

In the name of God, Amen, I David Sloan
 Esq. of Pendleton District, in the State of South
 Carolina, Planter, being weak in body and afflicted
 with disease, being of perfect sound mind, and
 memory, and being mindful of my mortality; Do
 this twenty ninth day of October in the year of our
 Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty one,
 make and publish this my last will and Testament
 in manner following -

First I bequeath my soul into the hands of almighty God,
 who gave it; and my body I commit to the earth
 to be buried at the discretion of my Executors at the
 burial ground on the plantation whereon I now
 live -

Item, I give and devise to my beloved and affectionate wife,
 the house we now live in, or if she should prefer
 it the house wherein she residing lately lived to be
 repaired and fixed as she may direct, during her
 natural life, and I also give and bequeath unto her
 one third part of fifty four negroes now in my
 possession, and which are not to be otherwise disposed
 of, and to remain to be to her and her heirs or assigns
 forever, but if not disposed of by her at her death, to
 be equally divided amongst my six children
 or the survivors of them, or their representatives -

I also give and bequeath to my said beloved and
 affectionate wife Annamah, all my house hold
 furniture to be disposed of at her pleasure, and
 one third of stock and farming utensils on the farm
 I now live on to be disposed of in like manner, if she
 should remove to the house lately occupied by her
 Sister and as much of the said plantation as she
 may wish for cultivation -

Item, I give and devise to my Eldest Son David Sloan all that
 plantation and tract of land, whereon he now lives
 on the north side of Cape Creek, containing about
 nine hundred and fifty acres, also fifty acres on the
 south

South of Lane Creek to include his mill & pond &c. but he is to avoid free of toll all grain brought to his mill for Sape striking water his mill stands - I also give and bequeath to my said son David Sloan all the negroes, goods Chattels and effects which I have heretofore put into their possession, to have and to hold, to them and their heirs and assigns forever -

Item. I give and devise to my son David Sloan and Sape striking all those two tracts of land adjoining to each other, on waters of Lane Creek, and Richland containing about four hundred and fifty acres originally granted to self and Sally, to have and to hold to them and their heirs and assigns forever -

Item. I give and devise to Robert Bruce and my daughter Susannah Bruce his wife, all that plantation or several tracts of land lying adjoining to each other, and whereon they now live on Sugals River and Gumlog Creek, in Franklin County, in the State of Georgia, containing about two hundred and fifty acres, I also give and bequeath to the said Robert and Susannah Bruce all the negroes and other personal property which I have heretofore give to them, and put into their possession, to have and to hold to the said Robert and Susannah Bruce and to their heirs and assigns forever -

Item I give and devise to my son Benjamin Franklin Sloan all that plantation composed of five tracts of land lying joining to each other on Sugals River and Payson Creek in Franklin County, Georgia, containing one thousand six hundred and forty three acres more or less, and I also give and bequeath to the said Benjamin F. Sloan all those thirteen negroes, now in his possession, and also all the personal property which I have heretofore put into his possession & which he now hath, to have and to hold to him and to his heirs and assigns forever -

Item I give and devise to my son Thomas M. Sloan all that plantation which I purchased from Joseph Taylor on

river about five miles from
 Pinnetton S.C. containing about two thousand
 acres whereon the said Thomas Sloan now lives, I
 also give and bequeath unto the said Thomas Sloan
 all those twenty two Negroes now in his possession
 on the said plantations, and also all the personal
 property on the said plantations of what kind so-
 ever. To have and to hold to the said Thomas
 Sloan and his heirs and assigns forever, But
 on this condition that he pay my youngest son
 James Madison Sloan three thousand dollars, if
 the said James M. Sloan shall live to have lawful
 issue and die under twenty one years of age, then
 his children to have it, but if he die without issue
 under age then the said sum of three thousand
 dollars to be paid to my Executors, and by them
 divided between the living children and the legal
 representatives of those that may be dead if any
 of my said true children should die previous to the
 time he may be of age if he had lived, the distri-
 bution to be share and share alike, I also
 give to my Executors the present crop of cotton &
 Corn that may not be needed for use on the said
 farm for the stock &c -

Item. I give and devise to my son William Sloan all the
 plantation whereon I now live containing about
 two thousand acres composed of five several tracts
 of land lying adjoining to each other - reserving
 to me beloved wife Susannah Sloan the right to live
 in the house we now live in or the house and
 plantation or tract where Pige Strubling lately lived
 at the option of my said wife during her natural
 life, and if she should prefer the house where
 Strubling lived, the said William Sloan is to repair
 the same in any manner she may direct and per-
 mit her to have any quantity of land for culti-
 vation she may desire -

Item. I give and bequeath to my youngest son James Madison Sloan all my lands and real estate wherever the same may be situated to be by my Executors sold for his benefit or kept for him until he shall arrive at the age of twenty one years, at his option and in the discretion of my Executors and Executor, and I do hereby appoint my affectionate wife Hannah Sloan, and my beautiful son David Sloan Guardian of the person and effects of my said Youngest son James M. Sloan, hereby giving them power to any needful thing for him at their discretion

Item. I give and bequeath to my two youngest sons William Sloan and James Madison Sloan, the two thirds of fifty four negro slaves now in my possession not having otherwise disposed of (or intended to be so) and the two thirds of all the personal property now on this plantation (not having disposed of or intended so to be hereby) - that is the remainder thereof, after my beloved wife, may have taken out one third, and the same shall be kept on this plantation for the use and benefit thereof, and shall continue in the possession of my said Executors and Executor for them until the said William arrives at lawful age, when the property shall be delivered over to him, and by him used for his own benefit until the said James Madison Sloan arrives at the age of twenty one years, or be married, at which time a dividend of the negroes now here and their increase shall be fairly and equally divided between the said James Madison Sloan and the said William Sloan or their representatives - and in case either or both of them die without issue, or disposing of their property, or under age, then the part of the one so dying shall be divided between the children then living and the representatives of the deceased, my youngest

and I do not have any thing by this will except the half of the negroes living at the time the comes of age -

Item. I give and bequeath unto Joseph Taylor and Mary his wife, all the personal property by me heretofore placed in his possession and what he now hath, - I also direct my Executrix & Executor to pay him one thousand dollars within one year after my death -

Item. I give and devise and bequeath to Joseph B Earle and Rebecca his wife my Loving daughter, all the Lands he may have purchased in our joint names according to the intention of a deed of covenant executed by him and myself, on which I furnished him three thousand dollars, and I also give him all the personal property negroes &c. which I have heretofore placed in his hands, I also release him of all demands which I have against him on any account whatever, except the amount of a note of hand of his, which I have paid the cash for to James Rucker, it is dated 16th Oct. 1817 - due 1st January 1818 for nine hundred and fifty two dollars, and my Executrix and Executor are hereby directed to call on him for the principal and interest of said note, and that all other accounts between me and the said Joseph B Earle shall be forever settled, and he is to have hold and possess all the property he received from me

Item. I give and bequeath to John P Burton and Catherine his wife my youngest daughter, the whole of the negroes and other personal estate heretofore by me put into his possession, and do hereby give and bequeath to them in addition to what I have heretofore given and advanced to them, the sum of Two thousand three hundred and fourteen dollars, and I do hereby direct my Executrix and Executor to pay

Shall pay three hundred and thirty five and fourteen dollars within one year after my death -
 Item. I give and bequeath to my Grandson David G Taylor one negro boy named Bob about fourteen years of age, called little Bob.

Item. I give and bequeath to my Grand daughter Hannah Taylor one negro Girl named Olvina about six or eight years of age -

Item. I give and bequeath to my Grandson Charles Bruce one negro boy named Edwards about sixteen years of age -

Finally - All the debt and residue of my personal Estate debts or Chattels of whatsoever kind, and where ever the same may be, and not herein before effectually disposed of (after payment of my debts) legacies and funeral expenses and other charges I do hereby give and bequeath to be collected and equally divided by my Executrix & Executor between my Ten Children or their legal representatives - It has been my wish and aim to do justice between my Children who stand equally dear to me, and I have made some difference between those who have had their property for a length of time, and those who have just received it, and think I have done them justice - And I do hereby constitute and appoint my said wife Susannah Sloan, and my son David Sloan Executrix and Executor of this my last will and Testament, and I do hereby revoke and make Void all other or former wills - In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal the day and year herein first above mentioned -

David Sloan 

Signed, Sealed, published, and declared by the said Testator, as and for his Last Will and Testament in our.

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and in the presence of each other, have subscribed our names as witnesses thereto -

Joseph Gisham
James Harrison
John Matthews -

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By John Harris
Esquire, Ordinary
of the said District

Personally appeared before me Col. Joseph Gisham, who being duly sworn, on the holy Evangelist of Almighty God, doth make oath and say that he did see the above named David Sloan senior, sign, seal, publish, pronounce, and declare this writing or foregoing, to be and contain his last will and Testament, that he the said David Sloan was then of sound and disposing mind, memory and understanding to the best of the deponent's knowledge and belief, and that he the said Joseph Gisham did sign his name as a witness thereto at the request of the Testator in his presence - same time qualified David Sloan Junior as Executor - Given under my hand this 16th day of October in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and twenty six -

John Harris Ordinary
Pindilton District

Recorded by Order of the Hon. Court of Ordinary
of Franklin County - this 10th day of Sept 1829
by
M. King C. C.