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I Lydia Hooper of the County of Catawba 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 First that my Executor herein after named shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts howsoever and to whomsoever owing out of the monies that may first come into his hands as a part and parcel of my estate.

Item first. My Will and desire is that The Parsonage in the town of Rowlen N.C. of the N.C.C. South have a good bed and sled and furniture also six (6) cane bottomed chairs. Item second I will and bequeath to my nephew Wm J Pratt all the remainder of my household and kitchen furniture also my interest in the grist mill and flouring Mills also the two first choice of the Negroes that may fall to my lot of the Estate of my husband George J Hooper also my Buggy. Item third, the remainder of my Estate real and personal I will and bequeath to my three nephews and two nieces viz, Wm J Pratt, John Pratt Leonard J Pratt and Mrs Louisa Vander and Rebecca Pratt to be equally divided between them.

Item fourth. I will and bequeath to Mrs Corneileux Mosse one thousand dollars to be paid by my Executor.

Item 5th I will and bequeath to Amanda Coaknell wife of James Coaknell one thousand dollars.

Item 6th I will and bequeath to Mrs Caroline Harden wife of Wm Harden one thousand dollars.

I appoint my trusty and worthy friend Dr J. B. Ward my executor. I hereby revoke all other wills and Testaments by me made heretofore and declare them utterly void. In witness whereof I the said

Lydia Hooper do hereunto set my hand and seal
This the 11th day of March A.D. 1865-

Attest J. A. Sherrill
" J. W. Gabriel

Lydia ^{her} Hooper ^{mark} (Seal)

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State of North Carolina Catawba County.

Know all men by these presents that I Joseph W Hoffman of the County of Catawba and State of North Carolina do will and bequeath to my wife Mary Hoffman all my lands, horses, hogs, sheep, cattle, notes money and all the property I have, or may have an heir in for her to have and to hold so long as she may live and after her death said lands etc shall be equally divided between all my children. Said lands are all contiguous to the farm she now lives on lying in the county of Catawba & State of North Carolina adjoining Jacob Little, Peter Little, C B Ritzel, Wm Sigman David Christopher, Henry Sipe, James Williams & George Pope. The will and Testament are such that if my wife remains single and retains my name, said lands, notes and all the other properties above named & specified or that I possess shall be hers so long as she lives, but if said Mary Hoffman my wife marries, said lands and all other property & notes etc shall be equally divided among all my children as soon as she marries. I further will & bequeath to Peter H. Hoffman a number one Horse or the full value of him in money if the horse cannot be obtained. I said Peter H Hoffman should die or be killed before receiving the same it shall then fall into the hands of my wife for her to have and to hold forever. Also I will and bequeath to Wesley Alonge (my son) my rifle gun for him to have and hold forever. I also will and bequeath to my son Joshua Vance my pistole for him to have and to hold forever. This the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and sixty four, February 5th, sealed, signed and delivered in the presence of these witnesses.

Attest Martin Sigman

" D. M. B. Young

Joseph Hoffman (Seal)