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In the name of God Amen
& imploring divine direction & blessing to accompany
this solemn work of setting my house in order before I die
I widow Mary Ferguson living on the head waters
of Crowders Creek Lincoln County North Carolina
being in a declining state of health but of perfect
mind memory & judgment (thanks to Almighty God)
& knowing that it is appointed for all men once to die
do make make & constitute this my last will & testament
in the following manner & form, that is to say, after
Committing my soul ^{to God} who gave it & my body to the earth
to be buried in a Christian like manner, I allow my
last debts & funeral expenses to be paid out of the whole
& as to any worldly property which with I had placed
my heavenly benefactor to forgive me I give devise &
bequeath it in the manner & form following first I leave
& bequeath to my Grandson Alfred Hall Ferguson son to
George W Ferguson all that tract & parcel of Land now
own & possess containing about two hundred acres to the
same more or less bounded by the Spicuta Island,
William Love & John Fergusons Land & to said Alfred
H Ferguson his heirs & assigns for ever with all rights
members & appurtenance thereto belonging - also I leave
& bequeath to my Grand daughter Mary Eliza Ferguson
daughter to George W Ferguson all personal property
which I own viz a horse, cows, sheep, Hogs &c
with every article I now own except as is here excepted
to my daughter Mary Ann Nail I leave & bequeath my
bed & bed furniture & all my clothing, Chest, iron
Churn & spinning wheel & to my other children viz

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Thomas, Robert, James William Andrew John & George
W. Ferguson I leave & bequeath to each of them one
shilling sterling (if demanded) to cut them off from any
claim they might make considering that each of them
has already received their part & for the full execution
of this my last will & testament

I nominate and appoint William McGill Esqr &
my son George W. Ferguson the Ex^r renouncing
any other will or wills heretofore made by me
In Testimony whereof I do hereunto set my hand and
affix my seal this 25 day of August in the Year of
Our Lord one thousand eight hundred & twenty five
Signed sealed & acknowledged ^{her}
in presence of us Mary X Ferguson (read)
mark

John Ferguson

John L. Rainey Esqr

G. W. Ferguson

George W. Ferguson qualified
as executor