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State of North Carolina Gaston County, I Andrew Ryborne of the
County of Gaston & State of North Carolina being of sound
mind and memory, but in feeble health and considering
the uncertainty of life do make this my last will and
testament in manner & form as follows, viz,

Firstly I will that all my just & lawful debts be paid,
Secondly I will & bequeath that the tract of land upon which
I now live consisting of about 377 acres be divided into 4
tracts as follows; one hundred acres each to each of my 3
children, William, Margaret; and Isabella, and twenty-
seven acres including the buildings in the yard & barn to my
wife Mrs Margaret Ryborne for her life time; this twenty seven
acres to be run off so as to include some wood land, and after
her death this tract of twenty seven acres may be divided or
sold for division at the discretion of my 3 children above
named. I desire that my wife & children select 2 good men
and a surveyor to make the above division of my land
after my death. Thirdly I will & bequeath to my wife Margaret
Ryborne that she be laid off a year's provisions for herself and
family after my death & that she hold & possess all the household
& kitchen furniture during her life. Fourthly I will all my
stock viz Horses, cattle, Hogs & sheep to my daughter

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stock viz Horses, cattle, Hogs & sheep to my daughter,
Margaret & Isabella to dispose of as they may think proper,
also all my farming utensils of every description whatever.
Fifthly, I will that my wife Margaret have my buggy & harness,
Sixthly should there be any thing not included in the
above bequests as surplus crop or any thing else not mentioned
I will & direct that it be sold for equal division between
my wife & my 3 children. Seventhly & lastly I hereby constitute
and appoint my worthy friend Mr Calvin Fingers as Executor of
this my last will & Testament. In testimony of which I have
hereunto subscribed my name and affixed my seal, This 22
22 day of May 1869, Subscribed in the presence of
W. J. Nance & Osborne Hinkel,

Andrew Ryborne (seal)

State of North Carolina, sec 7, 1869, In Probate Court
Gaston County for said County, this day the foregoing
paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of
Andrew Ryborne dec'd late of Gaston County was offered in said
Court for probate by Calvin Fingers the Executor therein
named, and the said paper writing was proved to be the last
will & Testament of the said Andrew Ryborne dec'd by the oaths
and Examination of W. J. Nance & Osborne Hinkel the

subscribing witnesses thereto; for the said
thence; on their oaths said and declare that the
late said deceased sign seal publish and declar
that he (the said deceased) was of sound and disposing
mind and memory and that he made it fully without
any compulsion; and thereupon the said Calvin J. J. Jr.
the Execution therein named, ^{and} specified to the said Will,
H. Withers Gustav Carney

know all by these presents that I Joseph W. Carson of the County of
Gustin & State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory
considering the uncertainty of this frail & transitory life, do therefore
make ordain publish and declare this to be my last will and
testament; that is to say; 1st after all my lawful debts are paid and
discharged, then residue of my Estate real and personal; I give
bequeath & dispose of as follows; To wit: to my sisters M., M., A. J. &
my nephew R. W. Carson all my personal property
I will and bequeath to Rufus W. Carson now living
real Estate to him to have & to hold to him and to his
issue with my sisters above named living on
in my death; I like wise make