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bequeathed by my will and part to my surviving
children as their share
I am Myself and devise in that all the residue of my
estate both real and personal after taking out the debts
and paying above mentioned shall be sold by my executor
within six months after the death of the said
the estate so to do as I do command that they do
not force sale, but that they give themselves time to the
year time in so doing, as not to sacrifice my property
at the purchase of my estate; And it further my will
that my executor collect all debt owing to me and
out of the monies collected and of the proceeds of all what

I have been directed which said sale or sales shall be either
private or public as my executor shall think best. I have
my executor after having paid my debt to set apart and apply
the three hundred dollars in cash to the education
and maintenance in any reasonable respect of my first and
it surviving wife. I will furthermore that my executor within
a reasonable time not less than six nor more than two years
shall up and settle all my partnership matters, and have
my debt being paid, and my partnership matters fixed
and quiet, and the legacies and devises herein fully paid
as in my will and devise that the property residue in
whatsoever shape remaining in the hands of my executor
shall be equally divided and paid over to my three
daughters Anne Mary Sarah Coublin Rely and Eliza
Hedge Rely in equal parts share and share alike to
them and their heirs and assigns of their three quarters Adam
Rely and assigns absolutely and forever.

3402 I am And whereas my youngest daughter Eliza
Hedge Rely and my grandchild Henry Babstina Rely
are minors and will not be of the full age of twenty one years
several years. And therefore my real mind and devise is that my
executor hereafter named has fully constituted guardian
of these two children to have and to hold the custody and
guardianship of both their respective persons and estates, until
they the said Eliza Hedge Rely and Henry Babstina Rely
shall come of age or the full age of twenty one years.

And lastly I do hereby appoint my first and true friend
and friend John P. Brown and my friend wife Mary A. Rely
my executor in and to all that is herein expressed to be done
by last will and testament according to the true intent and meaning of

...and ...
...with all other wills and testaments by
me Thetofra made.

In witness whereof I the said Valentine Riple
do hereunto set my hand and seal on this the 13th
day of July In the year of our Lord one thousand
eight hundred and ninety three.

Signed sealed published and declared
by the said Valentine Riple to be his R Riple Ed
last will and testament in the presence
of us who at his request and his per
sons do subscribe our names as
witnesses thereto.

W J ...
J H ...
T H Russell

Witnessed to well
State of North Carolina ...
Valentine Riple still being of sound mind
and memory and desiring to make some alterations
in his former will and testament dated as above on
the 13th day of July A.D. 1873 and witnessed by W J ...
J H ... T H Russell.

That it is my desire that in ... in page 4 of
said will I bequeath ... one hundred and fifty two acres
of land ... in the ... of ... in
this ... to my ... in said ...
... is hereby revoked ... and ...
... and some ... will.

I want that in ... in page ... it is my
will and desire that instead of ... I want
to have my equal portion ... with ...
... and ... in
the ... of my estate after ...
... are all ... and ...
... and ...
... that the ...
... estate ...
... be ...
... and ...
... that after the ...

State of North Carolina In the Probate Court
 Lenoir County October 15 1879

A paper with a purporting to be the last Will and Testament of W. H. Ripley, deceased, was presented to the undersigned Judge of Probate, in and by said Judge by H. G. Ewart and the trustees therein named, M. J. Jordan and W. H. Ripley, to other parties, and requires them to submit testimony and being so compelled before the undersigned they were sworn of right to qualify as such, and the execution of the said last Will and Testament was duly proven by the oath and affirmation of M. J. Jordan and W. H. Ripley two of the subscribing witnesses thereof who after being duly sworn each for himself that he is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown being purporting to be the last Will and Testament of W. H. Ripley, that the said W. H. Ripley in the presence of the said witnesses subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing which is now shown them and which was dated on the 23rd day of July 1873 and they state further that the said W. H. Ripley the testator did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid declare the said paper writing as subscribed by him and acknowledged the same as his last Will and Testament and the said witnesses did then and there subscribe their names at the end of said Will and Testament and at the request and in the presence of the said testator.

And the said witnesses do further state that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his name in the said last Will as aforesaid, and at the time of the said witnesses subscribing their names as attesting their names as attesting witnesses the said W. H. Ripley was of sound mind and memory of full age at the time of said Will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge or information of the said witnesses.

A paper writing attached to said Will purporting to be a Codicil to the last Will and Testament of W. H. Ripley, deceased is also exhibited by the said H. G. Ewart and the due execution thereof by the said W. H. Ripley was duly proven by the oath and affirmation of M. J. Jordan and W. H. Ripley two of the subscribing witnesses.

who after being duly sworn state each that he is a
subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown
him purporting to be a codicil to the last Will and
Testament of Dr Ripley that the said Dr Ripley in the
presence of the said witnesses subscribed his name
at the end of said paper writing which is now shown
as aforesaid and which bears date on the 29th day of June 1879.

And they further state that the said Dr Ripley the testator
aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as
aforesaid declare the paper writing subscribed by him
And exhibited to be a codicil to his last Will and Testament
And the said witnesses did thereupon subscribe their names at
the end of said Codicil as attesting witnesses thereto, And at
the request and in the presence of the said testator. And they further
state that at the said time when the said testator subscribed his
name to the said Codicil as aforesaid, And at the time of the
witnesses subscribing their names as attesting witnesses as
aforesaid the said Dr Ripley was of sound mind and memory
of full age to execute a will and was not under any
restraint in the knowledge information or belief of the witnesses

And the other paper writing purporting to be a second
Codicil to the said last Will and Testament, which is attached
to said Will is exhibited And the execution thereof by the said
Dr Ripley was duly proven by the oath and affirmation
of W. D. Jordan and W. L. Stoddy two of the subscribing
witness thereto who being duly sworn both depose and
say And each for himself depose and say that he
is a subscribing witness to the paper writing now
shown him And which bears date on the 29th day of
September 1879. And the deponents further say that
they said Dr Ripley the testator aforesaid did at the time of signing
his name as aforesaid to the said paper writing so
subscribed by him And exhibited to be a codicil to his last
Will and Testament, And the said witnesses did thereupon
subscribe their names to the said Codicil as aforesaid as
attesting witnesses thereto, And at the request and in the presence
of the said testator And the said witnesses do further say that
at the time when the testator subscribed his name to the said
Codicil as aforesaid, And at the time when they subscribed their names
as attesting witnesses thereto as aforesaid the said Dr Ripley was of
sound mind and memory of full age to execute a will and
was not under any restraint in the knowledge information or belief
of the said witnesses. It is therefore Ordered by the Court

paper writings including the said will and
 into which there is attached is the last will
 and testament of the said ~~Or Rife~~ and
 it is therefore ordered adjudged and decreed
 that the said will and testament of the said
~~Or Rife~~ be recorded and filed according to
 law and the said ~~Or Rife~~ is duly sworn
 qualified as executor of the said last will and
 testament and letters testamentary duly issued
 this 18th Oct 1879.

W. H. Pace
 Judge of Probate

Know all men by these presents that I John Colquhoun
 of the County of Henderson and State of North-Carolina
 do make and publish this my last will and testament
 hereby revoking all former wills by me made.
 I hereby give devise, and bequeath to my beloved wife Janet Cullen
 or Colquhoun during her natural life, all my property of whatever
 kind, Real estate, personal & mixed property, and at her
 death, the said Real, personal & mixed property, and
 at her death shall go absolutely to my daughter Jessie
 Finley Colquhoun to her, her heirs and assigns forever
 as I hereby devise and bequeath. I hereby constitute and
 appoint my said wife, the executrix of this my last will &
 testament and request that she be not required to file
 any bond or give or make any inventory that I by law have
 the power to waive.

In witness whereof I have hereunto signed & sealed
 this instrument, and published and declared the same
 as and for my last will & testament at Flat Rock
 N.C. this 14th day of May A.D. 1875
 John Colquhoun Test.

At Flat Rock N.C. on this 14th day of May
 A.D. 1875 the above named John Colquhoun signed
 sealed this instrument and published & declared
 the same to be for and as his last will
 and testament & we in his presence and at his request & in the presence of each other
 have hereunto subscribed our names as witnesses.

R. M. Lanchlan
 Margaret M. Lanchlan
 George W. Lanchlan