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having the last will and testament of Dabney Vance, the said witness, and the will having been brought before me for Probate. by the executors who has filed a petition for probate of the same. they the witnesses depose of the same, that they saw said Dabney, sign and publish the same as his last will, on the day and year then stated, as executed by him, that they witness the same, at his request, in his presence and in presence of each other; that the same was voluntarily executed by him; while he was of sound and disposing mind and memory, and that they saw Sterling W. Fowler, sign the same as a witness at the same time with us.

Joseph D. Baker

William G. Delaney,

Sworn to and Subscribed before me this 29th day of November 1869.

O. P. Skelton, Notary

Will of Gardner Crosby

State of Georgia } In the name of God Amen,
Milton County } I Gardner Crosby of said State
and County being of advanced age but of sound mind & memory, knowing that I must shortly depart this life deem it right and proper both as respects my family and myself that I should make a disposition of the property, with which a kind Providence has blessed me. I do therefore make this my last will and testament, hereby revoking and annulling all others by me heretofore made,
1st I desire and direct that my body buried in a decent and Christian like manner suitable to my circumstances and condition in life.

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who gave it as a hope for salvation through the
merits and atonement of the blessed Lord and
Saviour Jesus Christ.

2nd I desire and direct that all my just debts
be paid without delay by my Executors hereinafter
named and appointed.

3rd I give bequeath and devise to my beloved
wife Sarah Crosby, Lot of Land Number
Three hundred and Eleven (311) in the Sixth
District of Guinnette New Decalb County
Containing Two hundred and fifty acres, with
all the rights Members and appurtenances
to said Lot of Land, in anywise belonging
free from all Charges and limitation what-
ever, to her ~~own~~ proper use benefit and behoof
forever, with full power to dispose of the same
by will or otherwise as she may deem proper
in the above named Lot of Land to my wife
is in full extinguishment of her whole right of
dower, in my real estate.

3rd I also give and bequeath to my beloved wife
the ~~following~~ tools used on and belonging to the
farm on said lot of land and one Saddle Horse
one Cow and Calf, and all the hogs, belonging
to the ^{home} ~~farm~~ ~~on said lot of land~~ and all the
house hold and kitchen furniture, after the
death of my wife all the above named personal
property to go to Effie Needlocks My Niece.

4th After paying all my just debts and my burial
Expenses I give and bequeath to John Carpenter
all my ready Money, Solvent Notes and perish-
able property that remains.

5th I hereby Constitute and appoint my friend
John Carpenter Executor of this my last will
and testament, this November 9th 1888.

Gardner Crosby, (S.S.)

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Signed, sealed and published by Gardner Crosby
as his last will and testament in the presence of us the
undersigned who subscribed our names hereto, in the
presence of said testator at his special instance and
request, and in the presence of each other this December
9th 1868.

L. S. Woodall

Wm. M. Bull

Ambrey Martin J. P.

Georgia } August Term 1869.
Milton County, } The will of Gardner Crosby being produced
in open Court for probate by the executor
who has filed his renunciation of executorship
to the same, and the witnesses to said will, L. S.
Woodall of Decalb Co, Ga, William M. Bull and
Ambrey Martin, having subscribed the following
affidavits, endorsed on said will, August Term
1869, of Milton County of Ordinary, Came into
open Court, at this term of the Court, L. S. Woodall
of Decalb Co, William M. Bull and Ambrey Martin
and being duly sworn, depose that they saw
Gardner Crosby, sign and publish the within
as his last will and testament while of sound
and disposing mind, that they witness the
same for him, at his request and in his presence
and of each other, and that the same was
executed voluntarily by him, on the day it
purports to have been executed.

L. S. Woodall

Sworn to and subscribed Wm. M. Bull
before me this August 3rd Ambrey Martin
2nd 1869.

Q. P. Skeltton, Ordinary

The nominated executor, John Carpenter having refused
to qualify, and the witnesses to the will, having satisfactorily
proven the same. It is ordered that the same be
admitted to record, August term 1869.