

and examination of B. H. Edwards and J. V. Murrell
 subscribing witnesses thereto and it is further shown
 to the ^{fact} Court by said witnesses that the said Jas. H. Cobb
 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 their knowledge, information or belief.
 It is thereupon considered, adjudged and decreed, that said
 proof is sufficient and according to law and the said
 paper writing is and contains the last will and testament
 of Jas. H. Cobb dec'd 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 probate
 as provided by law in the office of the Clerk of the
 Superior Court of said County. It is further ordered
 that said J. H. Lynch & C. B. Cobb be allowed to
 qualify as Executors provided by law and enter upon
 the discharge of their duties imposed by this trust
 dated this the 14th day of October 1899

John R. Dail ckt

North Carolina
 Greene County

I Sarah Eliza Grimsley, wife of John D. Grimsley
 of Greene County, North Carolina, do make and publish
 my last Will and Testament in manner and form
 following, that is to say:

I desire and direct that all my just debts
 be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease
 as may be practicable.

Item 1st I hereby give and devise unto my beloved
 husband John D. Grimsley and his heirs all of my
 lands, tenements, and hereditaments, including all of
 my Town Lots in the Town of Snow Hill, and all
 my other lands in Greene County, and all real estate
 whatsoever owned by me at the time of my decease
 wheresoever the same may be situate, upon, to and
 for ^{the} several uses ends, intents and purposes hereinafter
 expressed and declared of and concerning the same
 that is to say: in trust to pay and apply the rents issues
 & profits of the same for and towards the maintenance
 and education now and benefit of all and every of the child-
 ren that are or shall be the issue of our marriage
 in equal proportions share and share alike after deducting
 all proper and necessary charges and outgoings attending

the same, including a reasonable charge for the
 trouble and services incident to the performance
 of the trust herein declared and that if any of said
 children shall die without issue the survivors or
 survivors shall take the share which would have
 been such deceased child's if the same had lived;
 and in trust further more, and he is hereby given
 power and authority, that at any time before the coming
 of full age of the youngest living of our said children
 he the said trustee may sell any of the said land
 tenements & hereditaments on such terms and in such
 manner and way as to him may seem most advanta-
 geous to said children, and invest the proceeds of
 such sale or sales in land or other property as he may
 think for their best interest, and hold and manage the
 proceeds aforesaid or the property in which he has so
 invested the same in trust for the said children equally
 for their use and benefit and that of the lawful heirs
 of such of them as may have died leaving issue
 subject to the charges and outgoings as herebefore
 mentioned. And in trust furthermore, that at any time
 before the happening of said event, to wit, the coming
 of full age of such youngest child, the said trustee
 in his discretion may, ^{and} and upon the happening of
 said event, he the said trustee shall convey by deed
 absolutely and in fee simple to such of said children
 as may be living and the lawful heirs of such of
 them as may be deceased the said lands and real estate
 and the property representing such thereof as may have
 been sold or invested as aforesaid he the trustee, in so
 conveying to them the same, having power and authority
 to give and convey the same in such proportions
 or shares as his own best judgment may dictate, I
 having and reposing full confidence in his fatherly affec-
 tion and wise discretion in making such dispositions
 but if within six months after the said youngest
 child shall attain full age the said conveyance
 shall not have been executed, or if the said trustee
 John D. Grimsley shall die without having executed
 the same then, in either event, it is my will
 and I do hereby direct that our said children and
 the issue aforesaid thereupon take, hold and enjoy
 absolutely and in fee simple the said lands and
 property (including that so substituted as aforesaid)

and examination of D. W. Edwards and J. V. Merrill
 subscribing witnesses thereto and it is further shown
 to the Court by said witnesses that the said Jas. H. Cobb
 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 their knowledge, information or belief.
 It is thereupon considered, adjudged and decreed, that said
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 paper writing is and contains the last will and testament
 of Jas. H. Cobb dec'd 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 prob.
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 Superior Court of said County. It is further ordered
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 qualify as Executors provided by law and enter upon
 the discharge of their duties imposed by this trust
 dated this the 14th day of October 1899

John R. Dail off

North Carolina
 Greene County

I Sarah Adelaide Grimsley, wife of John D. Grimsley
 of Greene County, North Carolina, do make and publish
 my last Will and Testament in manner and form
 following, that is to say:

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 be paid out of my estate as soon after my decease
 as may be practicable.

Item 1. I hereby give and devise unto my beloved
 husband John D. Grimsley and his heirs all of my
 lands, tenements, and hereditaments, including all of
 my Town Lots in the Town of Snow Hill, and all
 my other lands in Greene County, and all real estate
 whatsoever owned by me at the time of my decease
 wheresoever the same may be situated, upon, to and
 for several uses unto, intents and purposes hereinafter
 expressed and declared of and concerning the same
 that is to say: in trust to pay and apply the rents issues
 & profits of the same for and towards the maintenance
 and education was and benefit of all and every of the child-
 ren that are or shall be the issue of our existing marriage
 in equal proportions share and share alike after deducting
 all proper and necessary charges and outgoings attending

the same, including a reasonable charge for the
 trouble and services incident to the performance
 of the trust herein declared and that if any of said
 children shall die without issue the survivors or
 survivors shall take the share which would have
 been such deceased child's if the same had lived;
 and in trust further more, and he is hereby given
 power and authority, that at any time before the coming
 of full age of the youngest living of our said children
 he the said trustee may sell any of the said lands
 tenements & hereditaments on such terms and in such
 manner and way as to him may seem most advanta-
 geous to said children, and invest the proceeds of
 such sale or sales in land or other property as he may
 think for their best interest, and hold and manage the
 proceeds aforesaid or the property in which he has so
 invested the same in trust for the said children equally
 for their use and benefit and that of the lawful heirs
 of such of them as may have died leaving issue
 subject to the charges and outgoings as herebefore-
 mentioned. And in trust furthermore, that at any time
 before the happening of said event, to wit the coming
 of full age of such youngest child, the said trustee
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in the same way, plight and manner as they would take the same by operation of law if I had died intestate.

Item 2. I give and bequeath my personal estate consisting of household and kitchen furniture stock in my store in Snow Hill crops live stock shares in Building and Loan association notes bonds & moneys and all my personal property & effects of whatsoever kind and description to my said husband to, for and upon the uses intents and purposes following to wit:—in trust that hold the same for the education, maintenance benefit use and advantage of our said children and the lawful issue of such as may be deceased having issue. I hereby giving him power and authority to dispose of and invest the said personal property shares, bonds, notes, moneys &c in such way and manner as in his discretion he may deem for the best interest and advantage of the children & issue aforesaid subject to such proper charges and expenses as may be incident to the performance of the trust hereby created

Item 3. I hereby appoint my said husband the Executor of this my last Will and Testament; and I hereby revoke all wills by me heretofore made.

In witness whereof I have hereunto set my hand and seal this 27. day of August in the year Eighteen hundred and Ninety Six

Sarah A. Grimsley *(seal)*

Then and there signed, sealed, published and declared by Sarah Adelaide Grimsley, the testator above named as and for her last Will and Testament in the presence of us who at her request, in her presence and in presence of each ~~other~~ other have hereto set our names as witnesses to the same.

Isaac Carr
D.S. X and y

State of North Carolina }
Greene County }
In my office }
Sarah A. Grimsley deceased }
I, John B. Dail Clerk
order for probate of Will

A paper writing purporting to be the last will and Testament of Sarah A. Grimsley deceased is exhibited in open

court for probate by John D. Grimsley Executor therein named; and the due execution thereof by the said Sarah A. Grimsley dec'd is duly proven by the oath and examination of Isaac Carr and L. S. Hardy subscribing Witnesses thereto and it is further shown to the satisfaction of the Court by said Witnesses that the said Sarah A. Grimsley 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 their knowledge, information or belief. It is therefore 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 Sarah A. Grimsley dec'd. 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 Superior Court of said County. It is further ordered that said John D. Grimsley 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 16. day of October 1899

John B. Dail,

Clerk Superior Court

State of North Carolina }
Greene County }

I William Coward of the County of Greene and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last Will and Testament, in manner and form following that is to say:—First That my executor (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my relatives & friends, and pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts however and to whomsoever owing out of the moneys that may first come into her hands as a part or parcel of my estate.

Item 1st. I give and devise to my beloved wife Cyren Coward five hundred dollars in money, and three head of horses or mules her choice all of my cattle and hogs forming utensils negroes & extra