

The last Will and Testament of Henderson C. Caldwell

Henderson C.
Caldwell.
deceased.

I Henderson C. Caldwell of the county of Catawba and state of North Carolina, being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of any earthly existence to declare this my last will and testament, in manner and form following

That is to say

First 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 moneys that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item I give and devise to my beloved wife Elmira all my real estate during her natural life or widowhood if she changes my name then one third and all my personal estate except my store, to have during her life or widowhood & one half of my part of the profits of said store for the use of my family - Item, I give and devise to my two sons Lyman & Robert my home tract of land to be equally divided. I give and devise to my other 2 sons John & Wilburn my store house tract of land to be equally divided and to my daughter Elmabelle I. one hundred dollars out of store when said store is dissolved and lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my trusty friend J. D. Caldwell my lawful executor to all intents and purposes. To execute this my last will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and over and every part and clause thereof - hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made, in witness whereof I the said H. C. Caldwell do hereunto set my hand and seal this 30th Oct-1869

Lyman Howard
Harry A. Caldwell.

Henderson C. Caldwell
his mark

North Carolina }
Catawba County } Probate Court.

The execution of the foregoing paper writing as the last will and Testament of Henderson C. Caldwell was this the 10th day of Feb. 1873 proved by the oath and examination of Freeman Howard & Mary A. Caldwell subscribing witnesses thereto.
Admitted to Probate

M. C. Kenill
Probate Judge

The Executor has not
qualified