

I Stephen Hook of Alleghany County, do make hereby my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following, that is to say, 1st I desire that all the perishable part of my estate be immediately sold, after my decease, and out of the moneys arising therefrom, all my just debts and funeral expenses be paid.

2^d I give to my son Beale Hook all my lands, to him and his heirs forever. Provided the said Beale Hook pays to Caroline Whitten One thousand Dollars, to be paid in three years after my decease. And the said Caroline Whitten is to keep her room as long as she wishes to stay in it, and when she leaves it, it is Beale Hook's.

3^d If my Slaves are not set free, I give to my son Beale Hook a black Boy named James, and to Elias Hook, a black Boy named Bob, and to my Daughter Caroline Whitten I give a black girl named Ann, and a black child named Delpha.

4th I give to Elias Hook Two beds and my Rifle gun.

5th I give to Gideon Whitten One hundred Dollars, and to William Whitten One hundred Dollars, and to Stephen Hook Jr One hundred Dollars.

6th I give to my Son Beale Hook Two Beds, Table, Clock and Farming utensils.

7th All the rest of my Estate, of what nature or kind soever, it may be, not herein before mentioned or particularly disposed of, I desire may be equally divided among my several Children herein after named. The Slaves to be valued, and if any of them were to them, they are to have them at valuation, and if not they are to be sold. Madison Hook, Henry H. Hook, Elias Hook, Beale Hook, Caroline Whitten, and Sidney J. Whitten which I give to them their heirs, Executors, Administrators and assigns forever. And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint Madison Hook & Beale Hook Executors of this my last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all others or former Wills or Testaments by me heretofore made. In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this 28th day of July 1865.

Signed, sealed, published & declared, as & for the last Will & Testament of the above named Stephen Hook in presence of us, Stephen Hook and Alleghany County Court March 1st 1865.

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Stephen Hook dec'd, was this day presented to the Court, & proved by the oath of Dr. G. McDonald & Jo. Emme the two subscribing witnesses thereto, to be the last Will & Testament of the said Hook dec'd, executed in due form of law, and the same is admitted to record. And on motion of Madison & Beale Hook the two Executors named in it, the Will was made oath & together with the then Joseph Emme & Dr. P. Emme their depositions, sworn to & acknowledged as true in the presence of the Court. And the Court did pass the same up for the purpose of probate. And the Court is satisfied that the same is the last Will & Testament of the said Stephen Hook.

James Morrison
Jacob Brudgett
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Madison Hook
& Seivel
Jane Still
J. P. Still
G. L. Still
L. S. Brudgett
H. J. Still
John King
Edward Brown
Samuel Willard
Jacob Still
John King
George Still
Edwin Brown
John Brudgett
Madison Hook
George Still
Jacob Brudgett
J. L. Still
Catherine Miller
Jacob Brudgett

3 Milk Crock	1	1.00
2 Jars		35
1 Do		15
1 Jug		25
11 Shells		25
1 Hay Fork		80
1 Wheel (Wool)	4	111
1 Glass Wheel	2	111
1 Table	6	00
5 Plates	1	111
1 Do		40
1 Dish		60
1 Mole Skin Stand		70
3 Cans & Jars + 1 Glass	1	50
1 Sugar Bowl		50
1 Pitcher	1	70
1 Tea Pot	1	20
1 Plate Dish	1	40
1 Dishes		40
1 Small Table		25
1 Do		1.00
1 Shot Touch of Gun		1.00
1 Shot Bottom Chain	13	75
6 Pinion Chain	6	75
1 Biscuits		9.00
1 Pres		14.50
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I do Certify that the above sale bill is correct, this 8 day of December 1865,
William Sullender Clerk

I John Smith of the County of Alleghany and State of Virginia
being sound mind and disposing memory, do make this my last
will and Testament, hereby working all wills heretofore made by me.
It is my Will & desire that all my just debts and funeral ex-
penses be paid as soon after my death as may be consistent with the
interest of my Estate.

I Will & bequeath to my son John M. Smith, to him and his
Children forever, that portion of my real estate embraced by the following
boundary, to wit: To Commence at my house on the water of the
lost river near Thomas L. Waddell's place, thence with a straight
line, crossing a ridge & down a small hollow, where Craple dug
road corner with, and crossing the Turnpike and Ben's Run to my
outside line, thence with the outside line, to embrace the Jack
Rox place, the Mazingo place and about 35 acres of the top,
unders survey in the hollow & on the hill side and including
all my lands between said line and the Creek, thence up the
middle of the Creek, to a large Cedar on the bank of the Creek,
at the mouth of Hepler's Run. Thence up Hepler's Run to the turn-
pike & crossing the Turnpike to my outside line, thence with my out-
side line, to John Bouyer's line, thence with said Bouyer's line
following the Creek, to the Chestnut Oak Corner, thence up the Creek
with Bouyer's fence to a White Oak Corner, and thence up the
Creek including all the Maggart place on the side of the Creek
upon which my main house now stands, including my mill and
distillery together with all the fixtures & appurtenances belonging to
such, and all of them. But the foregoing devise to my son John
is charged with the maintenance of my wife Elizabeth, it being
my wish that she shall live with her son John.

I Will & bequeath to my son Michael J. Smith, to him and his
Children forever, that portion of my real estate embraced in the follow-
ing boundary, to wit: Beginning at a double or forked Elm, at
the mouth of the lane leading to Henry Myers', thence with the
middle of the road leading to said Myers', to 3 White Oaks at
the head of said lane, thence along the upsides of the
old road, crossing to gullies to Henry Myers' line, thence with
Myers' line to the head of the Hazel bottom, where it joins Jack
Amantomb's land, thence with Amantomb's line to the creek bed
of land devised me by my father, and then from the double
or forked Elm (the beginning corner aforesaid), to the middle of
the Creek to an Elm, Buckeye & Locust below the big Spring op-
posite the Boiling Spring, thence crossing the Creek by the Boiling
Spring & with the line of land devised me by my father to the
head of the ridge near the Fallate Oak, thence with the top of
the ridge to the top of the hill, thence with the top of the hill to the
top of the hill, thence with the top of the hill to the top of the hill.

to Amantomb's line aforesaid.

I Will & bequeath to my daughter Lavinia Catherine Blaker to her
and her children forever, that portion of my real estate embraced in the
following boundary, to wit: Beginning at an Elm, Buckeye & Locust
by the Spring corner to land devised to my son Michael, thence up
the middle of the Creek and with the line designated to my son Michael
to Henry Myers' line, thence with my outside line to where a hickory
formerly stood on the Creek near the mouth of the Panther hollow.
Thence up the middle of the Creek, to a large Cedar Corner, to the land
devised to my son John at the mouth of Hepler's Run, thence up
Hepler's Run crossing the Turnpike to the corner made for my daughter
thence with my outside line, to the corner designated for my son
Michael, and thence with his line to the beginning, embracing all
land between my sons John and Michael's land.

I Will and bequeath to my daughter Mary M. Carter, to
her and her Children forever, the following lands, to wit: My
half of land known as the Joseph Maggart survey, one other
half known as the yellow red flat survey, one other half of
about 110 acres adjoining John's Run, at the head of said
leg branch, and 80 acres of the tract known as the top of the
hill, to wit: A tract of land, more or less, was sold to George Ruff in
the Spring of 1859 for the sum of two thousand and fifty dollars
to be paid in four years, with interest thereon from the day
of sale, the first of which has not been paid, but of the said
Ruff pays for the land according to his agreement, my executor
are hereby authorized to assign the sum to him and pay
over the purchase money to my daughter Mary M. Carter &
heirs of the land, also my lot in the town of Corning, Mass.
and designated in the plan of said town as lot 22.

I Will and bequeath to my daughter Sammie Caroline Carter
to her and her Children forever, all the lands on Ben's and
Solomon's Run (not devised to my son John) including the Peach
place and adjoining lands.

I Will and bequeath to all my children jointly my interest
in a survey on Peters Mountain, known as the big flat survey
to be held and enjoyed by them for range and timber.

It is my Will and desire that wife Elizabeth shall live with her
son John and have her support during her life, off the place where
she now is. I also devise to her for and during her natural life, my
Harrow and Paddy, to be kept upon the place, I desire to be
her heirs forever all my beds & bedding (except the beds
which I have given to my children) also my horse and
carriage whatever.