

I Thompson McAllister of the County of Alleghany and State of Virginia being of sound mind and disposing memory, but feeling in body and in view of the certain dissolution of this earthly tenement do make and publish this as and for my last Will & Testament, hereby revoking all other and former wills and rendering them of no effect.

First, I commit my body to the dust whither it came and my spirit to the Lord who gave it.

Secondly, It is my will and desire that an inventory and appraisement be taken of all my personal property immediately after my death which said inventory and appraisement when so made shall be filed in the Clerk's Office of the Court of said County of Alleghany for filing.

Thirdly, It is my will and desire that the business operations of my Estate including farming, stock raising, lumbering &c shall be carried on as heretofore under the direction and management of my son A. Adams who is hereby authorized to buy and sell other things as may be required and to sell the products of grain and of the farm generally huck &c as fully and freely as he shall see fit, rendering a strict annual account of his said purchases & sales at the termination of each year. Making out at that time a concise & clear account of his doings and doing, showing the expenses of said farming operations and the gross proceeds of said farm, mills, lands &c, for the instruction of those interested in the management of said Estate, appending thereto a list of grain, stock, farming implements &c on hand at the end of each calendar year. He shall have the use of the House & Lot now occupied by him, together with firewood, stables, the use of two Cows, with roughness and pasturage for them, and vegetables and fruit produced on the farm sufficient for the maintenance of his family free of charge and shall receive in addition thereto the sum of Four Hundred dollars for annuity for his services in managing the business of said Estate.

things as he may see off of the said farm or out of the proceeds of the Estate.

Fourthly, It is my will and I hereby direct that my son, Edgar T. shall receive for his services while he remains & labor as a hand on the farm a reasonable compensation therefor to be fixed and determined by the joint action of my wife Lydia M. and my two sons A. Adams & Wm. M. to be paid to him at the end of each year provided however that while he remains on the said farm he shall be entirely under the control and management of my son A. Adams, and provided further that his services be deemed to be worth more to the Estate than the expense of his board &c each year.

Fifthly, I direct that my son A. Adams shall have the use to my Executor all the surplus funds, and other things, that may not be needed for the successful operation of the business aforesaid, such time as may appear most advisable and conducive to the interest of the Estate to be applied to the liquidation of my debts.

The farming operations shall go on in the manner provided for in the third section of this Will, for a period not less than two years from the first of January next succeeding my decease nor more than five years from said last mentioned date. But it is hereby directed that my Executor shall on or before the expiration of the term last aforesaid, determine whether the business shall so progress for another year and in like manner shall determine each subsequent year whether the business shall so progress for another year, until the expiration of the five years aforesaid or until the debts are paid or materially reduced, and at the termination of the five years or other term aforesaid, an inventory and appraisement of all the personal property not sold or disposed of before that time, as heretofore or after provided, shall be made and the property so inventoried and appraised shall be sold by my Executor aforesaid in order to a final settlement and distribution and after the debts are fully paid therefrom the proceeds of said sale shall be

Follows. One fifth part to each of my four children and the remaining fifth part to my two grand daughters Willie May and Clara Mc Donald.

Sixthly. A. Adams shall at the expense of the Estate as soon as practicable remove one portion or the whole of the log building now in the rear of my dwelling and erect it on the Eastern portion of my farm at such point as my William M. may select as and for a Tenon House, and may incur some small expense upon in material for erecting temporary conveniences for keeping stock &c. he shall also keep 14 Mules in good condition and repair at the expense of the estate until a final settlement & distribute.

Seventhly My beloved wife Lydia M. shall select from the above described list first above mentioned such articles of Household & Kitchen furniture as she may desire to keep and such Abraham with the price of the Articles so retained, &c. and the aggregate amount thereof shall be paid

for to the estate at her death, she shall have the exclusive use and control of the Mansion house in which we now reside, together with the yard and New House, with the joint use of the orchard lot in which it is situated, the front in the enclosed road (in which the old grave yard is adjoining the garden and if said enclosed orchard does not yield an ample supply of fruit) then she shall have in addition to said fruit, the right to a divide of the winter fruit from the other and adjoining young orchard. She shall be furnished with an ample supply of firewood cut for her use and supplied with flour, meal and vegetables produced on the farm and also to be paid such sums from time to time, in money as will meet her current wants, besides the sum of four hundred dollars at such time as she may desire it, in lieu of the interest she derived from the Estate of her Aunt Mrs. Mary Miller of Pennsylvania and which said I bequeathed to my own dear spinster. Said last mentioned sum shall be paid to my said wife by my Executors as often as they shall see fit.

Eighthly. Immediately after my death or as soon as my Executors shall deem expedient they shall sell the tract of land known as The Nixon farm containing One Hundred & thirty two Acre, lying and being on the Pick Mountain in the said County of Allegheny and is the same land conveyed by Charles Callaghan to me by deed bearing date on the day of 186 and of record in the Clerk's Office of the County Court of said County of Allegheny they shall also sell as soon as practicable the frame house in Cornington now occupied as a School House and they shall likewise sell at public Auction to the highest bidder all the household & Kitchen furniture which my said wife shall not select for her own use together with all other property and thing not ^{needed} in carrying on the business aforesaid, the proceeds of all said sale to be applied to the payment of my debts.

Ninthly. At the expiration of the term years to be named in the will of my said wife or as directed and determined by my Real & Personal Estate as before mentioned.

At My said wife's death she shall have during the term of her Natural life, the household and Kitchen furniture which she shall have selected as above provided &c. with the privilege of taking and from such point or points as will be awarded her a cow, two (2) Cows to be chosen by her from the then herd on the farm, with pasture and fodder or other roughness and stable room for them and such horses as persons visiting her may ride or drive, Wagon when needed for her garden, and the family Carriage and harness, All of which shall be furnished her by my son A. Adams or whoever occupies the farm & land adjacent. And whoever is in possession of the Estate shall supply her, my said wife with Ice during the Summer seasons, It is further enjoined upon my son A. Adams to supply all my her wants, charging her reasonable prices for such things as she may require in relation to the allowance herein

provided, she is to have and to hold For herself,
during her separate Estate in the Town of Lexington
Conveyed by Johnathan Cross and wife to her -
which dies is of record in the Clerk's Office of
the said County Court of Alleghany, and she
shall receive annually from the income of my
Estate during ^{the term of} her natural life the further sum
of Five Hundred Dollars to be paid semiannually
in the first of July & 1st of January, respectively,
as follows: I am to pay Weekly Three &
Two dollars, I am to pay Weekly Three &
Two dollars, and the said sum of Five Hundred
dollars shall be paid by the said building
and three several claims shall constitute respec-
tively liens upon the several tracts during the
term of her natural life of said and may be
removed from the proceeds of the several tracts
or parcels of land remaining, whichever may be
the actual possession or occupancy of the same
but it is the express intention that these
alliances shall be paid to the said widow

of over at said
2d My Executor shall sell privately or at
Public Auction as they may deem proper
all the residue of my personal property
which shall include farming implements and other
things, the crop of fall grain then in the
ground to be prepared for market at the cost
of the Estate in due season and used for the
interest of the Estate,

3d I desire to my two Grand daughters -
William May and Clara McDonald, the Lexington
Mills Property embracing the Merchant Mill
and fixtures, Saw Mill, Millen House, Sawyer
House & stable and a portion of the bottom
above the Mill and bounded as follows, to-wit:
Beginning in the Centre of the Lexington and
Healing Springs Turnpike Road on a prolongation
of the line of the fence between the Corn field (known as the
quarry field) and the field lately in wheat of
Lena & Beale and near the old Farm House, thence
in prolongation of the said line to the fence
of the Sawyer garden

side of the Road, along the fence to a point
fully above the double Locust, thence by one
or more corners to a point near the Spring
12 feet from the Centre of the main ditch,
leading the water of said Spring to the River
and on the lower side, thence parallel with
said main ditch at a distance of 15 feet
from same to the bank of the River; thence
crossing the River obliquely downward to a
point near the bank taking some six feet
from the bank, thence by one or more corners
so as to leave sufficient room on bank for a
road, and at the dam for appearing same
and a quon in timber, rocks &c, to a large
Black Oak near the old Rail Road Crossing,
thence descending the River to the Centre of the
Turnpike road, opposite the Poplar tree near the
quarry thence by the Turnpike Road to the
Legion of, provided if at any time a feeder for
the Canal be made, said feeder shall be the line
between the said dam and the said spring
said dam and said spring shall adjoin to the said dam
and hereby nominate my son Wm. M. as the
Guardian of the said Children to manage business
and take care of their said property and in leasing
a grange on shares said property I desire that my
son A. Adams so long as he operates that portion
of the farm hereinafter devised to him, shall have
the preference and if he rents said Mills shall
have an abatement of rent to the amount of
Fifty dollars for each year he may have said
Mills. The term first situated immediately in
front of the Mills, the owner or occupier of the
Eastern End of the farm shall have the right
to fill at gathering time, but the use of the
passway through it shall at all times be
secured to the Mill as well as the right
to occupy after the crop or a portion of it
is removed, and I direct my Executor to
have said Mill insured in some responsible
Fire Insurance Company and to pay the
Annual Premium of said policy out of
the Estate with the said

standing up and distribution of the Estate
amongst the several Services.
5th The residue of my Real Estate, including
the three tracts bought of William Dameron
the one bought of J. L. Boswell and two tracts
of 100 acres and 520 acres respectively by my
and being along my inclusive survey and not
embraced in said survey, I devise to my son
Childers as herein specified and with the residue
hereinafter named: The Western side or Farm No. 1
I devise to my sons A. Adams and Edgar T. to
be joint owners of the same in fee simple. And
the Eastern side or Farm No. 2 I devise in fee
simple to William M. and Annie C. who shall
also be joint owners in the dividing line to
run as follows: Beginning at the upper corner
in the center of the West 7th near the line
then along the center of the fence dividing
the two fields to a point three rods from the
end of said fence in the woodland then
bearing to the right of the hill to a house
so that a line running diagonally across
said land will pass all the steep land
on the upper side And with or without corner
run to a point in the hollow below the pond
so as to leave the Spring in said hollow two
rods on upper side of line thence to the
center of the main road bearing up the ridge
so as to put the steep land all in the upper
field thence along the center of said road
to the gate thence along the center of the
fence at the hinder part of said gate to
the upper corner of said fence thence by the
route that will give the best road and best
divide the land to the first corner of the
graze field which is surrounded by timber
thence along the upper fence of said field to
the corner in a hollow thence at right angle
with said line to the right forty rods thence
crossing the ridge with or without corners
nearly parallel with the fence on the left
at a distance not far from forty rods from
the dividing line

line some forty rods below the corner of the
lower Mountain field - (Returning now to the
Mill dam at the corner on the bank of the
River in Mills bottom thence diagonally across
and at said dam and at the very steep
hill to within ten rods of the new wood
road thence by various lines averaging ten
rods from said road but in such way as
will best suit both farms in getting off
timber - After crossing the head of the land
hollow on the right the division shall be
made in such way as to equalize as near
as may be the land and timber in value
and quantity, having regard to ease of
access by the owner of each farm and
striking the outside line of the Pitzer survey
striking not far from where Mr. Lowell
cut his the two tracts one of 100 acres
above named which was conveyed by
Kufus T. to me and the other
by William Dameron and wife to me I desire
my Executors to divide as nearly as equal in
quantity and quality as possible and
attach one moiety to each of the farms
one No. 1 and No. 2, respectively to go with and
belong to the owner of said tracts in the same
manner as they hold the aforesaid farms.
5th At the time of division of the Real Estate
my son Edgar T. shall execute to my son
A. Adams a Bond for Twelve Hundred
Dollars bearing six percent interest which
bond is in consideration of services hereunto
rendered by my son A. Adams and said bond
shall constitute a lien on his property and
paid And I do hereby direct that my
son A. Adams shall hold in Charade
manage, conduct and control all the
Real Estate of my son Edgar T. provided
that at the time of distribution or any
time thereafter when my wife and I
together with my wife Lydia M. or a
majority of them may be of opinion

the said Edgar T. to hold and control his said property they may restore the whole or any portion thereof to his control.

6th At the time of the division of the Real Estate aforesaid my son William M. shall execute a bond for Five Hundred dollars, payable to the Estate bearing interest at the rate of six per centum per annum, which shall constitute a lien upon his said part until it is paid said bond to be in consideration of advances made to my said son over and above those made to the other children.

7th Should either of my Grand Children William May or Letitia die in infancy and without issue then the share of such one shall be equally divided amongst my Child the survivor and my wife Lydia M. or so many of them as may then survive. And if they should both die in infancy and without issue, then the entire property aforesaid shall be divided equally between my wife and myself. If any or hands of Guardians shall be disbursed of above stated.

8th At the death of my wife the Manns' Home and other Real Estate assigned to her during the period of her natural life, shall go with and belong to Saml M. and the house, plot now occupied by A. Adams shall go with and belong to Saml M.

9th My Executors are to pay to John Basswell out of the Estate one hundred dollars the price I agreed to pay him for tract of thirty odd acres of land bought of him as Exor of John Basswell. Said land by me, lying and being on Dumblocks Creek and known as the "Bishop Land", to be paid to said Basswell on his executing to said Exor for the Estate a good and indefeasable deed to said land. Eleventhly, I hereby devise to James McAllister for the term of his life the home and lot now occupied by him and his family situated in the County of Sumner State of Pennsylvania and at his death to descend upon his children in fee simple.

Twelfth & Lastly I do hereby nominate my two sons A. Adams and William M. as the Executors of this my last Will and Testament and respectfully recommend them to the Court for appointment. And it is further my desire and request that when my said Executors apply for Letters of Administration upon my said Estate they shall not be required to execute bond for the faithful performance discharge of their duties as Executors as aforesaid.

Given under my hand and seal at this 31st day of October 1870
Signed, sealed and attested
Attest: [Signature] Thompson McAllister Secy
and by each of us as in the presence of the other this 31st day of October 1870.

Virginia. Alleghany County Court
March Term 1871
A writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Thos. M. McAllister as was this day produced in Court & sworn by the oath of G. M. Donald & William M. McAllister, subscribing witnesses thereto and on the Motion of A. A. McAllister & Wm M. McAllister subscribing witnesses thereto and as Exors named in said Will the same is admitted to probate in due form of law and ordered to be recorded.

Copy Teste
Jno. R. Phares Clerk
[Signature]

Examined

The following is an Inventory and Appraisalment of the personal property belonging to the Estate of Thomas McAllister and made in pursuance of the last Will & Testament of Thomas McAllister and this 29th day of May 1871.

1 Safe	20 00	Prot for	
1 Wash Mat	15 00	1 Wash Stand, Bowl, Pitcher	
1 Parlor Table	15 00	and Towel Rack	10 00
1 Small Table	4 00	1 Pitcher	1 00
7 Parlor Chairs	10 50	1 P. Britannia Cast-iron	
2 Candlesticks & Vases	2 00	3 Chairs	2 00
1 Parlor Stove	5 00	1 Stender	1 00
1 Wash Stand, bowl & Pitcher	1 50	1 Looking Glass	1 00
2 Foot Mats & 2 door mats	1 00	1 P. Cast-iron Stove	1 00
1 Toilet & 2 Looking Glasses	2 50	1 Clock Not in repair	1 00
1 Shovel & 2 pair Tongs	2 00	1 Crock	1 00
1 Bedstead & Bedding	25 00	1 Wash Stand	1 00
1 Sofa	6 00	1 Bedstead & Bedding	25 00
3 Rocking & 3 Split Bottom Chairs	3 00	1 Do & Do	2 50
1/2 doz Windsor Chairs	6 00	1 Small Table	1 00
1 Hat Rack	5 00	1 Wash Stand, Bowl, Pitcher	
1 Refrigerator	15 00	and Tin	2 00
1 Sough Soap	2 00	1 Hook & Hand	3 00
1 Washing Table & Desk	6 00	1 Clock Not in repair	1 00
1 Folding Table	4 00	1 Looking Glass	1 00
1 Side board	6 00	3 Chambers	1 50
1 Lot Table Hair	30 00	7 Bedstead & Bedding	20 00
1 Saw & Crock	12 00	1 Shovel	1 00
2 doz Fruit Jar (glass)	6 00	5 P. Andersons	5 00
20 Fruit Jar (Ston)	4 00	1 Wash Stand, Bowl & Pitcher	1 50
3 Tin Buckets	1 20	1 Small Table & Chair	2 00
1 Lot Sundries	1 00	1 Box	1 00
3 Wooden Buckets	1 00	1 Looking Glass	2 00
1 Extension Dining Table	12 00	2 Chair	1 50
1 Split Split Bottom Chairs	5 00	1 Pitcher	1 00
1 Secretary & Book Case	25 00	1 Side Saddle	10 00
1 Library	75 00	1 Do Do	5 00
1/2 doz Andersons, Shovel & Tongs	5 00	1 Lot Shoe Lasts	1 00
1 Shovel & Tongs	50	13 Sheep Skins	6 00
1 Kerosene Lamp	2 00	2 Sides Upper Leather	10 00
1 Hand Bell	3 00	2 " Sole Do	10 00
7 Bedstead & Bedding	45 00	1/2 " Harness Do	2 50
1 Bureau & Glass	30 00	2 " " "	

Prot for		Prot for	
1 Trunk	2 50	2 Narrow	15 00
1 Small Spinning Wheel	5 00	1 Cow planter	10 00
1 Carpet	8 00	1 Ox Wagon	25 00
1 Cook Stove & utensils	20 00	1 Two horse Wagon	50 00
1 Franklin Stove	10 00	1 P. Scales	20 00
1 Parlor Stove (Shut trim)	10 00	1 Hay Press	60 00
1 Old Stove	3 00	1 Hay Rake	25 00
1 " Cook Do	4 00	1 Grain Drill	70 00
1 Sausage Cutter & Stuffs	3 00	1 Clifton Mower	100 00
1 P. Scales	2 00	1 Ice Cart Wheel & Buggy Dms	10 00
2 Candle Menders	1 00	1 Old Thrusting Machine	20 00
1 Lot Sundries (In cellar)	10 00	1 Wheat Fan	5 00
1 Paint Chan	5 00	1 Do	15 00
1 Kitchen Table	1 50	2 Chain Scoops	2 00
400 lbs Card	68 00	1 Patent Hay Fork	5 00
35 " Cotton	3 00	2 Straw Cutters	12 00
50 " Bacon (Hams)	133 00	2 Corn Baskets	2 00
75 " " " "	142 00	7 Hay Forks	4 00
100 " " " "	15 00	2 Hair Brushes & 2 Shovels	1 50
6 " " " "	5 00	2 " " " "	5 00
1 Old Cart	5 00	20 " " " "	10 00
2 doz Hay Cart	10 00	15 " " " " "	12 50
1 Lot Cast-iron Tools	50 00	1 " " " " "	2 00
2 Yarn Wines	2 00	2 Cullenders	6 00
2 Oxen	4 00	1 Cart body & Oxen	5 00
6 Grain Cradles	18 00	1 Buggy & Harness	60 00
3 Mowing, Scythes & Knives	6 00	1 Camper & Harness	125 00
3 Grain Forks	3 00	4 Large Kettles	12 00
1 Ice Kiesel Smith Tools	25 00	1 Lot Sundries (Old persons)	10 00
1 Ice Cart & Shaft		1 Cast Corn Mill	15 00
and 3 Hagen Wheels	25 00	7 Hoes	4 00
1 Lot Old Hoes	35 00	1 Riding "bidle	1 00
2 Carts & Harness	16 00	12 Shovels	5 00
1 Lot Barrel Lumber	15 00	8 Mattocks	6 00
1 front part Ox Wagon	10 00	27 Picks	15 00
1 Four horse Wagon	30 00	4 Drills & 2 Crowbars	6 00
1 Do Do	75 00	1 Sledge Hammer	50
1 Ox Cart	15 00	1 Copper Kettle	10 00
1 Narrow	8 00	1 Braff Kettle	2 00
3 Livingston Plows		2 Ovens & Lids	3 00
and driving trees	20 00	2 Iron Kettles	5 00
2 Old Do	6 00	4 Blankets	8 00
4 " " "	50 00	4 Comforts	4 00

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Brook Ford		Brook Ford	
6 lbs Shells	6 00	1 Cow & calf	30 00
6 " Pillow Cases	5 00	21 Cattle (Yearlings)	325 00
3 Bag Towels	9 00	21 Do (2 years old)	525 00
250 bushels Corn	180 00	8 Do (3 " ")	280 00
25 " Wheat	30 00	1 Black Sow	12 00
4 Side Leather	20 00	1 White Do	12 00
1 Kip Skin In Tan	5 00	1 Boar	10 00
9 Shut Skins	4 00	19 Pigs	58 00
50. Pens Hay	255 00	8 Hogs	64 00
1 Pick	30 00	1 Spotted Sow	10 00
3 Cropcut. Sows	6 00	25 Shoats	7 00
1 Corn Sheller	15 00	2 Small White Sows	12 00
50 Rags	10 00	1 Lot old Iron (Hubs to Richmond)	3 00
1 Lot Household Stairs	25 00	8 Log Chains	18 00
1 Large Mason Hammer	3 00	1 " " " " at mill	1 00
3 Old Sledges	1 50		
1 Saw	5 00		
1 " Do	5 00		
2 Cornin Flows	2 00		
1 Metal Scythe	5 00		
1 Saddle & Bridle	6 00		
7 Seta Plow Gear	14 00		
1 P. Light Breaching	5 00		
1 Set Horse Harness	50 00		
3 Blind Bridles	2 00		
1 Lot Lumber (at mill)			
7 Bay Horse	75 00		
1 Brown Do	100 00		
1 Sord Do	100 00		
1 Black Mare	120 00		
1 " " (old)	25 00		
1 Grey Horse	50 00		
1 Brown Do	75 00		
1 Bay Mare	50 00		
1 Grey Horse	25 00		
1 Sord Colt (2 years old)	75 00		
1 Black Do (1 " ")	35 00		
1 Bull	40 00		
3 Cows & Heifers	120 00		
8 Cows	250 00		
1 Spoke Oxen	120 00		
" Do	100 00		
" Do	120 00		

State of Virginia
 Alleghany County Court
 We O. Adams & Hm M. Wallis
 Executors of Thompson McAllister died do hereby certify that the
 foregoing Inventory embraces all the personal property of which the
 said Thompson McAllister did possessed except such articles
 of property as are not required by the last Will & Testament of
 the said Thompson McAllister died to be listed. Given under our
 hands this 29th day of May 1871.
 A. A. McAllister, Exec. of
 Hm M. McAllister, T. McAllister
 In Alleghany County Court July Term 1871
 The Appraisement
 Bill of the personal Estate of Thompson McAllister died
 was this day returned to court and the same is ordered to
 be recorded.
 Colm. J. J. Shaw, Clerk

The Appraisement of the ~~personal~~ Estate of Mrs. Amanda J.
 Green died made by the undersigned pursuant to an order of
 the Circuit Court of Alleghany County to us directed. We
 being first duly sworn, certify:

1 Horse (Sam)	\$125 00	Prot forward	\$695 25
1 Do (Sam)	80 00	2 lbs. Plow Gears	3 00
1 York Oxen	110 00	2 Forks	2 50
5 Milk Cows	125 00	Cutting box & knife	2 00
2 Year Old Heifers	25 00	Mattress 75° Ox Wagon 35°	35 75
4 " " Heifer (crocked legs)	20 00	Ox Cart & Old Wagon for	
1 Bull	25 00	kind wheels of Wagon	50 00
2 Small Calves	10 00	Old 2 Horse Wagon	15 00
17 Shuck & 6 Lamb	35 00	Old Wagon	20 00
2 Hogs 10 lb Sows & 3 pigs 6 lb	16 00	2 old Iron Axles for wagon,	
Wheat Saw 20 lb New Iron 12 25	21 25	boxes & Lugs	25 00
Old Thrash box & Iron attached	2 40	Lot of Saw bolts (in Carpenter shop)	1 00
Spindle for Thrashing machine re	3 00	Tools in Carpenter Shop	3 00
Baggy & Harness	80 00	Set of Blacksmith tools	
Corn Sheller	8 00	Carriage Wheel &c	50 00
	10 00	2 Carrot Bars	2 00