind & memory, & knowing the uncertainty of our
earthly existence, do therefore make & declare this my last Will & Testament
in manner & form as follows:

1st my soul I commend to that God's service who made & redeemed it &
for my body I wish that my children shall give it a decent burial
in the American Grave yard at Salem

2nd I will that all my last debts to whomsoever owing shall be paid
out of the first moneys, that may come into the hands of my Executor.

3rd I give & bequeath unto my son James A. Rich one set of iron & copper
smith tools, including the Machine I have in use in the shop &
also further give & bequeath unto him all my right & title to a certain
Tract of Land lying in Stokes County on the waters of Little Yadkin
well to me by John, the Deed will more fully explain its locality
there is some dispute about the ownership of said Land but I believe
my title to be good & well it to him just as it is & if the title should
ever turn out not to be good he must never have any recovered or
claim on my Estate for its failure & I give it just as it is & it good or
bad & to be his & his heirs forever

4th My daughter Jane Elizabeth has been faithful & untiring in her care &
attention to her now departed Mother & myself, & as due acknowledgment
thereof I give & bequeath unto her a certain note for two hundred
Dollars given to me & made payable to my deceased wife Elizabeth, by
J. A. Vaghen and also an additional sum of one hundred Dollars
to be paid to her by my Executor out of the proceeds of my Estate.
further there is a valuable sleeping Bureau which is her own property
also another Bureau & a double & single Bed with its furniture which
we have given unto her - a wardrobe in the house is also known - all
of the above shall be her & her heirs forever

5th I will that all the residue of my Estate all my property of whatever
nature or kind real or personal shall be equally divided among my
three surviving children Emma Augusta wife of J. A. Vaghen,
James A. Rich & Jane Elizabeth Rich - they being all of age may
manage that as they deem best for the best interests of the Estate.
they may sell, or convey without sale, or sell part publicly or privately
in case however that they should not be able to agree among themselves
as to such division then I will that my Executor shall have the
power & authority to make the division & to sell, likewise publicly or
privately as he may deem best & after deducting all the expenses
& of settling up the Estate divide the remainder equally among

the children in the same manner as the children should prefer not to
sell the House & shop & can agree among themselves & it be not necessary
to do so they may retain it

6th In the due & faithful performance of this my last Will and Testa-
ment, I hereby appoint my son in law J. A. Vaghen as my Executor
to execute this my last Will & Testament

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal
this the thirtieth day of December 1864

John P. Rich 67

signed & sealed & delivered in

presence of

J. A. Spack

J. A. Ryhl

State of North Carolina, Court of Pleas and quarter Sessions
Strongsville County 3rd Term Dec 1864

The due execution of the foregoing last
Will and Testament of John P. Rich is duly proven in open
Court upon the oaths & examinations of J. A. Spack & J. A. Ryhl
the subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded
and filed

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Last Will and Testament of Josiah Roberts and
State of North Carolina

I Josiah Roberts, of the County and State aforesaid, being of sound mind and memory, and in common health but knowing the time allotted to man at most are drawing to a close with me, that I must pass hence to be here no more - for ever, and having a little property I believe that I am best qualified to make a discreet division of the same, amongst a portion of my relations, and I do hereby constitute and declare this to be my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following (to wit)

1st my body I leave to those left behind, to be disposed of according to their wishes; my soul I hope God will receive according to his own purposes;

2nd I leave unto my wife Betty Roberts the tract of Land now residing on, and also the following negro slaves now belonging to me with all their increase hereafter as well those born after the date of this will, and in my life as those born after my death, and in the lifetime of the said Betty Roberts to wit: Charles, Elizabeth, James her child, and to receive & give and further leave unto the said Betty Roberts one horse, two cows & calves, ten hogs, six sheep, all to be her choice of my stock, also my buggy, and my Smith Tools with as many of my other tools of all kinds as will be meaty to serve her family, and as much of all the house hold and kitchen furniture as will be necessary for the use of herself and family all the aforesaid property I leave unto my wife Betty Roberts with full hold and use for her support during her natural life but in power to dispose of or waste any part thereof;

3rd I give unconditionally unto the afore Betty Roberts one Hundred Dollars in Money three times and part thereof one year for her self & family and I further desire that what ever the aforesaid Betty Roberts may make by the income of her stock products of her farm, & negroes excepted she may use as she pleases;

4th I give unto Hamblin & Lema two hundred Dollars;

5th I give unto my daughter Lucy Maxwell three hundred Dollars;

6th I give unto the daughter of my daughter Mary Roach such half, Mary Roach I give one hundred Dollars;

7th to Jane Roach one hundred Dollars;

8th to Eliza Roach one hundred Dollars;

9th to Nancy Roach one hundred Dollars;

10th to Mary Roach one hundred Dollars;

11th to the sons of the aforesaid, Mary Roach, I do not give anything, nor neither do I give anything to Hamblin Roach the son of my

12th grand daughter Mary Sam Barrett;

13th I give unto my daughter Eliza & Wolf five hundred Dollars;

14th I give unto my daughter Betty & Roberts five hundred Dollars in money, and my negro boy Josiah, one head one pair of shoes, one Bureau, and thirty dollars in money also;

15th I give unto the children of my daughter Louisa Crofton

16th and next, to wit, Mary Crofton two hundred Dollars;

17th I give unto William M Crofton one hundred Dollars;

18th I give unto the children of my daughter Melinda Hyman such three hundred Dollars to wit, to Horatio Hyman one hundred

19th Dollars, to William Hyman one hundred Dollars;

20th to James Hyman one hundred Dollars;

21st I give unto Anne Latham Latham five hundred Dollars;

I now proceed to direct how this my will shall be carried in to effect, I hope some friend will undertake and carry it out in the time intent and meaning hereof & I desire my administrator to pay one hundred Dollars to my wife Betty Roberts out of the first money that may come into his hands, and also the thirty Dollars left to my daughter Betty & Roberts, and also to pay all debts and funeral charges so soon as he perceives funds more after my death I desire my administrator to proceed to sell all such of my property as are not leased nor giving and apply it to discharge those debts I have made in this my will, first the three hundred Dollars given to my daughter Eliza & Wolf, second the five hundred Dollars given to the daughters of Mary Roach first and also the two hundred Dollars given to Hamblin & Lema, and if there are any left of the property sold before the death of my wife Betty Roberts, I desire that he apply it in the discharge of what I have given to my daughter Lucy, equally; and as to the share after the death of my wife that my administrator proceed to sell what property I have leased to my wife Betty Roberts for life, and after paying all cash and charges of carrying this will into effect, pay to Hamblin & Lema, William Hyman and James Hyman the amount I have given each of them and also the amount I have given unto Mary Crofton and William M Crofton each of them; and what ever may be left of any I desire you to pay it to Eliza & Wolf Betty & Roberts and Anne Latham Latham share and share equal but should there not be enough to pay the five hundred

Dollars each what ever there may be shall be divided three and
three equal to the three last mentioned daughters -
in the twenty fourth line and second page and with word will in a
line above signed also in the 32^d line second line 1st and 2^d words
to sell, and also in the 33^d thirty ninth line the word and myself
and also in the 3^d third page and in the 7th tenth line 3rd and 4th words
was my wife Betty Roberts underlined. This my Will signature
and acknowledged this the 6th day of

January A.D. 1811 Thomas a light
hundred and fifty nine
by Josiah Roberts to be his will re
in the presence of us both who at
his request and in his presence and
in the presence of each other do
subscribe as witnesses
J. Stafford
Wm Barrow

Josiah Roberts

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas and quarter for
Joseph County Jan 2^d 1811

The due execution of the foregoing
last Will and Testament of Josiah Roberts deceased is
duly proven in open Court upon the oath and examination
of William Barrow one of the subscribing witnesses thereto
And also the hand writing of J. Stafford the other subscr-
ibing witness thereto is proven by the oath of Wm Barrow.
It is ordered by the Court that the said paper writing
be Recorded & filed

N. J. Cook C. C. C.

Last Will and Testament of Wm Shore deceased
I William Shore of Joseph County, and State of North
Carolina, knowing the uncertainty of life, and the certainty
of death, do make and declare the following to be my last
Will and Testament. (viz)

In the first place, it is my will and desire that my Executors
and Executors hereinafter named, pay my Just debts, and
funeral expenses (the latter to include a suitable Tomb Stone out
of the first monies of my estate that may come into her or
them hands

Item 1st It is my will and desire that all my lands so the property
be kept together, by my Executors and Executors and
managed by them, to the best advantage for the purpose of
raising and educating my children, until my youngest
son Eugene Benjamin shall arrive at the age of twenty one
years, if however on the arrival at the age of twenty one
years of my third son Lavinia, it should be and his
older Brothers Francis Jacob and John Joseph, or either
of them should elect to take my Hampton place and
place adjoining the same of J. H. Stafford and my home
place, together with a tract of the same on the S. side of
the Hampton place, and which was taken out of the
Hampton place given to me in my father's will, then
it shall be the duty of my Executors to what some
good and honest man, and my son or sons,
desiring to purchase said lands, shall select another
such person and said two persons or selected shall
choose a third person and said three persons shall
value said lands, which valuation shall be paid
into my estate by said son or son who may purchase
the same, and receiving said purchase money it shall
be the duty of my personal Representatives to disburse to
them a deed therefore in full payment

Item 2^d It is my will and desire, that on the arrival at the age
of 21 years of my said youngest son that a just and equal
division of my whole estate be made between my children then
living, & the share of such as may then be dead - such share to
remain the share that he or his parent would have received
if he or she had survived the period for division - this share
to be subject to the provision hereinafter made for my beloved
wife

Item 3^d If my beloved wife should remain my widow until my
youngest son attains his full age, or in case she should die, my

in either of these events. I. my will and desire that she have one third of my lands for and during her natural life to be laid off to her in the same manner. The same interest & estate therein as she would have been entitled to receive in case of my intestacy. It is also my will that on either of said events, she receive a share part of my personal property.

Item: It is my will and desire that on the arrival of the age of 21 years or marriage of any of my children viz: Francis Jacob, John Joseph, David, Alexander, Nathan William, Sarah Lucetta, Eugene Benjamin, Edna Miranda, my Executors and Executor hereinafter named of the execution of my Estate will permit them, may advance them a part of my Estate charging them therewith & for which they must respectively account in the final settlement as there are equal distribution of my Estate among all my children shown & share alike.

And lastly I hereby my dear wife Lucetta & my sons Francis Jacob Executor & Executor of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills heretofore made by me, In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of May A.D. 1867

Signa published and declared
by the testator to be his last will
& Testament, in our presence

This I Hubler

Steen & Thomas

Anderson & Badenhorner

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I have the inclosed an bond to erect an addition to my house I hereby authorize my beloved wife & Executor to build the same and carry out my original plan, at the expense of my estate if she chooses so to do, if however she declines so to do, then she may sell the material also the kitchen we now use at private sale. It is further my will that any article of personal property whatsoever, may be sold by Executor & Executor at public or private sale, as she in they may think proper & I hereby declare this to be part of my last will & Testament whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th day of May 1867

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This I Hubler

Steen & Thomas

Anderson & Badenhorner

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State of North Carolina, County of Wayne and quarter to persons
Juryth County } ^{Left} June 1867

The due execution of the foregoing last Will and Testament of Wm. Sher deceased, is duly proved in open Court, upon the oaths & sworn declarations of three Justices, Alonzo G. Thomas & Anderson Badenhorner the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is ordered by the Court to be recorded and filed
W. S. Cook Clerk

W. S. 292

Last Will and Testament of Lewis Butler Decd

I Lewis Butler of the County of Wayne and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that I do say

First: That my executor (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with all my just debts to whomsoever owing, out of the money and that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my Estate.

Item I give and bequeath to my sister Matilda wife of William East One Dollar.

Item I give and bequeath to my sister Jacob East all of my clothing and wearing apparel which I may have or had, and Five Dollars in money.

Item It is my will and desire that the balance of my property to be sold, the debt owing to me collected, the devise and legacies mentioned as out of the proceeds of sale.

And also for the many acts of kindness received at the hands of Mrs. P. Butler wife of H. H. Butler I request my executor to pay to her the sum of Five Dollars

And the balance of the monies I wish to be placed in the hands of a trusty person to be equally divided between the two children of my wife Matilda, Isabel and William my nephew and niece to be paid to them as soon as they become 21 years of age.

And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend Alexander East my lawful Executor to all intents & purposes to execute this my last will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning thereof and every clause and part thereof, attesting, revoking and declaring void all other wills and Testaments made by me heretofore. In testimony whereof I the said Lewis Butler do hereunto set my hand and seal this 29th day of October 1867
Lewis Butler Decd

signed, sealed & declared by
the said Lewis Butner to be his
last will & Testament in the
presence of us who at his request
and his presence do subscribe our
names as witnesses thereto.

O J. Schuman
Saml Strup Jurat

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Dare County } December Term 1867

The due execution of the foregoing last
will Testament of Lewis Butner deceased is duly proven by
Saml Strup one of the subscribing witnesses thereto.
It is ordered by the Court to be recorded and filed.

N. P. Cook clerk

In the name of God amen.
I Martin Reminger of the County of Surgoke and State of North-
Carolina being of sound mind & memory do hereby certify the uncertainty of
this frail & transitory life do therefore make certain public & declare this
to be my last will and Testament hereby revoking & making null &
void all former last wills & Testaments by me heretofore made and my
will is first that after my de. my executor shall provide for my body
a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my relations & friends & pay
all funeral expenses together with my just debts here & hereafter
owing out of the moneys that may first come into his hands as a part
or part of my estate the residue of my estate real & personal I give bequeath
and dispose of as follows (to wit) I give and bequeath to my beloved wife
one hundred acres of the tract of land on which I now live namely one
body running a line East & West dividing my tract of land of one hundred
and seven into two equal parts to have & to hold as her absolute property as long
as she remains my widow and if she marries again to go to my daughter
Nanette Elmina Rem I give & bequeath to my daughter Harriet Elmina the other
half of my land to have & to hold as her absolute property. I give & bequeath
to my grand son Henry Reminger the balance of my I give and bequeath
to my grand daughter Florah Reminger Two Dollars I give & bequeath
to my friend James Landbach Fifty Dollars I give & bequeath to my
daughter in law Lydia Reminger Simulations I will that all the
provision & grain on hand at the time of de. to left for my beloved wife
I will that all of personal property be sold after my de. and together
with my debts & money to be jointly divided share & share alike between
my beloved wife & my daughter Nanette Elmina
Lastly I do hereby constitute & appoint my friend Thomas Snack my lawful
executor to all intents & purposes to execute this my last will and Testament
according to the true intent & meaning of the same & every part & clause
thereof hereby revoking & declaring null & void all other wills by me
hitherto made In witnesses whereof I Martin Reminger have hereunto
subscribed my name & affixed my seal this 22 day of Dec in the year of
our Lord one thousand eight hundred & sixty six
signed sealed & declared by the said
Martin Reminger to be his last will & Testament
in the presence of us who at his request and in his presence
do subscribe our names as witnesses Truly
Witnesses Timothy Transon
John Butner Jurat

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas and Quarter Sessions
Dare County } March Term 1868
The due execution of the foregoing last will

and Testament of J^{no}. M. Kinsinger—solidly proved by the oath
and examination of John Bickel, the subscribing witness to the
Kinsinger Affidavit by the Court to be recorded and filed
N. S. Book 6, 66

George Brooker's Will

In the name of god amen, I George Brooker of the County of Daroyle, and
State of North Carolina, do make my last will and Testament, this 4th month
day of February, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty five.
After my death I desire my body to be buried in decent Christian like manner
at the direction of my wife and children, and that all of my just
debts be paid as early as convenient to the interest of my estate.
I then give, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife, Eliza B. Brooker, during
her natural life twenty five hundred and thirty acres of land including my
my dwelling house and two plantations, Mill and Cotton gin, Store
house and barns, and all out houses, and appurtenances, which tract
of land occupies the lands of the three Barrenhays, Liberty Springs,
John Brooker and others, on the waters of Belmore Creek.
I also give to my beloved wife for life the following slaves together
with all the increase of said slaves, slaves born after the date the 4th
date above, to wit, Abram, Charles, John, Adam, Isaac, Hudson,
Harry & Edmund, a doggy and her family of children
and grand children, Ann and her children & grand children
Nedy, and her children and grand children, Leaky, Ann and
her family of children, & Phily and family of children & grand
children, Say Phily & Stadelman, Colly, Jerry, Thomas, & Jeff
Lechellare is two grand children of Phily, making the number of
negroes I give, my beloved wife fifty two. I also give and bequeath
to my beloved wife all of my household and kitchen furniture
for life including all my beds and trunks bedding and every
thing useful and necessary for a parson, also all of my stock of
horses, all of my stock of hogs & cows, all the provisions on hand at
the time of my death, including every kind of grain, all range
food, all fowls, ~~and~~ all any other article of food for man or
beast, which property I give her under the expectation of her
finding the balance of my negroes till the children can divide
them up and take them home to and for the maintenance of her
own family. I also give and bequeath to loving wife one carriage
& harness one doggy & harness, two, two horse wagons & harness
for her during her natural life.
But should my wife again marry, then and in that event, I will
desire that she retain and hold only a life estate in the six
hundred acres of land around my home tract & three hundred
acres of the land, to wit, of the Whetstone and opening the
Home tract, on the east end of the home tract and annually the
1500 acres be annually divided between my six children Brooker &
Robert H. Brooker, Charles B. Brooker, Harriet B. Brooker,
Eliza B. Brooker & Ann, Amaretta B. Brooker, and that she retain and

held a life estate in the following property of personal character above given to her to wit, *Three negroes as her choice fine horses her chaise one road wagon, one carriage & harness, five beds and furniture & necessary house hold and kitchen furniture.* After the death of my said Will and direct and equal division to be made of all real and personal property in which she had a life estate between my six children *Larry Ann Withers, George W. Brooks, Robert W. Brooks, Charles B. Brooks, Elysa & George & Alexander M. Dillora* for each to hold their equal share for life, and then to their descendants forever in whole.

I will and direct that after my death my executors collect all moneys due as soon as the interest of my estate will admit, whether due by judgments bonds, notes or open accounts or otherwise and to dispose of by sale open such sums as may be meet to the interest of my family, all of my property both real and personal, which is not herein specially devised and bequeathed, which sum of money arising from the sale of my property, money on hand at my death to form a fund out of which all of my just debts and expenses to be paid, and the male balance I give bequeath and direct to be equally divided between my three daughters & three sons absolutely share and share alike forever.

I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my beloved wife *Elysa B. Brooks*, my son *Charles B. Brooks* Executor and Executor of this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking cancelling and annulling all former wills by me made and declaring this above written on this paper executed in my own hand writing to be my last will and Testament in witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal.

This 2^d day of February 1865
Signed sealed published and declared
by the Testator as his last will and
Testament, and by us signed
in his presence as subscribing
witnesses then to.

George Brooks (Testator)

State of North Carolina }
County of Rowan }
Jury Term 1865
The true execution of the foregoing
last will and Testament of George Brooks deceased is duly
proven in open Court by the oath and examination of
Charles B. Brooks, that the said Will was found among the valuable

papers of the said George Brooks after his death, and it is further proved
by the oath and examination of three competent and credible witnesses
to wit, *Nathaniel, Nathan, William M. Loner, and George D. Loper*, that
they are acquainted with the hand writing of the said George Brooks,
having often seen him write, and verily believe that the name &
the said George Brooks subscribed to the said Will, and the said Will
itself and every part thereof are in the hand writing of the said
George Brooks, and it is further proven by the testimony of the said
mentioned witnesses that the said hand writing is generally known to the
acquaintances of the said George Brooks. It is therefore considered
by the Court that the said paper writing is the last will and Testament
of the said George Brooks, and the same is ordered to be recorded
and filed.

N. S. Brooks 6, 6, 6

See Will in Folder —

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