

North Carolina, Gaston County.

I, M. E. Carson of the aforesaid County and State being of sound mind, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament:

First: My executor, hereinafter named, shall give my body a decent burial, suitable to the wishes of my friends and relatives, and pay all funeral expenses, together with all my just debts, out of the first moneys which may come into his hands belonging to my estate.

Second. I give and devise to my son W.B. Carson one acre where he now resides and also two acres more of land to be arranged among themselves but to be taken down toward the home place.

Third. I give and devise to my son G. S. Carson one acre of land where he now resides and also two (2) acres more to be arranged among themselves but to be taken down toward the home place.

Fourth. I give and devise to my son J.L. Carson one acre of land adjoining the lot of W.B. Carson also 2 two acres more to be arranged among themselves.

Fifth. I give and devise to my son T. F. Carson one acre of land on which he can build also two 2 acres more to be arranged among themselves.

Sixth. I give and devise to my daughter Mary Clemmer one acre of land on which she can build also two (2) acres more of land to be arranges among themselves,

also one feather bed and a bedstead and one half of all my bed clothes.

she can build also two (2) acres more of land to be arranges among themselves, also one feather bed and a bedstead and one half of all my bed clothes.

Seventh. I give and devise to my daughter M. G. Carson (9) Nine acres of land. She to make her home at the home place provided she does not marry An case she marries she is to have an equal division with the other heirs also one Kembril Organ (1) Singer sewing machine one feather bed and bedstead and one half of all the bed clothes, one cow.

Eighth I give and devise to my son John L. Carson the home place where I now reside also all the farming utensils that he may need for use in making out his crop, the others to be sold and the proceeds to be divided equally. also two horses or mules also one cow also his interest in one wheat drill also one wagon and two (2) buggies also all the household and kitchen furniture, also all the hogs that may be on hands also all the crop that he may have raised.

Tenth. I hereby constitute and appoint my trusted friend S. N. Boyce my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of the same and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other wills and testaments by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I the said M. E. Carson do hereunte set my hand and seal this the 9th day of January, 1911.

M. E. Carson.

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said M. E. Carson to be her last will and testament in the presence of us who at her request and in her presence and in the presence of each other do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

C. W. Boyd

W. F. Bradley

State of North Carolina,
Gaston County.

In the Superior Court,

In the Matter of the last will of M. E. Carson;

It appearing to the Court by the oath and examination of C. W. Boyd and W. F. Bradley the subscribing witnesses thereto, that the paper writing propounded by the Executor therein named, is the last will and testament of M. E. Carson and that the same was duly executed by said M. E. Carson in the presence of said witnesses and that at the time of signing the same the said M. E. Carson was of sound mind. It is thereupon adjudged that the said paper writing be admitted to probate as the last will and testament of the said M. E. Carson and the Executor therein named qualify as such.

This the 5th day of December, 1912.