

Daniel Keener Will recorded in 1875.

Cartero County -- In the Probate Court.

In the matter of the administration

of the estate of

Daniel Keener Before

M. C. Hemill

Probate Judge.

G. A. Head, being duly sworn doth say: That Daniel Keener, late of ~~the~~ Cartero County, Ex-Confederate State of Mo., having a Will and Testament, and that the G. A. Head is the proper person entitled to letters of administration with the Will annexed on the estate of the said Daniel Keener, further, that the value of said estate so far as can be ascertained at the date of this application is about \$1000, and that the children Julia Ann Keener, Alexander Keener, Alfred Keener, Willie Finger & Martha Propst are entitled as heirs and distributees thereof.  
Sworn to and subscribed before me the 13<sup>th</sup> Feby 1875.

G. A. Head.

M. C. Hemill

Judge of Probate,

Daniel Keener of the County of Cartero and State of Missouri  
being of lawful age and sound mind do in this my last  
Will and Testament bequeath unto my beloved wife Julia Ann  
Keener after burial expenses, doctor bills, funeral stones and  
all other debts, are paid One hundred and twenty acres of  
land, &c. being the west half of the South West Quarter  
of section forty and the South East quarter of section  
five in Township twenty five North of Range five east in  
which land the farm and residence are included.  
Also all Stock including horses, cattle, mules, hogs and sheep,  
all money, either on hand or by note and money due  
me in the State of Missouri and the State of North Carolina  
by estate notes or otherwise. Also all Household and  
Kitchen furniture, all farming utensils, Also wagon, buggy  
harness and gearing, and all my earthly possessions  
except eighty acres of land which I shall also bequeath to Margaret Keener a black woman who  
has been my house woman and nurse. It being the North  
half of the North East Square quarter of section eight  
in Township Twenty five North of Range five east.  
To my beloved children Alexander D. Keener, his

Daniel Keener  
Will

G. A. Head

Administrator  
Will annexed

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To Martha P. C. Keener five dollars, To Sarah A. C. Finger  
five dollars, To Alfred A. L. Keener five dollars  
whom are all my children. Also request that my  
widow Julia Ann Keener be appointed my executors  
to this will. All of which I acknowledge to be  
my act and deed witnessed my hand and seal this  
21<sup>st</sup> day of Feby 1869 -

Daniel Keener

We the undersigned subscribing witnesses do certify  
that we were present and saw him sign this  
his last Will and Testament.

John Endale,  
Elijah Brown,  
Solomon Kittrell,

State of Missouri, {  
County of Cartero. } S. S.

In execution of the Probate Court,  
Be it remembered that on the twentieth day of Feby A.D.  
1873, personally appeared before the undersigned James  
H. Lane Clerk of Probate Court of the County and  
State aforesaid, John Endale the subscribing witness  
to the aforesaid Will of Daniel Keener and being  
by me first duly sworn deponeth says that the  
said Daniel Keener the testator subscribed  
the same in his presence and published the  
will or instrument of writing as his last will,  
that the said testator was at the time of pub-  
lishing his said will of sound mind and more  
than twenty one years of age, and that he the  
said deponent attested the said will as witness  
thereto by subscribing his name his name to the  
same in the presence of said testator.

John Endale.

Subscribed and sworn to before me Feby 20<sup>th</sup> 1873  
In testimony whereof I have hereunto signed  
my name and affixed the Seal of the Court.

James H. Lane  
Clerk of Probate.

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Probate of Daniel Keener's Will 1875.

"State of Missouri, { S. S.  
County of Butler.

The State of Missouri:

To any judge, justice of the peace or Notary Public greeting:  
Know ye, that we hereby enjoin you to cause to come  
before you at the time and place to be by you appointed  
Elijah Brown, an attesting witness to the annexed instrument  
writing purporting to be the last will and  
testament of Daniel Keener, deceased and to  
then and there examine him the said Elijah  
Brown, on oath touching his knowledge of the  
execution of said instrument, and of  
the condition of the mind of the said Daniel  
Keener, at the time of the execution and publication  
of the same as his last will and testament.

The examination thus taken you will reduce to writing  
and cause the same to be subscribed and sworn to by  
said Elijah Brown, and thereupon you shall certify  
the same under your hand to the judge of our  
Probate Court of said County. In witness  
whereof I, Thomas M. Lane, Clerk of said Probate  
Court have hereunto set my name and affixed  
the seal of said County at office in Poplar Bluff  
on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 1873.

(Seal)

Thomas M. Lane,  
Clerk of Probate.

State of Missouri, { S. S.  
County of Butler.

The within Commissioner was ex-  
ecuted by taking the examination of Elijah Brown,  
at my law office in the Court House in Doniphan  
Ripley County Missouri this the 30<sup>th</sup> day of May A.D.  
1873 as will fully appear by the said examina-  
tion herewith returned marked "A" witness my  
signature and official seal at office in  
Doniphan date above written.

Thomas Mobley  
Notary Public."

(Seal)

Probate of Dan'l Keener's Will 1875.

"State of Missouri, { S. S.  
County of Butler.

Deposition of witness, produced, sworn  
and examined on the 30<sup>th</sup> day of May A.D. 1873 between the  
hours of 8 o'clock in the forenoon and six o'clock in the  
after noon of that day at the law office of Thomas Mobley  
in the Court House in the town of Doniphan,  
County of Ripley, and State of Missouri before me  
Thomas Mobley Notary Public in and for said County  
and State to certify in relation to the last will of  
Daniel Keener deceased.

Elijah Brown, of lawful age being produced, sworn  
and examined on behalf of the testator of said will  
deposeth and saith, that he was one of the  
subscribing witnesses to the annexed will of  
Daniel Keener deceased that he was well and  
personally acquainted with the said Daniel  
Keener in his lifetime that the said Testator Daniel  
Keener, signed the instrument of writing annexed  
to the Commission now before me. The Elijah Brown,  
further deposes and says that the said Daniel Keener  
published the said instrument of writing as his  
last will, was of sound mind over twenty-one  
years of age and that he the said Elijah Brown  
subscribed his name to the said instrument  
of writing as witness thereto in the presence of the  
said testator at his request.

Elijah Brown,

Taken and subscribed before me this 30<sup>th</sup> day of  
May A.D. 1873 witness my name and seal of  
Office at office in Doniphan date above  
written -

Thomas Mobley  
Notary Public

Ripley County Mo.

State of Missouri, { S. S.  
County of Butler.

In office of Circuit Court & the Recorder  
Thomas D. Ferguson, Clerk of  
the Circuit Court and recorder's office written  
and for the said County aforesaid to certify  
that the instrument hereto attached with the  
certificate thereon was filed for record in

Probate of Daniel Keener's Will 1875.

"State of Missouri, S. S.  
County of Butler.

State of Missouri:  
To any Judge, Justice of the peace or Notary Public greeting,  
Pray, &c, that we hereby summon you to cause to come  
before you at the time and place to be by you appointed  
Elijah Brown, an attesting witness to the Deceased's instrument  
written writing purporting to be the last Will and  
Testament of Daniel Keener, deceased and to  
then and when examining him the said Elijah  
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the condition of the mind of the said Daniel  
Keener at the time of the execution and publication  
of the same as his last Will and Testament.

The examination thus taken you will reduce to writing  
and cause the same to be subscribed and sworn to by  
said Elijah Brown, and thereupon you shall certify  
the same under your hand to the Judge of our  
Probate Court of said County. In virtue of  
whereof I, Thomas M. Lane Clerk of said Probate  
Court have herunto set my name and affixed  
the seal of said County at office in Poplar Bluff  
on the 24<sup>th</sup> day of April 1873,

Thomas M. Lane,  
Clerk of Probate.

State of Missouri, S. S.  
County of Butler.

The witness Commission was ex-  
ecuted by taking the examination of Elijah Brown,  
at my law office in the Court House in Doniphan  
Ripley County Missouri this the 30<sup>th</sup> day of May 1873  
as will fully appear by the said examina-  
tion herewith returned marked "A" witness my  
signature and official seal at office in  
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Thomas Mobley  
Notary Public."

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subscribed his name to the said instrument  
of writing as witness thereto in the presence of the  
said testator at his request.

Elijah Brown,  
Took and subscribed before me this 30<sup>th</sup> day of  
May 1873 witness my name and seal of  
Office at office in Doniphan date above  
written -

Thomas Mobley  
Notary Public

Ripley County Mo.

State of Missouri, S. S.  
County of Butler. In office of Circuit Court & the Recorder  
Thomas D. Ferguson Clerk of  
the Circuit Court and ex officio Recorder witness  
and for the said County aforesaid to certify  
that the instrument hereunto attached with the  
certificate thereon was filed for record in

Probate of Daniel Keever's Will of Mo. 1875.

"said Office on the 12<sup>th</sup> day of Dec. 1873 at at 1 o'clock A.M., and that the same is duly recorded in said office in Book "D" for recording Deeds at page 118 119 & 120 In testimony whereof I have hereunto set my hand and affixed the seal of said Court done at  
Office at Poplar Bluff this 17<sup>th</sup> day of Dec. 1873,

Thomas D. Ferguson,  
Clerk of Circuit Court  
& Ex Officio Recorder.

State of Missouri, S. S.

County of Butler. I John S. Lane, Judge of the Probate Court in and for said County do hereby certify that the above is a true copy of the original instrument of writing purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Daniel Keever deceased together with the deposition, certificates and all other papers relating thereto that are in my office, In witness whereof I have hereunto signed my name and affixed the seal of said Court done at Office in Poplar Bluff Butler County Missouri this 16<sup>th</sup> day of July 1874.

John S. Lane  
Judge of Probate.

State of Missouri S. S.

County of Butler.

I William A. Spencer, Clerk of the Court, Court in and for said County, do hereby certify that John S. Lane is a judge of the Probate Court within and for said County, duly committed and qualified and that his signature above written is genuine.

Given under my hand and official seal affixed thereto, done at Poplar Bluff in the County aforesaid this 18<sup>th</sup> day of July A.D. 1874.

William A. Spencer  
County Clerk.

North Carolina S. S.

Beaufort County. In the Probate Court.

Upon the testimony & certificates of record in this case filed, the said paper writing is admitted to Probate as the last Will & Testament of Daniel Keever, in the same manner as it was before me.

M.W. Deneville Justice of Probate —

David Little's Will 1875.

little, David  
dec:

Catharine Little  
Executor  
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I, Daniel Little, of the County of Beaufort and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory, but Considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say:

That my Executor (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts however and to whomsoever owing out of the money that may come into their hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item: I give and devise to my beloved wife Catharine all my estate both real and personal of every description to have and to hold during her Natural life or widowhood (including my two slaves Anna and George which my said wife is to keep unless they should become disobedient to her or cannot manage them, then and in that case my executor shall sell them and the proceeds divided equally among all children.) But in case she should marry again then & in that case I desire that my executor shall sell all the property that may then be in hand and divide the proceeds amongst all my children each child to share & share alike and my beloved wife Catharine, to have a Child's part of the proceeds of property then on hand and in all respects to share equally with my children each one to share equally in the distribution of all the proceeds of all my property.

But lality I do hereby constitute and appoint my beloved wife Catharine & my son William S. my lawful executors to all intents and purposes to execute this my last Will & Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore