

Benjamin Leggott's Will Continued

One Chest One Clock One Cart, three ploughs, one Bridle & Saddle two  
Hocks, Bows, and Kitchen furniture, the above articles, to be selected  
by himself. Item 5<sup>th</sup> I give my bequeath to my Sons William Leggett, Jr. &  
Joseph B. Leggett my Mill & Mill fixtures & hood  
equally, unto their heirs forever.

Item 6<sup>th</sup> I give my bequeath to my Son John B. Leggett the fol-  
lowing tract or part all of land, bounded as follows, Beginning  
at the Mill running thence with the Mill Path to Gun Branch  
to Richard Hayes line thence along said line to the run of Turkey  
Swamp, thence along the Danvers Cidney, at the Swamp to the Beginning  
to have and hold the same unto his heirs forever.

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I give my bequeath to my son Joseph B. Leggett and  
his heirs forever, all my land that lies in the North side of  
Granley Creek and on the West side of Turkey Run and.

Item 8<sup>th</sup> I give my bequeath unto my Son William Leggett and  
his heirs forever a tract of land Bounded & bounded as follows.  
Beginning at an Oak Tree William Leggett's Corner along the Mill, run-  
ning thence down Turkey Swamp to the new Road, thence along said  
Road to William Leggett's Corner, thence along William Leggett's line

to the Beginning. Item 9<sup>th</sup> The Negroes, Boys, Girls and Servants leave to my wife and the rest  
of the property mentioned in Item 4<sup>th</sup> after the death of my wife I give  
and bequeath like equally divided between my children now living  
and their heirs forever.

Item 10<sup>th</sup> I give my bequeath to my three Grand Children, Benjamin  
Isaac, Emma Eliza Isaac and John Rason Isaac my Negroes  
and their increase to be equally divided between them and  
in case either of them should die, leaving no Child or children,  
then to the survivor or survivors equally and in case they should all die  
without issue then the said Negroes and increase to be equally divided  
between my children now living and their heirs forever by Emma  
Roberson William Leggett, Jr. B. Leggett, Mrs. B. Leggett & Mary Mathilda

Item 11<sup>th</sup> It is my will and desire that all the balance of my negroes  
not heretofore mentioned together with the residue of my estate of every  
kind and description shall be divided equally among my children  
now living and to their heirs forever.

And lastly, I do hereby constitute and appoint my two Sons John B.  
Leggett and Joseph B. Leggett my lawful executors to all intents  
and purposes, to execute this my last Will and Testament according  
to the true and intent and meaning of the same - hereby revoking and  
declaiming all other, and all other Wills and Testaments by me heretofore made -  
In witness whereof I the said Benjamin Leggett do hereunto  
set my hand and seal this the 25<sup>th</sup> day of January A.D. 1862. Benjamin Leggett  
Signed sealed published and witnessed by said Ben. Leggett  
to be his last Will and Testament in the presence of

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as who at his request and in his presence  
do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto.

"John Walls,

"Sam'l W. Walls State of South Carolina

Marlboro County - Oct. 1864

Then was the foregoing  
paper wording purporting to be the last Will and Testament of Benjamin  
Leggett due exhibited in open Court for probate by M. B. Leggett  
one of the Executors therein named, and the due execution thereof by the  
said Benjamin Leggett proved by the Oath and examination of John  
Walls one of the subscribing witnesses aforesaid. It is therefore Considered  
and by the Court that the said paper wording and every part and  
clause thereof is the last Will and Testament of the said Benjamin  
Leggett and the same is Ordained to be recorded & filed - and  
hereupon the said John B. Leggett Executor aforesaid duly  
qualified as such by taking the Oath required by Law.

H. H. Harrell Clerk

Heatha Cushing's Will

State of South Carolina { We now all men by these  
Marlboro County } presents that I Heatha Cushing  
being in sound mind and memory thanks be to God for the  
same but knowing the certainty of death do make and  
ordain this my last will and testament as follows to wit  
After paying all my just debts

1<sup>st</sup> I lend to my niece Louisa S. Harrell one negro woman by the  
name of Matria also one negro girl by the name of Margaret  
during her life and at her death to her children to them and another  
heirs forever them and all their increase

2<sup>nd</sup> I lend to my niece Louisa S. Harrell all my land  
during her life and at her death to her children to them  
and their heirs forever, I also give to my niece Louisa S.  
Harrell one bed and furniture and one trunk, and to the  
said Louisa's other daughter Delah S. Harrell one Bed and  
furniture and one trunk it is my desire that my  
negro man George be sold among death and the  
proceeds be equally divided between Nida S. Harrell  
& Delah S. Harrell.

I do hereby constitute and appoint  
my friend William A. Brown Executor to this my  
last Will and Testament revoking all other Wills

Martha Cushing's Will Continued

What I may have made prior to this date writing whereof  
I have hereunto set my hand and affixed my seal this the  
Sixteenth day of May in the year of our Lord one thousand  
Eight hundred and fifty nine —

Signed in the presence of / Martha Cushing etc  
Archibald Staton  
Benj. Martin

Revenue Stamps  
one dollar

Martha County-in Probate Court —  
A paper purporting to be the last will and testament of  
Martha Cushing deceased is exhibited before me the undersigned  
judge of probate for said county by Thomas M. Carroll Esquire to  
wif's interest therin named and the execution thereof by  
Martha Cushing by the oaths and examination of  
Archibald Staton and Benj. Martin the subscribing  
witnesses thereto who being duly sworn doth depose and  
say and each for himself deposes and saith that he is a  
subscribing witness to the paper writing now shown him  
purporting to be the last will and testament of Martha  
Cushing. That the said Martha Cushing in the presence  
of this defendant subscribed her name at the end of said paper  
writing which is now shown as aforesaid and which  
bear date on the 16<sup>th</sup> day of May 1859. And defendant further  
saith that said Martha Cushing attested after said did  
at the time of her subscribing her name as aforesaid declare said  
paper writing so subscribed by her, and exhibited to be her last will  
and testament and this defendant did thereto subscribe his name  
at end of said will as and attesting witness thereto and at  
the request and in the presence of said testator, and this  
defendant further saith that at the said time, and when the  
said testator subscribed her name to said last will as  
aforesaid and at the time of the defendant subscribing his  
name as an attesting witness thereto as aforesaid the  
said Martha Cushing was of sound mind and memory,  
of full age to execute a will and was not under any restraint  
to the knowledge informed in or belief of this defendant.  
And further this defendant say not — Archibald Staton  
Sworn and subscriber before me this 21<sup>st</sup> day of Decr 1868. for the said will and affidavit  
be it execused with this certificate

16<sup>th</sup> January Probate Judge

Joshua Taylors Will

State of North Carolina and the County of Martin know  
all men by these presents that J. Joshua Taylor of the County  
aforesaid being of sound and disposing memory  
do make and ordain this my last will and testament in  
manner and in form as follows viz.

Item 1<sup>st</sup> I give and bequeath to my two daughters Charity  
Ellen and Florida three hundred acres of land,  
beginning at the dividing line between said Joshua Taylor  
And W. M. Purvis running out to the road leading from  
Hamilton to Millington, thence up the road to a bridge  
over the Chapel Branch running down said branch to  
nearly opposite a persimmon tree standing in the upper  
end of the Cotton Patch laurel by Right thereof this  
year, thence across to the main run of the Canocho Creek so  
as to include all of the mill field.

Item 2<sup>nd</sup> Of either of the girls die before attaining at the  
age twenty one years, the other shall have her part of said  
lands, I also give to my daughter Charity Ellen my bureau  
and silver cup and a set of silver tea spoons and table  
forks, And I give to my daughter Florida from my  
wardrobe a set of silver tea and table spoons, one  
set of China Ware, I also give to Charity Ellen one  
set of China.

Item 3<sup>rd</sup> The balance of my lands I give to my two sons  
William H and Franklin Taylor, It is my will and  
desire that my stock shall be kept on the farm after farming  
implements and be owned by all my children for their mutual  
benefit. Item 4<sup>th</sup> It is my will and desire that my  
executors shall manage the whole farm, calculate and pay  
the expenses of my sons Franklin or Wm H. Taylor and my  
daughters Charity Ellen and Florida the Taylor and the  
balance of the ~~farm~~ shall belong to all my children.

Item 5<sup>th</sup> On Franklin's attaining at the age of Twenty one  
years he can draw his share of lands if he thinks proper  
Item 6<sup>th</sup> I give to my son Joshua three hundred Dollars to be  
raised out of the cotton on hand.

Item 7<sup>th</sup> I give to my son H. A. and D. Dawson Taylor  
One hundred Dollars to be paid out of the cotton on hand.

Item 8<sup>th</sup> I give to my son Franklin my large pistol  
Also four dollars in cash when my cotton is sold.

Item 9<sup>th</sup> I give to my two daughters Twenty dollars in  
Gold apiece when they are nearly grown and also  
my parlor furniture and two of my best bed-