

W. H. Lang being duly sworn deposes and says: I have known J. E. Tye ever since his early boy hood; he kept books for us two years at my store in Farmville, Pitt County. He does not now reside in North Carolina but is a resident of Baltimore, Md. I know his hand writing having seen him write a great many times. The name of the said J. E. Tye which appears subscribed as an attesting witness at the end of the paper writing here offered as the last will and testament of Priscilla A. Nixon and shown to me is in the hand writing of J. E. Tye, aforesaid. Further this deponent - doth not

W. H. Lang.

Swear and subscribe  
before me this Oct 18<sup>th</sup>,  
1895

J. W. Blount.  
Clerk.

North Carolina, } In the Superior Court  
Greene County. }

In the matter of the } Before  
Will of Priscilla A. } Of W. Blount  
Nixon, deceased. } Clerk.

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of Priscilla A. Nixon deceased is exhibited in open Court for probate by John T. Bennett one of the executors therein named, and it is therupon proved by the oath and examination of Robert L. Davis one of the subscribing witnesses thereto that the said paper writing was signed by the said Priscilla A. Nixon, and declared by her to be her last will and testament on the day of its date in the presence of him the said Robt L. Davis and one J. E. Tye and that they the said Robt L. Davis and J. E. Tye subscribed their names as witnesses to said Priscilla A. Nixon and in her presence and in presence of each other and that the said J. E. Tye does not now reside in this State, and it is further proved by the oath and examination of W. H. Lang and J. M. Davis that the said J. E. Tye is a non-resident of this State, that they know his hand writing from often having seen him write and that

his name so subscribed to said will is in his the said J. E. Tye's hand writing. And it is further proved by the oath and examination of Mrs. M. Abritton that she is acquainted with the hand writing of the said Priscilla A. Nixon from often having seen her write and that the name P. A. Nixon is so subscribed to said will and that the name of the said Priscilla A. Nixon is in the hand writing of the said Priscilla A. Nixon; and it is further shown to the satisfaction of the Court by the oaths and examinations aforesaid that the said Priscilla A. Nixon was at the time of making said will of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a will and under no restraint. It is therupon considered, adjudged and decreed that said proof is sufficient and according to law and that said paper writing is and contains the last will and testament of the said Priscilla A. Nixon deceased. And on motion it is ordered that said will be admitted to probate and recorded in the book of wills of Greene County and as such filed in the office of Clerk of the Superior Court of Greene County. Dated this October 18<sup>th</sup>, 1895;

John W. Blount  
Clerk Superior  
Court.

- I - I will, & declare this to be my last will and testament. I give to J. Esquin and Co. those horses to satisfy their claim on them. If it dont take them all give Cherry Dugg three & give and devise, and bequeath, to my son John Dugg two quilts, one counterpan, and one hundred and forty dollars out of my insurance.
- II - I give and devise and bequeath, to my daughter Victoria Taylor, one fine quilt, one sofa, and one hundred dollars out of my insurance, and to her assigns forever.
- III - I give and devise, that Daniel Dugg have two dollars and and to his assigns forever.
- IV - I give and bequeath to Jimmie Dugg two dollars to his assigns forever.
- V - I give and devise and bequeath, to Mary Howell five dollars and to her heirs forever.
- VI - I give and bequeath, to my wife Library Dugg all the rest of the property in the house, also one milk cow, seven goats, chickens -

turkeys, and her assigns forever.  
 I now reserve, on my Insurance in the Globe Reserve  
 Mutual Life Insurance Co of Baltimore City, fifty  
 dollars for my bairing expenses.  
 I give and bequeath, John Stanley, John Stanley  
 Muller Williams one hundred dollars each, and  
 to their assigns forever, out of my Insurance.  
 I give and devise, and bequeath, to my son Frank  
 Dugg twenty five dollars out of my Insurance.  
 I give, and devise and bequeath to my wife Cherry  
 Dugg the residue of my Insurance and her heirs  
 assigns forever.  
 All the rest, residue and remainder of my personal  
 estate I give and devise, and bequeath in equal  
 shares to Cherry Dugg, John Stanley, John Stanley Muller  
 Williams, Lecklona Taylor, John Dugg, Frank Dugg,  
 their heirs and assigns forever.  
 All the rest of my property not mentioned to be sold  
 at said sale to raise money for those legatees.  
 It is my desire, that Cherry Dugg take the farm in hand  
 and run it thru this year.  
 I appoint my friend V. C. Dugg and my said wife  
 Cherry Dugg, executors of this my will, and desire that  
 they shall not be required to give any security for  
 the performance of their duties. Ira W. Lewis  
 wherof. I Murrill Dugg have hereunto set my hand  
 and seal this fourteenth day of Feby, 1895

Murrill Dugg (Seal)

Subscribed by the testator in the presence of all  
 of us, and at the same time declared by him, to be  
 as his last will and testament.  
 Witness our hands this fourteenth day of February,  
 A.D. 1895—

Thomas R. Tyndall  
 Herbert Dunn  
 Zachariah Taylor

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court  
 Greene County } Greene County

A paper writing purporting to be  
 the last will and testament of Murrill Dugg, deceased, is  
 exhibited before me, the undersigned, Clerk of Court for  
 said County, by Daniel C. Sugg, one of the executors therein  
 mentioned, and in due execution thereof, by the said  
 Murrill Dugg, by the oath and acknowledgment of, Thos R.  
 Tyndall and Herbert Dunn, <sup>Subscribing witness sealed</sup>, doth depone  
 and say, and each for himself deponeth and saith, that he  
 is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him,  
 purporting to be the last will and testament of Murrill Dugg;  
 that the said Murrill Dugg, in the presence of the deponents,  
 subscribe his name at the end of said paper writing  
 now shown as aforesaid, on which bears the date of  
 the 14<sup>th</sup> day of Feb 1895; And the deponent further saith, that  
 the said Murrill Dugg, the testator, aforesaid, did, at the time of  
 subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper  
 writing so subscribed by him and exhibited, to be his  
 last will and testament, and this deponent did thereon  
 then subscribe his name at the end of said will as an  
 attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the  
 presence of the said testator. And this deponent further  
 saith, that at the said time when the said testator  
 subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid,  
 and at the time of deponent subscribing his name  
 as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said  
 Murrill Dugg 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 this deponent; And further this deponent say not

Thos R. Tyndall (Seal)  
 Herbert Dunn (Seal)  
 Zachariah Taylor, (Seal)

Severally sworn and  
 subscribed this 14<sup>th</sup> day  
 of Feb 1895 before me  
 J. W. Blount  
 P. C.

- VIII - turkeys, and her assigns forever.  
I now reserve, on my Insurance in the Globe Reserve Mutual Life Insurance Co of Baltimore City, fifty dollars for my bairing expenses.
- IX - I give and bequeath, Judie Stanley, Todd Stanley  
Mallie Williams one hundred dollars each, and  
to their assigns forever, out of my Insurance.
- X - I give and devise, and bequeath, to my son Frank  
Dugg twenty five dollars out of my Insurance.
- XI - I give, and devise and bequeath to my wife Cherry  
Dugg, the residue of my Insurance and her heirs  
assigns forever.
- XII - All the rest, residue and remainder of my personal  
estate I give and devise, and bequeath in equal  
shares to Cherry Dugg, Judie Stanley, Todd Stanley, Mallie  
Williams, Zachariah Taylor, John Dugg, Frank Dugg,  
their heirs and assigns forever.
- XIII - All the rest of my property not mentioned to be sold  
at said sale to raise money for those legatees.
- XIV - It is my desire, that Cherry Dugg take the farm in hand  
and run it thru this year.
- XV - I appoint my friend N. C. Dugg and my said wife  
Cherry Dugg, executors of this my will, and desire that  
they shall not be required to give any security for  
the performance of their duties, Ira Williams  
whereof, I Merritt Dugg have hereunto set my hand  
and seal this fourteenth day of February, 1895

Merritt Dugg *(seal)*

Subscribed by the testator in the presence of all  
of us, and at the same time declared by him, to be  
as his last will and testament,  
Witness our hands this fourteenth day of February,  
A.D. 1895 -

Thomas R. Lyndall  
Herbert Dunn  
Zachariah Taylor

State of North Carolina } In the Superior Court  
Greene County }  
of Greene County

A paper-writing purporting to be  
the last will and its annex of Merrill Dugg, deceased, is  
exhibited before me, the undersigned Clerk of Court for  
said County, by Daniel C. Dunn, one of the executors therein  
mentioned, and for due execution thereof, by the said  
Merrill Dugg, by the oath and affirmation of, Thos R.  
Lyndall and Herbert Dunn, <sup>the subscriber whereof, doth depone</sup> and say, and each for himself deponeth and saith, that he  
is a subscribing witness to the paper-writing now shown him,  
purporting to be the last will and testament of Merrill Dugg;  
that the said Merrill Dugg, in the presence of the deponents,  
subscribed his name at the end of said paper-writing  
now shown as aforesaid, on which bears the date of  
the 14<sup>th</sup> day of Feb'y 1895; And the deponent further saith, that  
the said Merrill Dugg, the testator, aforesaid, did, at the time of  
subscribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper-  
writing so subscribed by him and exhibited, to be his  
last will and testament, and this deponent did thereupon  
subscribe his name at the end of said will as an  
attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the  
presence of the said testator. And this deponent further  
saith, that at the said time when the said testator  
subscribed his name to the said last will as aforesaid,  
and at the time of deponent subscribing his name  
as an attesting witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said  
Merrill Dugg 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 this deponent; And further this deponent sayeth,

Thos R. Lyndall *(seal)*  
Herbert Dunn *(seal)*  
Zachariah Taylor *(seal)*

Severally sworn and  
subscribed this 14<sup>th</sup> day  
of Feb'y 1895 before me  
J. W. Blount  
C.C.

State of North Carolina.) In Superior Court.  
Greene County, } Before J. W. Blount, Clerk  
In Re Estate of }  
Merritt Dugg, deceased. I order for probate of will.

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Merritt Dugg, deceased, is exhibited in open court for probate by S. C. Dugg, Executor therein named; and the due execution thereof by the said Merritt Dugg deceased, is duly proven by the oath and examination of Thos. R. Tyndall, Herbert Dunn and Jacob A. Taylor subscribing witness thereto and it further shown to the satisfaction of the court by said witness that the said Merritt Dugg was at the time of making said will, of sound mind and memory, of full age to execute a will and under no restraint to his knowledge information or belief; It is thereupon considered, adjudged and decreed, that said proof is sufficient and according to law and that said paper writing is and contains the last will and testament of Merritt Dugg, deceased. And on motion it is ordered that said will be admitted to probate and recorded in the book of wills of Greene County and as such filed as provided by law in the office of the Clerk of Superior Court of said County. It is further ordered that said Sam'l. Dugg be allowed to qualify as executor as provided by law and enter upon the discharge of the duties imposed by said trust. Dated this the 14<sup>th</sup> day of July 1878-

J. W. Blount  
Clerk of Superior Court

J. Lemuel Dawson of the County of Greene and state of North Carolina do declare this to be my last will and Testament. First I give to my wife Lengard Dawson all my land on the south side of the road and ten acres immediately around the house where we now live together with all the buildings thereon (the lines of the said ten acres to be designated by her) during her natural life then I give to all my personal property during her lifetime except such as I shall hereinafter dispose of then I give to my son Lemuel Dawson 100 acres of land known as lot No 1 in the division of my land then I give to my daughter J. A. Lane 120 acres of land it being lot No 2 in said division but direct that she shall pay to my son W. P. Dawson forty dollars at my death and pay him eight per cent interest on said amount annually from now during my life then I give to my Daughter A. L. Hardy one hundred twenty nine acres of land it being lot No 3 in the said division of land I also direct that my executors pay her one hundred dollars in money then I give to my son J. A. Dawson (90) acres of land it being lot No 4 in said division of land and direct that my executors pay him one hundred dollars in money and I further direct that he shall pay my son W. P. Dawson six Eight dollars and forty four cents at my death and pay him eight per cent interest on said amount annually during my lifetime then I give to my son John C. Dawson 100 acres of land it being lot No 6 in the said division of my land I direct that he shall pay to my son W. P. Dawson one hundred eighteen dollars and fifty four cents at my death and pay him eight per cent interest on the said amount annually during my lifetime then I give my daughter Mary Parker lot No 5 it being the land lying between lots No 4 and 6 and includes the ten acre lot named to be hers at my said Wifes death then I further direct that at my said Wifes death all my land not already given in this will with whatever property may or does then belong to my estate of every description be equally divided between all my children share and share alike Lastly I name and hereby appoint John C. Dawson and Lemuel Dawson to be executors of this my last will and Testament in testimony of which I the said Lemuel Dawson have this my last will and Testament subscribed my name and affixed my seal this the 11<sup>th</sup> day of March 1889,

Lemuel Dawson (cont'd)