

charging to each the amount of some
contribution made by each to them, and if
they were willing to accept and pay
proportionally at such valuation then I
direct my Executor to sell the same &
distribute the proceeds as aforesaid.
I make this provision because my
dear friends have had the advantage of
his brother and sister during only his
life.

Item 7

In the distribution of my estate after
the death of my wife I want the same
my interest in the lands & other property
I own her for life, or so much of the same
as may be left. I desire and direct that
my children Anthony & John & Robert
& and Archibald Buchanan shall be
made equal so far as such remain-
ing interest shall be concerned, not
estimating the value of the specific
legacies to them, and I direct in
distributing the amounts necessary in
equality (at final distribution) each of my
said children is to be charged with the share
and value of the property received to &
for each of them according to the amount
of advancement made to & kept by me
now at home, in my possession against the
said portions of land provided for
in the will. If such sale become necessary
I desire and authorize my Executor to
effect the same by private contract
without the expense & publicity and
in administration sales.

Item 8

If either of my legatees should
die, or should not be executor of the
will, I will that he or they shall
forfeit any request hereby given to

Item 9 I nominate and appoint my son Anthony
J. Bates and Nathan B. Buchanan of our
County, the executor of the will.
My deep sorrow & sorrows set my hand
and seal this 5th day of November 1853.
N. B. Buchanan

Signed, sealed & delivered
Anthony J. Bates the
testator, who last will and
testament in our presence
who subscribed our names
at the request of the testator
and in his presence, and in
the presence of each other
this 5th day of November 1853.
James J. Spence
John B. Buchanan
Wm. H. Hargy

George J. Spence of Ramsey, Dakota born
November 18th 1854

The will of Anthony J. Bates
being in open house and applied to be admitted
to Record and solemn form, came into open
court James J. Spence, John B. Buchanan and
William H. Hargy, the witnesses to said will
who being duly sworn depose that they saw
Anthony J. Bates, sign and publish the within
as his last will and testament, while of
sound and disposing mind that they inter-
cept the same for him at his request and
in his presence & in the presence of each
other, and that the same was admitted
not lawfully by him on the day it purports
to have been executed.
Sworn to & subscribed by James J. Spence
in open court before 24th Nov 1854
James J. Spence

this State to help me out
 before any further business
 of the State is done
 ordinary
 January 1st 1854

State of Georgia, I, Thompson Hale, of
 Winnebago County, State of Georgia, being
 solemnly sworn, depose and say, that I am
 do hereby this my last will & testament
 of the 1st. I desire that my body be buried
 in a decent and Christian like manner
 and that my soul return to God where
 it came
 I then say I desire that my outstanding bills
 if any be paid at as early a day as possible
 I then say I give, bequeath & devise to my wife
 Jane Hale for & during her natural life, & at
 her death to be sold in a legal manner and
 distributed among my legal heirs equally
 the following described parcel of land to
 wit, Commencing at the corner of land to
 Ford, South East & where my residence was to
 run South along a fence, to where it comes
 in contact with a fence running East &
 West, thence to run along said fence
 Easterly to & across the creek, to the line between
 myself & Mrs C. Hale, thence North along said
 line to the corner between myself & said
 C. Hale, then still North to the original line
 thence West said line (original) to the original
 corner (Lot 101). Thence North along the
 original line up & to the corner by a pine
 field, thence West along the fence of said
 field to the N.W. corner of said field

thence South along the fence to the creek or ditch.
 thence West along said ditch to where my first
 crop was ditch, thence North to the South West
 corner of a pine field, thence East to where it
 will strike the line of fence, first named & where
 distance South of the fence of the creek, the starting
 point.

I then say I further devise & bequeath to my wife
 Jane Hale one Mule, Bull & all my farming
 utensils & wagons, also all the stock, both sheep
 & Cows
 I then say I further say I devise said fence
 Hale, to have & keep all the household & other
 furniture

I then say I do then surviving heirs of my son
 William, deceased, and that my said William
 died, partly indebted to me, about the sum
 of three hundred dollars my part & part
 unpaid, the notes will show, and as I have
 for my children all to share equally of my
 estate, I therefore desire that my estate be
 so made equal with them before they have
 any thing, after they are made equal all to
 share, I have said

I then say I further desire that all the land
 belonging to me, not included in my wife
 Jane Hale be rented to the best
 advantage & the proceeds thereof to be added
 to my estate and at the death of my wife
 Jane, all the land to be sold as other property
 for distribution

I then say I furthermore recommend and
 appoint my worthy friend James W.
 Andrews, as Executor of this my last
 will & testament

the 30th day of January 1854

Thompson Hale