

Lastly, I appoint my wife my executrix to execute this my will.

Timothy S. Taylor (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared to be the last will and testament of Timothy S. Taylor, who signed it in our presence, and in the presence of each other, who were specially requested by the testator to witness the same, on this 3rd. day of April 1871.

George W. Willis

Parker Whittington

Carteret County. Court of Probate. May 20th. 1871.

The execution of the foregoing will is proved before me, according to law, by the oaths and examination of George W. Willis and Parker Whittington, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who swear that they saw Timothy S. Taylor execute the same as his last will and testament, that they attested it in his presence, and at his request, and that at the time of its execution he was, in their opinion, of sound mind and disposing memory.

(See Book of Orders & Deeds, page 50)

Geo. Rumley, Judge of Probate

In the name of God, Amen. I, Neil Russell, of the County of Carteret and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, and considering the uncertainty of this frail and transitory life, and being desirous to adjust and settle my temporal affairs, do therefore make, ordain, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament - viz:

First, I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Rebecca M. Pigott, the plantation on which I now live containing one hundred and fifty acres, be the same more or less, described and bounded as follows - viz: commencing at the fork of the middle prong of Goose Creek, running up said Creek to the upper prong near the McCabe place

thence Eastwardly, up the South and Eastern Prong, to its head; thence North 30 degrees West, to the back line of the Stump Swamp lands; thence Eastwardly, to a Laurel; thence South 30 degrees East, to the Ruben Wallace line, containing about one hundred and fifty acres, be the same more or less. I also give to my said daughter, all the right, title, claim and interest I hold in and to the Ruben Wallace tract of land, containing about seventy-five acres, be the same more or less.

I also give to my said daughter Rebecca M. Pigott, one tract of land, on the East of Camp Branch, adjoining the line of William S. Bell Sr., the heirs of David W. Pigott, Manuel C. Bell and William Taylor, containing sixty-two acres.

I also give to my said daughter, Rebecca M. Pigott, one feather bed and furniture, one cow and calf, one sow and eight shoats, two stocks of bees, ten barrels of corn, five hundred pounds of pork, fifty pounds of lard, one loom and implements, one mahogany table, and six sitting chairs.

I also give my said daughter, Rebecca M. Pigott, my negro man Ben, recently known by the name of Tom. All of the within named property, both real and personal, I give to her, her heirs and assigns forever.

Lastly, I give and bequeath unto my three grand daughters, Christian P. Smith, Sarah Ann Smith, and Cassa Russell, daughter of Nathaniel Russell and Lovy, his wife, all the land I own or possess, lying to the West of the line just made, in dividing the land between them and my daughter Rebecca, running Westwardly, with William Taylor's line, to the corner Edward Hill's line; thence with Edward Hill's line, to the Taylor's line; thence with the Taylor's line, down to the A. S. Bell line; thence with the A. S. Bell line, to the beginning; containing two hundred and fifty acres of land, be the same more or less; to them, their heirs and assigns forever.

I also give and bequeath to my daughter Rebecca M. Pigott and my grand daughter Christian P. Smith (wife of Geo. Smith) fifty acres of land on Dogue Banks, to be equally divided between them, their heirs and assigns forever.

I further direct and devise all of my estate remaining unconsumed, consisting of various stock, horses, cattle & hogs, household and kitchen furniture, plantations, tools &c. to be sold to the highest bidder, at a credit of six months, and the proceeds arising therefrom, after the payment of my just debts and fully settling my estate, to be divided between my daughter, Rebecca W. Pigott and my two granddaughters Christian P. Smith and Cassa Russell, daughters of Habakkuk Russell, and my great grand daughter Jenny Lind Dixon, daughter of William Dixon, and Sarah Ann his wife, viz. one half of said proceeds to go to my daughter Rebecca W. Pigott, and the other half to be equally divided between my two granddaughters, Christian P. Smith, Cassa Russell, and my great grand daughter, Jenny Lind Dixon, as named above; and it is my further desire that the part that will be due or going to the said Cassa Russell, daughter of H. Russell, and Jenny Lind Dixon, daughter of William Dixon, shall remain in the hands and under the control of the executor, he being bound to put it out at interest, until each arrives to full age, to act for themselves, or marries.

I likewise make, constitute and appoint Eli W. Sanders Esq. to be executor to this my last will and testament, hereby revoking all former wills by me made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal this 23rd. day of January A. D. 1865.

Signed, sealed & delivered }  
in presence of } a civil Russell } Seal

Staniel C. Bell  
David Russell

Carters County, Court of Probate. Sept. 25, 1871.

The execution of the foregoing will is proved before me, according to law, by the oath and examination of Staniel C. Bell, one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, who swears that he saw David Russell execute the same as his last will

and testament; that he attested it in his presence and at his request, and that, at the time of its execution he was, in his opinion, of sound mind and disposing memory; and further, that he saw David Russell sign the name purporting to be his, as subscribing witness to said will, in the presence of the said David Russell; and that said David Russell is so afflicted bodily, that he is incapable of appearing at this Court to testify, as to the execution of said will.

Jas. Ranley, Judge of Probate.

Eli W. Sanders qualifies as Executor.

In Book of Orders & Decrees, p. 51.

State of North Carolina, Carters County.

I, Mary Ann Eliza Beeton, feeling that there is, an uncertainty in life, and desiring to leave my earthly affairs as early settled as possible, do make and declare this my last will and testament:

First, then; I leave to my beloved daughter, Mary Eliza Beeton, the bed, bedstead, and mattress, occupying the room over the parlor; and the bed, bedstead and mattress, known as the small bed; all the parlor furniture (except one table), one bureau and one third of the crockery; one white table cloth.

I leave to my beloved son John H. Beeton, one bedstead and mattress, occupying my room, known as the best bedstead.

I leave to my beloved son W<sup>m</sup> F. Beeton, one bed, bedstead and mattress, one folding table, in the parlor; one third of the crockery; one half of the chairs outside of the parlor chairs, and one green chest; one brown table cloth.

I leave to my beloved son, Finny J. Beeton, one bed, bedstead and mattress; one bureau, half of the chairs outside of the parlor chairs; one third of the crockery, and one red chest; one white table cloth.

It is my will that the bedclothing should be equally divided between the beds above mentioned, before said beds are set apart to the children to whom they are given.