

then in Newbern, but that he never saw any will nor does he know any certainty of it or what it might contain. Sworn to in open Court and transcribed by order of the Court. October Term 1795.

Test. W^m Dickson C.C.

State of N^c Carolina } October Term 1795.
Duplin County }

The within noncupative will of John Johnston deceased was taken from the mouth of Sundry (persons) as within named in open Court and ordered to be Recorded. And at the same time James Wright and Edward Peasall two of the County Wardens for the County of Duplin, came before the Court, and prayed for Administration of of the said deceased Estate agreeable to the will of the said deceased which was granted, they having bond according to law, and qualified as administrators, and letters were issued accordingly with a copy of the within will annexed thereto.

Test. W^m Dickson C.C.

In the Name of God Amen. and in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirtieth. That I Thomas Johnson of the State of North Carolina Duplin County being sick in Body but of good and sound memory thanks be to allmighty God, and calling to Remembrance the uncertain state of this transitory life and that all flesh must yield to death when it shall please God to call, do make constitute and ordain this my Last will and Testament in manner and form following revoking and annulling by these presents all and every Testament, will, and wills heretofore by me made heretofore made either by word or writing and this to be taken for my last will and testament and now for the settling of my Temporal Estate and such goods Chattels and debts as it hath pleased God above my debts to be paid

upon me. I do now give and bequeath unto my sons, Benjamin and Sloan Johnson all my property real and personal to them the said my two sons Benjamin Johnson and Sloan Johnson as aforesaid and to them their heirs for ever to hold occupy possess and enjoy without any manner or? ^{let?} of any Person or persons whatsoever and I will that the said Benjamin and Sloan Johnson my my only sons as above do support and maintain their mother Jane Johnson during her life given under my hand and seal as my last will and Testament this 9th day of January 1813, as above and that my son Benjamin Johnson as aforesaid be whole Executor to this my will and Testament. Signed, sealed, and delivered in the presence of, Test. John R Powers. Sloan Johnson.

Thomas ^{his} Johnson Seal.

State of N^c Carolina } July Term 1814.
Duplin County }

There was the within will proved in open Court in due form of Law by the oath of John R Powers one of the subscribing witnesses thereto, And at the same time Benjamin Johnson the Executor named in the said will came before the Court and qualified as an Executor thereto according to law. And that letters issued accordingly.

Test W^m Dickson C.C.

In the Name of God Amen I Hannah Johnston of the State of North Carolina and County of Duplin widow and Relix of Benjamin Johnston deceased. Being very sick and weak of Body but of perfect mind and Memory calling to mind the mortality of my Body. Knowing that it is appointed for all men and women once to die. do make and ordain this my Last will and Testament. Herby Revoking all other will or wills by me made and so publish this and declare to be my Last will and Testament. But first of all I recommend my Soul to God that gave it as to my