

State of North Carolina
 This is to certify that F. Mary E. Bryan
 of the State and County before named
 being in a low state of health but having as sound a mind as ever
 I had do make and declare the following as my last will and
 Testament viz.

I want my three daughters Francis C. Susan C. and Ella George
 and Bryan to have one bed and furniture each three trunks
 one in each when necessary for them to be got for their use

I want my two sons Benjamin H. & John W. Bryan to have the
 small trundle bed and the furniture for the same also one chest
 also fifty dollars each in specie to make as near equal as the girls
 beds

I want my executor to sell all the balance of my property and
 convert all the funds that may come into her hand into specie
 if he thinks best and after paying off and settling my estate for
 the balance to be equally divided between my five children share
 and share alike I hereby appoint Benjamin C. L. Bryan
 my executor to this my last will & Testament

Witness my hand and seal March 22nd 1867
 Mary E. Bryan (Sd)

Bryant Bennett
 J. W. Sherrod

State of North Carolina

March Term 1867

The within paper writing purporting to be the last will
 and Testament of Mary E. Bryan was exhibited in open Court
 by Benj. L. to Bryan the executor therein named for probate and
 the due execution thereof being proven by the oaths of Bryant Bennett
 and J. W. Sherrod his subscribing witnesses thereto it is ordered and
 adjudged by the Court that said paper writing and every part
 thereof and clause thereof is the last will and Testament of
 Mary E. Bryan Let it and the certificate be recorded
 Ex. duly qualified by taking the oath of office

Jos. Newman Clk

In the name of God, Amen I James R. Purvis of the County of Martin and
 State of North Carolina being of sound disposing mind and memory do make
 publish and declare this to be my last will and Testament hereby revoking
 all others in manner and form following To wit

Item first I give unto my sister Arlinda Stevenson my tract or
 parcel of Land lying and being in Martin County in the North side of
 Concho Creek said tract is more particularly described in a deed
 from Joshua Taylor to me the condition of this gift of the foregoing
 land is to pay to my sister Arlinda Stevenson the sum of Four
 hundred dollars which I justly owe her and provided she receives
 the same in payment and in case she refuses to accept the same on
 the foregoing conditions it is my will and desire that my executors
 hereinafter named shall sell the said tract of land and pay
 the said amount out of the proceeds of such sale

Item 2 I lend to my sister Arlinda Stevenson during her
 natural life my home tract of land and at her death I give the
 said land unto her children George and Willie and their heirs
 forever (Provided and with the distinct condition that my mother
 Elizabeth Purvis shall have and claim a home at my house
 and upon my home tract during her natural life if she desire
 it

Item third I give all my stock of cattle to my sister Arlinda
 Stevenson

Item 4th I give unto my sister Laura Purvis my gold watch &
 chain

Item 5th I give unto my sister Ocellar Purvis one gold chain

Item 6th I give unto my Bro. W. H. Purvis my double barreled gun
 and walking cane

Item 7th All the residue of my estate of every description
 notes accounts debts in action or possession I leave for my executor
 hereinafter named to collect and sell or so dispose of as he may
 think best for the interest of my estate and heirs

And lastly I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my brother
 Wm. H. Purvis my executor to this my last will and Testament
 this 20 Sept. A.D. 1865
 James R. Purvis