

9 May 1839

In the name of God. Amen.

I Jane Eliza Postle of Savannah widow being  
of sound health, mind and memory apart from the infirmity  
of years and admonished by increasing age of the uncertain  
tenure of life from day to day make and publish this my last  
Will and Testament. But here I will premise that the very limited  
amount of my means does not allow me to indulge my feelings by  
naming all them that are nearest to me in blood and affection. There-  
fore let none be considered higher if not named for my love  
is circumscribed by my fortune but my heart embraces them all.  
It is my desire that the East Apartment of the house in which I live  
in Savannah be sold, if necessary for that purpose. The other Ap-  
artment which is my own residence I give to my daughter Rosy the  
wife of my son William Ross Postle with all the furniture belonging  
to it, to her sole and separate use forever, not subject to the debts  
Contracts or engagements of her husband with power by her  
Will to give and dispose of the same as she may think fit;  
and to sell and convey the same in her life with the consent of  
her said husband, to provide the purchase money be invested  
in good permanent Estate to the same use and not otherwise.

And I also give to my said daughter, subject to the same  
trusts and conditions, the following Negroes that is to say,  
Dalilah and her child and William and John.

To my grand daughter Emma Hopkins I give my Servant  
Clementine and her children and a girl called Mary.

To my grandson Porcher Postle I give my Negro man  
named August All my other negroes I give to my grand daughters  
Jane Postle and Eliza Porcher Postle But it is my Will  
that my grandson in law, John Hopkins shall have the option of  
purchasing Bena and her youngest child Arthur, if he will pay  
five hundred dollars as cash from my decease, in which case the  
money shall stand to the said Jane and Eliza Porcher in place  
of the negroes. All the rest and residue of my estate  
whatsoever and wheresoever I

give and bequeath to the younger children of my late Son  
John, namely Euphemia, Stephen, Porcher and Cunningham  
Postle

Lastly I appoint my son William Ross Postle and  
my grandson in law John D. Hopkins Executors of this my last  
Will hereby revoking all former Wills and declaring this  
to be and contain My last Will and Testament.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and subscribed  
my name this 9th day of May in the year of our Lord  
one thousand Eight hundred and fifty nine

In presence of  
Geo. M. Davis  
Charles W. West  
John H. Postle

Jane E. Postle

State of Georgia  
Chatham County

Whereas I, Jane Postell did on the thirty first day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and fifty nine make and publish my last will and testament in presence of George W Davis, Charles W West, and John V Farver, who signed the said will and testament as witnesses and whereas I have since for the purpose of paying my debts sold the West tenement of the house in which I live in the City of Savannah, designated in said will by mistake as the East tenement, and after the payment of my debts have remaining one bond of the City of Savannah Number Eight hundred and Sixty nine, issued in the year Eighteen hundred and fifty three, and of the value of five hundred dollars; I therefore make and publish this Codicil to said will. I give to my daughter Rosa Postell the wife of my son William Ross Postell the said bond of the value of five hundred dollars, subject to the same trusts and conditions as the other property given her in my will that is to say - to her sole and separate use forever, not subject to the debts contracts or engagements of her husband, with power by her will to give and dispose of the same as she may think fit, and to sell and convey the same in her life, with the consent of her said husband, provided the purchase money be invested in good permanent Estate to the same uses and not otherwise.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this second day of February in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Sixty

Signed sealed published and declared Jane E. Postell  
in the presence of us the subscribers  
who subscribed our names hereto in the  
presence of the testator and of each other

C. H. Goulding  
John V Farver  
William Dupper

State of Georgia  
Chatham County

I, Jane Postell of Said County and State do make this further Codicil to my will dated the the thirty first day of May one thousand Eight hundred and fifty nine - I give to my grand daughter Mary Barney Postell my negro girl Betsy.

In witness whereof I have set my hand and seal this twenty second day of November in the year of our Lord one thousand Eight hundred and Sixty

J. E. Postell

J. E. P.

Signed sealed published and declared in  
the presence of us the subscribers who have  
subscribed our names hereto at the request of the  
testator in his presence and in the presence of each other

C. H. Goulding  
John V Farver

State of Georgia, }  
Chatham County, }

Report of the

Court of Ordinary.

Present Dominick A. O'Byrne Esq., Ordinary for the County of Chatham  
Personally appeared George W. Davis, B. Mallon and  
subscribing Witnesses to the annexed instrument of writing purporting to  
be the last Will and Testament and Codicil of Jane E. Postle late  
of Chatham County deceased, who, being duly sworn, deposed and said that  
they were present, and did see the said instrument of writing duly  
executed by the said Jane E. Postle — And deponent further say  
that the said Jane E. Postle — at the time of executing the  
said instrument of writing, was, to the best of deponents knowledge  
and belief, of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding  
and that Mr. George W. Davis, B. Mallon (the deponent) and John H.  
Tanner — and — each of us — in the presence of each other, and  
of the said Jane E. Postle and at her request, signed their names as  
witnesses to the due execution of the same,

Swearn to before me:  
this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December 1860 }

Geo. W. Davis

Dominick A. O'Byrne  
3 C.C.

B. Mallon.

You do solemnly swear that this writing contains the true last  
Will of the within named Jane E. Postle — deceased, so far as  
you know or believe; and that you will well and truly execute  
the same, by paying first the debt and then the legacies contained  
in the said Will as far as the goods and chattels will thenceunto  
extenuate and the law charge you; and that you will make a  
true and perfect inventory of all such goods and chattels — to help  
you God.

Swearn to before me  
this 21<sup>st</sup> day of December 1860 }

Dominick A. O'Byrne

C. C.

Wm. Ross. Postle

John D. Hopkins