

Turner Abornathy's Will

In the name of God Amen

I Turner Abornathy of the County of Lincoln & State of North Carolina being of sound mind & memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence, do make and declare this my last Will & Testament in manner and form following that is to say
First That my Executor (hereinafter named) shall provide for my body a decent Burial suitable to the wishes of my Relations & friends and pay all funeral expenses together with all my debts howsoever due to whomsoever owing out of the money that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate)

Item I give & bequeath to my beloved wife Susan all my estate consisting of one negro girl named Annuluberty together with her increase and all my household & kitchen furniture, and all my stock horses Cattle Hogs Sheep or any and all other stock or property that may be on hand at my death to have & to hold to her the said Susan for and during the term of her natural life

Item I give & bequeath to my eldest daughter Nancy (wife) of Franklin Oats five dollars to her & her personal representatives forever

Item, I give & bequeath to my daughter Fanny Ede, (now widow of Richard Brown, dec'd) five dollars to her & her personal representatives forever

Item, I give & bequeath to my two daughters Martha Rebecca and Nancy Williams (now single women) at the death of my wife Susan all the property that I gave to said Susan my wife viz. one negro girl named

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Amblebury together with her increase & all stock horses cattle hog sheep and
 all and every other property that may be on hands to be equally divided
 "Then Thine & if the said Martha & Nancy cannot agree in the division thereof
 Then all the above named property to be sold and the proceeds to be equally divided
 = did between Thine the said Martha & Nancy to have & to hold to them and their
 personal Representatives forever. And lastly I do hereby constitute and appoint
 = my Trusty friend Daniel A. Haynes my lawful executor to all intents
 and purposes to execute this my last Will & Testament by me hereunto
 two instant & meaning of the same and every part & clause thereof by me hereunto
 Broking and declaring with my Voice all other Wills & Testaments by me hereunto
 for made. In Witness Whereof I the said Turner Alternately do hereunto
 Set my hand & seal this 9th day of May 1858
 Signed sealed published & declared by the said
 Turner Alternately to be his last Will & Testament in his
 presence of us who at his Request & in his
 Thine
 Myatt Grault "I was at
 W. B. McCaslin "I was at
 D. A. Hinson leg. sworn
 Levi Haffners Will