

Will of Reuben Perry

In the name of God Amen I Reuben Perry of Johnston County and the State of North Carolina, being of sound and perfect mind and memory blessed be God do this 18th day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and thirteen make and publish this my last will and testament in manner following that is to say

Item I give and bequeath unto my Elizabeth Perry one negro woman by the name of Courtney and all my land and tenements including the one hundred and fifty acres of land which I bought of Isaac Hinkle de^d on which I now live and have given said lands in deed of gift to my son Reuben Godwin.

I also give unto my wife Elizabeth one horse and saddle two cows and calves and her third of the perishable property and household property during of her life and widowhood. I also give unto my wife Elizabeth one bed and furniture.

Item I also give unto my two sons Rigdon Perry also Godwin the remains of my lands and tenements setting aside the land and tenements on where I now live which I have given to my beloved son Reuben Godwin including and my household and perishable property the whole to be equally divided between my two sons Reuben Perry and Reuben Godwin including the negro woman Courtney after my wife Elizabeth death or widowhood including Courtneys increase should she have any to go to my two beloved sons Rigdon Perry and Reuben Godwin and I do hereby make and ordain my worthy friends Jesse Wall and William Wilbourn executors of this my last will and testament. In witness I the said Reuben Perry have to this my last will and testament set my hand and seal the day and year above written. Signed sealed published and declared by the said Reuben Perry the testator as his last will and testament in the presence of us who were present at the signing and sealing thereof.

Witness
Will Wilbourn
Theophilus ^{his} Beddingfield.

Reuben Perry (Seal)

Will of John Cassell

In the name of God Amen I John Cassell of the County of Johnston in the State of North Carolina, being in a low state of health but of sound and disposing mind and memory for which I am truly thankful to the great and wise disposer of all events do make and ordain this my last will and testament as follows (to wit)

First I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Sally Cassell wife of Mitchell Cassell fifty five dollars in cash.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Lucy Cassell wife of William Cassell fifty five dollars in cash one feather bed and one womans saddle.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Solilah House wife of Warren House one negro boy named Salisbury now in their possession to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath my daughter Susanna Griffith wife of Laban Griffith one negro girl named Abria now in their possession to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved daughter Winifred Johnson wife of Willis Johnson one negro boy named Handy now in their possession to her and her heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Benjamin Cassell one negro girl named Lancy now in his possession to him and his heirs forever.

Item I give and bequeath unto my beloved son Mathew Cassell two hundred acres of land lying in said County on the waters of Middle Creek to be taken off the Southern part of a tract of land I purchased of Jonathan Austin one negro boy by the name of Frank one bay filly my new saddle to him his heirs and assigns forever, also one feather bed bedstead and furniture.

Item I give and bequeath unto my son Merrill Cassell two hundred ~~acres~~ and twenty five acres of land being the remaining part of the aforesaid tract by me purchased of said Jonathan Austin and out of which I have given to my son Mathew Cassell two hundred acres two negro boys named Jo and Abria.