

March, 1883.
W. H. Hunt,
Judge of Probate.

Richard W. King. I, Richard W. King, of the Town of Kinston County of Lenoir, and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and disposing memory, nevertheless being mindful of the uncertainty of human life, do hereby make, publish and declare this to be my last will and testament, hereby expressly cancelling, and revoking all former wills and testaments of whatsoever kind or nature by me at any time before made published and declared in manner and form following:

Item 1st.

It is my will and desire that my Executors, hereinafter named, shall provide a decent burial for my body, and erect a suitable tombstone over my remains, and I desire that my body shall be buried in the grave lot which I own near the town of Kinston, and that said Executors shall erect a substantial brick wall or a suitable iron fence around the grave lot which I now own near the Kinston Cemetery, for whites immediately after my burial, and pay the expenses of my burial and of the erection of said wall out of the first money that may come into their hands.

Item 2nd.

It is my will and desire that my Executors immediately after my death pay all of my just debts if any such there be.

Item 3rd.

I give, devise, and bequeath to my beloved wife Susan King one third part, in value, of all of my real estate as her dower to be held by her during the term of her natural life to be allotted to her according to law by my Executors.

Item 4th.

I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Susan King one half of all of my personal property, to be allotted to her by my Executors according to law.

Item 5th.

It is my will and desire that my Executors

lay off and allot to my beloved wife Susan King her Year's allowance as my widow according to law.

Item 6th.

I give, devise and bequeath to my beloved wife Susan King the two mules now on my lot in Kinston named Jack and Jem as her sole and absolute property.

Item 7th.

I give to my cousin Kate Brown the sum of Fifty Hundred Dollars (\$500.) in cash to be paid her by my Executors, and I also loan her during the term of her natural life lot Number seventy-eight (78) in the plan of the Town of Kinston and at her death I give, devise and bequeath said lots William Hunter his heirs and assigns in fee simple.

Item 8th.

I loan to my niece Sophie C. West the lot in the town of Kinston on which she now resides, who came being known and designated in the plan of said town as lot Number one hundred and five (105) during the term of her natural life, and after her death I give, devise and bequeath said lot to her daughter Tiffany West and her heirs in fee simple.

Item 9th.

I give, devise, and bequeath to Tiffany West my piano.

Item 10th.

I give, devise and bequeath to Susan and Thomas, children of Wm. H. Hunter and Ada Hunter one thousand Dollars to be equally divided between them.

Item 11th.

I loan to Richard Taylor, son of Mary Taylor, a tract of land lying on Southwest Creek adjoining the land of Sally Grady, H. S. Edwards, and others containing two hundred and forty acres (240) more or less being the same land which I purchased of Jesse Alphin by deed bearing date the 7th day of December, A.D. 1863, during the term of his natural life; and if he leaves heirs of his body him surviving to said heirs in fee simple in case of a failure of the heirs of his body, at his death I give, devise and bequeath said tract of land to the children of Mrs. Mary Ann Hunter and Mrs. Alice Hunter to be equally divided between each set of children.

Item 12th.

Richard Taylor the sum of Five Hundred Dollars to be paid to the said Richard Taylor upon his attaining the age of twenty-one; and I hereby authorize and empower said Trustee to use said money, or so much thereof, as may be necessary for the education of said Richard Taylor at any time and pay over only the balance thereof remaining to the said Richard Taylor: should the said Taylor die before he attains the age of twenty-one, leaving no heirs of his body, any balance of said money remaining in the hands of said Trustee shall be equally divided between the children of Mrs. Mary Ann Hunter and Sophie C. West one half to the children of each, but if said Richard Taylor leave heirs of his body such heirs shall be entitled to receive said money or the amount thereof unpaid as their absolute property.

Item 13th.

I give, devise and bequeath to James Young and Elizabeth Young, the children of Eliza Young, the sum of Two Hundred Dollars (\$200.) each, to be paid them by my Executors.

Item 14th.

I give to each of my two nieces Mary Ann Hunter and Sophie C. West the sum of One Thousand Dollars (\$1000.) each, to be paid them by my Executors.

Item 15th.

I give, devise and bequeath to William Hunter, ^{and Tora Hunter} children of Mary Ann Hunter, and Horace West, Tiffany West and Richard West, children of Sophie C. West, to be divided amongst them, share and share alike, and if any of said children shall die, his or her share to go to her brother and sister surviving. The following tract or parcels of land, viz.:

Two tracts of land, one lying East and the other South of the town of Kinston, one known as the New Plantation and the other as the Stubbs land, and one acre known as the Dunn land including three-eights of an acre more or less known as the Brown place, all part of an acre known as the Brown place which purchase of John Hollins; one half of an acre on South Street formerly owned by Charles Phillips and wife, also two acres

of A.R. Miller and the other of John T. Hooten, including a small piece purchased of John H. Collins adjoining the same; one half acre in the old town of Kinston and left out by the new Charter of said town, known as the Washington old store lot; also a small piece purchased of Walter Dunn about seven and three fourths acres forming part of old plantation also four hundred and eleven acres more or less lying on the Kinston and Snow Hill road about two and a half miles from Kinston known as the Turf lands; also all town lots owned by me in the town of Kinston, being lots 57, 58, 59, 60, and 135 in the plan of said city, all of the above land being in Kinston Town ship; one Town lot and improvements in the Town of New Bern, County of Craven, and State of North Carolina, known as the Merchants Bank lot being lots 56 in the plan of said town; also 200 acres of land in Vance Township in Lenoir County, North Carolina, known as the excess of Henderson's ^{Leflin's} homestead, (being more or less than 200 acres), also the Mr. Gray land in Lenoir East State Township in Lenoir County, containing 296 acres more or less; also 122^{1/2} acres more or less in said Township known as the Richard West lands; also 400 acres more or less in Woodington Township Lenoir County, known as the Haller lands; also a less ^{real} estate known by me in the State of North Carolina or elsewhere, or that may come to me. Provided however that my Executors shall first lay off the one third of my lands heretofore given my wife Susan King, as her dower before any of said real estate shall vest in any of the said legatees, and after the death of my wife, Susan King, the property given her as dower shall be divided among said legatees or devisees herein named, all of said property shall go to said devisees named above and their heirs in fee simple forever.

Item 16th.

I give devise and bequeath to William Hunter, Hunter and Tora Hunter, children of Mary Ann Hunter and to Horace West, Tiffany West and Richard West, children of Sophie C. West, to be divided amongst them, share and share alike and if any of said children shall die, his or her share to go to her brother and sister and all the rest and issue of my personal estate the same.