

I, Sarah Bell of the County of Gaston
State of North Carolina, being of sound mind
and memory, but considering the uncertainty
of my earthly existence, do make and declare
my last will and testament, in manner and
form following, that is to say, first that my
executors hereinafter named, shall provide for
my body a decent burial, suitable to the
wishes of my relatives and friends, and pay
funeral expenses.

Item, I give and devise to my beloved
Jane Ward, one negro man by the name of
to her and her heirs and assigns.

Item, I give and devise to my beloved sister

Rebekah King, all my right ⁱⁿ the house and
lot of ground that was given to me by my
father, where I now live, to have and to hold
to her and her heirs and assigns forever.

Item I give unto my beloved sister Rebekah
King, one negro man by the name of Jacob,
and also all moneys due me on notes and ac-
counts, and all the money I may have on hand
at my death, and one bedstead, bed and fur-
niture, to have and to hold, to her and her heirs,
and assigns forever.

Item, I give unto my two sisters Jane and
Rebekah, my trunk of clothes.

Item, my will and desire is that if my
brother Joseph Bell is yet alive that he may
have one hundred dollars out of my estate, and
that it be sent to him by my executors, if
they should learn where he is.

Item, I give unto my cousin Hannah Bell
my negro woman Belle and her increase, to her
and her heirs and assigns.

Item, I give, devise and bequeath all the rest
and residue of my estate, real and personal, of
which I shall be seized and possessed, or
of which I shall be entitled at the time of my de-
cease, to my beloved sister Rebekah King, to have
and to hold the same, to her, her heirs, executors,
administrators and assigns forever.

I do nominate and appoint sister Jane Ward
executrix, and my cousin John P. C. Davis, executor
of 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 renouncing and declaring utterly

void, all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made, In witness whereof I, the said Sarah Bell do hereunto set my hand and seal this 3rd. day of March A.D. 1847

(The words "title and interest" on the first page between 13 and 14 lines written before signing, signed, sealed, in presence of us }

Benj. L. Perry

James Runley

Carver County Court, Nov. Term A.D. 1859

The foregoing paper writing, is exhibited for probate in open Court, by John P. C. Davis, the executor therein named, and the due execution thereof by Sarah Bell, is proved by the oath and examination of Benjamin L. Perry and James Runley the subscribing witnesses thereto.

It is therefore considered by the Court, that the said paper writing and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of the said Sarah Bell, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed. And therefore the said John P. C. Davis, Executor as aforesaid, qualifies as such by taking the oath prescribed by law.

Jas. Runley C. C.

In the name of God, Amen. I, Mary Chadwick of the County of Carver and State of North Carolina, being weak of body, but of sound and disposing mind and memory, do make and ordain this my last will and testament in manner & form following, to wit:

First, I bequeath my soul to God who gives me, body to the earth, to be decently interred, at the discretion of my executor.

And, My will and desire is that all my just debts & funeral expenses be paid.

3rd. I give and bequeath to my three sons, Jacob, Thaddeus and Thomas, twenty dollars each.

4th. I give and bequeath to my daughter Mary E. Willis, my house and plantation whereon I now live, together with all outbuildings and improvements, also all my outlands on Harkers Island, also all my stock, consisting of cattle and hogs, also all my household and kitchen furniture, of every description, farming utensils, and all the plate, both

real and personal, of every kind or description, to the said Mary E. Willis to her sole and only use and benefit, & not to be subject to be sold for the payment of any debt or demand against her husband

Reuben Willis, all which property I give & bequeath to the said Mary E. Willis her heirs and assigns forever.

I also nominate and appoint my son in law Reuben Willis my sole executor to this my last will and testament. In witness whereof I hereunto set my hand and affix my seal this 26th day of October 1855.

Mary Chadwick (signed)
Signed, sealed, published and declared by all my children as her last will and testament in presence of

Samuel Leffers

Richard W. Stewart.

Carver County Court, Feb. Term A.D. 1860.

The within paper writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of Mary Chadwick deceased, is exhibited for probate in open Court, and the due execution thereof, by the said Mary Chadwick, is proved by the oath and examination of Samuel Leffers and Richard W. Stewart, the subscribing witnesses thereto.

It is therefore considered by the Court, that the said paper writing, and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of the said Mary Chadwick, and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed. Reuben Willis, the executor therein named, qualifies as such, by taking the oath required by law.

Jas. Runley C. C.