

State of North Carolina,  
Crash County, 1883 In the Probate Court.  
A paper purporting to be the last Will and testament of Sarah  
C. Hicks deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned Judge  
of Probate for said county, by D. S. Hicks the executor therein  
mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said Sarah C. Hicks  
by the oath and examination of H. H. Harper & H. M. Riddins the Subscri-  
bing Witness thereto, who, being duly sworn, doth depose and say  
and each for him self respectively, and saith, that he is a subscribing  
Witness to the paper writing now shown him purporting to be  
the last will and testament of Sarah C. Hicks that the said Sarah  
C. Hicks in the presence of this deponent subscribed his name at  
the end of said paper writing which now shown as aforesaid and  
which bears date of the 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 1884. And the  
deponent further saith, that the said Sarah C. Hicks the testator  
aforesaid did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid  
declare the said paper writing to be subscribed by him and relative  
to his last Last Will and Testament, and this deponent did then  
upon subscribe his name, at the end of said Will as an attesting  
Witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said  
testator, And this deponent further saith, that at the said time  
when the said testator subscribed his name, to the said last  
will as aforesaid, and at the time of deponents subscribing  
his name, as an attesting Witness thereto, as aforesaid, the said  
Sarah C. Hicks was of sound mind and memory, of full age to  
execute a will and was not under any restraint to the knowledge  
information or belief of this deponent. And further this  
deponent saith not.

H. H. Harper (Seal)  
H. M. Riddins

Generally sworn and subscribed  
this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 1884 before me,  
Jno. P. Morgan  
Probate Judge.

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A paper purporting to be the last will and testament  
of H. H. Harper, deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned  
Judge of Probate for said county by H. G. Griffie the executor  
therin mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said  
H. H. Harper by the oath and examination of Jeff Work and J. L. Bissell  
the subscribing Witnesses thereto who, being duly sworn, doth depose  
and say, And each for him self respectively and saith, that he is  
a subscribing Witness to the paper writing now shown him  
purporting to be the last will & testament of H. H. Harper  
that the said H. H. Harper in the presence of this deponent  
subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing  
which now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date  
of the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 1884. The deponent further saith that  
the said H. H. Harper the testator aforesaid, did at the time of sub-  
scribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing  
as subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last will and testament  
and this deponent did thereon subscribe his name at the end

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In the name of God amen. I, William H. Harper of the County of  
Crash and State of North Carolina, being of sound mind and  
memory, but considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence,  
do make, declare and publish this my last paper writing to be my last  
will and testament in manner and form as follows, I give and bequeath  
to my grand daughter Madie Taylor one bed, two steel mattresses one  
sheet and one bed quilt it being the bed I now use,

I leave to my daughter Sarah Hicks all my other personal  
property, of every kind whatsoever, for the term of her natural  
life.

At the death of my daughter Sarah Hicks I give and bequeath to  
my grand daughter Madie Taylor and Gena Harper all the property  
herein bequeath to my daughter Sarah Hicks to be equally divided  
between them.

I hereby nominate constitute and appoint my grandson  
Henry H. Harper and my friend H. G. Griffie my executors to this  
my last will and testament to execute the same and every part  
thereof. I witness where I have hereunto set my hand and seal  
this the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 1884.

H. H. Harper (Seal)  
William H. Harper (Seal)  
Jefferson, N.C.  
J. G. Bissell

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Crash County.

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of H. H. Harper, deceased is exhibited before me, the undersigned  
Judge of Probate for said county by H. G. Griffie the executor  
therin mentioned and the due execution thereof by the said  
H. H. Harper by the oath and examination of Jeff Work and J. L. Bissell  
the subscribing Witnesses thereto who, being duly sworn, doth depose  
and say, And each for him self respectively and saith, that he is  
a subscribing Witness to the paper writing now shown him  
purporting to be the last will & testament of H. H. Harper  
that the said H. H. Harper in the presence of this deponent  
subscribed his name at the end of said paper writing  
which now shown as aforesaid, and which bears date  
of the 9<sup>th</sup> day of May 1884. The deponent further saith that  
the said H. H. Harper the testator aforesaid, did at the time of sub-  
scribing his name as aforesaid, declare the said paper writing  
as subscribed by him and exhibited to be his last will and testament  
and this deponent did thereon subscribe his name at the end

of said Will as an attesting Witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said testator, And the deponent further saith that at the said time when the said testator purposed his name to the said last Will, as of record and at the time of deponents subscribing his name as an attesting Witness thereto as a fore said the said W<sup>m</sup> H<sup>r</sup> Harper was of sound mind and memory of full age to execute a Will and W<sup>m</sup> H<sup>r</sup> under any restraint to the knowledge or information aforesaid of this deponent, And furthermore aforesaid say next,

J. G. Sibley (Seal)

Sincerely sworn and subscribed  
this 9<sup>th</sup> day of April 1874, before me }  
Joe P. Morgan }  
Probated judge.

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I John Dugier of the County of Stark and State of North Carolina being of sound mind and memory and considering the uncertainty of my earthly existence do make and declare this my last Will and Testament in manner and form following that is to say, First That my executor shall provide for my body a decent burial suitable to the wishes of my family, and pay all funeral expenses, together with my just debts, however and to whom soever owing, out of the money that may come into his hands, as a part or parcel of my estate.

I give and bequeath to my son Francis M. Dugier to him and his heirs forever twenty four acres of land as laid down in the plat the house tract by reference to said plat Will. Show course, and distance,

I give and bequeath to my son W<sup>m</sup> G. Dugier to him and his heirs forever the middle tract as said plat will show containing forty five acres,

I give and bequeath to my son John R. Dugier to him and his heirs forever the lower tract as set forth in said plat containing fifty acres, my further will and desire is that my son W<sup>m</sup> G. Dugier pay over to my executor twenty dollars and my son John R. Dugier twenty dollars, to be equally divided between them. W<sup>m</sup> Harper and my daughter Nancy Dugier, say eighty dollars to each them their heirs forever I also give to my said daughter, Nancy one bed and furniture to her and her heirs forever. Further, I give and bequeath to my son Francis M. Dugier all my personal property at my death of every description to him and his heirs

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foremost. I do hereby constitute and appoint my youngest son Francis M. Dugier my lawful executor to all intents and purposes to execute this my last Will and Testament, according to the true intent and meaning of the same, and every part and clause thereof hereby revoking and declaring utterly void all other Wills and Testaments by me hitherto performed,

In witness whereof I the said John Dugier do hereunto set my hand and seal this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April A.D. 1874.

John Dugier (Seal)

Signed, sealed, published and declared by the said John Dugier to be his last Will and Testament, in the presence of me, who at his request and in his presence do subscribe our names as witnesses thereto,

John H. Stone  
H. C. Snell  
Jas. R. Harper

State of North Carolina }  
Stark County } 88 In the Probate Court,  
A paper purporting to be the last Will and Testament of John Dugier deceased, is exhibited before me, the undersigned Judge of Probate for said County, by, T. M. Dugier the testator therein mentioned, and the due execution thereof by the said John Dugier, by the oath and examination of John H. Stone and H. C. Snell, the undersigned Witnesses thereto, who, being duly sworn, as they respectively say and each for himself deposed and said, that he is subscribing witness to the paper writing now before him, purporting to be the last will and testament of John Dugier that the said John Dugier in the presence of this deponent, subscribe his name at the end of said paper writing, which is now shown therefore said, and which bears date of the 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 1874. And the aforesaid further saith that the said John Dugier is the testator aforesaid, did at the time of subscribing his name as aforesaid, accompany the said paper writing as an attorney by him, and exhibited to be the last will and testament, and this deponent did thereupon subscribe his name at the end of said will as an attesting witness thereto, and at the request and in the presence of the said testator and this deponent further saith, that at the said time when the said testator exhibited his name to the said last