

and John Pratt and their heirs in Trust for the sole and separate use and benefit of my daughter Charlotte Short wife of Thomas Short and her heirs one half of the lands I bought of John B. McSpence also the following slaves Lile and youngest child and Bether youngest child.

Item I give and devise to Alexander McAlpin and John Pratt and their heirs in Trust for the sole and separate use and benefit of my daughter Nancy Short wife of Daniel Short and her heirs the tract of land called Magnolia where Daniel Short now lives purchased of Targher McAl also the following slaves old bel him & child & Bether.

Item I give and devise to Alexander McAlpin and John Pratt and their heirs the lands embraced in the second purchase - bought of B. H. Harrington together with one half of the old place known as the Evans and Adams lands also Phillis & child for the sole and separate use and benefit of my grand daughter Ann Elizabeth the child of Thomas and City Baily for her natural life and after her death to her children and if she die without leaving issue then to be equally divided between my children her uncle and Aunt on her mother's side and their heirs, her surviving.

Item I give and devise to Elizabeth McAlpin wife of Alexander McAlpin the other half of the John B. McSpence lands the one half having been already devised to Charlotte Short I also give her the slaves Sylvia and Peter and four hundred and fifty dollars to her and her heirs.

Item: All the residue of my Estate both Real and personal I desire shall be equally divided among all my children and all that part or portion which may fall to my sons Brian and William and to my daughters Sarah, Nancy and Charlotte and my Grand daughter Baily I leave to Alexander McAlpin

and John Pratt and their heirs to be held by them in Trust in the same manner and for the same.

purposes as is herein before respectively provided. Signed: I nominate, constitute and appoint John Pratt and Alexander McAlpin Executors of this my last will and Testament hereby revoking all other wills heretofore made by me and declaring this and this only to be my last will and Testament signed sealed published, read, and declared in the presence of the witnesses and Testaments of the Testator in the presence of us was in the presence of the Executors and I each other have witnessed the same. Signed: D. D. Smith. S. C. McSpence.

State of North Carolina County of Jones and Quarter No. 1. I, the undersigned, being sworn and empowered to try the issues of law and fact in the above entitled cause, do hereby certify that the paper writings offered in evidence is the last will and Testament of Samuel Pratt deceased and that he did devise and bequeath - Ann, Alexander McAlpin and John Pratt appeared in open court and qualified as Executors and obtained letters Testamentary.

I Lewis Braswell of the County of Sussex and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form as follows: viz,

1st That my executor hereinafter named shall provide for my wife a decent burial and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts hereafter and to moreover paying out of the money that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate

Item I give unto my beloved wife Elizabeth Braswell the Tract of land situate & now being containing one hundred acres more or less also out tract of fifty acres adjoining the other tract which I purchased in 1805 & 1806. And being more or less adjoining the same tract which is an entire road for me, as by reference to the course will more fully appear to include my mansion house all tract house and the improvements to have and to hold to her the said Elizabeth Braswell for and during her widowhood or natural life time, in satisfaction for and in full of her dower and third of all I in all my real estate.

Item I give unto my sons Benja R. Braswell Thomas W. Braswell and James W. Braswell the tract of land that I bought of the Executors of John Beard estate adjoining to the tract of Benja R. Braswell containing one hundred and eight acres and $\frac{3}{4}$ more or less to be equally divided between them at my decease provided they pay to my executor fifty dollars each or one seventh of all my debts each.

Item I give unto George J. Braswell, William Braswell John W. Braswell and Elizabeth the wife of William the sum one tract of land containing forty acres more or less

adjoining Richard Kinson & my home tract also out tract of land I bought of Bryant Braswell containing 75 acres more or less adjoining John Fairfield & there also one tract of land containing fifty acres more or less adjoining John Fairfield - others which is in better made by me - It is understood that each of the heirs named in Item six is to pay to the estate each is one seventh, each of all my debts to my executor before they are to have a title to the said land - It is my wish that the heirs named in Item three & four have two years to pay their part of my debts.

Item I give unto my wife Elizabeth Braswell three cows and calves two horses all of my stable & furniture one sound horse about two years of age also one sound mare about four years old both now in my possession also all of my household & kitchen furniture, trunks, trunks of goods, my choice fine land of wheat, my choice, all the domestic goods & trunks, my choice stands of deer - all of my ironing tools - one half of all the corn & make this year after William Lee gets his part in this year service and choice stock of hogs one black sow & 7 pigs.

Item I give unto my children by my last wife Christopher C. Susan Mary, Laura & Christine Drumm McDowell Robert Alexander and Barnabas C. Braswell all of the lands and other property withheld to my wife in Item second and sixth after her death or during her widowhood.

Item I give unto my wife one hundred weight of picked cotton.

Item 8th Provided that the heirs named in Item 3rd & 4th should fail to pay their proportionable part of all my debts within two years from my decease

I leave it in the power of my Executor to sell and lease real estate to them and appropriate the proceeds to the payment of said debts—
 9th I give unto my sons Benjamin Mabry and Frank Brassell my cart and horse to run of them if I have my executor. To sell all of my crop stock and other contents not named in my will and appropriate the proceeds to the payment of my debts—

10th—I do hereby constitute and appoint my Trusty friend John Kimball my Executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part & clause thereof—In witness whereof I this said John Brassell do hereunto set my hand and seal this 1st day of September 1800.

Signed sealed published and declared in the said John Brassell to be his last will and testament in the presence of us my witnesses and in presence to subscribe our names as witnesses thereto
 John Brassell

John P. Kimball

State of North Carolina

County of Surry 3rd October Term 1800
 Then the above will was exhibited in open Court and duly proven by the oath of Daniel Kimball one of the subscribing witnesses thereof and ordered to be recorded whereupon John Kimball the executor therein named appeared in open Court and qualified as executor and obtained letters testamentary. R. D. Boggan clk.

State of North Carolina Surry County
 In the name of God Amen I, John Haskill of the above mentioned state and county being of sound mind and memory do make constitute and declare this my last will and testament to wit—
 Item 1st—I give and bequeath to my daughter Sarah Dockery a Negro Girl (born in her possession of yellow complexion named Charlotte and her child with all her increase hereafter and one hundred dollars in money—

Item 2^d—I leave to my daughter Miss Beulah my Negro girl Sylvia with her two children Estlin and Horace with all their increase hereafter, which said negroes & children she should keep during her natural life & after my decease is that same to be sold by her among all her children—

Item 3^d—I give and bequeath to my son B. Smith my two Negro boys to sell soon after his decease and Frank who is the son of Peggy—

Item 4th—I give and bequeath to my son William Haskill my Negro woman named Peggy and her two children named Martha Ann and John Turner with all their increase hereafter—

Item 5th—I leave to my daughter Sophia C. Kendall my Negro woman Cinah and her child named Peter during her natural life, after her death my desire is that said negro be equally divided amongst all her (S. C. Kendall's) children—
 Item 6th—I give and bequeath to my daughter Sophia H. Kendall one hundred dollars in money—

Item 7th—I give and bequeath to my three sons Henry M. Turner, William J. Turner and James Turner the five following named Negro boys to wit—Peter, Sam, Virgil, William and Eli to be equally divided between them.

Item 8th—I give and bequeath to my son James S. Turner my Negro woman named Wiley—

I decree that my Executors pay all my indebtedness. I further decree that all my property not mentioned in this instrument be sold and the proceeds divided equally among all my children after paying to my two daughters Sally Lockery and Elizabeth H. Fendall one hundred dollars each as bequeathed above.

Lastly I nominate and appoint my two sons George H. Turner and James S. Turner Executors of this my last will and testament in testimony whereof I have set my hand and signed my seal this 6th day of July A.D. 1855.

Lacy Walcott

Witness

Wm. S. Feltner

J. S. Linn

State of North Carolina

In and for Anson County I am sworn solemnly 800
That the last will & testament of Lacy Walcott was duly proven in open Court by the oath of Wm. S. Feltner one of the subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded and James S. Turner qualified in open Court as executor & retained letters testamentary

State of North Carolina In the County of Lenoir.

Anson County I William Bailey being asked in body but of sound mind & memory do make this my last will and testament.

Item First I will and bequeath to my grand daughter Anne Bailey daughter of my son Thos Bailey one negro slave named Nathan to her & her heirs forever.

Item 2nd I will and bequeath to my grand daughter Jane Margaret Bailey one negro slave named Caline to her & her heirs forever.

Item 3rd I leave to my daughter Jane Entwold her negro slave Caroline & her three children Charles, Mary & Ellen during her natural life & at her death my will is she should go to her three children & their heirs forever. Sarah Entwold one of said children & their heirs forever.

Item 4th I leave to my daughter Nancy Feltner three negro slaves John & her two children Ellick & Charles during her natural life & at her death my will is she should go to her children & their heirs forever. Item 5th I leave to my daughter Sarah Lucas two negro slaves Chudatta & her youngest child during her natural life & at her death I will them to be divided among her children & their heirs forever.

I also leave to my daughter Sarah Lucas one tract of land which I purchased of W. B. B. being the tract she now resides on, during her natural life & at her death to her children & their heirs forever.

I give and bequeath to my two grand children Anne Bailey & Jane Margaret Bailey daughters of Thos Bailey forty acres of land lying west & north west of my dwelling house including my dwelling house to them & their heirs forever. I also appoint Thomas Bailey Guardian to my two grand children above named Anne Bailey & Jane Margaret Bailey. I give & bequeath to my grand children

Mary Baile, Frances Baile, Jane Baile Thomas
Baile & Daniel Baile children of Burnell Baile
thirty acres of land each to them & their
heirs forever. I also appoint Burnell Baile
guardian to the above named children -
I also give & bequeath my will together
with the balance of my land to those Baile
children & Burnell Baile's children.

I give & bequeath to Caroline Lickhart - Mary
H. Hutchinson Margaret Harris & Leonida
Baile the property I have heretofore put in
their possession to them in trust -

I declare my whereof - I still own
Baile's have presents set my hand & seal
this 7th day of April 1846. William Baile

C. Marshall
Levi Stern

April Term 1846.

That this will was fully proven in open
court in the court of C. Marshall one of the
executing witnesses thereto & ordered
to be recorded - Administrators with the
said inventory were granted to Calum Myers
he entered into bond in the sum of \$10,000.
with J. D. Baggan, J. White & Myers &
L. H. Little Securities.

R Anderson's Will -

In the name of God Amen, I reading Anderson
of the State of North Carolina and County of Wilson
being of sound mind and memory, and knowing
the uncertainty of this life to make and publish
this my last will and testament in manner
and form as follows, viz,

Item the 1st I give and devise the legal right and title of the tract of
land now lying on adjoining the lands of the
Town of Hadesboro is situated in my brother
Peter May and Mary St. May & therefore being
said land unto them and their heirs forever,
to be equally divided between them, excepting
however, the crop of every description should
then be any at my death.

Item the 2nd I give and devise to my brother Peter
May a tract of land in the waters of Johnston
containing four hundred and twenty acres
the legal title of which is already in him.

Item 3rd It is my will and devise that my repre-
sentative sell out half of all the growing crop
should there be any at my death on the land devised
in item 1st for the payment of all my just
debts and deliver over to Sarah H. Paul the other half
for the separate use of her and her children
and not to be subject to any debts or liabilities of her
husband Bernard Paul.

Item 4th I give and devise to Mary B. Smith my lot in the Town of
Hadesboro on which my crop stands to her during her natural
life or widowhood, and at her death or marriage in trust to Sarah
H. Paul & her three children Anderson Paul May B. Paul & Harriet B. Paul
whomever the said Sarah H. Paul may choose as trustee
at the death or marriage of the said Mary B. Smith.

Item the 5th I give and bequeath to Anderson Paul all
my shop accounts contracted in my name which
may remain unsettled at my death for the pur-
pose of buying himself a good suit of clothes.

Item 6th I give and bequeath my boy Lerac to Mary B.
Smith to her during her natural life or widow-
hood and at her death or marriage, in trust for
the use of Sarah H. Paul and her children in like manner as

item 4th.

Item 7th - I give and bequeath to Mary B. Smith my Mare Lolly.

Item the 8th - I give and bequeath to Anderson Paul my young horse Liline.

Item the 9th - I do my will and desire that my negro man Charles be sold together with all my perishable property and that the proceeds arising therefrom or the balance after after the payment of all my just debts and funeral expenses together with all the remaining part of my estate of whatever kind I give and bequeath unto Mary B. Smith to her during her natural life or widowhood and at her death or marriage to Sarah & Paul my two children above named to be equally divided among them. Share and share alike - and not to be subject to the debt or liabilities of her present husband Norman Paul. The above bequests to Mary B. Smith and Sarah C. Paul in made here in consideration of the love and affection which I have for them - and in discharge of an obligation which I owe to them in consideration of the long and constant attention which they have bestowed upon me and especially during this my last painful and protracted illness. April the 12th, 1846.

Signed sealed published and declared to be and contain the last will and testament of the testator in presence of us who have witnessed the same in the presence of the testator

C. Myers

J. P. Bargrave

July Term 1846.

Then the above Will was exhibited in open Court and its execution duly proven by the oath of C. Myers and J. P. Bargrave the subscribing witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded.

H. D. B.

State of North Carolina In the County of Guilford. I, Griffin, Clerk of the County and State aforesaid being sworn & solemnly do make this my last will & testament.

Item 1st - I give and bequeath unto my grandson James St. John one hundred dollars to him and his heirs forever.

Item 2nd - I give up to my daughter Sarah both two negroes by the name of Sarah & Bartlett as long as she lives and at her death to my grand daughter Seminal & her heirs.

Item 3rd - I give and bequeath unto my grand daughter Sarah Jane Howell one bed & furniture -

Item 4th - I leave to my daughter Polly Bellinger one fourth part of the part of my property as long as she lives and at her death to her heirs.

Item 5th - The balance to be equally divided between Helen Beck, John St. John and Betty Howell.

Lastly I nominate and appoint Stephen Grump my executor to the my last will and testament in witness whereof I the said Griffin, Clerk have hereunto set my hand & seal this August 15th, 1846 signed sealed & delivered

in presence of
Griffin, Clerk
J. Orum

State of North Carolina

Guilford County 1 October Term 1846

Then the above Will was exhibited in open Court and duly proven by the oath of Jeremiah Ingram Jr - Helen Grump the undersigned witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded. whereupon Stephen Grump came into open Court and was duly qualified as Executor and obtained letters Testamentary.

H. D. Beggan clk.

I William Mendenhall of the County of Anson in the State of North Carolina being in a declining state of health but sound mind and disposing memory and well knowing the uncertainty of life and the certainty of death do make and publish this my last will & testament—

First—It is my will and desire that all my just debts and funeral charges be paid by my Executors or some or convenient after my death, and thereby charge all my estate real and personal with the payment of my debts, and hereby authorize and empower my Executors to convey in trust to secure the payment of any and all of my debts, or to sell and convey at public or private sale any part or all of my estate real or personal in such manner and also upon such terms as my said Executors may deem most advisable to secure the payment of my debts and for the benefit of my estate—

Secondly, I will and bequeath to my beloved wife Mary Mendenhall all the land and buildings where now reside lying on the south side of Brown Creek being about two hundred and fifteen acres during her widowhood and all my household and kitchen furniture and farming utensils absolutely except such as she may consent for my Executors to sell for the payment of my debts, also all my stock of horses, mules, cattle, hogs and chick except such as she may consent for my Executors to sell for the payment of my debts. I will and bequeath my wife Lewis & Harriet children of mine to hold as her absolute property also will her to hold during her widowhood all my negro man Will Henry and Tony and my negro woman Jenny Bina and Beady daughters of Beck together with any increase they now have or may hereafter have. Beady and children being now in possession of Doctor S. S. Coffin and my daughter Laura S. Coffin subject to the disposal of my wife, she having a life estate in them and Tony I will that my wife have privilege of all necessary timbers from all my land North of Brown Creek during her widowhood unless the same should be sooner sold by my Executors

for the payment of debts

Thirdly I will and devise to my son George W. Mendenhall my lot in James Town and all my undivided interests in a tract of about fifty acres of land near James Town, Rock River named by the name of the old mill tract also all my undivided interest in a white pine nursery in Randolph County to hold to him and his heirs also the several sums of money heretofore advanced to him and on his account, and also an equal division of my personal estate herein after directed by this will in consequence of his having unfortunately lost to me of his right arm; But direct all the estate given him by me real and personal to return to my three youngest living children at the time of his death in case he should die without lawful issue—

Fourthly, I will and direct that my negroes, Bannish, Joe, Bing, Ediga, Mary and some and my other negroes which I may have not otherwise disclosed of be hired out by my Executors at public or private hire by the year or for a less term of time, and the proceeds of hire be applied to the payment of any of my debts, and this course to be pursued until the debts and lawful demands against my estate be fully paid off and satisfied.

Fifthly, I will bequeath and direct after the payment of all debts and demands against my estate, that an equal division of all my negroes except Lewis and Harriet be made between all my children by valuation in which Doct. S. S. Coffin and my daughter Laura are to account for two hundred dollars which they have received in cash from me, without interest, and so charge to be made against any of my other children. But I will and direct that such division of my negroes shall not take place, but that the same be kept by my Executors in common until my child who by priority of age next to the youngest who may be living, shall arrive at twenty one years of age and then such division by valuation be made by them freeholders to be chosen by my wife and my Executors or survivors or survivors of them and if none should be

Living, by the Clerk of the County Court—
 Sixthly I will and desire all my lands in Anson
 County after the death or marriage of my widow,
 to be equally divided between my children William
 A. Thomas L. Nathan G. and Lucinda A. Mendenhall,
 But all my children are to have the privilege
 of house room as long as they shall live single—
 Seventhly, I will and bequest all the personal property
 given to my wife during her widowhood negroes ex-
 cepted and which may be in hand at her death or
 marriage to be sold by my Executors and the pro-
 ceeds thereof after payment of all debts, be equally
 divided between all my children who may be living
 at the time, said debts may be subject there to be paid
 Eighthly, I hereby empower my Executors to sell at
 public or private sale my land or all of my estate
 real or personal for cash or upon credit and execute
 title thereto, to the purchaser in the discharge of
 existing debts or for a division after debts are
 paid for the benefit of my estate and family—
 But advise no such sale to be made unless
 for the benefit of my estate or family—
 Ninthly, I further bequeath direct and allow my
 Executors to expend such sums of money out of
 my estate and the proceeds thereof, as they may
 deem prudent and reasonable for the Education
 of any one or more of my three youngest chil-
 dren, but no charge to be made in the division
 of my negroes or other estate against either of said
 three youngest children for such expenditure—
 I will bequeath and desire that in case any one
 or more of my three youngest children should
 die under twenty one years of age and without
 lawful issue, the share of real or personal estate be-
 bequeathed by this will to such child or children,
 shall go to the survivors of my four youngest children—
 Lastly, I hereby nominate and appoint my brother George B.
 Mendenhall of the County of Guilford and my son William
 A. Mendenhall Executors of this my last will and
 Testament hereby revoking all other wills by me at any

time heretofore made, In Testimony whereof
 I have hereunto set my hand and seal the
 22nd day of January 1825—

Witness J. St. Cole

L. St. Paul

Wm. L. Butler

St. O. Day

St. Mendenhall

I William Mendenhall of the County of Anson
 do make and publish the following as a correct
 copy of my last will and Testament heretofore made
 and published and attested the 22nd day of
 January, 1825—

Whereas in my said will it appears that
 the slave Betsy and her children are in the possession
 of my daughter Laura and her husband Doctor J. W.
 Coffin in Guilford County which said negroes after
 my death and the death of my wife are subject to
 together with other negroes to an equal division
 between all our children and no provision being
 made in said will for the expenses and charges
 which have been and may be hereafter incurred by
 Doctor Shubal S. Coffin and Laura his wife for the
 taking care of and bringing up of the children of the
 said slave Betsy to wit Caroline Maria and Orlia or
 any other child or children which she may hereafter
 have, and it being thought right and proper by me
 that a reasonable and fair allowance should be made
 to my said daughter and her husband for the
 same as the said Betsy and her children when so
 brought up will be subject to the division of said
 between and among all our children, therefore I do
 further will bequeath and direct that Dr. Shubal
 S. Coffin and his wife Laura shall receive out of
 and from my personal estate in which is included
 my other negroes at the rate of the sum of one hundred
 dollars for each and every child of the said slave Betsy which
 has been or may be born by them or either of them
 or either of them over and above the expenses of
 the said Betsy and her children while they remain in
 possession of them or either of them to the age of ten years and no

more. And I will and direct that they or either of them be paid out of my personal estate as aforesaid the said sum of one hundred dollars for each child of the said Betsy, which they or either of them shall at their own proper charge and expense take care of and bring up to the age of ten years at and before the time of my death, and they or either of them be paid out of my said estate as aforesaid at that rate and in that proportion for any children which are born or which may be born of the said Betsy under the age of ten years at the time of my death.

But it is expressly provided further that no compensation shall be claimed or paid for the taking care of and bringing up of any of the children of the said Betsy but from the age of ten years or aforesaid until two years after the probate of my will and neither this charge upon my personal estate nor my bequest or legacy under my will or codicil shall bear any interest until two years after the time at which my said will and this codicil thereto shall be admitted to probate.

Witness my hand & seal

May 17 1845

J. H. Cole

Wm. L. Lott

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas and Quarter

Anson County } Session October Term 1845

Then the last will and testament of Doctor William Mendenhall deceased was offered in open Court for probate, and the same was duly proved by the oath of Stephen H. Cole, Samuel H. Neal and William C. Troy clerks, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who proved that they became subscribing witnesses to said will at the request of the testator & subscribed the same in his presence. And that he was of sound mind & disposing memory. And a codicil to said will of Doctor William Mendenhall was also produced in open Court & offered for probate & the same was proved by the oath of Stephen H. Cole one of the subscribing witnesses thereto.

J. Mendenhall

In the Name of God I John Curlee of the County of Anson in the State of North Carolina through the perfect counsel in law now naming the mortality of my body do ordain and bequeath this to be my last will and testament as follows First after my just debts are paid I bequeath to my loving wife Sally Curlee my plantation where I now live and two beds & furniture and all the rest of the property in my dwelling house and outhouses in the Court yard one cow and four choats also all the gear also my stock of sheep I then I give my son Brock Curlee one tract of land at my wife's death one hundred and thirty acres more or less beginning corner of twenty six acre tract running to become Spring branch to the creek I then I give my son Wm. Curlee one tract of land containing one hundred and thirty acres more or less on the south side of Spring branch joining of Brock tract also one bed & furniture and bedstead one cow two cows and two choats. I then I give my daughter Fanny Curlee one bed & furniture and bedstead one dog more one cow and yearling one sheet one table two chairs one cow & four pigs four hens & geese. I then I have given all the rest their part of when they left me I don't leave them none till my wife's death I then I have left my son William Curlee one dollar at her death I then I have left my daughter Catey Curlee one dollar at her death. I then all the property that I have left my wife I want it equally divided between the rest of my heirs Betsey Curlee William Curlee Chas. Curlee Brock Curlee Fanny Curlee Joseph Curlee Wm. Curlee and lastly I constitute and appoint my wife Sally Curlee and Wm. Curlee and William Curlee my executors to this my last will and testament hereby revoking all other wills and testaments heretofore by me made in witness whereof I have set my hand and affixed my seal this

nineteenth day of September one thousand
eight hundred and forty two signed and sealed and
delivered as the last will and testament of the
above named John Curlee in the presence of

Test
Wm. H. Luce
Jesse P. Curlee
Samuel Curlee
John Curlee

January Term 1847.

Then the last will and
testament of John Curlee was exhibited in
open court and duly shown by the oath
of the witnesses thereto and ordered to be recorded
And since Justice of the Peace two of the
Executors qualified and obtained letters
Testamentary of—

Baynes Richardson Will.

In the name of God Amen, I Baynes Richardson
Farmer of the County of Wayne State of North Carolina
through the goodness of God being in good health
and sound mind & memory. Reflecting on the
uncertainty of life & the certainty of death have
thought proper to make this my last will and
testament revoking all others—

I wish all my just debts paid as soon as
practicable & all there is considerable uncertainty
whether my children would wish to live on my
farm when they become grown & as still owe
a considerable debt & it would pay less interest
than any other kind of property. I desire my
here after income to be sold & all of my
land together with my interest in the same
and if possible out of the proceeds of the sale
to pay all of my debts. I my beloved wife
should desire to have her share out of the land
& the balance could be sold to my advantage
after taking out her share. I desire
that she should have her share out of it.
But if it would cause the balance of the land
to be sacrificed & would abridge much of the
interest of the estate I then desire it all
to be sold and out of the proceeds after she
take a share from any other part of my property an
equivalent in money or in the purchase of some
equivalent to what her share would be given her
during her natural life—

I give & bequeath to my beloved wife all of my
household & kitchen furniture
I appoint Curdie Richardson & John McDowell
my Executors to this my last will & testament
It is my desire that my friend Curdie Rich-
ardson & Thomas Smith should become guardians to my
William. I do not think it necessary to say any thing
about the Guardian of my other children as their mother
can arrange that better than I can. It is my
desire that all of my children should have a
good finished & accomplished education

If they are disposed to take it, but that ^{will} ~~will~~ ^{be} kept more to usefulness than to show
 If it is found that they are not disposed
 to learn and trifle away their time ~~the~~
 cannot be stimulated to it I desire they may
 be taken from school & set to some useful
 and active employment as they may
 seem to have an inclination for -

If my boys are disposed to learn I would
 be glad if they should study a profession -
 I desire that my Executors should put up
 a marble tomb stone at the grave of
 my Brother Land & Richardson & my Aunt
 Ann McGee. ^{1st} Sept. 1843. - H. Richardson

April Term 1846.

Then was produced in
 open Court a paper writing found among the
 papers of the late Baynes Richardson
 purporting to be his last will & testament
 that said paper writing with his signature
 there unto was proven to be in the hand
 writing of the said Baynes Richardson by the
 oath of D. C. Lally, Jas. A. Wendall & James A.
 Turner upon this evidence the said
 paper writing was admitted to probate
 as the last will and testament of
 Baynes Richardson & ordered to be recorded.

State of North Carolina } In the County of Loudoun
 Anson County } I, Lucian Harris of the County
 & State aforesaid being of sound mind & memory
 do make this my last will & testament
 Item 1st I give & bequeath to my son Archellie
 Harris one negro girl named Lucy to him & his
 heirs provided he pays over to my son James
 Harris one hundred dollars in money I also give
 to my son Archellie one horse one skinning
 wheel one bee gun one cow to him & his heirs
 forever -
 Item 2nd I give & bequeath to my son James M.
 Harris one bed & bedstead & furniture the balance
 of my cows & calves all my stock of hogs one team
 all my sitting chairs all my household & kitchen
 furniture one bee gun also two hundred dollars
 in money to him & his heirs forever -
 Item 3rd I give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy
 Knotter fifty dollars in money to her forever -
 Item 4th I give & bequeath to my daughter Mary
 Stoddell five dollars in money to her for ever -
 Item 5 I give & bequeath to my daughter Francis
 Harris ten dollars in money to her forever -
 Item 6th I give & bequeath to my son Benjamin
 Harris twenty dollars in money to him forever
 Item 7th I give & bequeath to my daughter Catharine
 Bennett ten dollars in money to her forever -
 Lastly I nominate & appoint Nelson P. Liles
 my Executor to this my last will & testament
 given under my hand & seal this March 28th 1846.
 Signed sealed & delivered in presence of
 of Clement Marshall } the above will was witnessed
 & James J. Williams } in open Court & duly proven by them J. Williams
 a subscribing witness & ordered to be recorded
 & N. P. Liles Renounced his right as executor
 to execute said will.

In the name of God Amen.

I John Hough of that County of Sussex and State of New Hampshire being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner and form following, that is to say.

First That my executors hereinafter mentioned shall provide for my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expences together with my just debts, however and to whomsoever owing out of the monies that may first come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item - It is my will and desire that all the lands which - may owe at my death may be surveyed and divided into five equal parts to five running East to West. And that my five sons to wit Bezekiah William Leitch Julius Alexander and Isaac Newton have each one share to be designated by drawing which drawing is to take place Respectfully as each one arrives at the age of twenty one years. The plantation on which I now reside, I wish to remain for the benefit of my wife and for the purpose so that if any of the drawing should take any part of that portion of the land which is now in cultivation it is my wish for that portion to remain as it now is during the life of my wife.

Item I give and bequeath to each one of my ten children one negro of about equal age with the legatee which negro he or she shall be put in possession of at the age of twenty one years.

Item It is my will that the residue of my property should be sold together on the plantation for the support of my wife and the younger children until the youngest child becomes of age and receive the one negro as above - when the perishable property is to be sold the proceeds of which together with all the negroes then after remaining shall be equally divided among

my ten children.

Item - It is my will and desire that that portion of property which may fall to Mary Ann should be held by my Executors, and that they after my death shall pay over to her for her benefit twenty dollars a year until my youngest child becomes of age which amount is to be deducted from the amount due her after the last division - The negro also which will be due her when she arrives at the age of twenty one years is to be hired out, and the proceeds applied to her benefit until my youngest child becomes of age upon all which could otherwise fall to Mary Ann I now give and bequeath to my children.

And I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved sons Bezekiah Hough William Newton Bezekiah Joseph Moody Bezekiah Isaac Newton Bezekiah Alexander Newton Bezekiah and Isaac Newton my lawful Executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and every clause thereof - hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the said John Hough to hereunto set my hand & seal this 20th day of September A.D. 1843.

John Hough (Sd)
Signed sealed published and declared by the said John Hough to be his last will & testament in presence of us who at his request, in his presence and in the presence of each other to subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

Daniel Gould (Sd)
April Term 1847. Then the last will and Testament of John Hough was duly proved before Joseph O. Baker & open Court by the oath of Daniel Gould William Carpenter & Joseph O. Baker the subscribing witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded -

In the name of God Amen, I, Clement Marshall
of the County of Suror and State of North Carolina,
being weak & dying at this time but of sound
mind and memory and knowing the uncertainty
of life do make this my last will & testament
in presence and form following to wit—
It is my wish that all of my property both Real
and Personal remain in possession to my beloved
wife Eliza Ann Marshall and that she have full
power and authority to enjoy and oversee or
oversee for the purpose of carrying on the farm
and that the same be divided for six or
eight years or for a longer or shorter period at
her discretion and the proceeds of the same be
judiciously appropriated to the support of my family
and the education of my children and if they wife
should at any time or times be unable to do so
it being my wish that she may wish for me to do so
I give to my wife Eliza Ann Marshall during her
natural life one third part of my real estate including
the dwelling house, Barns &c together with all my
house hold and kitchen furniture also my carriage
I also give to my wife with one eighth part of my
personal estate and I further wish that in the direction
she have the privilege of selecting six negroes such
as she may please.

To my sister Elizabeth Sarah Ann, Frances Cornelia, Elizabeth
Anne, James Walter, Mary Catherine, Julia Leck & Virginia
I give & be equally the balance of my estate, I further
direct the property to remain in common and
undivided until any one of said children should
arrive at age or marry then I wish one seventh part
laid off and allotted to such child and the balance
to remain in common as before until another arrives
at age or marries then one sixth part of the remain-
der to be laid off and allotted to him or her & so on
till they all arrive at age or marry giving to the
next the fifth then the fourth &c &c—
I give my son James my gold Lure Watch which was
given to me by my father.

I hereby nominate and appoint my executor and
beloved wife Eliza Ann Marshall my Executrix to
this my last will and testament & it is my will
that if my beloved wife should pass away & unable
to carry out that she invariably takes trust
executrix for the purpose coming to the same—
Given under my hand & seal this 10th month of
Nov 1847
Clement Marshall
W. H. Leck
Richardson
Lee H. Leck

State of North Carolina, County of Suror and District
Jackson County, I, James H. Leck, Clerk of the Court
do hereby certify that the foregoing will was exhibited in open Court
and duly read by the Judge of the Court, W. H. Leck, Richardson
and James H. Leck, the subscribing witnesses
thereof and ordered to be recorded. Whereupon
Eliza Ann Marshall appeared in person and was
duly qualified as Executrix and obtained Letters
Testamentary.
J. H. Bigger, clerk.

David Myers Will

In the name of God Amen I David Myers
of the County of Luzerne and State of North
Carolina being In good state of health but of
soured mind and memory calling to mind
the volatility of my days knowing it is appointed unto
all men once to die and just to judgment. Do make
and publish this my last will and Testament.
I recommend my body to the earth to be buried
in a decent Christian funeral manner and as touching
such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bestow
on me with in this life I give and bequeath in the
following manner and form.

Item 1st I give unto my hand and loving wife Mary
a certain piece of Land situate near Louisa station
beginning at a well on one corner of a certain Branch
with a Black Gum and a small white oak sapling
and runs nearly west to a red oak in the house
field thence nearly a north course to a light-
wood tree then to a large black oak corner thence
a long line then to a large Red gum corner in
and runs thence with his line to a mark in
the Savannah Branch thence down the
Savannah Branch to the said branch to the regu-
lar line to the burning her natural life after
her death I give it unto my son David to
him and his heirs & assigns forever - I also
give to my wife all my house hold and
Christian furniture with the exception of three
chairs & furniture and all my stock of Hogs and
all my farming blacksmith tools & my
accoutrements - I give to her during her natural
life and after her death all the property she
owns, has at her death I give unto my son
David to him and his heirs and assigns
forever - my will is that my wife have as
much money out of my estate as will by her
one horse and two cows and after her death
to go to my son David and his heirs my will
is that she have as much of the present crops
as will support her and family one year and to have

the housefield and the well field & the crop once
two years with out rent -
Item 2nd I give with in that my Executor to sell all
my stock of horses cattle sheep and swine and
the balance of my crop that is left from
the support of my family and the proceeds
to give to my son just debts and the balance
of my said estate at discretion of my Executor
to sell as he thinks best or to rent it out for
two years I want him to give one and two
years credit with interest there is not
personal property to pay my just debts
I want him to sell for cash as much of said
land as will pay my debts and the balance
of the money to be disposed of as he thinks
proper.

Item 3rd I give unto my daughter Mary born on the
fourth part of the first of June 1840 and
my said wife and all other personal property
to her and her heirs & assigns forever -

Item 4th I give unto my daughter Matilda Myers
one bed furniture one night stand the net
proceeds or money arising from the sale of my
land and of all my other property to her ^{and} her heirs and
assigns forever -

Item 5th I give unto my daughter Sarah Margaret Myers
one bed furniture and one night stand & the net proceeds
or money arising from the sale of my land and all my
other property to her and her heirs and assigns forever -
Item 6th I give unto my daughter Eliza Ellen Myers one bed furniture
and one night stand & the net proceeds or money arising
from the sale of my land and of all my other property to her
and her heirs and assigns forever - Lastly I nominate and
appoint my worthy friend George Adams Executor to this
my last will and Testament - It is my will that my
wife should be Guardian for my youngest son David also that
Eliza Ellen Myers should be Guardian for my other youngest daughters
Matilda Sarah Margaret & Eliza Ellen Myers in testimony which I
have hereunto set my hand & seal this 20th of June A.D. 1847.
Signed and declared his last will and Testament in presence of me
George Furn 3rd of Luzerne
12 Bushings 2nd of Luzerne
David Myers Exec^t

David Myers Will

In the name of God Amen I David Myers
of the County of Anson and State of North
Carolina being in a low state of health but of
sound mind and memory calling to mind
the brevity of our stay knowing it is appointed unto
all men once to die and past to judgment. Do make
and publish this my last will and Testament.
I recommend my soul to the earth to be buried
in a decent Christian burial manner, and as touching
such worldly estate as it hath pleased God to bestow
on me with me in this life & give and devise in the
following manner and form.

Item 1st I give unto my kind and loving wife Lucy
a certain piece of Land upon my house stands
beginning at a Well on the corner of Branch
with it Black Spruce and a small white oak sapling
and runs nearly west to a red oak in the house
field thence nearly a north course to a light-
wood tree then to a large black oak thence
a long line to a large Red Spruce corner in
and runs thence with the line to a mark in
the Savannah Branch thence before the
Savannah corner of the land thence to the begin-
ning & give to her during her natural life with
my wealth & give it unto my son David at
his death and his heirs & assigns forever. I also
give to my wife all my house hold and
Christian furniture with the exception of three
seats & furniture and all my stock of Hogs and
all my farming blacksmith tools. I my
allocation - I give to her during her natural
life and after her death all the property she
now has at her death I give unto my son
David at his death and his heirs and assigns
forever - my will is that my wife have as
much money out of my estate as will by her
one horse and two cows and after her death
to go to my son David and his heirs my will
is that she have as much of the present crops
as will support her and family one year and to have

the housefield and the well field to the crop once
two years with out rent -
Item 2nd I will in that my Executor to sell all
my stock of horses cattle sheep and swine and
the balance of my crop that is left from
the support of my family and the proceeds
to give to my son David at his death and the balance
of my land & give at discretion to my Executor
to sell as he thinks best or to rent it out for
two years I want him to give one and two
years credit with interest. There is not
personally known to him my debt and he
want him to sell for cash as much of said
land as will pay my debt and the balance
of the money to be disposed of as hereafter
directed.

Item 3rd I give unto my daughter Maria born the
south part of the out grounds of the mill
my land and all other personal property
to be sold & my other property to be sold and
my wife and assigns forever.

Item 4th I give unto my daughter Matilda Myers
one bed furniture the south part of the out
grounds or money arising from the sale of my
land and of all my other property to her ^{heirs and} assigns forever
Item 5th I give unto my daughter Sarah Margaret Myers
one bed furniture and one fourth part of the net proceed
or money arising from the sale of my land and all my
other property to her and her ^{heirs and} assigns forever.

Item 6th I give unto my daughter Eliza Ellen Myers one bed furniture
and one fourth part of the net proceeds or money arising
from the sale of my land and of all my other property to her
and her heirs and assigns forever. Lastly - I nominate and
appoint my worthy friend Rev. Red Spruce Executor to this
my last will and Testament - It is my will that my
wife should be Guardian for my youngest son David also that
Eliza Ellen Myers should be guardian for my other youngest daughters
Matilda Sarah Margaret & Eliza Ellen Myers in Testimony which I
have hereunto set my hand & seal this 20th of June A.D. 1847.
Signed and declared his last will and Testament in presence of me
George Furn 3rd of 7th Bushing David Myers Exec^{ut}
B. Bushing 3rd of 7th Bushing

In the name of God Amen - I Charles Henson of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and perfect memory do hereby declare in the presence and calling to witness the mortality of the body (knowing) that it is appointed to all men once to die and after this to judgment to give the ~~truth~~ ^{truth} in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and forty seven to make and ordain this my last will and Testament in the following form and manner, vizt First I do give and bequeath to my beloved daughter Nancy Bailey wife of Charles Bailey the following property vizt her late husband's furniture on her late and part of the furniture contained therein one chest of drawers and book case upon it my books one clock one looking glass two chairs one arm chair and two sitting chairs and all the balance of the house hold furniture I give to the said Nancy Bailey to her and her heirs forever and fourthly I give to the said Nancy Bailey the above named property among her heirs at her own discretion - I also give to the said Nancy Bailey one wearing room & year belonging thereto with all the balance of the kitchen furniture to her and to her heirs forever and secondly - my two mares one open & cast and all my stock of cattle hogs and sheep except one cow and calf I changed with Nancy Bailey previous to the making of the will together with my running fixtures and my present crop of negro growing all the above named property in the second clause I wish sold and the money arising therefrom applied to the payment of my small debts at her father's desire that my creditors let the above named property to stay on the plantation until the crop is housed and should and should there be a surplus of money after paying the above small debts I wish it to be equally divided among my three grand children vizt Bailey Wesley Bailey and Charles Bailey -

Item 3^d I also give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy Bailey my negro boy named Jack (provided my executor can so arrange the matter with Joseph Medley who has at this time a claim on said negro boy) to go to her and her heirs forever making the above may be arranged as not to part said negro boy from his family -

And I do give and bequeath to my daughter Nancy Bailey and to her heirs my west and desire that the place where I now live to belong to the said Nancy Bailey (provided my executor can so arrange the matter with Joseph Medley who has at this time a claim on property to go to her and her heirs forever -

And I do give and bequeath to my son John C. Henson fourteen hundred & seventy five dollars and five cents worth of property of which there was one hundred acres of land of my first wife's property valued at seven hundred dollars the balance of the four hundred & seventy dollars & five cents was of my own property -

Item showing that I have already given to my daughter Francis inward seven hundred dollars worth of property (it being a negro boy named Liza which came to me by virtue of my first wife's valued at seven hundred dollars) the hundred acres of land standing to John C. Henson was relinquished by me to Francis inward and the negro boy

Standing to Ureular Howard was given by me to
John C. Kinison but the change above was made by
themselves.

7th Item showing that I have already given to my
daughter Katherine Vaughan more than all
the rest of my children in different kinds
of property.

8th Item showing that I have already given
to my Granddaughter Mary Jane Galliff more
hundred dollars in different kinds of property.

9th Item showing that I do desire that if the ar-
rangement is made between my Executor &
said Healy concerning the negro boy named
in the 3rd item that he the said negro boy
shall be the property of Nancy Bailey until
my Grandson Charles turns 21 years of age
& eight years or over from Executor's death
& at which time said Healy's worth shall be
divided among my three Grandchildren -
Katherine Bailey & Charles Bailey but should
- say or shall die without lawful heirs - with
their share to go to my Grandson Charles
Bailey and should the said Charles Bailey die
without lawful heirs I wish his share to go
to the heirs of Nancy Bailey that may be born
hereafter but should there be none born here-
after I wish his to go to her present heirs each
to share & share alike.

I do hereby nominate constitute and appoint my
son-in-law Charles Bailey as Executor of this my last will
and testament hereby revoking and making void all former wills
by me made declaring this to be my last will & tes-
tament in the presence of the witnesses together with the testator
who were all present at the signing and sealing
thereof signed sealed published and } Charles Kinison

declared by the said testator

as his last will and testament.

day & date first written
A. Carter
Brooks Kinison
J. E. Cox

October Term 1841
Then the above will
was proven in open
Court

In the name of God Amen I Philip Henry Sr. of
the County of Green & State of North Carolina being
weak in body but sound and perfect mind and memory
do hereby make and publish this my last will
and testament as follows that is to say -
1st I give to my beloved daughter Jane Martha wife
of Robert Huntley one negro woman by the name of Sarah
her increase which I value at five hundred
dollars to her and her heirs forever -
2nd I give to my beloved daughter Martha Dick-
hart one negro woman by the name of Susan
and her increase which I value at the sum of
five hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever -
3rd I give to my beloved daughter Terrence Jackson
wife of John Jackson one negro boy by the name
of Pinkney which I value at the sum of five
hundred dollars to her and her heirs forever -
4th It is my will and desire that after my death that
my Executor herein after named shall cause to
public sale all my property both personal and
Real and my sons William & Henry Benjamin &
Henry Andrew & Philip & Henry and my
daughter Matilda Groves wife of Charles Groves
and Eleanor Flake wife of Thomas Flake shall
receive out of the proceeds of said sale five
hundred dollars each child to make them equal
with the three first named children and the
balance is my to be equally divided between
all my above named children share and
share about - It is also my will that my two
old negroes Jack & Linnah be put at the
highest bidder and that none hereon be al-
lowed to bid for them but my heirs for
it is my wish that the said old negroes re-
main in the family and if they will not
sell let them be put at the lowest bidder
by my children and which one of the children
takes them shall be paid by my Executor
out of my Estate - I do nominate and appoint
my sons Benjamin & Henry and Philip & Henry
my Executor to this my last will and

Testament Revoking all other wills heretofore
by me made - In witness whereof
the said Philip Henry our have here
unto set my hand and affixed my
seal this the 16th day of February A.D. 1846.
Signed sealed and declared by
the said Philip Henry this to be
his will in the presence of us

Philip Henry

J. M. Ingram
Saml Smith

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas & Quarter
Sessions October Term 1847

Then the foregoing will was duly proven
in open Court by the oath of Samuel Smith
one of the subscribing witnesses and
ordered to be recorded whereupon Benjn D.
Henry and Philip S. Henry appeared in open
Court and was duly qualified as Executor
and obtained letters Testamentary

Mourning Cousin's Will -

In the presence of God Amen -

I Mourning Cousin of the County of Anson and
State of North Carolina being in sound health and
of perfect mind memory and knowing understanding
thanks be given unto God calling unto mind the
mortality of my body and knowing that it is ap-
pointed for all men once to die do make and re-
vise this my last will and testament that is to
say Principally and first of all I give and recommend
my soul into the hands of Almighty God that gave
it and my body I recommend to the earth to be buried
in Christian Burial as my Executors shall direct
nothing doubting but at the general Resurrection
I shall receive the same again by the mighty
power of God and as touching such worldly Estate
whosoever it shall please God to bless me with in
this life I give and devise and bequeath of the same in the
following manner and form and first of all I give and
bequeath to my son Brooke Cousin three hundred dollars
ready money and all of his increase and I give and bequeath
to my son George
I give and bequeath to my grand daughter
Mourning Cousin one feather bed and furniture
I give and bequeath to my daughter Minnie
Baily and to the heirs of her body the property following
one negro man named William also three female
negroes namely Julia and Phoebe and Jane and all
their increase to be with and allotted to my daughter
Minnie and the lawful heirs of her body -
I give and bequeath to my daughter Minnie
Baily all my stock of Cattle
I give and bequeath to my daughter Minnie
Baily all my little effects consisting of house-
hold and kitchen furniture
I give and bequeath to my granddaughter
Nancy Ann Baily one painted chest and lastly I
exminate constitute and appoint my son Brooke
Cousin and my son in law John Baily sole Executors
of this my last will and testament and
I do hereby utterly revoke and make void
all and every other will and testament

by me at any time made ratifying and
confirming this and no other to be my last
will and testament in witness whereof I
have hereunto set my hand and seal the
thirtieth day of December in the year of
our Lord one thousand eight hundred & thirty
three signed sealed published and
declared by the said ^{Thurmon} ^{here} ^{Thurmon}
Kinross as her last will and
testament in the presence of ^{mark}
who in her presence and in
the presence of each other
have hereunto subscribed
our names

William H Cox
John C Kinross
Benjamin Clark

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas and Quarter
Wacon County Session October Term 1847.
Then the foregoing will was duly proven
in open Court by the oath of John C Kinross
one of the subscribing witnesses thereto
and ordered to be recorded. whereupon Brooks
Kinross and John Bailey appeared in open
Court and were duly qualified as Executors
and obtained letters Testamentary -

Lucanuah Bennette Hall
In the name of God Amen. I Lucanuah Bennet
of the County of Wacon and State of North Carolina
being of sound mind and disposing memory do make
ordain publish and declare this my last will
and testament viz 1st I be myself and desire
that all my just debts be paid
2nd I give and bequeath to my son David Bennet
one Red a hair shirt one figured counterpane
and one black bed cover
3rd I give and bequeath to my son Lemuel D Bennet
the note which I hold against him and G. St.
Little except what will decently bury my body -
4th I give and bequeath to my son Pictus B Bennet
the note which I hold against him except
what will pay back to back for her services
while here at the rate of one dollar and fifty
cents per week -
5th I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary
Ingram one hundred dollars which I
have by me in cash and one seal case lot -
And Lastly I do appoint my son Pictus B Bennet
Executor to this my last will and testament here-
by revoking all other wills heretofore made
by me and declaring this & this only to be my
last will and testament this the 8th of June 1847.
Signed sealed published and declared to be
and contain the last will and testament
of the testatrix in presence of me who
have witnessed the same in presence of
the testatrix this 8th of June 1847

James P. Floyd
Bacheba Adcock

Lucanuah ^{here} Bennet ^{mark}

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas & Quarter
Wacon County Session Oct. Term 1847.
Then the above will was duly proven in open
Court by James P. Floyd one of the subscribing
witnesses thereto & ordered to be recorded -
and P. H. Bennett qualified as Coper.

In the name of God Amen - James Parie of the County of Anson and State of North Carolina being in the enjoyment of Common health and of sound disposing mind & memory but being old and well stricken in years calling to mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die and lastly to judge to make and ordain this my last will and Testament. First - I recommend my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors, and as touching such worldly Estate as it hath been pleased God to bestow upon me in this life I give and devise in the following manner and form (viz) Item 1st I lend unto my said and lawful wife Sarah all my estate both real and personal during her natural life consisting of my land and plantation household and kitchen furniture my stock of all kinds and two negro slaves and their increase during her natural life but if she should think proper again to marry after my death then I give it to my Executors to take such measures as they may deem advisable to prevent any waste of the property hereby willed but at the same time securing to her the use of it as long as she may live.

Item 2nd After the death of my wife my will is that all the property then remaining on the plantation and all my lands be sold at the discretion of my Executors except my negroes injoining my Executors to satisfy all the legacies to be paid at the time of such sale if they think proper and that the disinterested free holders be selected by my Executors to appraise and lay off my negroes into Commencement lots as near equal in value as convenient to dispose of as herein after directed my will is that my negroes Sam & his wife Barbara & their youngest child compose one lot if they should be living and that Sam be permitted to choose his master or mistress from among my legacies.

Item 3rd I give unto my Grandson James J. Parie & my grand daughter Sarah Parie son & daughter of my son William Parie

one lot or one sixth part of my negroes after the death of my wife and one sixth part of the net proceeds of the sale or the money arising from such sale of all my other property to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs and assigns forever having heretofore given my son William each lot of my Estate as aforesaid to do as I leave him nothing more Item 4th I give unto my Grandson James Parie & his daughter Sarah Parie one lot or one sixth part of my negroes and one sixth part of the net proceeds or money arising from the sale of all my other property to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs and assigns forever -

Item 5th I lend unto my daughter Susan Parie one sixth part of one lot of my negroes and one sixth part of the proceeds or money arising from the sale of my other property to use and enjoy during her natural life and at her death to give it to the heirs of her body to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs and assigns forever Item 6th I lend unto my daughter Sarah Parie one sixth part or one lot of my negroes and one sixth part of the net proceeds or money arising from the sale of all my other property to use and enjoy during her natural life and at her death to give it to the heirs of her body to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs and assigns forever

Item 7th I give unto my son Solomon Parie one sixth part or one lot of my negroes and one sixth part of the proceeds or money arising from the sale of all my other property to him and his heirs and assigns forever -

Item 8th I give unto my Grand children the children of my daughter Sarah Parie one lot or one sixth part of my negroes and one sixth part of the proceeds or money arising from the sale of all my other property to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs and assigns forever my will is that my wife Sarah dispose of her feather bed and furniture which her father gave her as she may think proper -

Lastly I nominate and appoint my worthy friends George

In the Name of God Amen - James Parle of the County of Wilson and State of North Carolina being in the enjoyment of Common Health and of Sound Disposing Mind & Memory but being old and well stricken in years calling to mind the mortality of my body knowing that it is appointed unto all men once to die and great desire to make and ordain this my last will and testament. First - I recommend my body to the earth to be buried in a decent Christian burial at the discretion of my Executors. And as touching such worldly Estate which hath been shared God to bless me with in this life I give and devise in the following manner and form (viz) Item 1st I lend unto my said and loving wife Sarah all my estate both real and personal during her natural life consisting of my land and plantation household and kitchen furniture my stock of all kinds and two negro slaves and their increase during her natural life but if she should think proper again to marry after my death then I give it to my Executors to do such measure as they may deem advisable to prevent any waste of the property hereby willed but at the same time securing to her the use of it as long as she may live.

Item 2nd After the death of my wife my will is that all the property then remaining on the plantation and all my lands be sold at the discretion of my Executors (except my negroes) my Executors to notify all the legatees to be present at the time of such sale if they think proper and that the interested free holders be selected by my Executors to appraise and lay off my negroes into Commencement lots as near equal in value as convenient to dispose of here in after directed my will is that my negroes John & his wife Barbara & their youngest child compose one lot if they should be living and that I am be permitted to chose his master or owner from among my legatees.

Item 3rd I give unto my Grandson James J. Parle & my grand daughter Sarah Parle son & daughter of my son William Parle

one lot or one sixth part of my negroes after the death of my wife and one sixth part of the net proceeds of the sale or the money arising from such sale of all my other property to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs and assigns forever having heretofore given my son William each lot of my Estate & design to do I leave him nothing more Item 4th I give unto my Grandson James Dabbs & Lydia Dabbs my Grand daughter children of my daughter feminine Dabbs one lot or one sixth part of my negroes and one sixth part of the net proceeds or money arising from the sale of all my other property to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs and assigns forever -

Item 5th I lend unto my daughter Lydia Dabbs one sixth part or one lot of my negroes and one sixth part of the proceeds or money arising from the sale of my other property to use and enjoy during her natural life and at her death to give it to the heirs of her body to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs and assigns forever Item 6th I lend unto my daughter Sarah Parle one sixth part or one lot of my negroes and one sixth part of the net proceeds or money arising from the sale of all my other property to use and enjoy during her natural life and at her death to give it to the heirs of her body to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs and assigns forever

Item 7th I give unto my son William Parle one sixth part or one lot of my negroes and one sixth part of the net proceeds or money arising from the sale of all my other property to him and his heirs and assigns forever -

Item 8th I give unto my Grand children the children of my daughter Sarah Walters one lot or one sixth part of my negroes and one sixth part of the proceeds or money arising from the sale of all my other property to be equally divided between them to them and their heirs and assigns forever my will is that my wife Sarah dispose of her leather bed and furniture which her father gave her as she may think proper -

Lastly I nominate and appoint my worthy friends George

James O'Quinn & Henry Hamble Executors to this my
last will and testament. In testimony of which I
have hereunto set my hand and seal
this twenty sixth day of May A. D. 1838.

Signed and declared his last will and
testament in the presence of

William McCall

Jos. B. Cason. L. St. Hite

State of North Carolina } Court of Pleas and Quarter

Waynes County Session January Term 1839

Then the last will and testament of James
O'Quinn was duly shown in open Court by
the oath of Jacob H. White one of the subscribing
witnesses there to and ordered to be recorded

State of North Carolina

Waynes County } William Little son of the
estate and County aforesaid do make and publish
this my last will and testament as follows (To wit)
1st I give and bequeath to my beloved wife Elizabeth
Little the following Roberts during her natural life.
the land I now live on beginning at a stake black oak
and hickory point to and run to 50 ft 50 ft 50 ft to a
stake then to 30 ft 20 ft 20 ft to a stake black oak & red
oak point to then to 100 ft 20 ft to a stake by its line and
two red oak point to then north 50 ft 20 ft to a
stake in a hollow hickory & cypress & red oak point to
then to 50 ft to a stake in Marshall's line then with said
line to 81 ft to a stake in the Sadestown road
then along said road to the north brang of Jones
Creek then down the various course of said
Creek to an Elm formerly Adams corner in John-
sons line then with the said line to 50 ft 20 ft
& 20 ft to a hickory formerly Johnson & Adams
corner then to 50 ft 20 ft & 20 ft to the beginning
including several tracts and parts of tracts and after
her death to belong to my son John Little his
heirs & assigns.

I also give to my wife my mill with its ways
and appurtenances including two acres of land
on both sides of the stream below the mill & joining
Barretts land with the right of way to the mill
and after her death to belong to my sons Franklin
and John Little I also give and bequeath to my
wife Elizabeth all my stock of horses mules
cattle hogs sheep &c. all my plantation tools
of every description including carriages
wagons carts &c. also all my crops which
may be growing or gathered at the time of
my death on the plantation where I now
live and also all on my Brown Creek planta-
tion also all my money which may be on hand
at the time of my death, also all debts
which may be due or coming to me at the
time of my death, also all my household
and kitchen furniture to her and her heirs

forever and absolutely, she is to pay whatever debts or dues I may be owing at the time of my death I also give and bequeath to my wife Eliza both the following negro slaves to wit Aaron big boy Jack Henry, Linda big Hannah, little Hannah, Tom Anthony and little Esther to her during her natural life and at her death to be equally divided among my six daughters and sons Thomas S. Little Franklin Little and John Little share and share alike I also give and bequeath to my wife Elizabeth five slaves to wit Coriell Susan big Esther Simon & Violet to her and her heirs but if in case she should marry then to be equally divided among my children share and share alike I also give & bequeath to my wife Elizabeth twenty five shares of stock in the Merchants Bank of South Carolina and after her death to my daughters Mary, Ann & Charlotte thirteen shares each and to my daughters, Jane, Eliza, Abigail & Maria twelve shares each

2nd I give and bequeath to my son George S. Little six negro slaves to wit Philip, Baldy, Billy, Henderson, Livia and Alfred & Willie (which he has sold also my land in Little Brown Creek and forty acres of land joining the Town of Vaiditors which I bought at Sheriffs sale as the property of R. Anderson to him & his heirs forever

3rd I give and bequeath to my son Thomas S. Little my Tan Yard at Vaiditors and tract of land on which it is situated together with all the appurtenances thereunto belonging, also the tract of land where on he now lives known as the James land, also ninety seven & a half acres joining Jesse Edwards and Clement Marshall Beginning at Marshalls corner stake in said Edwards line 4 red oaks 2 post oaks & hickory pointers & run with Marshalls line So 75-00 24 che to a stake in said line

one spanish oak small pine & red oak pointers then So 15-00 33 che to a stake in Edwards line then with said line So 75-00 21 che & 70 links to a stake one hickory and small black jack pointer then No. 38 00 10 che to a stake near the bank of the big branch one cypress red oak & pine pointers then So 41-00 24 che & 07 links to a stake Edwards corner one dogwood & two red oak pointers then So 18-00 1 che to the beginning to him & his heirs forever

4th I give and bequeath to George S. Little the following negro slaves to wit Stephen, Adam, Hannah, Allen, Sandy, Esther, Caroline, Mary & Dinah and five shares of stock in the Merchants Bank of South Carolina & also five shares of the capital stock in the Bank of Cape Fear, to hold in Trust the use and benefit of Thomas & mine & his heirs and for the other parties & whatsoever

5th I give and bequeath to my daughter Jane Bennett the tract of land I bought of John Howard and the tract I bought of the heirs of John Wright which joins the Howard land and lies on both sides of the South prong of Jones creek, also the following negro slaves to wit Moses, Hannah & child Ellen, Gilbert, Anne, Sally, Andy, Sandy & Sam to her and her heirs forever

6th I give and bequeath to my son William Little all my lands at the mouth of Brown Creek on the New River being the land I bought of Mrs P. A. Troy and a tract of ten acres joining the same which I bought of James H. Martin also one negro slave Henry provided that he is to pay to John Little five hundred dollars in five annual installments and to Mary Little two thousand four hundred dollars in eight annual installments also to Franklin Little one thousand dollars in five annual installments

7. I give and bequeath to George St Little the following negro slaves to wit: Rachel Selia Fanny Fleck John Sam Spencer, Patience Wiley Madison in trust for the use and benefit of my daughter Mary Little and not to be liable for the debts or contracts of a husband she may here after marry and in case she should die intestate and without issue then to be divided among my children then living and the issue of such as may have died

8. I give and bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth Standback the following negro slaves to wit: Martha, ne Lucy, Jane Martha (large daughter) Cumberland Lower Fanny (Lucky child) little Joe Anne Abraham to her and her heirs forever —

9. I give and bequeath to George St Little twenty shares of Capital stock of the Bank of Cape Fear and the following negro slaves to wit: Eliza Sophia Cornelia Philip Judy Lewis, Daniel Matilda Fanny + Patrick to hold in trust for the use and benefit of Anne Little and as not to be liable for the debts or contracts of a husband she may here after marry and in case she should die intestate and without issue then to be equally divided among my children then living or the issue of such as may have died.

10. I give and bequeath to my son Frank St Little three tracts of land which I bought of Charles Vivian containing in all four hundred and sixty two acres with the exception of three acres lying on the North side of a line of one of the tracts running S 50° E. I also give him three acres lying on the South side of the above land which was granted to me — also the following slaves to wit: Hector Mariah Rose, Pinner, Harry, Gilphy, + child Tom Ben and Malissa to him and his heirs forever —

11. I give and bequeath to my son John Little the tract of land which I bought of Hester McRae containing two hundred and five acres lying on the South branch of Jones Creek the tract I bought of Daniel L. McRae + wife the tract I bought of Jacob P. Bond + wife the tract I bought of John Stewart + wife the tract I bought of John Kildreth also thirty acres of land granted to me the 30th of March 1831 also fifty two acres granted to me the 12th Decr. 1833 also four acres adjoining the above which was granted to me — also one tract of one hundred acres bounding the lands of Clement Marshall beginning at corner stake in Marchella and one stake in Oak red oak + small pine pointers + runs with his line S 70° E to the corner stake two post oaks + hickory pointers then with his other line S 10° E 41 ch + 25 links to a stake in Marchella then with rail line S 70° E 8 ch + 70 links to a stake two white oaks + hickory pointers then S 50° E 10 ch + 80 links to Edwards corner stake two black facks + pine pointers then with his line S 70° E 17 ch + 80 links to a stake then North 50° E 33 ch to the Beginning also one hundred acres being part of a tract of land which I bought of Chadrach Dunson lying between the land heretofore bequeathed to my wife + Frankline Little also ten acres granted to me the 7th July 1830 and all other land owned by me not heretofore mentioned lying between the North + South branches of Jones Creek also the following negro slaves to wit: Luke (yellow) Lucy, Lucy Chebe Peter Dick, Mary (litter child) Eliza + Julia to him and his heirs forever

12. I give and bequeath to George St Little twenty shares of Capital of the bank of Cape Fear and the following negro slaves to wit: Little Sarah Jefferson Caroline Angelina Frank Mary (Lucky child) Fanny + her child + Frank her son and Alexander to hold in trust for the use and benefit of Judith Leabutter and not to be liable for the debts or contracts of her husband and in

case she should die intestate and without-
issue to be equally divided among my
children then living and the issue of such
as may have died —

13th I give and bequeath to my son George
St. Little twenty shares of the Capital stock
of the Bank of Cape also the following negro
slaves to wit Dalcas, Charlotte, Fanny & her
three children Mike John & Hannah Jacob
Griffin Ned & William, to hold in Trust for
the sole use & benefit of my daughter Charlotte
Little and not to be liable for the debts or
contracts of a husband she may hereafter
marry and in case she should die intestate
and without issue then to be equally divided
among my children or the issue of such
as may have died —

14th My will & desire is that the increase
of my negroes shall go with their brothers to
whom they are already bequeathed and that all
the residue of my estate Real and personal
not heretofore disposed of in this my last
will and testament except here in after parcels
I give and bequeath to my wife and Elizabeth.

15th My will and desire is that my Executor
herein after named sell all the plantation
tools including wagons carts and all my
stock of horses mules cattle hogs sheep &c
& cotton gin & crop growing or gathered at
the time of my death on the plantation
at the mouth of Brown Creek on Pee Dee river
where my son William lives and the proceeds
to be equally divided between my daughters
Mary Little Ann Little Indith Ledbetter and
Charlotte Little and sons Franklin Little &
John Little.

16th My will and desire is that my executor
herein after named sell my land on Flat
Fork being one tract known as the Brily land
containing one hundred acres and a tract
of eleven acres and three quarters joining the

above bought of Joseph Allen and the proceeds
to be equally divided among all my children
share & share alike —

17th I hereby appoint and constitute my be-
loved wife Elizabeth Little & son George St.
Little Executor and Co-executor of this my last
will and testament hereby revoking all other wills
heretofore made by me and declaring this and
this only to be and constitute my last will and
testament signed sealed published and declared
to be and contain the last will and testament
of the testator in presence of me who have
witnessed the same in presence of the testator
this 27th day of April 1827.

Witness

J. Myers

Sam^l B. McCarle

William Little (Test)

State of North Carolina Court of Pleas and Law
Forsyth County Session October Term 1828.
Then the foregoing will was exhibited in
open Court and duly sworn by the oath of
Absalom Rogers who the Court sitting without
jurors and ordered to be recorded. Whereupon
George St. Little the Executor therein named
appeared in open Court and was duly qualified
and obtained letters Testamentary =

Sept 3rd 1906

Thomas C. Robinson Clerk of the Superior Court of Anson County, having certified to Board of County Commissioners that the following "Will Books" to wit: "Will Book No. 1" "Will Book A" and "Will Book B" to be in a mutilated and bad condition that the same ought to be copied under Chapter 665 Acts of 1905. The County Commissioners therefore declare that it is necessary and proper that said Will Books be copied. It is therefore ordered that C. C. Moore, Register of Deeds copy said Will Books and in copying the same shall make the pages of each copied Book correspond with each page of the Original Will Book as near as practicable so that the reference in the Cross Index of the Original Will Book and the reference to the copied Book shall be the same, that is on the same page. And it is further ordered that this order be spread upon the minutes of this meeting. J. A. Gordon, Chairman J. T. Pitt and C. C. Little Commissioners being present and voting for this order.

I C. C. Moore Register of Deeds for Anson County North Carolina do hereby certify that in obedience to the foregoing order of the Board of Commissioners of Anson County which is a true copy of an order of said Commissioners made on the 3rd day of September 1906 I have copied Will Book No. B in this Book and that this Book from page 1 to page 243 is a true copy of said Will Book No. B all of which I hereby certify to under my official signature and under the official Seal of the Board of Commissioners of Anson County By order of the Board of Commissioners made on the 30th day of November A. D. 1906

Nathan Gray Landman
official seal

C. C. Moore
Register of Deeds and
Clerk to Board of County
Commissioners

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