

consisting of horses, cattle, sheep and
that is, to say, my live stock, with
canoe, house hold and kitchen furniture
to be equally divided between them, after
paying all my just debts, and five dollars
a piece to my youngest son, and youngest
daughter, first above mentioned.

If Julia, David or Cicero, die, without
any lawful heirs, it shall go to the
two, or one, of them, and lastly; I do
hereby, constitute and appoint
Ward, and Rufus W. Bell, my lawful
executors; to all intem and purpose
execute this my last will and testam
according to the true intent and
ing of the same; and every part
and clause thereof, hereby reading
and declaring utterly void, all other
wills and testaments, by me here
before made; - In witness where
of the said Ario Ward, do hereunto
set my hand and seal this
February the 24th. 1855

Signed, sealed, published
and declared by the said
Ario Ward, to be her last
will and testament, in
the presence of us who at
her request and in her
presence, do subscribe as
witnesses thereto.

Irah Basket
Elijah Garman Jr.

Carteret County Court, May Term A.D. 1855
The foregoing paper writing is exhibited for
probate in open Court by Rufus W. Bell,

of the executors therein named, and the due
execution thereof, by the testatrix Ario Ward
is proved by the oath and examination of
Irah Basket and Elijah Garman Jr., the
subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore
considered by said Court that said paper
writing and every part thereof, is the last
will and testament of the said Ario Ward,
and the same is ordered to be recorded
and filed, and thereupon the said Rufus
W. Bell, executor as aforesaid, qualifies as
such by taking the oaths required by
law.
(see pages 186 & 187)

Jas. Rumley C.C.

In the name of God Amen. I William Fisher
of Carteret County, in the state of North Carolina
Do this 15th day of September 1820 make this my
last will and Testament in manner and form
following viz. I lend unto my beloved wife Char
ity Fisher during her natural life, the Land and
Plantation whereon I now live; containing one hundred
acres, with the three hundred acres adjoining thereto
on the East, with my Dwelling House, out Houses,
and all other improvements thereto belonging; also
all my Plantation and mechanical tools, all
my household goods and Furniture, all my
kitchen furniture, all my cattle, horses, hogs
and sheep, and the following Negroes viz. Old
Dempsey and his wife Hannah, young Dempsey,
Jacob, Nancy, Betty, Ben, Gloc, Levi and Hulda,
and Charlot. also negro Jerry. also my grist mill,
and the house and half Lot No in Beaufort
I bought of John Rumley. all the above named

articles I lend to my said wife for her use and support during her natural life and at her Decease I dispose of them is hereinafter mentioned - And I give and bequeath unto my said wife Charity Fisher one hundred dollar in money, also one negro woman named Rose, my wearing watch and all provisions I may have on hand at my decease To her and her heirs or assigns forever.

I give to my grandson Michael Fisher two hundred dollar in money. To prevent any concern concerning the negro man Moses I hereby gave to my son Michael, and which he has been possessed of, I hereby confirm the said to be so much of his estate.

I give to my granddaughter Charity Jane Fisher daughter of my son William Fisher deceased at my wife's death or decease, my house and lot of ground in Beaufort which I bought of John Rumley, and the negroes Young, Tom, Ben, Levi, and a girl named Jenny, with their increase, after the date hereof, - To her and her issue or issues of her body, but if she should die leaving no issue of her body, then the said to return and be a part of my estate and be equally divided among all my surviving and children of, any of my child or children that may be then dead in such manner that the child of each deceased child shall have one share their parent would have if living, and that to be equally divided between them, to them their heirs and assigns forever.

I give to my daughter Mary Bell a negro man named Peg, and all her increase, and a negro man named Elish, To her and her

heirs assigns forever. And I lend unto my said daughter Mary during her natural life all that Tract of Land I bought of the Seecrafts lying on Bogues Sound and Shepards Creek called White Hall; and at her decease I dispose of the same as hereinafter mentioned.

I give unto my grandson William Fisher Bell and to my granddaughter Charity ^{Elizabeth} Bell, at their decease all that Tract of Land called White Hall four hundred and forty acres more or less to them and their lawful issue forever, but if any one of them die leaving no issue then the survivor to have the whole and in case both die leaving no issue, then to return and be a part of my estate and be divided among my surviving children and the children of any of my child or children that may be then dead, in such manner that the children of each deceased child have an equal share as their parent would have if living and to be divided equally between them their heirs and assigns forever. Provided nevertheless that if my Grandson William Fisher Bell will in reasonable time, Transfer and title his father shall confer on him or may accue him in that Tract of Land now owned by his father lying between Newport River and Bogues Sound, at Beaufort, then my will is and desire, that he the said William Fisher Bell, have and hold the whole of said Tract called White Hall, also I give to my Grandson William Fisher Bell a Negro woman named Lucy, and all her increase forever, and to my said granddaughter Charity Elizabeth Bell, I give her a lot of ground in Beaufort New Town about the mouth of Taylors Creek, to her her heirs and assigns forever.

I give to my two Grandsons Malachi Bell and