

son John Lewis my lawful Executor to sell all my lawful  
by selling property in the way he may think best. Item 1<sup>st</sup> I  
give all my land and property after paying the debts of my wife  
there but I should advise her to stay as she is and let John man-  
age and take care of sisters and Brothers but if she takes her  
I wisher to only take the dwelling house with the other necessary fitting  
and not to have anything to do with the little white house. I give  
the white house to my son John together with two acres of land sur-  
rounding it to build between the two houses down and taking the toll  
up to the old barn land. My sons that left me and my daughter  
Mary Weaver I have given all that I am able to do any thing for  
my younger children, and leave a support for myself and wife.

My motive in leaving my son John my farm and other property  
is to enable him to take care of myself and wife for I am very  
feeble and may be of a good deal of trouble my son John is  
My sons that have felt namely Robert William Washington Samuel  
Joseph C. Weaver, and my daughter Mary Weaver all have had  
what I intend for them. My son John is to furnish my daughters  
a horse and saddle each together with a cow. My two younger  
James and Charles M. I wish my son John to send them to school  
till they be capable of attend to business. And when they shall  
arrive a twenty one years of age they must receive a horse and sad-  
dle each, it is to be understood these things named for to be given  
to my daughters if they receive them while I live, then my Executor  
is not bound to for those things named in this my will, the reason  
of my leaving the land and other property to my son John is I  
expect him to live with and take care of the whole in and together  
and support and take care of myself if I shall live to a helpless  
and not be able to help myself, in testimony whereof I do this  
day being the 13<sup>th</sup> day of May in the year of Our thousand Eight  
Hundred and Seventy One, as witness I do day set my hand  
and seal.

Samuel Phillips  
James B. Thomas  
Joseph Brumfield

Robert Lewis Sr. (Seal)

At Roanoke County Court February Term 1875.

A writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of  
Robert Lewis Sr. deceased was this day produced in Court by John  
S. Lewis the Executor therein named, and Chas. W. Williams M.  
Brant and James B. Thomas, were sworn and severally depose that  
they are well acquainted with the testator's hand-writing and con-  
firmed the said writing and the same thereto subscribed to be  
wholly written by the testator's own hand.

And the said James B. Thomas, who is one of the subscribing  
witnesses to said writing also depose that the said Robert Lewis  
Sr. acknowledged in his presence the said writing to be the true last  
Will and Testament of him the said Robert Lewis Sr. deceased.

A copy from the records of Court Teste Wm. McCauley, Clerk

W. F. Rhodes. I, William F. Rhodes of the County of Roanoke, and State of  
Virginia, do make the following as my last Will and Testament,  
revoking all other Wills by me heretofore made.

I give and bequeath to my wife, Nancy, during her  
natural life, all of my property, both real and personal, consist-  
ing of one house and lot in the town of Salem adjoining  
the Carnegie Factory, also the lot and buildings of the  
Salem Carnegie Factory, also two lots numbers 79 and 80 on  
Water Street leading to Salem Depot, and after the death of my  
wife, Nancy, I will and bequeath to my son Thomas and my  
daughter Caroline all of my property both Real and Personal that  
is now in my possession, or may be in my possession at the time  
of my death. I hereby direct that the Salem Carnegie Factory  
shall be rented out to pay whatever debts I may owe, and my  
son Thomas shall have the privilege of renting said Carnegie  
Factory and shops by paying the debts I may owe, and after all  
my debts are paid I give and bequeath to my daughters, Mary F.  
Rhodes, Sarah E. Lucy and Catherine Goulie Jane, children of  
my first wife Mary S. formerly Mary S. Little, each twenty dollars  
to be paid out of the rents of the said Carnegie Factory.

Witness my hand and seal this 24<sup>th</sup> day of December in the  
year 1869.

Signed and acknowledged as and for  
his last Will and Testament by the  
Testator, William F. Rhodes, in our  
presence who in his presence and at  
his request subscribed our names as  
witnesses hereto, both being present at  
the same time throughout the attestation.

W. F. Rhodes (Seal)

F. J. Riddle  
Wm. McCauley

At Roanoke County Court, May Term 1875.

The last Will and Testament of William F. Rhodes,  
deceased was this day produced in Court and partly proved by  
the oath of William McCauley one of the subscribing witnesses there-  
to, and Francis J. Riddle the other subscribing witness to said Will  
being dead, the said William McCauley and William M. Barnette,  
were sworn and depose that they are well acquainted with the  
hand-writing of the said Francis J. Riddle and that his attesting  
signature as a witness to said Will is his genuine signature,  
thereupon the said Will is admitted to probate.

A copy from the records of Court  
Teste

Wm. McCauley, Clerk