

I Patrick Heathcock of the county of
 Chatham 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 (hereinafter named)
 shall provide for my body a decent burial
 suitable to the wishes of my relations & friends and
 pay all funeral expenses, together with my just
 debts, howsoever and to whomsoever owing
 out of the moneys that may first come into his
 hand as a part or parcel of my estate Item I
 leave to my beloved wife Rhody Heathcock
 during her natural life, the tract of land on which
 we live my horses, hogs, sheep, all of my stock of
 every kind, all of my household and kitchen
 furniture all of my farming utensils and
 every thing else that I own whether named or
 not, to have & to hold the same as above stated
 during her natural life as a loan, then to be
 exposed to public sale on a credit of nine
 months, and the proceeds to be equally divided
 between my beloved children viz Alfred Heathcock
 Pleasant Heathcock & Macklin Heathcock, and
 lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint my
 friend Manly Snipes my lawfull executor to
 execute this my last will and Testament according
 to the intent of the same hereby revoking all former
 wills and Testaments I have made, whereof I the said
 Patrick Heathcock do hereunto set my hand and
 seal this 16th June 1857

Signed Sealed and Published
 by the said Patrick Heathcock
 as his last will & Testament
 in the presence of

J. L. Baldwin
 Wm. Powell

Chatham November Term 1857

The Executor

of the foregoing last will and
 Testament of Patrick Heathcock
 was duly moved in open court
 by the oath of J. L. Baldwin and Manly
 Snipes Subscribing witnesses thereto
 and ordered to be recorded
 whereupon Manly Snipes the executor
 herein named appeared in open
 and was duly qualified as such.

Witnessed
 By Manly Snipes