

of property, a trunk, & trunk, containing and place is to
be used for safe keeping in the State Bank of Georgia.

August 1 November 1839.

Dear Benjamin,

The annexed letter was intended for
instructions &c. to your father but as he is now dead,
I have the instructions for you in case of accident to me
and in case of accident to you then to my son Charles
Mitchel also in this. And will also be my executor.

I leave you my sole executor to settle my affairs
with the instructions by way of Will that you settle my
affairs in the best way you can and as soon as you can
for the advantage of my estate and my heirs.

For my heirs, I leave yourself to take one quarter,
my son Charles A. Mitchel one quarter, my Brother
Octonius Mitchel one quarter and my brother Nedra
Mitchel one quarter of all my estate. I am truly yours
Peter Mitchel

This document opened in my presence this 2^d day of
December 1839. A. Wallace

State of Georgia, Chatham County, Court of Ordinary, January
Term 1840. Personally appearing A. A. Smith the being
duly sworn deposed and said, that he is well acquainted
with the hand writing and signature of Peter Mitchel late
of Chatham County Geo, having often seen him write,
that the foregoing signature of "Peter Mitchel" his
deponent believes to be of the true & proper hand writing
the said Peter Mitchel Geo.

A. A. Smith

Shown to be correct in open Court this 6th January 1840
this Peter J. H. H. & Peter J. H. H. James Bond J. H. H.
Recorded 3^d March 1840

State of Georgia: On the name of God! Amen! I William
Taylor of the City of Savannah in the State of Georgia, Merchant
being of sound and disposing mind sane and understanding,
do make and publish this my last Will and Testament in
manner following, that is to say:

First: I

do hereby bequeath that all my just debts be paid

as soon after my death as may be convenient, and shall it be necessary to sell any part of my estate to pay them; and I do hereby and bequeath my Executors and Administrators to sell as much of my stock in the Steam Boat Company as may be sufficient for the purpose, or to sell my lot with lots of the annual income by the number 18 of light in Newmarket Way with the improvements and apply the proceeds to the payment thereof. I would prefer the former method, raising the amount, but I leave it to the discretion of my Executors and Administrators which mode to adopt, and the sale may be either in private or at public auction.

Second 2. I give devise and bequeath unto my beloved wife, the Clayton Taylor, for and during the term of her natural life, one third part of the rents, issues and profits of all my estate real and personal, with the privilege during the same period of remaining in the use and enjoyment of the Dwelling house and premises, in Liberty Ward, now occupied by myself and her, free from rent or any other charge, and also in the use and enjoyment, without charge, of all the furniture, plate, bed and table linen, glass and crockery ware and other articles in use at said dwelling.

Third 3. I give, devise and bequeath all that my said dwelling house in Liberty Ward, with the appurtenances, the lot on which it stands and the lot adjoining, with the furniture, fixtures and carriage house, after the enjoyment of the same by my said wife during her life, unto my friends Norman Wallace, Anthony Bates and William M. Gordon I shew and I hold to them their heirs, executors, administrators and assigns, and to the Survivors and Survivors of them his or their executors, administrators and assigns, the trust being for the sole and separate use benefit and behoof of my daughter Elizabeth Ann the wife of Robert M. Gordon, in the same manner as if she were sole & unmarried, and not to be liable to the debts contracts directions or management of her present or any future husband, for and during the term of her natural life, and from and after her decease, then to and for such child or children of my said daughter as may be living at her death his her or their heirs and assigns.

share and share alike of mine household.

Article 4. It is my Will and desire and desire that my share of that mine house shall be West of Bull Street and south and adjoining Church Street to the West. commonly called Taylor's block shall not be divided or sold out of the family before the year 1840 and not soon then if the parties in interest can agree to keep it in the family.

Article 5. I give devise and bequeath unto my friends George B. Cumming, Andrew C. Miller and Andrew J. Miller, the last of Augusta, their heirs and assigns and to the survivors and survivor of them then or his Executors administrators and assigns, the profits and the interest of the income and profits of all my estate real and personal during the life of my said wife, and at and after the death of my said wife, one equal half part of all my estate real and personal of whatsoever nature or kind save and except my dwelling House and lot and furniture &c. already herein disposed of, to have and to hold such third of the profits and such half of my estate in trust for the use benefit and behoof of my daughter in law Julia Taylor Widow of my second son Alexander and her two sons William Taylor and Alexander Taylor in equal portions their heirs and assigns. The said half of my estate to be divided when the youngest of her sons shall arrive at the age of twenty one years.

Article 6. I give devise and bequeath unto my said friends Norman Wallace, Anthony Baker and William W. Gordon their heirs and assigns and to the survivors and survivor of them and the Executors Administrators and assigns, each survivor one third part of the rents issues and profits of all my estate real and personal, during the life of my said wife and at and after the death of my said wife, one equal half part of all my estate real and personal of whatsoever nature or kind (save and except my dwelling house and lot and furniture &c. already herein disposed of for the benefit of my daughter Elizabeth and intended by me to be in addition to her rights under this will) to have and to

hold such thing of the profits and make half of my
estate, be lent to and for the sole use, repair and
benefit and taking of my said daughter Elizabeth during
the life of Robert be. following in the same manner as
if she were sole and unmarried and not to hinder
the debt or legal direction or management of her
present or my father husband, for and during the term
of her natural life, and from and after her death
then to and for such child or children of my said
daughter Elizabeth then as may be living at her death,
in her or their heirs and assigns share and share alike
if more than one, provided however that if at the death
of my said daughter Elizabeth there shall be any
issue of a deceased child of hers, such issue shall
stand in the place of such deceased child and take
accordingly.

Twelfth [11] I order and direct that my stock of Wine be sold in
the course of one year after my death, and the proceeds
applying to the payment of my debts.

Eighth [8] I give and bequeath unto Mr. Elizabeth M. Low
the sum of five hundred dollars to be paid at the
end of two years after my death.

Ninth [9] I give my Gold Watch to my Grand Son William,
son of my son Alexander.

Tenth [10] I constitute and appoint my Wife Mary Beaulieu
and my friends Norman Wallace, Anthony Porter, George
Hannum, William W. Gordon, Andrew T. Miller and
Andrew J. Miller, of Augusta, executors of this my last
Will and Testament, hereby revoking all former Wills
by me made.

In Witness Whereof I have hereunto set
my hand and seal at Savannah this fourteenth day
of December in the year of our Lord One thousand eight
hundred and thirty three.

Wm Taylor Sr.

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced and declared by
the Testator as for his last Will & Testament in the presence
as also in his presence at his request and in the presence
each other have hereunto set our names as Witnesses
Wm. Taylor, Jr. Joseph Brown, Corbin

State of Georgia, Chatham County. Court of Ordinary.
February 17th July 1840. Present Messrs James White,
W. Thomas Williams, Wm. Ayers & Francis Bond Jackson.
Personally appeared R. B. Cuyler a subscribing witness
to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to be the
last Will and Testament of William Taylor late of
Chatham County deceased. Who being duly sworn deposes
and swears that he was present and did see the said
instrument of writing duly executed by the said William
Taylor. And deponent further swears that the said
William Taylor at the time of executing the said instru-
ment of writing was, to the best of deponent's knowledge
and belief, of sound and disposing mind, memory and
understanding; and that he R. B. Cuyler the deponent
and Edward Houshoun and his wife Phoebe Dossieu
in the presence of each other, and of the said William
Taylor and at his request signed their names as
witnesses to the due execution of the same.
R. B. Cuyler

Shewn to before us this 17th day of January 1840.
J. A. C. C. W. Thomas Williams J. A. C. C.
Wm. Ayers J. A. C. C. Francis Bond Jackson J. A. C. C.
State of Georgia

City of Savannah. } I William Taylor of Savannah
Merchant, do make public and declare the following
to be a codicil to and part of my within written and
executed Will.

In consideration of the large family of my daughter
Elizabeth Ann; wife of Robert M. Gordon, I give devise
and bequeath all that my lot number 18, situate in
Northside Ward, Savannah, with the Brick Townhouse
Buildings and outhouses thereon; unto Thomas Wallace,
Anthony Porter and W. W. Gordon leguaries, to hold to them
their heirs and assigns and the survivors and survivors
thereof, in trust upon the same uses, limitations and
terms mentioning and set forth in the third item of my
said Will. This lot and Buildings is excepted and
taken out of the operation of the first fifth and
sixth items of my Will.

I give and bequeath the sum of five hundred dollars

unto my Executors in trust to pay the same to the Society of
Christians & the Independent Presbyterian Church of Savannah
for Foreign Missions by whatever name that Society may
be called, and the further sum of Five hundred dollars
in trust to pay the same to the Summab & Mission Society
a corporate body existing at Savannah by whatever
precise name known. In Witness Whereof I have
hereunto set my hand and seal at Savannah this high-
-tenth day of January eighteen hundred thirty seven
H. Taylor Sol.

Signed, Sealed, published and declared by the Testator
as a codicil to and part of his will dated 11 December
1835, in the presence of us who in his presence, at his
request and in the presence of each other have hereunto
set our names as Witnesses, J. L. Bryan

J. L. Bryan, W. R. Cuyler,
State of Georgia, Chatham County, Court of Ordinary, Chamber
17 Feb 1840. Present their Honor, A Peter, W. Thorne, William
the Meyers and Francis Bond, Justices.

Personally appeared W. R. Cuyler a subscribing
Witness to the annexed instrument of writing purporting
to be a codicil to the last Will and Testament of
William Taylor late of Chatham County deceased, testifying
that he saw, deponee & with that he was present & did see the
said instrument of writing duly executed by said William Taylor
and deponee further with that the said William Taylor
at the time of executing the said instrument of writing was
to the best of deponee's knowledge and belief of sound
and disposing mind & memory and understanding; and
that he W. R. Cuyler, the deponee, and Joseph Bryan
and Jonathan Chisler in the presence of each other &
of the said William Taylor, and at his request signed
their names as Witnesses to the due execution of the same,
W. R. Cuyler.

Suorn to this 17 day of January 1840. A Peter J. G. C. B.
W Thorne W. Thorne J. G. C. B. In Meyers J. G. C. B.
Francis Bond

J. G. C. B.

London 7th March 1840

James Buchanan, In the name of God, Amen, I, J.
 Buchanan of the County of Chatham and
 State of Georgia, being well in body and of sound and disposing
 mind, memory and understanding, do declare this to be my
 last Will and Testament, hereby revoking all other wills
 heretofore made by me.

I give, devise and bequeath all my
 Estate both real and personal in possession and in action
 unto my wife, Lucinda Legriel her heirs and assigns forever
 and she hereby nominate, constitute and appoint my
 said wife the sole executrix to this my last Will and Testament.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my
 hand and affixed my seal this twelfth day of April in the
 year of our Lord One thousand eight hundred & thirty six.

J. Buchanan

Signed, sealed, published and declared in the presence of
 us also in his presence and in presence of each other
 have subscribed our names as witnesses.

L. Curie, Benjamin J. Roanoke, Jonathan J. Taylor, John
 State of Georgia, Chatham County Court of Ordinary
 Chambers 11th April 1840. Present their Honors J. White
 & Thomas Williams & the Judges Justices.

Personally appeared John White a
 subscribing witness to the annexed instrument of writing,
 purporting to be the last Will and Testament of J. Buchanan
 late of Chatham County deceased, who being duly sworn before
 and hath taken an oath and is in the said instrument
 of writing duly executed by James J. Buchanan and
 further hath that James J. Buchanan at the time of executing
 the said instrument of writing was in the full possession of
 knowledge and ability, sound and disposing mind, memory
 and understanding, and that Benjamin J. Roanoke, John
 Legriel, John White and L. Curie in the presence of
 each other of their own volition & at his request have
 their names as witnesses to the execution of the same.

Subscribed before us this twelfth day of April 1840.
 The Judges J. White & Thomas Williams & the Justices
 Recorded 11th May 1840.