

the one used by them for shaving purposes.
Item 8th. I give to my beloved daughter Alice A. V. Fields
one work stand.

And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my son
William K. Whitfield my lawful executor to all intents
and purposes to execute this my last will and testament
according to the true meaning and intent of the same
and every part and clause thereof, hereby revoking all
other will and testaments by me made.

In witness whereof, I hereunto set my hand and seal
this the tenth day of Oct., 1879.

Witness:

Geo. L. Saylor.

Jane Fields.

Demario ^{his} Whitfield ^{mark} (Seal)

Recorded in the office of the Superior Court Clerk and
Probate Judge of Lenoir County the 5th day of Dec., 1879.

W. H. H. Hunter,
Probate Judge.

James Davis.

Will.

Lenoir County— In the Probate Court

In the matter of the will } Before W. H. H. Hunter,
of James Davis, decd. } Judge of Probate.

David S. Davis, being sworn, doth say:

That James Davis, late of said county is dead, having
first made and published his last will and testa-
ment; and that David S. Davis is the executor named
therein. Further, that the property of the said James
Davis, consisting of household and kitchen furniture,
horse, harness, and farming utensils, cattle and hogs
is worth about two hundred dollars, as far as can be
ascertained at the date of this application, and that
Mary Catherine Davis is the party entitled under
said will to the said property.

Sworn to and subscribed before
me, this 26th day of December, 1879.

W. H. H. Hunter,
Probate Judge.

A. S. Davis.

North Carolina,
Lenoir County.

Probate Court

A paper purporting to be the last will and testament
of James Davis, deceased, is exhibited before me by David
S. Davis, the Executor, and the due execution thereof of said
deceased is proved by the oath and examination of M. E.
Robinson and Ella Miller, the subscribing witnesses thereto;
who being sworn, doth depose and say, and each for him-
self, depose and saith, that he is a subscribing witness to
the paper writing now shown him, purporting to be the
last will and testament of James Davis, decd, that the said
James Davis in the presence of this deponent subscribed his
name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown
as aforesaid and which bears date of the tenth day of Febru-
ary, 1879.

And the deponent further saith that the said James Davis
the testator aforesaid, did, at the time of subscribing his
name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing as sub-
scribed by him and exhibited, to be his last will and tes-
tament. And this deponent did, thereupon, subscribe his
name at the end of said will as an attesting witness ther-
to, and at the request and in presence of 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 the deponent's
subscribing his name as an attesting witness thereto, the said
James Davis 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 these deponents say, note
Severally sworn and subscribed
this 26th day of December, 1879,
before me.

Ella E. Miller (Seal)
M. E. Robinson, (Seal)

W. H. H. Hunter,
Probate Judge.

Lenoir County— Probate Court December 26, 1879.

On reading and considering the application of David S.
Davis, to admit a paper writing purporting to be the last
and testament of James Davis, decd, to probate, and
examined, on oath, Ella E. Miller, and M. E. Robinson,
subscribing witnesses thereto, as to the execution thereof.

having examined and considered the application of David S. Davis to be qualified as executor, according to the appointment of said paper writing; it is adjudged that said paper writing and every part thereof, is the last will and testament of James Davis, dec'd; and the same, as such, is ordered to be recorded and filed.

And, thereupon, David S. Davis, the executor aforesaid, comes forward and takes and subscribes the following oath:

State of North Carolina,

Lenoir County.

In the Probate Court
I, David S. Davis, do solemnly swear, that I believe this writing to be and contain the last will and testament of James Davis, dec'd, and that I will well and truly execute the same, by first paying his debts and then his legacies, as far as the said estate shall extend, or the law will charge me, and that I will well and faithfully execute the office of an executor, agreeable to the trust and confidence reposed in me, and according to law, so help me God.

D. S. Davis.

Sworn and subscribed
before me, Dec. 26, 1879.

W. H. Hunter, P. J.

whereupon, letters Testamentary are issued to said D. S. Davis as executor of said last will and testament.

I, James Davis of the County of Lenoir in state of North Carolina, being in feeble health and of sound mind and memory, calling to mind the frailty and uncertainty of human life, and being desirous of settling my worldly affairs and directing how the property with which it has pleased God to bless me, shall be disposed of after my decease, while I have strength and capacity so to do, do make and publish this my last will and testament and first I commend my immortal being to him who gave it, and my body to the earth to be buried.

And as to my property, real and personal, of which I shall die seized and possessed or to which I shall be entitled at the time of my decease, I devise, bequeath, and dispose thereof in the manner following to-wit: My will is, that all my just debts and funeral charges shall by my executor hereinafter named, be paid out

my estate as soon after my decease as shall by him be found convenient. I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved daughter Mary Catherine Davis, all my household and kitchen furniture, my horse, harness and farming utensils and all my cattle and hogs and all other property that I may be possessed of at the time of my decease, also all moneys on hand and all notes & accounts that may be due to me. Whereas, I have written this my last will and testament, and have given all my worldly goods to my daughter, Mary C. Davis, I do now ask and request of her, that she will give to Miss Betsey Irwin a portion of said property, or as that she is provided for during her stay of life.

Lastly, I do nominate and appoint my son, David Samuel Davis to be the Executor of this my last will and testament.

In witness whereof, I, the said James Davis, have to this my last will and testament, subscribed my name and fixed my seal this the tenth day of February, 1879.

Witness:

W. E. Robinson.

Ella Miller.

James Davis, *Seal*

Recorded in the office of the Probate Judge and Superior Court Clerk of Lenoir County, Feb. 28, 1880.

W. H. Hunter, P. J.

Probate Judge.

Wilson Tilghman.

Will.

State of North Carolina,

Lenoir County.

In the Probate Court

In the matter of the Probate of
the Will of Wilson Tilghman.

1. Charles W. Tilghman and Joshua Skinner respectfully sheweth to the Court that Wilson Tilghman of Lenoir County died on the 5th day of January, 1880, leaving a last Will and Testament which your petitioners now presents for Probate.

2. That your Petitioners are the executors named in said Will.

3. The value of the personal estate of said deceased is about two hundred dollars.