

January Sessions 1857.

James Brotherlows Will.

I James Brotherlows of the County of Lincoln and State of North Carolina, being old and infirm, and not expecting to live long in this life but of sound and perfect mind, Blessed be God, do make this my last Will and Testament in the following Viz; First, I will that my body shall be buried in a most Christian style. 2nd I will that all my just debts shall be paid out of my effects. 3rd I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Peggy the one half of my plantation on which I now live in value, running the lines embracing an equal portion of wood land, so as not to interfere with my sons houses, Thomas, William & John, I also Will to my Wife my negro woman Sally, and a negro boy named Jonas and furthermore all my house hold and kitchen furniture and all my Stock of every kind, also my Wagon and Gear and all my farming tools for her to have and to hold during her natural life or widowhood so as to leave a portion for my sons Wm and Hena to make them equal to those of my children that have left me.

4th I Will and bequeath to my four sons William, John, Wm and Hena all the balance of my negroes at my death and also my negro Sally and her increase and Jonas at my wifes death I will that my four sons Viz; William, Wm, John & Hena pay to the balance of my heirs out of the negroes Viz; to my son Thomas one hundred dollars to my son George five dollars to my daughter

my negroes Sally and her increase and Jonas at my wife's death
I will that my four sons Viz; William, Hiram, John & Hena pay to
the balance of my heirs out of the negroes Viz; to my son Thomas one
hundred dollars to my son George five dollars, to my daughter
Susan fifty dollars, to my daughter Polly fifty dollars and to my
daughter Martha fifty dollars. I also will to my five sons Thom-
as, William, John, Hiram and Hena all the balance of my land
at my death to be equally divided among them and also an equal
share of the land left to my wife at her death. I leave my wife
Peggy and son Hiram my only Executors to this my last Will
and Testament. So this my last Will and Testament I hereunto
set my hand and seal this 18th day of May 1853.

In presence of
Wm. M. Munday Jurat
Wm. H. Ballard Jurat
his
James A. Brotherton
mark

Hiram Brotherton &c. &c. Sworn

Notar. Lincoln County Superior Court at San Jose Nov 1853
This paper writing having been duly sworn to and signed by the
same having been found to be the last Will & Testament of James A. Brotherton as more
fully appears by the records & proceedings in said Court it is therefore certified to the
County Court of Lincoln County at San Jose & to the Court of the County of Santa Clara in
this behalf in this Court & said County Court is hereby ordered to record said Will
and proceed thereon as the law directs. James H. Miller Notary