

hand should deliver and distribute, in being administered to the estate to be included in estate and should in case of the death of my executor nothing doubting but at the general resurrection shall receive the same again by mighty power of God, and do the living dead world by lot, who with what should have to help me in this life. I give leave & dispose of in the following manner & herein -

Item I bequeath all my household to be paid to the my executor expenses -

Item I give my well beloved daughter Charlotte her share of inheritance in money in sundries to the amount of one hundred & thirty Dollars and do bequeath the same to her for her proper use -

Item I bequeath to my well beloved daughter Mary her share in sundries of the same kind to same amount of one hundred & thirty Dollars also a bed & furniture left her by her grand mother Lynne her mother

Item I bequeath to my well beloved daughter Mary her share in sundries of the same kind to the same amount of one hundred & thirty Dollars.

Item It is my will & pleasure that my two daughters Mary & John be each be paid to them each one a trade with the cash one & the other when they be about eighteen years of age or sooner if convenient -

Item I will my two negroes big Jack & Polly (now called Mary) to my beloved wife who as yet has showing her life & after her death I will my negro man Jack to my son James, and my negro girl Mary after my wife death to my son John & each of the said negroes Mary & Jack I will leave them to be disposed of by my beloved wife Margaret her as convenient as may be to her

Item It is my will & pleasure that my plantation be equally divided between my two sons big James & John at the discretion of my Executors, & if one should die before the age of twenty one, then his part of the land to descend to the other son & if both should die to be left to my wife as above -

Item I bequeath to my beloved wife after her death her third of the plantation during her life & the farming utensils to be kept on the place together with the stock of every kind -

Item My books on the Original Language by Helmer, Greek & Latin I leave to be sold if one then of my sons should incline to go to the

Learning, and if either of them does then the said book to belong to him
the remainder of my books to belong to my wife during her life and
then divided among my sons & daughters.

Item. It is my will & pleasure that the household furniture shall belong to
my wife during her life & then to be divided up as she sees fit of my

Item. I constitute make & ordain William Noble & James Nelson my
Executors of this my last Will & Testament, and do hereby setting
down that they are at all & every other Testament, Will or Legacy
to give & Executors in me in any way before they have received full
& perfect satisfaction & confirming this & none other to be my
last Will & Testament, In Witness whereof I have set my hand
and date the day & year above written.

Signed, sealed, published, pronounced & declared
by the said David Bear as his last Will & Testament
in the presence of -

Matthew Cox
John Ridgway
John Fowle

David Bear { Seal }

In the Name of God Amen. The 18th day of July 1844 I
David Bear of the County of Mecklenburg, State of North Carolina
being sick & weak in body, but of sound mind & memory, and
calling to mind the mortality of my body & desiring that I
apparented for all men here to die; Do make & declare this my
last Will & Testament, And as touching such lawfully estate
whereunto I have at present God to bless me in this life, I give
& dispose of the same in the following manner & form viz
After all my legal debts are paid - I give & bequeath
to my well beloved wife Polly all my household furniture
my gray mare & a mule horse. The remainder of my
property to be left under the direction of my Executors
for the purpose of raising my family during my wife's
widowhood or until the said come of age, then the pro-
perty not before disposed of to be equally divided among