

State of North Carolina }
County of Lincoln }

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the County of Lincoln } I, Daniel Finger of
the County of Lincoln and State of North Carolina
being of sound mind and memory but
feeling the uncertainty of life and the
certainty of death, hereby revoking and
utterly disannulling all previous wills
by me heretofore made, do make, publish,
and declare this to be my last will and
testament, in manner and form following
that is to say:

- 1st I will and devise to my beloved wife Harriet E. Finger my house and lot on the town of Newton, County of Catawba, State aforesaid lying and being in the south-east square of said town, adjoining the lands of Ben. C. Clopp and Reuben Setzer, containing about one-half acre, more or less. I also give and bequeath to my said wife all my household and kitchen furniture, except that part of the same herein after bequeathed to my daughter Mary Jane Finger.
- I also give and bequeath to my said wife Five hundred (\$500.00) Dollars in money and one cow.
- All of the above described property, both real and personal, I bequeath to my said wife Harriet E. Finger for and during the term of her life or widow-hood, and at her death I hereby direct that all of said property shall be taken possession of by my Executor, hereinafter named, and by him sold and the proceeds divided among my four children, Sydney M. Finger, Mary Jane Finger, Caroline J. Rowe, and Lilly E. Finger according to the directions hereinafter by me prescribed in paragraph six (6) of this my last will and Testament. And in the event that my said wife shall die before I die, or that she shall marry again after my death, then I direct that upon my death if she be

dead or upon her marriage after my death, all of said property above described and bequeathed to her (except the Five hundred Dollars legacy, two beds and furniture for them and fifteen dollars worth of table ware and one cow) shall be taken possession of by my Executor, by him sold and the proceeds divided as prescribed by me as aforesaid and in said paragraph six - and if my said wife shall marry again after my death, then it is my will that the property described in the above exception, viz: the five hundred dollars in money, two beds and their furniture, and fifteen dollars worth of table ware & 1 cow shall vest in and belong to her, my said wife, absolutely in fee -

- 2nd I have heretofore expended for the benefit of my son Sydney M. Finger the sum of Seven hundred (\$700.00) Dollars in his education &c. and charged the same to his account - now I hereby cancel, forgive, and bequeath the said debt of seven hundred dollars to him my said son Sydney M. Finger -
- 3rd I have heretofore expended for my daughter Mary Jane Finger the sum of One hundred and fifty (\$150.00) Dollars in her education &c. now I hereby cancel, forgive, and bequeath to her my said daughter Mary Jane Finger the said debt of One hundred & fifty dollars. I also give and bequeath to my said daughter, Mary Jane Finger, the following property, (the value of the sum being by me estimated at \$150.00) viz: one bureau, being the one with a looking glass on it - two beds and their furniture - all the bed clothing which she claims to have made herself - two tables such as her sister Caroline took from home - six cane bottom chairs, one rocking chair one milk cow - and fifteen dollars worth of table - all of the above property to be given her out of the household and kitchen furniture by my executor at my death except

such part as I may deliver before. I also hereby give and bequeath to my said daughter Mary Jane Finger, Four hundred (\$400.00) Dollars in money —

4. I have heretofore expended for my daughter Caroline T. wife of J. S. Dallas Rowe in her education, outfit for housekeeping, her sewing machine &c., in money & property, to the amount of Three hundred ^{and thirty} Dollars (\$330.00) and I now hereby forgive and bequeath to her my said daughter Caroline T. Rowe, the said debt and property.

And I also hereby give and bequeath to her my said daughter Caroline T. Rowe the sum of Three hundred and seventy (\$370.00) Dollars in money —

5. I hereby give and bequeath to my daughter Lilly E. Finger the sum of Seven hundred (\$700.00) Dollars in money —

6. All the balance of my property, real and personal, of whatever description and wherever situated, not heretofore disposed of, I hereby direct shall be taken possession of by my Executor, hereinafter named, and by him sold, at public or private sale upon such terms as he shall deem best — and all debts due to me shall be collected by my said Executor — and out of the proceeds of said sale, of said debts, and of money on hand at the time of my death, I direct that my said Executor shall first pay off all first debts by me owing and all the costs and charges of administering and settling my estate, and shall pay off the pecuniary legacies heretofore made viz: to my three daughters, to Mary Jane Four hundred dollars, to Caroline T. Rowe Three hundred and seventy Dollars, and to Lilly E. Seven hundred Dollars, and also the legacy of Five hundred Dollars bequeathed to my wife.

And the balance of the said proceeds of sale, of debts collected, & of money on hand, I direct shall be equally divided between my four children viz: Sydney M. Finger, Mary Jane Finger, Caroline T. Rowe, and Lilly E. Finger the sum of to rest in them absolutely as it is my desire that all property herein given to my said children shall rest — And as to the property described in paragraph one of this will and therein given to my wife for life or widowhood, real and personal, upon her death or her marriage, I direct that my Executor shall take possession of said property, sell the same and divide the proceeds thereof as herein before directed in paragraph one and six of this will among my four children equally.

7. I hereby direct that my Executor hereinafter named collect any and all insurance that I may have on my life at the time of my death and that the amount so collected be divided equally among my wife and four children heretofore named — to rest in them absolutely —

8. I hereby expressly request that my son, Sydney M. Finger, will, immediately upon my death, have himself regularly appointed Guardian of my daughter Lilly E. Finger, until she attain the age of twenty one years, by the the proper Court —

9. I hereby nominate, constitute, & appoint my son Sydney M. Finger sole Executor of this my last will and Testament —

In testimony whereof I Daniel Finger, have herewith set my hand and affixed my seal this 28 day of June A.D. 1874.
Daniel Finger Seal

Signed, declared, & published by Daniel Finger at his last will & testament in the presence

of us the undersigned attesting witnesses, who have hitherto subscribed our names, in the presence of the said Daniel Finger, at his special instance and request, and in the presence of each other this the 28th day of June A.D. (1879) eight ten hundred and seventy nine.

W. R. Edwards
J. A. Robinson

North Carolina } Superior Court,
Catawba County } Jan. 11th 1889.

The foregoing paper writing, purporting to be the last will and testament of Daniel Finger, Deceased, is proved by the oath and examination of J. A. Robinson (Dec. 21, 1888) and W. R. Edwards (Jan. 11th 1889) the subscribing witnesses thereto (see affidavits hereunto attached) and upon said affidavits, the said paper writing, is adjudged to be the last will and testament of the said Daniel Finger, and the same is enrolled and recorded.

J. A. Hoyle, C.S.C.

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court.
Catawba County }

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Daniel Finger, deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned, J. A. Hoyle, Clerk of the Superior Court in and for said County, by S. M. Finger, the executor therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said Daniel Finger by the oath and examination of J. A. Robinson and W. R. Edwards, the subscribing witnesses thereto, who being duly sworn, doth depose and say, and each for himself that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown

him, purporting to be the last will and testament of Daniel Finger. That the said Daniel Finger in the presence of this deponent, subscribed his name at the end of the said paper writing, which is now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date on the 28th day of June 1879.

And the deponent further saith, that the said Daniel Finger the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing so subscribed by him, and exhibited, to be his last will and testament, and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said will, as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said testator. And this deponent further saith, that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponent's subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said Daniel Finger was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information and belief of this deponent, and further this deponent say not.

Severally sworn to and subscribed before me, this 21st day of Dec. 1888.

J. A. Robinson
W. R. Edwards (Seal)
J. A. Hoyle, C.S.C.