

of my invested estate
I appoint my wife, Laura J. Morgan, sole Executrix, of
this my last Will and Testament, and request that she shall
not be required to give security in this State or in South Car-
olina where I have directed her to make investments.

I request my cousin Rev. J. P. Mealing to act as her chief
advisor.

In the event of the death or marriage of my wife, before all
of my children arrive at the age of Twenty One years, I direct
that my estate shall be administered according to the laws
of the land.

I request that my wife will seek the advice of my friends
Smith Petty and Lewis Huff of this County in all matters
of business while she shall remain in Va.

Teste

D. A. Morgan

Charles L. Cocke
J. H. Coon
J. S. Tompkins

At Roanoke County Court, April Term 1898.

The last Will and Testament of Dempsey A. Morgan,
late of this County deceased was this day, fully proved by the
oaths of Charles L. Cocke, and John H. Coon, subscribing wit-
nesses thereto, and was thereupon ordered to be recorded.

A copy from the records of Court.

Teste

Wm. McCauley, Clerk.

Peter Westy Senr.

In the name of God, Amen.

I Peter Westy Senr. of Roanoke County and State of Virginia,
do make this my last Will and Testament in following man-
ner revoking all other Wills heretofore made by me.

I will, devise and authorize my Executor hereinafter named
after my death, to sell so much of my personal property as
to pay all my just debts and burial expenses, but at the same
time said Executor shall consult the choice and convenience of
my wife Frances Westy, as to what she can best spare.

I furthermore will, devise and bequeath to my wife Frances
Westy the prudent and careful use of all my personal and real
property or estate during her natural life time. Said Executor
shall see that my wife Frances Westy take as good care of said
property personal and real as possible, not allowing the de-
struction of timber or anything else that can be avoided.

I furthermore devise will and bequeath that after the death
of my wife Frances Westy all my property left personal and real
shall be sold to the best advantage and equally divided among
my children.

I hereby appoint, constitute Noah J. Wertz, Executor of this my last Will and Testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal as Testator of this Will and Testament this the 18th day of March 1873.

Peter Wertz Sen (Seal)

Signed, sealed & in presence of us Witnesses of this the last Will and Testament of Peter Wertz Sen

Peter Shickel

Noah J. Wertz

At Roanoke County Court, June Term 1878.

The last Will and Testament of Peter Wertz Sen. deceased, was this day produced in Court, and proved according to law by the oaths of Peter Shickel and Noah J. Wertz, subscribing witnesses thereto, and ordered to be recorded.

A Copy from the records of Court.

Justs H. McCaulley, Clerk.

John H. Griffin. The will of John H. Griffin made in Salem Roanoke County the 3^d day of November, in the year of our Lord One Thousand eight hundred and forty seven, and written by himself, provides
1st That whatever Lands he may own, with the exception of the house and lot in Salem and the tract purchased of Roanoke and such additions as may have been or may hereafter be made to it, be sold or not, at the discretion of his Executors, or be disposed of in any other way as may in their judgments be best calculated to secure a support for my wife & children, who I desire, (if my wife will consent to the arrangement) shall live together, either on the lot or tract of land above referred to, and every thing I have be kept together and managed as my Executors may think best for the purpose of maintaining my family, and, above all, educating my children. In the term education I mean to embrace with the mental, that moral and religious culture, - of superior importance in fitting them for usefulness in this life, and for an immortality of happiness, in that which is to come, -

If I did not expect hereafter to revise this hastily written will, I would desire here to say something to to my ever dear children on this, and other subjects connected with the forming cherishing and acting upon principles, (never to be in any way compromised or deviated from) derived from the precepts of the Bible, without which it is impossible satisfactorily to perform our duties to each other, and to society, and which is the only means of securing that peace of mind, which the world can neither give nor take away, and without which the name of happiness is a mockery. I may at