

signed sealed and published and declared by James R. Purvis to be his last will and testament who signed this instrument in our presence and requested us to sign the same in his as witnesses this 20th Sept 1865

W. G. Taylor

L. W. Hally

State of North Carolina Martin County Court Jan'y Term 1866

There was the following foregoing paper writing purporting to be the last will and testament of James R. Purvis delivered exhibited in open court for probate by Wm. W. Purvis the executor therein named and the due execution thereof by the said James R. Purvis is proved by the oath and examination of W. G. Taylor one of the subscribing witnesses thereto. It is therefore ordered by the Court that the said paper writing and every part thereof is the last will and testament of the said James R. Purvis and the same is ordered to be recorded and filed and thereupon the said W. W. Purvis executor as aforesaid duly qualified as such by taking the oath prescribed by law

Wm. W. Purvis ex

Frederick Taylor's Will

I Frederick Taylor of the County of Martin and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last will and testament in manner following That is to say

First that my executor (herein after named) shall provide for my body a decent burial to the wishes of my relations and friends and pay all funeral expenses together with my just debts however and to whomsoever owing out of the monies that may first come into his hands as a part or parcel of my estate

Item I lend to my beloved daughter Fendarilla Satterwhite certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Martin County and State of North Carolina situated on an Spence branch

adjoining the land of Messrs Harrell and Wm. L. Brown, being beginning on the branch where the road crosses the branch running North 28 west 4 poles thence along the thence along the North 28 west 65 poles thence north 22 east to Harrells line thence south 60 east to the run of Spence branch thence down the various courses of said branch to the first station containing by estimation fifty acres more or less and give it to her children if any If no children I wish it to return to my lawful heirs

Item I lend to my beloved daughter Ann Eliza Harrell a certain tract or parcel of land lying and being in Martin County and State of North Carolina situated as follows Beginning where the road crosses Spence branch adjoining the heirs of L. W. Shened running north 23 east 4 poles thence north 25 west 65 poles thence south 89 west to Wm. R. W. Sheneds line thence along Wm. R. W. Sheneds line 29 poles thence down thence a shale corner to the beginning and I give it to her children if any if no child to return to my heirs

In witness whereof I the said Frederick Taylor do hereunto set my hand and seal this 4th day of December A.D. 1865

Signed sealed published and declared by the said Frederick Taylor to be his last will and testament in the presence of us who subscribe at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto

J. G. & Parker

Wm. R. W. Shened

Frederick Taylor Esq

State of North Carolina

Jan'y Term 1866 of Martin County

The due execution of of the foregoing paper writing purporting to be and contain the last will and testament of Frederick Taylor dec^d was proved in open court by the oath of J. G. & Parker one of the subscribing witnesses thereto who swears that the said Frederick Taylor subscribed his name in the presence of the said witnesses in presence said witnesses and in presence Wm. R. W. Shened the other subscribing witness and that he J. G. & Parker read W. R. W. Shened subscribed the same as witness in the presence of and at the request of said Frederick Taylor that said Frederick Taylor was at the time of executing said paper writing of sound disposing mind and memory and that Wm. R. W. Shened the other subscribing witness is dead and that the signature purporting to be his is genuine and that said Shened deposed as witness in presence of said J. G. & Parker in presence of J. G. & Parker therefore let the said paper writing together with this certificate be recorded

Frederick Taylor