

Be it remembered that I Alexander Stewart of Chatham
 County and State of North Carolina being weak and
 sick in body but of sound and perfect mind & memory
 do make and ordain this my last will & Testament
 in manner & form following Viz- First my will is, that
 all my just debts together with funeral charges, be paid
 out of my estate. second I will & bequeath to my son
 Job 32 Acres of Land which my Father has deeded to
 me at his death, to receive at his death, and for him
 to pay my brother Simon his interest in said land ac-
 cording to a written agreement between me & my
 Father and I also will & bequeath to my son
 Job a part of the tract whereupon I live to be
 cut off of the East end of the tract by a line begin-
 ning at the Creek at Hardy's line and running with
 the Creek to the Spring branch then up the branch to a
 fence that crosses the branch then running due course
 with said fence to Hannah Dixon's line. And I also
 will & bequeath to my son Job enough of the West
 end of the said tract to make to him seventy three
 Acres & 1/2 including all the lots -
 Thirdly I will & bequeath to my son John one
 third of my tan yard & tools belonging thereto also
 to my son Job another third of the same and for
 the remaining third to be equally divided between
 my two sons Job & Peter. I also ^{will} bequeath to my
 son Peter the remainder of the tract of land whereon
 I now live - Fourthly the intent and meaning of my will
 is for my beloved wife Ann to have the use of the house
 and her maintenance off of the tract of land I now
 occupy, during her widowhood. Also that my four
 daughters Elizabeth Ruth Phoebe and Asenath may
 have privilege of the same house and house as long
 as they may live unmarried And furthermore that
 when the widowhood of my wife Ann shall have
 expired that the land shall fall to my two sons Job
 and Peter as before directed to them their heirs and
 assigns forever - I also direct & order my two sons Job
 and Peter to pay their brother John Twenty five dollars
 each (making Fifty dollars) at the death of my widow

I will & bequeath to my daughter Elizabeth One Cow
 and 1 feather bed & bedding also to my daughter Ruth
 One Cow One feather bed & bedding also to my daughter
~~My one cow One feather bed & bedding also to my daughter~~
 Annath One Cow One feather bed and bedding I desire &
 Annath to be furnished with them when they arrived
 at perfect age - I also will & bequeath to my wife
 Ann my Bureau Table Clock and One feather bed
 and bedding also all the remaining part of my home
 hold & Kitchen furniture at her disposal. I bequeath
 to my son Job One Mare One Mattack & One axe also
 to Job and Peter my interest in the wagon & gear be-
 longing to it - I will & bequeath to my son Peter my
 springer & horse all my farming tools, plow gear & two
 two axes One Mattack & One Iron hedge. I will &
 bequeath to my wife Ann all my stock of sheep & hogs
 and the remainder of my cattle, also all grain meal
 and other provisions on hand the growing crop all
 barrels tubs &c. at her disposal. I order my son Job
 to sell my larger & horse & pay my debts & if that be insuf-
 ficient to discharge all the debts that Job & Peter go equal
 parts in paying the balance out of their estates. I will &
 bequeath all my tools & property that has not been
 named in this will to be equally divided between my
 two sons Job & Peter. I do hereby nominate constitute & ap-
 point John Stuart & Job Stuart Executors of this my last
 will & testament in testimony whereof I have hereunto
 set my hand and seal the twenty fourth day of the sec-
 ond month in the year of our Lord One Thousand and Eight
 Hundred & forty eight ..

signed sealed & acknowledged by the said
 Alexander Stuart to be his last will & tes-
 tament in the presence of us

Solomon Stuart
 Obad Mackburn

Alexander Stuart

Chatham County August Term 1848
 This certifies that the foregoing last will & testament
 of Alexander Stuart was proven in open court by
 the oath of Solomon Stuart one of the subscribing
 witnesses thereto whom and others to be recorded &
 whereupon the Executors therein named appeared
 in open court & was qualified

Teste M. A. Stedman ccc
 By S. L. Riddle v. c.