

June 1898

In the name of God Amen, I John Taylor of Madison County and State of Kentucky being in sound and perfect memory do this the eighteenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand eight hundred and ninety eight make and ordain the my last will and Testament in form and manner following (viz),

Item 1. I give with my hand to the Honorable God my body I commit to the earth hoping to be resurrected at the last day when the secrets of all hearts shall be revealed.

Item 1. I give unto my beloved wife Olive Taylor her share across of land including the land she purchased on Christiana during her natural lifetime or widowhood also I give unto my wife Olive one Negro man George during her life or widowhood also one mare called Liza also one saddle and bridle also one feather bed and furniture also twenty barrels of corn also one thousand pounds of pork also two sows & Pigs also two cows & calves also

two ewes & lambs also all my Pots and Crockets and Plates Cups & saucers. Knives & Forks &c. also one wooden wheel and cart also one flax wheel

Item 2. I give and bequeath unto my son Saml. C Taylor all the land lying between the lines of my son John line and Norton and John Estern Pros. Land also one Negro boy named Luntbert also one feather bed and furniture

Item 3. I give and bequeath unto my son Gordon Taylor one hundred and fifty acres of land beginning at fork of the Spring a general the end of the same before my son John's house running then along my son John's line to the back line to the upper corner of the Sunfield. thence across the Spring branch to the south side and around so far as will include the one hundred & fifty acres more or less also one Negro man named Lunt also one feather bed and furniture also one horse & Plow

Item 4. I give & bequeath unto my son Thomas Taylor two hundred acres of land in the same man or less to be laid off on the lower part of my adjoining William Robinson line also one Negro man named Andrew also one Negro girl named Cassell also one feather bed & furniture also one mare named Champion

Item 5. I give and bequeath unto my son William Taylor five dollars to him & his heirs forever.

Item 6. I give & bequeath unto my son Arden Taylor five dollars to him & his heirs forever.

Item 7. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Mrs. John Taylor five dollars for & her heirs forever.

Item 8. I give and bequeath unto my daughter Sarah Purvis four dollars to her & her heirs forever.

Item 9. I give & bequeath unto my daughter Anne Estern five dollars to her & her heirs forever.

Item 10. I give and bequeath unto my son Richard the hundred acres of land, the land which I sold to my wife during her natural life or widowhood also one Negro George also one bed and furniture and after paying all my just debts I will and it is my desire that all my payable property ^{not given away by me} be equally divided between my children viz John Taylor & C Taylor Gordon Taylor Mrs. Taylor & Sarah and Taylor. given under this Taylor & Sarah the thirtieth day of January one thousand eight hundred and ninety eight sealed up in a & delivered in the presence of us John Taylor My son. Thomas and John Taylor My son.

Lucas Wiley

H. Smith

J. Taylor

State of Kentucky, County of Madison
 Matthew County, before me June Term 1898
 The above will was proven in open court in the Court of Law and John Taylor & John Taylor
 then named qualified to execute the same

Attest J. W. M. 1898