

A written will

State of Georgia Carroll County

In the name of God Amen
I Eli Cochran of said State and County being of advanced age and knowing that I must shortly depart this life, deem it right and proper both as respects my family and myself that I should make a disposition of the property which a kind Providence has blessed me do therefore make this my last will and Testament

1st Item - I desire and direct that my body be buried in a decent and Christianlike manner suitable to my circumstances and condition in life

2^d Item; I desire and direct that all my just debts be paid without delay by my executors hereinafter appointed as I am unwilling my creditors should be delayed in their rights especially as there is no necessity for delay

3^d Item - I give bequeath and devise to my beloved wife Mary with whom I have lived in the strictest quiet for forty years - Lots of land numbers one hundred and thirty three and east half of lot one hundred and thirty four in the sixth district of Carroll County and State aforesaid containing about three hundred three and a half acres - with all the rights members and appurtenances to said lots of land in any wise belonging from all charge or limitation whatever to her own proper use benefit and behoof during her natural life or widowhood - I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife in the same manner - the following utensils used on, and belonging to plantation of every description whatever - one horse and one mule such as she may choose from my stock - and all my cattle hogs and sheep and all my corn fodder and bacon and cotton and all provisions of every description whatever and all my household and kitchen furniture belonging to and used on said plantation -

4th Item - I will and bequeath that the remainder of my property be equally divided among my lawful heirs for the sole benefit of themselves and their own bodily heirs - Except Sarah Stallings wife of Nathaniel Stallings whom the Executors hereinafter appointed will give to her the said Sarah Stallings wife of Nathaniel of her part - as she may need it -

5th Item - I will and direct that this my said plantation situate lying and being in the sixth district of the County and State aforesaid be sold or disposed of by my executors hereinafter appointed either publicly or privately as they think ^{it} proper and right

(over)

6th Item - I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved sons John Thomas and James Robert - Executors of this my last will and Testament - This December 25th 1875

Eli Cochran (33)
Signed sealed and declared and published by Eli Cochran as his last will and Testament in the presence of us the subscribers who subscribed our names hereunto in the presence of said testator at his special instance and request and of each other This December 25th 1875

James D Stone
James M Linsler
John M Cobb SR
Ex officio J. P.

July Term 1874 of barrell court of Ordinary came into open court - at this regular term of the court James D Stone - and being sworn depose that he saw Eli Cochran sign and publish the within as his last will and Testament while of sound and disposing mind that he witnessed the same for him at his request and in his presence and in the presence of the other two witnesses and that the same was voluntarily executed by him on the day it purports to have been executed

James D Stone
sworn to and subscribed before me this July 1st 1874
D B Juhan Ordinary

Recorded 2^d July 1874
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