

State of North Carolina,

Gaston County }

I know all men by these presents,
That I, Robert McLough, being weak in body and much afflicted,
yet sound in mind, judgment, and memory, as could be expected
in my present case of affliction, and knowing it is appointed unto
men once to die, I do hereby make this my last Will and Testament,
in the manner and form following: My worldly Estate that
God has been pleased to bless me with, I wish, after my death,
to be divided as follows: I give and bequeath unto my beloved
son, Franklin, Four Dollars. I give and bequeath unto my beloved
daughters, Sarah, Caroline and Nancy, and my beloved son, Lephas,
all the parcel or tract of Land, whereon I now reside, (being all the
land I own,) containing nearly Six acres, more or less, together
with all the standing crop thereon: also, one horse, all the cattle, hogs,
sheep and poultry: also, the farming utensils, household and kitchen
furniture, and all I own upon the plantation to have and to own as
common property, on equal terms, so long as they all remain single
or live together. My debts I allow them to pay out of the property, which
I have left to them. Should they marry or agree to separate, I allow
them an equal share of my property. I give and bequeath unto
my beloved daughter, Mary, Four Dollars. It is further my
will, that the balance of my Estate, if there be any thing not mentioned,
be equally divided between my daughters, Sarah, Caroline, Nancy,
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Lastly, I do hereby nominate and appoint Caleb Wuffstut-
ter, executor of my last Will and Testament.

Given under my hand and seal this 22nd day of Septem-
ber, A.D., one thousand, eight hundred and fifty-seven.

Robert McEnloch, ^{Test}
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In presence of
J. W. Smith Jurat }
Elijah ^{his} Smith Jurat }
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