

State of Georgia } In the name of God amen I, William
Carroll County } Copeland 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 with which a kind providence has blessed
me do therefore make this my last Will and Testament
hereby revoking all others heretofore made by me

Item 1st

I desire and direct that my body be buried
in a decent and christianlike manner suitable to
my circumstances and condition in life. My soul I
trust shall return to rest with God who gave it as I hope
for eternal salvation through the merits and atonement of
the blessed Lord and Savior Jesus Christ whose religion
I have professed and as I humbly trust for two years

Item the 2nd
Second

I desire and direct that all my just debts
be paid without delay by my Executor and Exec-
utors hereinafter appointed so I am unwilling
my creditors be delayed in their rights

Item the 3rd

I give bequeath and devise to my

beloved wife Margaret Copeland with whom I have lived in the strictest quiet for forty five years lot of land number one hundred and thirty six in the ninth district of Carroll County Georgia containing two hundred two and one half acres with all the rights members and appurtenances to said lot of land in anywise belonging during her life time and after her death to be sold and first pay my son Johnathan one hundred dollars second pay my son William T one hundred dollars and a horse saddle and bridle worth seventy five dollars 3d Pay Jane thirty dollars 4th Pay Sarah Ann thirty dollars and then all the balance of my property to be equally divided between all of my children with the exception of my Bible and rifle which I give and bequeath to my son William T Copeland

Item the fourth

I hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Margaret Copeland my Executor and my beloved son Johnathan Copeland my Executor of this my last will and testament this August the 22d 1867

William Copeland

Signed sealed declared and published by William Copeland as his last will and testament in the presence of us the subscribers who subscribed our names hereto in the presence of said testator at his special instance and request and of each other this August 22d 1867

J W Adamson
G A M Daniel
L E Smith
N Shelburne J. L. C.

State of Georgia } Before me came N Shelburne and G A M Daniel
Carroll County } named as witnesses to the within writing purporting to be the last will of William Copeland deceased and being duly sworn saith that they with J W Adamson and L E Smith at the request of William Copeland and in his presence did attest as witnesses the within writing as his William Copeland's will that the same was signed and published by William Copeland in their presence as his last will and testament that he was at the time of said attestation and signing by himself of sound mind and disposing mind and memory that he executed the within paper voluntary sworn to & subscribed before me

April 3d 1882 R L Richards

N Shelburne
G A M Daniel

Ordinary
Recorded this May 23d 1885

J J Graham Clerk C. O.