

Norwich

Newton County In the name of God Amen I Henry Nelson
being weak in body but of sound disposing
mind and calling to mind the shortness of life and certainty
of death being desirous of disposing of the worldly goods that
God has given me to bless me with so orden & constitute
this my last will and testament by

Ist I desire that my body be buried in decent & Christian
like manner

Second I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Sarah
Wilson all the property that I hold or possess both real
& personal except on rifle gun for her to have and use
in her own right in any way that she may see proper
during her natural life and at her death I do give and
direct that she make any disposition of one half of my
estate that she may desire to do and the other half at
the death of my wife I direct to be equally divided
amongst my two other children

Third I give and bequeath unto my beloved wife Sarah
Wilson my rifle gun which is described above

Fourth I appoint & constitute my beloved wife Sarah
Wilson my true and lawful Executor to my will effect
this my last will & testament made this 25th March 1848
and signed in presence of

John D. Thompson

Henry A. Nelson

James Daniel

May 5

Clarissa White Jr.

Attest: - Court of Ordinary May term 1848

Newton County The within last Will & Testament of Henry Nelson
having been proven in common law at this regular
time in open court upon the oaths of John D. Thompson & James Daniel
Squires that the same be admitted to record

Virginia Newton County In the name of God Amen

I George W Lane, of the State & County aforesaid, being of sound mind, & disposing memory (although not in my best day) do ordain & publish this my last will & testament, witnesseth:

Item 1st I commend my soul to the Lord, with the hope of eternial rest, my soul to God, through the merits of the Lord Jesus Christ in whom I believe to have my salvation.

Item 2nd I will that all my just debts be paid. Item 3rd After paying my debts, I will that the balance of my estate be left together, in the support & maintenance of my wife & children & for the education of my children. Should my wife intermarry again, then I will that the above from my estate one equal share, regarding the number of shares as made up of her & each child that may then be living.

Item 4th I appoint Lucas C. Miller Executor of this last will & testament. & on his death, I appoint another to replace my executor & I hereby invest my acting executor with full power to sell any portion of my estate, or buy any other property with the funds of said estate & in any & every manner to change & purchase or sell, the nature of my estate, whenever in his judgement it will promote the interest of the same.

Witness, sealed & published before Wm Lane Esq. in presence of Jno A. Harper A. Means J. C. Limmons

A. Means
J. C. Limmons
John A. H. Harper

Given at
Newton County, Pennsylvania, before me in open court, John C.
Limmons & John A. H. Harper and after being

duly sworn deposed & oath that they saw George W Lane sign, seal & publish the within instrument to be & contain his last will & testament that they signed the same as witnesses together with Abram M. Means in the presence of the testator & of each other, & saw Stevanus Means sign the same, that he was of sound disposing mind & memory at the time of signing the same & that he executed the same freely, & without any compulsion so far as we know or believe.

I now do subscribe in open Court this 6th day of November 1848

W. P. Gentry, Esq.

John A. H. Harper

Opposite to record November 6th 1848

W. P. Gentry, Esq.