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Day of twelfth Month in the year of our Lord
One thousand eight hundred and twenty six
Signed Seal'd & pronounced & sealed
by the said Solomon Desmarest to his
last will and Testament in this
present of

Solomon Desmarest

James Moody,
Robt. Moody,
Maryam Stuart

Spaced February 1837

In the Name of God Amen George Desmarest of the County
of Chatham one State of North Carolina make and publish
this my last will and testament. First I bind to my beloved
wife your Negroes Harry Chixy Flora Smith during her life
be underhould as much of the household furniture and
Stock as the Executrix think necessary during her Natural
life or underhould after her death or marriage the same
to be equally divided between my two sons George Des-
marest and Charles Desmarest I give to son Charles Desmarest
Children one Negro girl named Leanda say that my
daughter Nancy Penhook has had her part my son William
Desmarest has had his part my Grandson Stanton Lee
has all I intend giving him which the dad of gift
will show as recorded in Court Item I Give my
son Alexander Desmarest a Negro man named Humphrey
& one tract of land on Harlards Creek containing Allen
Goodwin and others containing One hundred and fifty
acres Item I Give to my Executrix Stephen Moore
and Gray W Desmarest one Negro girl woman

Named Mary and her executors for the use of my
 daughter Rachel Hamblet during her natural life
 and should she die without issue then in that
 case the fact left her to be equally divided be-
 tween my children and children's children living
 Item I give to my son George W Desmukes two ne-
 groes Ben and Daniel one Bed and furniture a good
 house one cow and a calf and other stock to begin with also
 one lot in Haywood say the slave I chose out of four
 Item I give to my son Charles C Desmukes two negroes
 Arthur and Dick the lot in Haywood he is to take his choice
 Item I give my son John Desmukes one lot in Haywood
 Item I give to my daughter Elizabeth Moore one lot in Hay-
 wood My desire is that that tract of land in Harlens
 Creek where John Hooker lives should be sold and as
 much and as much of the stock as will pay my just
 debts Item I give to my daughter Sally Hayes two
 negroes Charlotte and Isidore and a horse worth fifty
 dollars the remainder of my property at the death of
 myself to be sold and equally divided among my
 children Sally I constitute my son in law Stephen
 Moore and my son George W Desmukes execu-
 tors to this my last will and Testament

Signed before me I acknowledge
 in presence of F. Foster Doe
 31 July AD 1827

G. Desmukes P. D.

proved August 29th 1827