

In the Name of God. I am conscious of the uncertainty of life  
 we should always be prepared for death - After deducting the amount  
 of Capital and interest thereon by me advanced towards the Merchantile Estab-  
 lishment of R. & Groves \$6, / a copartner in which James Clark, Esq. binds  
 all other incidental expenses, I give and bequeath one half of the Net profits  
 to R. & Groves of Savannah. This is necessary on account of his having  
 having made a relinquishment in my favor at the dissolution of the  
 business conducted in River-Boro' under the above firm - To R. & Groves  
 I also give and bequeath One half of the Net profits of the Merchantile business  
 conducted at River-Boro' in my own name - The necessary and incidental charges  
 being first deducted - My just debts it is my will and desire  
 that they be paid without loss or delay, paying without delay or as soon  
 as money can be collected to effect the same - In the order following, first  
 borrowed money, secondly debts due planters for produce purchased of them  
 for Board &c Thirdly debts due on the annuity - With the view of effecting  
 this purpose, it is my will, that my Merchantile business be conducted under the  
 direction of Reginald H. Groves, for a few months, not exceeding twelve, provided  
 my executors or Administrators may direct otherwise. It is my will and  
 desire that One third of the Net amount of my estate be appropriated  
 to the purchase of Field negroes and the same be given, my worthy  
 and esteemed friend Mrs Sarah M. Foster of River-Boro' to further her  
 natural life, then to revert to the heirs of J. Foster, this I wish executed  
 as soon as the above necessary arrangements are made and no sooner  
 attained - It is my will and desire that another third be given to my  
 brother Benjamin Foster, of Orange County of Virginia, and that  
 Mr. J. Foster 2<sup>nd</sup> page remains third to the rest of my brothers' sisters  
 who may be living at my decease - It is my will that the legacy  
 given to such of my brothers and sisters who are not of age, not to be  
 put into the hands of my father - Since Foster often neglects to make  
 till they may respectively arrive to the age of twenty-one years, it is  
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Dear Peter Wm.  
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is to be understood that the debts due from R. H. Grimes & Co. and the mercantile business of A. Porter are to be paid previous to the division of profits above provided for. I do appoint the Rev. Cyrus Guldenshaw, Reginald M. Garrison, Sam'l Lewis, John Winn & John Orgord my Executors, to this my last Will and Testament. I have subscribed my name to each page of the foregoing. All instruments of this kind of previous date are hereby nullified and of no effect - made & subscribed this 8<sup>th</sup> day of December One thousand eight hundred & seven.

A. Porter

Witnesses J. B. BAKER

Mr. Baker's To the foregoing, I will add, that it is my Will and desire, that the two thirds of my Estate, that are left to my brothers & sisters be appropriated to the purchase of Stock in the Planters Bank, should that be put in operation, and that be applied to their respective uses & in such proportion as is above directed to be distributed and this may be done any time within two years from this date Jan 1<sup>st</sup>.

A. Porter

State of Georgia

Liberty County - Personally appeared John C. Baker a Subscribing Witness to the last Will and Testament of Abner Porter, who being duly sworn to that he was present and did see the said Abner Porter the in this named witness sign and declare the within Instrument of writing, as is for his last Will and Testament, as it now stands to the best of his knowledge and belief. And that in said John C. Baker, Esq. I do not know him at the request of the said Abner Porter who appears to be his lawyer in his practice and in the same place of business. I do this I do this the 18<sup>th</sup> day of January 1887. In witness whereof the witness abovesigned has hereunto set his hand and seal this 18<sup>th</sup> day of January 1887.

Closed to this 18<sup>th</sup> day of

January 1888

John Stevens  
John Winn

Received 18. J. 1888

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