

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 John J. Gause 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, thank 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, out houses, 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 it's 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.