

Last Will and Testament of Mrs. C. G. Bell, 1880.

C. G. Bell
dec'd

J. B. Gaither

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I, C. G. Bell, of the County of Catawba, in the State of North Carolina, being of sound and disposing mind hereby make and declare this my last Will and Testament:

Item first I desire that all my just debts be paid by my Executor hereafter mentioned, including funeral expenses.

Item Second. As my brother, David Gaither, gets the house I built upon a lot of land in the town of Newton belonging to him he is excluded from any further share in my Estate.

Item Third. I give and bequeath unto my Sister, Mary L. Hall, the sum of Two hundred & fifty dollars in money and a bed and furniture to be selected by her. And if it should happen that I should not have that amount on hand at my death, then I direct my Executor to dispose of property sufficient to raise that amount. In the event that I should survive my Sister M. L. Hall, I desire her children shall have the aforesaid bequests and if they should be dead, or any of them, the same to go to their heirs or legal representatives.

Item fourth. I give my other bed and furniture to my Sister E. C. Ellis, and she is to have nothing more from my estate.

Item fifth. I give to Mrs. Matie Witherspoon my family Biron.

Item Sixth. I give to Bettie Gaither my silver Table spoons with my initials on them.

Item seventh. I give unto my nephew George Gaither Twenty five dollars in money.

Item Eighth. The residue of my property I give unto the Children of Rufus A. Donaldson by my two sisters deceased, provided the sum shall not exceed Two hundred and fifty dollars, and in the event that it should exceed that amount I give the excess to the Children of David Gaither and those of Mary L. Hall, to them and

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their heirs &c.

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And lastly I do hereby nominate and appoint J. B. Gaither, my Executor, to execute this my last Will and Testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same. This 1st day of October A.D. 1880.

C. G. Bell sub

Witness

L. D. Witherspoon.

Jas. A. Garvin.

North Carolina,

Catawba County.

The execution of the foregoing paper writing was this 17th day of April A.D. 1880, duly proved before me to be the last Will and Testament of C. G. Bell by the oath and examination of L. D. Witherspoon & Jas. A. Garvin subscribing witnesses thereto. Admitted to Probate & ordered to be recorded.

M. D. Sherrill

Judge of Probate

J. B. Gaither Executor named in said Will made his application (which is recorded in book of Appointment of Executors) was appointed Executor and qualified 22 April 1880. Letters Testamentary issued.

M. D. Sherrill