

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN! I, Jane James, of the Town of Smithville, County of Brunswick, and State of North Carolina, being very sick and weak of body, but of sound mind and memory, thanks be to God for the same, and knowing that it is appointed for all to die, and feeling myself resigned to the occurrence of that awful event, do hereby constitute and ordain this my last will and testament - in the following manner and form -

First, I desire that my debts and funeral expenses be paid from my estate. Item, I will and desire that my house and lot on the Hill in Wilmington, situated between the Houses of Spruings Fitzgeralds being part of lot Number fifty two, lying on Front Street and extending towards Second Street, as per list of a deed from Daniel Bernard & wife to Thomas Flere dated April 22d, 1778, be sold at the discretion of my Executors, herein after appointed, and the money arising from sale thereof, as far as one thousand dollars, to be by my said Executors laid out in Bank Stock of the Wilmington Branch of the State Bank of North Carolina: the amount of which stock I desire may be deposited in said Bank for the benefit of my beloved daughter Judith Everett, in such manner, name and condition as there to remain untouched by any person or persons, except by virtue of the signature and consent of the said Judith - and the profits or dividends arising therefrom be drawn and delivered to my said daughter Judith Everett, or to an attorney by her appointed, for her sole use, benefit & disposal time after time, as said sums of dividends or bonus shall fall due and payable at said Branch Bank. Item, I give and bequeath to my said daughter, Judith Everett for her immediate use all sum or balance of money, if any, as above said house and lot may be sold for over and above the aforesaid stock of One thousand dollars reserved for her remote benefit. Item, after my debts and funeral expenses are paid, I give and bequeath to my said worthy daughter Judith Everett for her immediate use and disposal all the remaining house hold furniture, goods, chattels and effects wherewith I am possessed. Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint my daughter Judith Everett to be Executor, and my worthy friend Robert H. Brown, of Wilmington, to be Executor of this my last will & testament, and I do hereby appoint and designate, all and every other thing testament, and bequest by me heretofore made and pronounce confirmed this and none other to be my last will and testament. In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal at Smithville the third day of November, A.D. One thousand eight hundred and twenty five. Signed, sealed, published and Jane James pronounced by and Jane James, her last will and testament in presence of John J. Gause and Robert H. Brown who in the presence of each other have hereunto subscribed their names.

Brunswick County Court, Jan'y Term, 1817. The execution of this Will was proved in open Court by the oath of William James Gause one of the subscribing witnesses & was ordered to be recorded. Recorded in Book of pages 65 & 66.

John J. Gause, Clerk.

Recorded agreeably to a resolution of Genl Assembly, Special Session, 1908. and Ratified Feb'y 1st, 1908. Copied from Old Records, Book N. A. C. p. 65 & 66.

IN THE NAME OF GOD, AMEN! I, Benjamin Blaney, of the Town of Smithville, County of Brunswick, and State of North Carolina, being very sick and weak of body, but of sound mind and memory, thanks be unto God for the same; and knowing that all must die, and feeling myself resigned to the occurrence of that awful event, do hereby make, constitute and ordain THIS my Last Will and Testament.

in the following manner and form: I desire that all my lawful debts and funeral expenses may be paid from sale of some of the Goods, Chattels and Effects wherewith I am possessed at the discretion of my Executor. Item, I will and desire that my beloved wife Margaret Blaney, shall have, enjoy, inhabit, and possess the whole of my lot in Smithville, Number 34 (Twenty four) with the dwelling house, Kitchen, outhouses, garden and all improvements thereon where I now live, for and during her natural life. And after her death, I give and bequeath said lot Number twenty four, and all houses and improvements thereon to be equally divided in value among my three young Daughters, Ann Mears Blaney, Margaret Hunting Blaney, and Sarah Dry Smith Blaney, to them, their heirs and assigns forever. - And I desire that the division may be according to valuation and not the size of said several parts, to be laid off by persons who may be acquainted with the situation of said property. Item, having heretofore by deed of gift vested certain property in the Right of my daughter Mary Jane Blaney, (since married to Mr. Thomas Elfe of Wilmington,) I do now in addition to said gift, further give and bequeath unto my said daughter Mary Jane Elfe my whole lot in Smithville as purchased of Jesse Pottle, Number 40 (forty) with all and every its appurtenances and improvements to her said Mary Jane Elfe, her heirs and assigns forever. Item, whereas heretofore, by deed of gift my two lots in Smithville numbered seventeen (17) and twenty four (24) with their improvements have been as it were in a temporary manner bestowed on my son William Ewan Blaney - but I do now reconsider said deed of gift, and have by this my Will otherwise disposed of my said lot twenty four (24) to my son. I do hereby confirm to my son William Ewan Blaney, my the lot Number seventeen (17) with the stone house, dwelling house, back house and other improvements thereon to him, his heirs and assigns forever.

And on the other part I do hereby annul and render of none
 so much of said deed of gift as pertains to said lot Number twenty
 four (24) and the improvements thereon - as respects said William
 Evans Blaney - Further, I give and bequeath to my son William
 Evans Blaney my lot in Smithville, Number 78 (seventy eight) as
 purchased of Mary Allen, to him said William, his heirs & assigns
 Likewise, I give and bequeath to my son William Evans Blaney, my
 negro boy named Tom, to him, his heirs and assigns. Item, I give
 and bequeath all the rest and remaining part of my property,
 whether unbestowed, real and personal, lands, lots, negroes, goods,
 stock & effects whatsoever to be equally divided, by attention of my
 utors hereafter to be appointed, among the following persons, to
 my loving wife, Margaret Blaney, and my four children, Benjamin
 Mears Blaney, Margaret Hunting Blaney, and Sarah Dry Blaney
 Blaney, equally to them & each of their heirs and assigns respectively
 forever. And Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint my
 friends, Thomas Clegg, of Wilmington, and Samuel Russell of Smith
 ville, to be the Executors of this my Last Will and Testament.
 Finally, I do hereby revoke and disannul all and every other
 Will & Testament and Request by me heretofore made, and from
 and confirm THIS, and none other, to be my Last Will and Testament.
 In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal
 at Smithville, this fifth day of November, A. D. One thousand eight
 hundred and sixteen.

Benjamin Blaney

Signed, sealed, published and pronounced by said Benjamin Blaney
 as his last Will and Testament in presence of us, who in his presence
 and in presence of each other have hereon subscribed and written
 our names - the words "Witness unbestowed" in the tenth line from
 top above were interlined before signed.

George Lyde.

Richard Langdon.

John C. Carter.

John J. Blaney.

January Term, 1817.

The execution of this Will was proved in open Court by the oath
 of Richard Langdon, one of the subscribing witnesses, that it
 was ordered to be recorded.

Recorded agreeably to an Act of Genl. Assembly, Special Session, 1817.
 Ratified Feb'y. 1st, 1908. Copied from Old Records Book at St. J. p. 67.

No. 220

IN THE NAME OF GOD, Amen! I, Simon Sellers, Senr., of
 the State of North Carolina, and county of Beaufort, being under
 affliction of body, but of perfect mind and memory, thank be to God,
 and calling to mind the mortality of my body and knowing it is
 appointed for all men once to die, do make and ordain this my

LAST WILL & TESTAMENT.

that is to say, principally and first of all. I give and
 recommend my Soul to GOD, who gave it, and my body to the Earth
 to be buried in a decent Christian like manner at the discretion of
 my remaining friends, nothing doubting but at the General Res-
 urrection I shall receive the same again by the Mighty Power
 of God. And as touching such worldly estate as it hath
 pleased God to bless me with in this life, I do give and dispose
 of in the following manner and form; that is to say - First I
 desire all my just debts be paid in the manner hereafter mentioned
 Next I give and bequeath to my beloved wife, Minnie Sellers, all
 the negroes that belonged to her when we were married - viz: Ned,
 Anne, Jenny, Philip, Abram and Doney and Nancy to have, hold & enjoy
 to her proper disposal forever. Item, I further give and bequeath
 to my said wife six large silver table spoons, six silver teaspoons,
 one pair sugar tongs, one high post bedstead with one feather bed
 and furniture, one pair smoothing irons, one fork. Then, all my
 stock of hogs, four trunks, one chest, one bay horse, one small canoe,
 one set chair harness, three spinning wheels, one loom, & slays &
 all my crop of provision, viz: corn, peas, fodder, meat, potatoes
 & also one hundred and fifty dollars to be paid her by my Executors
 after their paying my just debts out of the money that may be in
 my possession at my decease, or that may be due me to and to
 hold forever. Item, I lend to my said wife, Minnie, one feather
 bed and furniture, one bedstead, one cedar table, one pine table,
 two iron pots, one Cawk oven, two chains, one case knives & some
 six cows & calves with the house, plantation & plantation tools
 whereon we now live, to have, hold & enjoy during her widowhood.
 But should my said wife marry again, then and in that case
 it is my wish and desire the said leased property should the same
 as at her death, be equally divided between my two children,
 Simon Sellers and Effie Sellers or their heirs. Item, I give
 and bequeath to my son Simon, one negro woman named Edna
 with her two children, Joe and Harriet, to him & his heirs forever.
 Item, I give and bequeath to my daughter, Effie Sellers, one
 negro woman named Judy and to my son-in-law William Sellers
 his note which I now hold to the amount of Forty Dollars.
 I also give to my two sons named Abraham Simon & Effie
 all the remaining part of my property, being land and