

Be it remembered, That I Stokes Edwards of
Catham County, and State of South Carolina, being
sound mind and memory, but considering the uncer-
tainty of my earthly existence, do make and con-
tain this my last will and testament in man-
ner following; that is to say, first, I give to my daugh-
ter Mary forty Dollars in cash, two feather beds and
mattress, one walnut chest and toilet, which she claims,
cow and calf, two sheep, one sow and pigs, and it is my
will that she be furnished in other respects as my other
daughters were when they were married.

(Item second) I give to my daughter Frances, two feather
beds and furniture, one walnut chest and toilet which
she claims, one cow and calf, two sheep, and one sow
and pigs, and it is further my will that she be furnished in
other respects, as my other daughters were when they were mar-
ried.

(Item third) I give to my daughter Martha, two feather beds
and furniture, one walnut chest of drawers and toilet, one
cow and calf, two sheep, and one sow and pigs, and it is
my will that she be furnished in other respects as my other
daughters were when they were married. - I also give to Mar-
tha, one gray colt, now two years old.

(Item fourth) I give to my beloved wife Sarah Edwards
the privilege of the plantation, on which I now live during
her natural life or so long as she remains my widow,
and at her decease, it is my will that it be sold by my Executor
hereafter named, whose deed shall be valid for the right
of the same; nevertheless if it shall at any time be made
known that my son William is living and he should come
to this part of the country, then and in that case it is my
will that said plantation be his. - I also give my dear
wife the privilege of all my farming utensils of every de-
scription, house hold and kitchen furniture, during said
term of life or widowhood.

It is my will and desire that my smith tools, still
tubs apple Mill &c. remain where they now are, for the
use of the family and that my son Simpson & son in law
Charles Cole have privilege of working on the smith tools
and that they do what smith work my wife may want
done, as has been usual heretofore.

I give to my said wife Sarah all of the crop that may be
growing or on hand and all of the provisions of every kind
that may be on hand at the time of my decease for her use
and that of the family, namely, Mary, Frances, Martha
who are to live with her if they choose.

It is my will and desire that my son in law Charles Cole
have the privilege of living when he now does, on the south
part of my plantation, for a term of five years, as a com-
pensation for the trouble and expence which he has incurred in
building &c.

At my wife's decease, it is my will that all my property

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of whatsoever nature and kind, and not otherwise dis-
posed of, in this my will be sold by my Executor here-
after named; (who is hereby authorized to buy as any
other person) and the proceeds thereof, together with the
proceeds of the sale of my plantation, be equally divided
among all my children that may be living at that
time; and if any of my said children shall be pre-
vious thereto, then and in that case, it is my will that
their children (if any) such dead child or children's
part,

And lastly I do hereby nominate, constitute and ap-
point my son Sampson Edwards, sole Executor of this
my last will and testament, to execute the same ac-
cording to the true intent and meaning thereof. - In
witness whereof, I, the said Stokes Edwards do hereunto
set my hand and seal, this sixth day of June A.D. 1838

Signed, sealed and pronounced, ^{his} Stokes Edwards (Edw.)
by the said Stokes Edwards to be ^{his} mark
his last will and testament in
presence of us

James Woody (Aff)
Elias B. Johnson

Catham County } This certifies that the fore-
going last will and testament of Stokes Edwards
was proved in open Court by the affirmation
of James Woody a subscribing witness thereto. When
upon Sampson Edwards the Executor, herein named
appeared in open Court and was duly qualified

Teste A. A. Steadman, C. C.