

In the name of God Amen

I, Jane Beeze Perry of the Town of Fayetteville State of North Carolina being of sound mind and disposing memory bless be God for the same do make publish and declare the following to be my Last Will and Testament viz:

Item 1st

After the payment of all my just debts my will and desire is that all my Estate of which I shall die seized and possessed whether real personal or mixed shall vest in my Executors hereinoften named for the purpose of enabling them to execute the following purposes and trusts and effectually carry out my Will.

Item 2nd

After my death I desire my Executors to sell my House & Lot & Plant from North Lenoire my four Negroes named George, Rattiff, John and Moses, but before selling them at public sale, I desire that each one have an opportunity of choosing a home on the spot for himself, and when told my will is that my Executors give to each one Twenty five dollars as a present from me.

Item 3rd

I desire that Caroline and her five children, and her and their future increase be set free. my will is that she and this and all of them be by my Executors sent or carried to a free State, and that they defray all necessary expenses out of my Estate. Caroline was born 11th Apr 1817. Edwin 23rd Jan 1833. Glorinda 19th Sept 1840. Benjamin 29th May 1844. Mary 4th Apr 1848. & Miss Henry 4th Nov 1852.

My Will further is that whenever Caroline & her said five
 children produces evidence that she and they have acquired
 the right of citizenship in some one of the free states
 of this Union that then my Executors shall pay to
 Caroline & Edwin Five Hundred dollars each,
 and to Clarinda, Benjamin, Henry, and William
 Henry Three Hundred dollars each, if they respectively
 attain the age of twenty one years, or produce
 the evidence of some frequently appointed Guardian
 in the State where he or she or they live, in which
 event the legacies shall be paid their said Guardian
 as soon as practicable and in the event of the death
 of Caroline or either of her five children, my
 will is that the legacy of the deceased one or ones
 be equally divided among the survivors. and in
 the event of either dying before acquiring a right
 of citizenship in a free state my will is that the
 legacy of such one or ones be equally divided
 among those who do acquire citizenship in some
 free state, and rather than that either the specific, or
 general legacies given to Caroline and her five children
 shall lapse and any amount go to my next of kin
 I empower & authorize my Executors to pay the several
 amounts named taking the receipt of Caroline & Edwin
 or Clarinda for the whole, my will further is that
 my 15 shares of Bank Stock be not sold until
 needed to pay off the above legacies and that in
 the meantime the dividends be applied to the maintenance
 and education of Clarinda Henry Henry & William
 Henry, and that Henry be given my Gold watch
 to remember me by, and that my furniture Beds
 Bedding clothes Bedstead & carpets be equally divided
 among Caroline Clarinda and Edwin or the survivors of
 them.

Item 4. To my friend Joshua Gorman I give one hundred dollars with which to buy himself a gold watch - To Mrs. Lucy Ann Whitner I give one hundred dollars, but should she die before me, then my desire is said sum be paid her Daughter Ann Eliza or her heirs, To Mrs. Johannis Ab^l Millan I give Fifty dollars. To Emily Hunt I give my Piano and fifty dollars to put the scene in tune.

Item 5th I nominate constitute and appoint Joshua Cushman William Warden and C. F. McMillan Executors to this my last will & Testament and give them in addition to their commissions the sum of Two Thousand dollars to be divided equally among those of them who qualify as Executors or to him who does.

Item 6th The Residue of my Estate, I desire my Executors to pay to or give to Caroline before married, and her five children viz Edwin, Bleninde, Perry, Henry & William Henry in equal parts, but should either die my wife is that such share or shares be equally divided among and given to the survivors of those named, in such manner as shall best vest the proceeds in them, so that my heirs at law and next of kin may not inherit or become distributees or partakers of any part of my Estate, should my Estate from any cause not prove sufficient to pay the Legacies above named my Will and desire is that each Legacy be abated pro rata.

Hereby revoking all former wills

I have set my hand & seal to this as my last will & Testament in presence of these

Witnesses who at my request & in my presence have subscribed the same on the 12th day 1858

James Banks

A. C. Robinson

State of North Carolina
 Cumberland County
 Court of Pleas & Decanting
 begins June Term 1858

There was the within open writing
 purporting to be the Last will & Testament of J. Beaze Perry
 produced in open court ~~whereupon James Blanks & Henry Leach Robinson the~~
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 whereupon James Blanks & Henry Leach Robinson the
 subscribing witnesses to the same on being
 duly sworn proved the execution of the same
 by the said J. Beaze Perry said in strict conformity
 with, & in compliance with all the forms and
 solemnities of Law. Whereupon It is adjudged &
 decreed by the court that the within open writing
 and every part thereof is the Last Will and
 Testament of the said J. Beaze Perry, and that
 the same be ^{admitted to probate} filed among the records of the
 court & duly recorded. Then Joshua Lamm
 & John A. Shubertan named in said Will in open
 court renounce their right to qualify, and
 William Warden comes into open court & on
 motion is allowed to qualify as Executor
 of the Last Will & Testament of the said
 J. Beaze Perry, which he has done by
 taking the oaths of office required by Law
 J. Warden
 Clerk

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 the Beaze Perry
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 J. Warden
 Clerk