

Wills 1855

State of North Carolina
Gaston County

I Elizabeth W. Shipp of the county and State aforesaid being advanced in age and in delicate health but retaining sound mind & memory do make and declare ^{this} my Last Will & Testament in the words following to wit:

First I will & bequeath to my Son Albert M. Shipp my Negroes now in his possession to wit Sally an old woman a boy named Bartlett but called Bob a Girl named Sue and I will & bequeath unto Mary Jane Wife of A M Shipp a Girl named Rena

2^d I will and Bequeath to my Son Wm J. Shipp some four notes I hold on hand amounting at this time to the sum of five hundred & sixty dollars

3^d It is my will that the balance of my estate consisting principally of money on trust at Chapel Hill be Equally Divided between my Sons A M & Wm J Shipp after paying all necessary Expenses to which my estate may be subject. The amount to be divided being about nine thousand dollars

4th I Name and appoint my Sons Albert M and Wm J Shipp my Executors to execute this my Last Will & Testament in Testimony of all which I have hereunto set my hand & seal this 13th day of Feby 1855

Signed sealed & Delivered in the presence of

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4th I Nominate and appoint my Sons Albert M and Wm J Shipp my Executors
to execute this my Last will & Testament in Testimony of all which I have
hereunto set my hand & seal this 13th day of Feby 1855

signed sealed & Delivered in the presence of

Samuel J Mills Jurat

R M Alexander

Elizabeth W. Shipp Seal

The above is a true copy

J G Canale