

Last will & Testament Probated April Term 1891

Harriet Dodge died.

I Harriett Dodge of the County of Sullivan and State of Tennessee being of sound and disposing mind do make and publish this my last will and Testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills by me at any time made.

I direct that my funeral expenses and my just debts be paid as soon after my death as possible out of any moneys I may die possessed of, or that may first come into the hands of my Executor hereinafter named.

I give and bequeath to my son Asa my tract of land wherein I now live and known as my home place to have and to hold and enjoy the same during his natural life and after his death then to be the property of his lawful children. I also give to my son Asa Dodge all the personal property of every kind that may be in said farm at the time of my death belong to me. And lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint my nephew Nelson Gray Executor of this my last will and Testament.

In testimony whereof I have set my hand and affixed my seal this the 29th day of January 1880.

Signed Seal and set nowledge in our presence this the 29th day of January 1880.

Attest

T. C. Spurgeon
Nathan F. Shipley

Proven in open Court on the 6th day of April 1891 by the oath of Nathan F. Shipley subscribing witness to the foregoing will and T. C. Spurgeon the other subscribing witness being dead. J. H. Sanders and J. E. Cox after being duly sworn deposed and said that they were well acquainted with the said T. C. Spurgeon & with his hand writing & that they truly believe that his name subscribed as a witness to said will is in the hand writing of the said T. C. Spurgeon & that his signature is genuine.

Whereupon the above foregoing was adjudged and declared to be the last will and Testament of the said Harriet Dodge and ordered to be recorded in the book of wills.

Test- N. D. Bachman, C. C.

Last will and Testament

J. J. Rader Decd. Probated April Term 1891.

The last will of me J. J. Rader of the County of Sullivan and State of Tennessee being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of life do therefore make ordain publish and declare this to be my last will and Testament. That is to say, first, 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: To my three youngest children Albert, Cordelia and Laura.

Like wise I make constitute and appoint E. R. King to be my Executors of this my last will and Testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made. In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal the third day of March in thousands eight hundred and ninety one.

The above written instrument was subscribed by the said J. J. Rader in our presence and acknowledged by him to each of us and he at the same time published declared the above instrument so subscribed to be his last will and testament and we at the Testators request and in his presence have signed our names as witnesses hereto and written opposite our names our respective places of residence.

William Gregg, White Star
Samuel R. Cox, White Star
John H. Berry, White Star