

I Elizabeth L Stow of Gaston County North Carolina
but now in York County South Carolina. being of sound
mind & sufficient memory, by the mercy of God. but being
well stricken in years, do make & establish this my last will
& Testament this the 7th of March 1871. 1st I commence
my last to almighty God, and my body to be buried
in a Christian manner at the discretion of my friends
1st I will & bequeath to my son W S Stow the following
Notes one on J Theo Pagan amounting to ninety-nine
dollars 75/ given Jan'y 5th 1871. one on J R Patchford one
hundred ^{two} dollars dated May 9th 1862. also all the
notes in the hands of my trustee Leroy Adams. also
all moneys and any other property of any kind
belonging to me. I appoint my son W S Stow Executor
of this my last Will & Testament. signed sealed and
acknowledged in the presence of

J Leander Adams
W E Adams

E L Stow (S.S.)

State of North Carolina

Gaston County ss In the Probate Court

A paper purporting to be the last will and Testament
of E L Stow deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned

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hundred ^{one} dollars dated May 9th 1862. also all the
notes in the hands of my Trustee Leroy Adams. also
all moneys and any other property of any kind
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E L Stowe (S)

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Gaston County ss In the Probate Court

A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament
of E L Stowe deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned
Judge of Probate for said County by W S Stowe the Executor
therein named, and the due execution thereof by the said
E L Stowe by the oath and examination of the subscribing
therein; who being duly sworn, do depose and say, and each
for himself depose and swear, that he is a subscribing
witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to
be the last will and Testament of E L Stowe. That the said
E L Stowe in the presence of them deponents subscribed
his name at the end of said paper writing.

which is now shown as aforesaid, and bears date of the seventh day of March 1871. And the deponents, further saith, that the said E. L. Stowe the testatrix aforesaid, did at the of subscribing her name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing so subscribed by her and exhibited to be her last will and Testament, and thereupon did thereupon subscribe their names at the end of said will as attesting witnesses thereto, and at the request, and in the presence of the said testatrix, and their deponents, further saith, that at the said time when the said testatrix subscribed her name to the said last will as aforesaid, and at the time of the deponents subscribing their names, as attesting witnesses thereto as aforesaid, the said E. L. Stowe was of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will, and was not under any restraint to the knowledge, information or belief of their deponents, and further than deponents say not.

Solemnly sworn and subscribed this 5th day of August 1871

before me E. A. Withers

Notary Judge

J. L. Loomis
W. B. Adams

Whereupon said W. J. Stowe by her then lawful duly qualified to execute said will, and took Lattus Testamentary,

I, John H. Rankin of the County of Boston and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and disposing memory, do make and ordain and