

Agnes Smith the sum of ten dollars to be paid to her by daughter Adeline Caldwell formerly Adeline Smith which sum of ten dollars I give to her and her heirs forever, 11<sup>th</sup> I give to my daughter Sarah Jane Abbot formerly Sarah Jane Smith the sum of twenty dollars in personal property at a fair valuation which sum of twenty dollars I give to her and her heirs forever 12<sup>th</sup> I give to my daughter Elizabeth Ann Smith her bed and also ten dollars in such other personal property as she may choose at a fair valuation which I give to her and her heirs forever, 13<sup>th</sup> I give to the heirs of my daughter Lydia Carpenter deceased formerly Lydia Smith the sum of one dollar to them and their heirs forever, 14<sup>th</sup> I give to my son Floyd Smith the sum of one hundred dollars in personal property at a fair valuation which sum of one hundred dollars I give to him and his heirs forever, 15<sup>th</sup> I give to my grand daughter Sarah Ann Good one cow and calf & her future increase to her and heirs forever, 16<sup>th</sup> All the rest of my estate both real and personal of what nature or kind whatsoever not herein before particularly disposed of I give and bequeath to my two daughters viz Adeline Caldwell formerly Adeline Smith and Eliza Smith to them and their heirs forever, 17<sup>th</sup> I have committed and disposed and by presents do commit and dispose unto James Caldwell and John P Smith of the County of Roanoke the custody tuition and education of my said son Floyd Smith from and immediately after my decease until my said son shall obtain the age of twenty one years and I desire that the said James Caldwell and John P Smith to take upon them the trouble for the goods of my said son, And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my sons in law James Caldwell and John P Smith executors of my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other and former wills or testaments by me heretofore made, In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand & affixed my seal this 27<sup>th</sup> day of April 1847

signed sealed published and  
declared as and for the last will  
and testament of the above named  
Jacob Smith sen<sup>r</sup> in the presence of us  
Lewis Francisco Jr  
George Larver

At Roanoke September Court 1847. The last will & testament of Jacob Smith deceased was proved according to law by the oaths of Lewis Francisco and George Larver witness thereto and ordered to be recorded, and on the motion of James Caldwell and John P Smith the executors therein named, who made oath thereto and together with George Larver and Lewis Francisco entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of 500 dollars, conditioned as the law directs certificate is granted them for obtaining probate of such will in due form

Foster

A. Johnston et al.

Andrew Abbott

In the name of God Amen I Andrew Abbott of the state of Virginia in County of Roanoke being sick and weak in body but of a perfect mind and memory thank be given unto God for the same and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die do make and ordain this my last will and testament that is to say principally and first all I give and recommend my soul into the hands of God that gave it and for my body I recommend it to the earth to be buried in a Christian like and decent manner at the discretion of my executors nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection I shall receive the same by the mighty power of God and as touching such worldly estate where with it hath pleased God to bless me in this life I give and devise dispose of the same in the manner and form following that is to say In the first place Mary my beloved wife is to have one third of all my estate her lifetime also I give to my beloved son Thomas Abbot my home farm wherein I now live to him and his heirs forever If said Thomas Abbot my son should die before his wife and she should marry another or leave the farm the farm shall be rented for the use his children and his wife shall have no part in it and also I give to my four daughters Harriet Abbot, Hannah Jones Carpenter Niddy and Mahaly Hufman and their heirs forever all my other land and property to be equally divided between them ratifying and confirming this my last will and testament, In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year above written; and I also leave Thomas Abbot my son sole executor of all my estate signed sealed published pronounced and declared by the said Andrew Abbott at his last will and testament in the presence of us the subscribers that is to say John Abbot Richards Abbot Jamill Abbot

Andrew Abbot

{ John Abbot  
Richards Abbot  
Jamill Abbot

At Roanoke County Court, April 17<sup>th</sup> 1848, This last will & Testament of Andrew Abbott deceased was produced in Court and proved by the oaths of John Abbott & Richards Abbott witness thereto, and ordered to be recorded  
Foster  
A. Johnston

Mary Stover

In the name of God Amen I Mary Stover of Roanoke Et. and State of Va. being weak and feeble but of sound mind and memory for which I thank God considering the uncertainty of mortality and the certainty of immortality do make and constitute this my last will and testament in manner as follows: Item 1<sup>st</sup> I wish my executor to attend to my burial and the settlement of my earthly business, Item 2<sup>nd</sup> I give the land on which I now live together with all the personal property which I bequeath to my daughter Nancy Stover my reason for doing so is that she has waited on me for years when I was not

able to wait on myself and all I hope will not more than pay her for her services, Item 3<sup>rd</sup> for the remainder of my children I have nothing to give but my love and affection, I wish my son Jacob to act as my executor of this my last will and testament, for witness whereof I have this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and 46 affixed my mark to my name and seal in the presence of

Witness

Robert Lewis

Benj: Farris

William Staris

Mary <sup>her</sup> Stover <sup>Seal</sup>  
mark

At Roanoke July Court 1846 This last Will & Testament of Mary Stover deceased was proved by the oaths of Benjamin Staris and Robert Lewis, witnesses thereto, and is ordered to be recorded, & set on the motion of Jacob Stover, the Executor therein named who made oath he and together with Robert Lewis and John Smith his securities, entered into and acknowledged a bond in the penalty of \$50, with condition as the Law directs certificate is granted him for obtaining a probat of the said will in due form

Testator

J. Johnston

J. Woods  
at Roanoke

In the name of God amen: I Joseph Woods of Roanoke County & State of Virginia being of sound mind & memory & considering the mortality of all flesh do bequeath my soul to God the spirit & my body I bequeath to the earth to be buried in a plain & decent manner; I do therefore make & ordain this my last will & testament in manner & form following to wit - 1<sup>st</sup> of the estate of George W. Conkey deceased should not be settled in my lifetime, I bequeath all the interest I have or might have in the estate to my dear wife Priscilla Woods & as the funds is entirely in her own hands I allow her to settle with the Legatees & pay them their part in full & take their receipt & with these receipts what amount that may be remaining in her hands & make a report thereof that it may be returned to court so that I may be clear from any claim concerning against me in that case, I allow all the stock that has been named to Gen: Samuel, John & James McConkey with its increase to be their own property, after all my just debts & funeral expense is paid I grant & bequeath to my loving wife Priscilla Woods all my personal property that may be in my possession at my death to be here & at her disposal with the exception of some things hereafter mentioned that is to my brother John some family & William each to have \$50- & Sally Dossing \$50- & for the purpose of setting up a stone stone one on the grave of my deceased wife & the other on my own grave should I be buried by her the expence of them not to be more than eighty or one hundred dollars as Mr. Kinnode was to set up one on my grave for \$40- after my death I allow all my personal property to be divided & as much of it sold as will pay the above mentioned burley, if there should not be

satisfied after my death to stay with his mistress, or should be disobedient to her he may be sold & if the circumstance would admit I would wish him to have a choice of his master if so his master may not be deceived by such a choice, I allow Henry to serve his master and to be obedient to her & her to place him as constable at her death as circumstance will admit, I bequeath to grant unto my dear wife Priscilla Woods the full possession of my plantation without any interruption her life time; after her death the plantation is to be sold & the sum for which it is sold I bequeath to give to my executors in trust for them to pay over if required, after my decease to the person who when the same is collected shall act as treasurer for the Montgomery presbytery the one half of said sum to be applied by order & direction of said presbytery to aid poor young men within the bounds of said presbytery in obtaining education for the gospel ministry in the presbyterian church & the other half to be applied by order & direction of said presbytery to aid domestic missionaries laboring within the bounds of the 2<sup>d</sup> Montgomery presbytery, any student receiving aid failing to enter the ministry in the presbyterian church which he shall repay whatever sum he has received; If the reverend James Lewis should have the charge of a congregation in the bounds of this 2<sup>d</sup> presbytery or be laboring in the missionary service in the 2<sup>d</sup> bounds at the time this money may be collected I allow him one hundred dollars extra to be paid him out of the missionary part, If my wife or any of her children with her consent after my death should wish to sell the said plantation I do hereby authorise my executors to sell them the said plantation for what ever price they may agree on (I do estimate its value at three thousand dollars) and their grant & deed shall stand good against all claims whatsoever & should they not purchase the said tract of land the authority of my executors shall be good to make a title to whoever may be the buyer afterwards, but if any of the family should buy the said plantation they must give their bonds with security to pay the price of said land at their mother's death without interest to that time, nor would I allow my discount of the price of the lands for my wife's dower her life time as she has full possession of the whole for that space; of real estate James Lewis should succeed in having a presbyterian church built in New Castle if it should not be built till after my death I allow my wife to pay \$10- if it is a complete church out of Smiths & Pearce bonds, that is out of the interest of said bonds but if it is not a nice church or one according to the description she may pay what she thinks right I grant and allow Robert Pattens bonds of thirty dollars to be given to Archibald Eatkin for his benefit without recourse or rather to his little daughter against all claims; I do appoint George, W. Conkey and Elias Thomas to be my executors; this 8<sup>th</sup> day of March in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred forty six signed sealed published & declared by the testator as his last will and testament in presence of us

Benjamin Staris  
Robert Lewis  
Samuel Phillips

Joseph Woods