

No. 203

IN THE NAME OF GOD, Amen! I, Benjamin B. Rowell
 of the County of Brunswick, North Carolina, do make &
 devise this as my last will + testē want. I give + bequeath to
 my wife, such part of my household and Kitchen furniture as may
 be thought necessary by my Executors for the use of herself + children
 also the choice of three cows + calves, with one two-year-old steer for
 a Beef, and as much corn, Potatoes + Cork, as will be sufficient for
 one year's provision for herself and children. the residue of my
 purchasable property, with the exception of such part as I have
 before given away to be sold on the usual terms. I give + bequeath
 to my children his little negroes for their sole use & benefit & not to
 be divided until the youngest becomes of age. I desire that my
 tracts of land of one hundred acres each on the East side of the
 long bay shall be sold on a credit of twelve months with full
 power to my Executors to make title, which title my children
 as they become of age shall confirm & in case of failure or refusal
 on their part to make a warranty title to said lands, then further
 they are enjoined to refund the purchase money. It is my will that
 the plantation on which I now reside shall be sold if anything less
 a fair value can be got for it, leaving it despatched with my Executors
 wifē its value together with the length of credit on which it is to be
 sold, the money arising from said sale shall be put out at
 interest for the benefit of my wife during her widowhood only
 the maintenance of my children - Should it not be sold then I
 leave it for my wife to reside on during her life or widowhood
 her death or marriage said place to go to my children. It is my
 will that the money arising from the sale of my purchasable property
 with what other money that shall be coming from time to time
 my estate shall go to the educating + maintaining of my children
 seeing that my wife gets her due & just proportion, and the residue
 if any shall be left after their maintenance, together with my
 stock up to my children and be equally divided between them all
 as soon as they become of age. I appoint my brother Samuel Rowell, Jr.
 Executor of this my will + testament. In witness of our intent
 we have subscribed our names & affixed my seal, this the 25th day of July
 Published & declared to be the last will + testē B. B. Rowell
 of Benjamin Rowell in our presence & in the presence of such others
 as are present, in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred &
 fifty six. [Signature] Daniel B. Gleason & James McLean
 Brunswick County, Moral Term, 1843. The instrument of this
 testament of Benjamin Rowell was presented to the court of
 Surry & admitted to be a just testē.

Notary Publicly acknowledged, April 1st, 1845 - Testē from C. R. Rowell, Brookland, N.C.

No. 123

IN THE NAME OF GOD, Amen! Know, all men by these
 presents, that I, Mary Herringway, of the County of Brunswick
 in the State of North Carolina, calling to mind the mortality of
 the flesh & that it is appointed unto all to die, do make & constitute
 THIS, my last Will + Testament in manner & form following.
 To wit: - 1st, I commend my soul to Almighty God, who gave it,
 and my body to the earth to be decently buried by the side of the
 grave of my former husband Joseph Herringway, my grave to be cov-
 ered with brick in like manner as his was and built to be enclosed
 in a brick wall, the expense thereof to be paid out of the
 legacy hereinafter bequeathed to my nephew John Holden
 Secondly, my will & desire is that my negro man Harry and
 his wife Nancy, for their long & faithful service to me, be
 placed in the possession & under the care of my nephew John
 Herringway, freed from the duty of a slave or servant during their
 natural lives. I also place in his possession my negro
 man Friday, and two cows & calves for them as a post, after the
 death of said negro Friday, to be the property of John Herringway
 my will is that John Herringway come and take the two cows
 & calves before my stock is divided. Third, I give bequeath
 to M. W. Rowell one yoke of oxen before my stock is divided
 his choice. Fourth, my will is that my stock of cattle
 hogs & sheep be equally divided. Beef & Beef, out of the one
 half I give to John Holden, Jr., the other of one half of my
 cattle cows & calves & the remainder of that half to be
 equally divided among the surviving children, wifē of William
 Holden, and - grandsons & granddaughters. Fifth, the remaining
 half of my stock of cattle, hogs & sheep, I leave to the care
 of local owners during their natural life. Sixth, I leave to my
 half of my household & Kitchen furniture, & bed with the
 remaining property to be equally divided among the daughters
 etc. I give to my grand nephew John Holden, Jr., my plan-
 tation known by the name of the Taylor plantation
 of the said John Holden, Jr., one & one-half acre of land
 where the said land to belong to John Holden, Jr.
 Then I give my two grand nephews, Samuel Rowell
 & Peter Herringway, 250 acres of land lying betw
 ene Job Holden and my plantation plantation called
 by the name of the King plantation. I leave to them the
 same having a value of about \$1000. I leave to them the
 whole summing up to be used for their maintenance & forming
 a family during their natural life. I also give
 to my grand daughter Anna Rowell, one & one-half acre
 of land lying betwene Job Holden and the King plantation.

1st. I give to my wife Mary Taylor five hundred dollars in a note I hold against D. S. B. Everett - I give to my wife Mary Taylor, one silver ladle, six silver table spoons, three tea-spoons all marked thus J. H. M., one scissor silver about 10th. I give to my nephew William Nascoot three hundred dollars in a note I hold against W. W. Rount. 11th I give my niece Elizabeth Robinson one half of my household & kitchen furniture - also my negro woman Eley & her boy boy & Henry & her future increase if not disposed of otherwise. 12th. I give to my nephew Thomas Holden my boy Harry. 13th. I give to my grand-niece Lydia Mince my boy Robert. 14th. I give my boy English to W. W. Rount & John Nascoot & share equal. 15th. I give to my grand-niece Molly Hollen Robinson a negro girl Mary Ann, Eley's daughter, 16th. to my grand-niece Amelia Stevens a negro girl named Clarity's daughter. I also give her two hundred & sixty dollars in a note I hold against W. W. Rount - Should she die without issue Ephraim D. Gause to inherit the whole - Should they die without issue Lydia Mince to inherit the same. 17th. I give to W. W. Rount my oxcart and my negro man named Ross. I also give to Sophie Rount my side saddle and bridle. 18th. I give to Thomas H. Rount my negro boy named Whig. 19th. I give to my nephew John Nascoot a negro woman Clarity & her son Peter, with all her future increase if not disposed of otherwise. 20th. I give to my nephew Lewis Nascoot my negro girl named Beck with all her increase if not disposed of otherwise. 21st. I give to my niece Elizabeth Blanckard a negro girl named Sarah, Eley's daughter. 22nd. I give my sister Sarah Chapman my negro girl named Anna Jane 23rd. I give to my nephew John Holden, box 100 my old Marsh including the ford at Cedar Landing - also I hold against him self for one hundred and fifty dollars & interest. 24th. I leave all the remainder of my property undivided disposed of Real & Personal, with W. W. Rount & Nascoot for the special purpose of paying all expenses charge of my burial and enclosing the grave as is done in the first item, and defending my will. If any difficulty should occur and after all necessary expenses are settled, the residue thereof, if any remains I give to John Holden, box 25th. I so hereby constitute & appoint my two brothers friends D. S. B. Everett & John Nascoot Executors of this my last will & testament. However I do hereby make a reservation not otherwise provided for by my will, that the sum of one hundred dollars be paid to my wife Mary Taylor - the residue to be disposed of according to my last will & testament.

Mary Herringway have witnessed set my hand and seal this 13th day of October, in the year of our Lord, 1842.
Signed, sealed & declared by the Mary Herringway
Testated to be her last will & testament in presence of us who
at her request & in the presence of each other have hereunto
subscribed our names. James Bell, Robt Woodside, Abington Colman
This is to certify that I annex start to my Will as a Codicil
in the manner & form following - In the 8th Item of my will
where I have given my horse & gig & harness to Sister Sarah
Holden, she being in a low state of health, I revoke that part
of said will, and I now give to my nephew John Nascoot wife
Mary Nascoot the said horse & gig & harness. I also give to
Sarah Gause fifty dollars in cash or notes that may
be on hand at my death. In the 16th Item of my will
where I have given a negro girl and two hundred & sixty
dollars in notes to Charlotte Stevens & Ephraim D. Gause, I
now revoke that part where E. D. Gause is concerned to give
the said girl and two hundred & sixty dollars to Charlotte Stevens
^{In witness whereof I have signed this my Will} on 20th July, 1842. - Mary Herringway
In presence of us who at her request & in the presence of each
other have hereunto subscribed our names.

State of N. Carolina, } check out Abingmon & Abity, B. Colman
Buncombe County, } December Term, 1843. The due execution
of this Will was proved in open Court by the oaths of
James Bell, Robert Woodside and Abington Colman
the subscribing witnesses as Thruo and ordered to be legio-
nized. Registered in Book B. p. 43, 44, 45, 46, 47 & 48

Nathl. Porter, Clerk.

Recorded accordingly to Clerk of Court, Asstly, Special Session, 1895
Ratified Feb 1st 1908. Copied from OC Records Book B.C. p.
44, 45, 46, 47, & 48.